

## A LITTLE CHIVALRY

By Savoyard.

It is a cock and bull story in the history to the effect of the battle of Fontenay the household troops of France advanced to the front, and, halting, said to the British: "Gentlemen, will you be so good as to fire first?" It would seem as though Champ Clark and Jim Mann were so laden with political chivalry in our day that they would emulate the military chivalry of the legions Marshal Saxe led to glory and to victory, more than a century and a half ago.

There was the Hon. Mann beseeching the Republican governor of New York to call a special election to fill a vacancy on the Democratic side of the house of representatives before the Sixty-fifth congress should convene, and the Hon. Clark, not to be outdone by the Republican chieftain, hoped the Democrats of the New Hampshire legislature would insist on a change of the law of that State so as to authorize an election to fill the vacancy in the congressional delegation from New Hampshire prior to April 16.

There is nothing wrong in such chivalry. It is good policy, and what is good policy is good politics. The famous Yankee philosopher wrote: "Never a magnanimity that fell to the ground," and it is true. There might be some objection to pairing those two districts because of a pretty well grounded expectation that both will return Democrats at the special elections.

There was very little doubt that the Democrats would organize the Sixty-fifth congress. Whatever else the Republican party may be, and it is a heap of things, mostly bad, the Republican party is not a fool, and it would have been a fool thing for that party to jump in and grab a part of the big load of responsibility now resting on those in power. There was a deal of fool talk about a "coalition." We have never done that thing that way in our country and there is no likelihood that we ever shall do it. We are not built that way.

The fellowship, that amounts to chumship, existing between Randall Clark and Jim Mann savors of the beautiful. How much of it, if any, is due to a common aversion is not quite clear. More likely it is the fruit of a common mediocrity. Champ was born a sophomore, lives a sophomore, and will die a sophomore. Jim was born a plodder, lives a plodder, and will die a plodder. When Champ in a burst of fervid patriotism declared in an ecstatic speech in congress that the second election of Grover Cleveland to the presidency was the greatest calamity that had overtaken mankind since the fall of Adam, he brought down the house. When Jim contended that congress should edit, or censor, the roll of guests at a White House luncheon, he was guilty of an asininity little less in degree than what Champ had said of the man who had established—had created in fact—the national credit.

When I first got to this town Sam Randall was the Democratic speaker and Pig Iron Kelley the titular leader of the minority, though Garfield was the real leader of that side. From the same State, there was little difference in the political views of Randall and Kelley. The speaker was an old Whig and a Democrat in nothing in the world except his opposition to the Southern reconstruction policy of the Republican party. Kelley began public life a Democrat and a free trader, and became the stoutest champion of robber protection of his time. He was a Green-backer too, and would have ceased the coinage of both gold and silver if it had been in his power. He would have substituted the printing press for the mint.

But there was no fellowship, or chumship, existing between Champ and Kelley such as maintains between Clark and Mann. They were not built that way.

The six years that Mr. Carlisle was speaker the leadership of the minority was "in commission," so to speak, as they sometimes put the "Great Seal" in England. Reed was the real leader, but McKinley, Hisscock, Burrows and Cannon also led, though old Pig Iron Kelley was yet the titular leader. The latter, though the "Father of the House," was densely ignorant of the rules, and even when his party was in power and a tariff bill was on foot, he could not get along without a lieutenant, and generally McKinley was the lieutenant.

In 1890 the Democrats availed themselves of the fine opportunity to make a stupendous mistake. They

had the biggest majority in the Fifty-second congress any party ever had in any congress. The victory was won on the tariff issue, and Roger Q. Mills typified that victory. He was a Roman, was Mills. He could have been speaker by the promise of a single chairmanship. The practical politicians had no use for Mills, and by the exercise of "practical" methods the speakership was bought for Chas. F. Crisp and paid for with chairmanships. There was not a Republican in congress who did not rejoice because of the victory of Crisp over Mills more than any Democrat rejoiced over the majority that party had in that congress. And why not? It was a defeat for that "Old Guard" who had made the tariff the issue—Morrison, Carlisle, William L. Wilson and Frank Hurd.

The four years that Crisp was speaker he and Tom Reed, the minority leader, were at daggers drawn. It was a personal even more than a political aversion that separated them. Each studied to humiliate the other and both were good haters. And the antagonism lasted till Reed succeeded to the speakership of the Fifty-fourth congress and Crisp became the leader of the minority. Soon thereafter Crisp died and Joe Bailey became the minority leader, in which position he miserably failed as did Jim Richardson, his successor.

It was not till John Sharp Williams got the leadership of the minority that the Democratic side found out that it was alive. John Sharp had more sense than any other. As a statesman and as a leader he was in the class of Reed himself. As a debater congress has not seen his match since Allen G. Thurman.

To John Sharp Williams is due a heap of the credit for the fact that since 1910 the country has been Democratic.

Washington, April 7.

### RULING HANDED DOWN ON NEW LIQUOR LAW.

County officials and others interested in South Carolina's quart-a-month law, which becomes effective on April 25, will read with interest the following opinion, rendered by Claud N. Sapp, assistant attorney general:

April 7, 1917.  
Hon. L. G. Bell, Judge of Probate, McCormick, S. C.

Dear Sir: Your letