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BROADBRIM'S LETTER.

A Small Cloud, But It Portends Evil.

CONGRESS' TROUBLED LOOK.

HOPE TO TRAITORS BY IMPENDING CONFLICT.

Violent Opposition to Mayor Low—Trying to Reduce New York City Government Expenses—Phenomenal Success of American Girl in Grand Opera.

(Whig correspondence, letter No. 1,289.)

New York, Jan. 31.—It's a cloud no bigger than a man's hand, but more portentious of evil than any clouded peophet that has governed politics in the present generation. A mail steamer is departing from the harbor and among its human freight it bears a man who might be called a child of destiny. That man is Richard Croker. He who once held the power of an autocrat as absolute and supreme as the emperor of Russia or the shah of Persia. No one questioned his supremacy within the lines of his own party. He was the example of his own power; he asked for no opinion, he needed no advice; he had inner counsel; silent and alone he held the treasures of that gigantic organization. Millions of dollars passed through his hands, no man dared to question his outlay; we only know that a very poor man was humbly soliciting a position in the board of public works with a very meagre salary, hardly enough to support in modest decency his family then living in a flat. A few years later we find him the associate of millionaires, and are startled at his rapid rise to wealth, till we hear of him offering $90,000 for a race course. Then we hear of strings of famous horses, whose kingly pedigree runs back into remote ages perhaps even to that time when Hagar and her infant son were banished from the tent of Abraham. The currah of Kildare, where his ancestors rode the best equine blood that Ireland could afford, and where his ancestors lost and won fortunes a hundred years ago. The Crokers of to-day no longer mix with the sporting population from Wicklow to Londonderry. The present representative of the Crokers no longer consort with the English squires who dwell between Yorkshire and England's capital. His horses are to be found upon the Derby and every other race course in Great Britain, where it was said he dropped a nice little fortune last year.

As the magnificent steamship on which he embarked, sailed majestically down the harbor he was anxiously watched by four men. "Dick is going for three years," said one. He would not have said Dick if the leader had been within earshot. "Indeed he is not," replied one of the others, "nor for three months, and I should not wonder to see the impression of his boot heel within the next three weeks." It is evident that there is treason abroad; it is impossible to tell at the present moment how far the defection has spread. "He won't take his orders," said one of the malcontents. "We will not obey his orders." But the new leader, Lewis Nixon, sits firmly in the saddle, where his former leader sat unchallenged for seventeen years. When we speak of Tammany hall but one figure rises before us, solitary and alone, ecce homo—it's Richard Croker. And now the question that only can be answered at the polls is: Can treason work the ruin of Tammany in the absence of its great leader? "I will come back if you want me," he said on parting, and that promise the democratic leaders believe he will keep.

Matters in congress have a troubled look, and a conflict is impending which will give hope to every traitor in the Philippines. It only implies the loss of more lives and the expenditure of many more millions of dollars, but the men who are giving hope to the abettors of treason may rest assured, as the sun shines and darkness succeeds the day, that the government of the United States will take no step backward. The great error of our government has been a leaning too far on the side of mercy. It's a policy which brings them to believe that the government is afraid of them.

To those who have studied the question it is as clear as the sunlight that opposition is breaking to pieces, and that the day is not far distant when there will be a general collapse and the pirates and thieves who have dominated all the thoroughfares on the island of Luzon will either have to submit to organized government or be tried at a drumhead court martial or driven into the sea.

In one of the pleasantest portions of the West Indies is the little Danish island of St. Thomas. For many years it has been one of those quiet, dreamy old places, a hundred years behind the times. The harbor is a fine one, being completely surrounded by high hills and good anchorage which makes it one of the most desirable places in the West Indies to take a good, long rest. Wandering tourists of high degree like to go there for the broad hospitality it extends, and the United States has for a great length of time had an eye on this tight little island, and was on the eve of purchasing it nearly thirty years ago. Senator Summer of Massachusetts, opposed the measure and finally defeated it. His opposition alone was not enough to defeat it, but it seemed as if the elements were in his favor, for a violent earthquake occurred while negotiations were pending, which caused a delay and prevented it being taken up again until the present time. It is now a very desirable coaling station for our West Indian fleet, and will enable us to keep continually posted as to what our neighbors are doing. Though the island has belonged to Denmark for more than a century, English is spoken by a majority of the people, and the most important paper published on the island is printed in the English language. I visited the island twice some years ago, and from our favorable reception, I should judge that the people generally, were in favor of annexation to the United States.

Quite a violent opposition has demonstrated itself against mayor Low with regard to the administration of the law for suppressing the sale of liquor on the christian Sabbath. Among others who are found in opposition to him at the present time to my surprise I find the name of Dr. Parkhurst. The doctor is a man, who is not afraid to call a spade a spade, and he has written a sharp letter to our mayor, calling the attention of his honor to the fact that the excise law which forbids the sale of liquors on the Sabbath is not properly executed and, while there may have been a slight amendment, many of the saloons still rejoice in the open door, and the question arises where and how did they get their pull. It's no use mincing matters; we might as well acknowledge the fact that we have a difficult subject to tackle, which is as difficult to understand and get through as it was for the ancient traveller to find his way through the labyrinth. There are conflicting differences which seem most difficult to reconcile.

It has been the habit of Dr. Parkhurst to visit the Tyrol for a number of years past, and while in that land of deep and lofty mountains he used to imagine himself quite a Tyrolese, and when in Tyrol to do as Tyrolese do. Now every one knows that knows anything at all that the Tyrolese are very fond of book beer, that it rounded up the muscles, that it cleared the brain for action against all sins and sinners, and, in fact, was generally wholesome and suggestive of virtue and a better life. And so the good doctor took a mild bracer in the morning, and found it to his advantage to try a little of it through the day, and as in those elevated regions the air is so light as to be a severe test of his stamina, he found it beneficial to use it as a nightcap. On reaching New York he was very violently attacked by an army of temperance supporters who were going to read him out of meeting, but they did not know their man. The man who withstood the bombarding he received, while exposing one of the most heinous crimes in New York, did not show his back to his enemies. He faced them and with his left duke gave them such a knock out under the jaw that they concluded that the best thing they could do with Dr. Parkhurst was to let him alone. He believed then, and believes now, that good bock beer is a very wholesome tonic. The mayor, however, contends that he administers the law as well as it can be administered in a miscellaneous population. He insists on a wholesome observation of the christian Sabbath. The streets and all public places are so conducted and cared for that no church congregation is disturbed nor the peace of religious meeting violated.

There is one thing that looks well for the reformers, and of that they may feel justly proud. An honest effort is being made in all departments to reduce the expenses of the city's government, which has increased so fearfully within the last few years. The city's expenses only a few years ago was declared by its officials to be something less than $42,000,000. Such has been the fearful increase of salaries and every other form of expense in the past few years that the city may think itself fortunate if it shall be able to settle the past year's expenses for a round $100,000,000. According to the power given, any department had power to issue contracts for anything which it might require, and if the amount was less than $1,000 they were not compelled to advertise; by the following ingenious subterfuge if they required $5,000 worth of goods, instead of making out an order for $5,000, they divided it into five parts, and thus escaped the law. The contracts were always given to those who had a strong pull and understood perfectly the law of division and silence. Thousands of such orders were given in all the departments; the result was that the reformers will have few contracts and will, therefore, be unable to advance the interests of their friends. The executioner's axe is now swaying right and left and the heads are falling into the basket. Over a million have been cut off in a single department. Go on, good executioner; go on; don't be weary of well doing; as long as you keep right the public will support you, and as you leave your offices in the future you will hear this judgment to gladden your hearts: "Well done; well done, thou good and faithful servant."

I noticed in one of our leading papers last week that a number of young girls in different states in the union, excited by the phenomenal success of the young American girl, Bessie Abbott Pickens, in Paris, at the grand opera, are on their way to France, determined to duplicate if possible this young American's achievement. It might be well to learn before spending much money how this young woman was educated and whether her wondrous achievement was the result of mere chance or luck. If there be a person on our planet who entertains such an idea let them banish it at once. The position she holds to-day in the musical world was the result of hard and toilsome work.

I was announced to speak at the village of Huyelton, and on arriving there called on the postmaster as directed, and was cordially received, as he was to be my protector while within the lines of his bailiwick. He remarked, "My dear sir, our hotel accommodations are very inferior and if you will kindly accept my poor hospitality I should be glad to entertain you." I gladly accepted and was soon ensconced in my protector's home which was a beautiful cottage on the banks of a delightful mountain stream which emptied its waters into the St. Lawrence. As I entered the parlor two very little children peered curiously from the door, seemingly to wonder at the appearance of a stranger. In a short time dinner was announced and as I entered the Pickens' cottage to dine a rustle of silk was heard on the stairs, and madame Pickens entered the room and, with a formal and stately inclination of the head, said: "Who have I the honor of addressing?" I introduced myself as briefly as possible and the lady led the way to the dining-room. During the dinner the conversation turned to European travel. That was a subject on which I was perfectly au fait. I had visited all the capitals and when the dinner was over I was as much at home as if I were in my own house.

In the evening after my meeting the neighbors filled the Pickens' house. Mrs. Pickens sat at the piano and the two little midgets furnished the company with some excellent music. As the twins stood beside their stately mother I could not, in my wildest dream, have guessed that before me was the musical queen of the grand opera at Paris whose magnificent success on her first appearance was so pronounced.

Miss Abbott's success was only achieved by hard and patient toil—a toil that never fainted nor paused till the veiled prophet of Khorassan drove her on to fame and fortune.

To those who are now crossing the ocean hoping to duplicate Bessy Abbott's success I would say work, work through the summer's heat and the winter's storm.

Great preparations are being made for the reception of prince Henry, the German emperor's brother, who visits us to witness the launching of his brother's yacht, which is said to be one of the most beautiful pieces of naval architecture that ever floated on the sea. The receptions now going forward give promise of a brief season of matchless splendor. If he escapes our hospitality with his life he will save us a coroner's inquest.

—BROADBRIM.

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Mrs. Ann McDonald, Kingsville, Ont., states: "For about three years I was a dreadful sufferer from Eczema. At times the patches of raw, flaming flesh would extend from my waist to my neck, and from the knees to the ankles. The intense itching almost drove me crazy, and though I tried all the local physicians, they could not even relieve the suffering. The flesh would crack open, and I don't believe anyone ever suffered more than I did.

"I was told of Dr. Chase's Ointment, but did not believe that it could help me. After the fifth application of this preparation I began to feel the benefit of its soothing, healing effects, and now attribute a cure to the persistent use of this wonderful remedy. It is truly worth its weight in gold, and I never tire of recommending it to other sufferers."

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Denbigh Doings.

Denbigh, Jan. 28.—The heavy snow storms last week nearly isolated us for a while. Even the mail carriers could not get through. A new post office, called Slate Falls, is to be opened in the Thompson settlement, about six miles north of this village, on February 1st, with Walter Thompson as postmaster. The mail service between Denbigh and Slate Falls will be bi-weekly. Rev. Paul Besig and Mrs. Besig were expected home from Harristown, Pa., last week, but failed to arrive. Theodore Thompson has returned home from the general hospital, Kingston, where he has been for treatment, and had an operation successfully performed. He is greatly improved and a complete recovery is hoped for. Charles Stein, sr., very sick for several weeks, has improved remarkably lately, and hopes soon to be able to add a few more years to his four score and three. Thomas Ferguson, also very low, has begun to mend during the last few days. Stanley Perry, who had the misfortune to fracture the bone on one of his legs, in dropping down a tree, and who is being treated at the Chaston house by Dr. Graham, is, in spite of the most careful treatment he gets, not improving very fast, and it will probably be a long time yet before he will be able to use his sore limb again.

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Chicago Tribune.

Two years ago the Tribune noted with great satisfaction that the year 1899 was a record-breaker in donations and bequests to educational institutions, libraries, art museums, charities and religious enterprises of various kinds, the total amounting to "the colossal sum" of $79,749,956. Last year it expressed moderate satisfaction because of 1900 was "a close second," the total amounting to $62,401,001. To-day the Tribune has extreme satisfaction in announcing that 1901 goes far beyond 1899, the total of the good work reaching the extraordinary sum of $125,588,732, with the possibility that Mr. Carnegie or some other philanthropic millionaire may make it a round $125,000,000 within the next eighteen hours.

Of this huge sum $68,500,361 has been given to colleges, universities, academies, seminaries and institutes; $22,417,470 to charities of various kinds; $15,388,709 to libraries; $11,130,112 to museums and art galleries, and $6,288,489 to churches. The latter sum, of course, does not include the ordinary church offerings, but only specified sums left by will or presented outright. More than half of this great sum has been given by three persons, as follows: Andrew Carnegie, $42,888,500; Jane L. Stanford, $20,000,000, and John D. Rockefeller, $2,889,750. In the detailed list there are twenty-eight gifts ranging from $500,000 to $50,000,000, for various purposes, and fifty-one gifts to colleges, ranging from $100,000 to $50,000,000.

Andrew Carnegie has been quite fortunate in getting rid of some of these millions which he does not wish found in his possession at the last. He has come much nearer averting "the disgrace" this year than he did last. His favorite work of founding libraries has been largely increased, for whereas in 1899 he set up thirty-four libraries at a cost of $3,503,500, and nineteen in 1900 at a cost of $685,000, this year he has planted 109 at a cost of $12,885,500, making for the three years 162 libraries in various parts of the country. Thus far fourteen states and territories have escaped him, but undoubtedly he will find them out and supply their needs. This done, he must find other outlets for his money, and this he is evidently beginning to do, as he has already offered $10,000,000, which probably will be increased for a national university, and it is intimated on good authority that a million each to Yale and Columbia colleges may come as New Year's gifts to these institutions. It is noticeable also that he is beginning to contribute to charities. Evidently he is determined not to die disgraced.

As to the ultimate consequences of this wholesale and indiscriminate giving to educational institutions, some important questions may yet be raised, and indeed some thoughtful persons are already doubting the wisdom of such gifts. But this does not detract from the philanthropic spirit displayed by many wealthy men. It is pleasant to note their liberality, and to compare this magnificent sum of $12,888,732 given away with the comparatively small sum of $4,085,569 taken by the embezzlers in 1901.

A Canadian Kipling Needed.

Knowonian in the Westminster.

We need a Kipling in Canada more than one is needed in England. The people over there who make a business of sport, who live simply for amusement, have, as a rule, plenty of money and can afford to make amusement a business, so far as their finances are concerned. Few Canadians can afford to live any such useless and ignoble life. Those who try generally make the experiment on their father's money, or on the earnings of their husbands, and the funds thus obtained soon come to an end.

Yes, we need a Kipling to rebuke us for our follies, and to tell us the honest truth about ourselves. Cricket and curling and some other games are noble pastimes, and people are benefitted by engaging in them. But is that any reason why people should carry other amusements to extremes that ruin their health, unfit them for every kind of duty, and their minds to imbecility? Canada needs a Kipling.

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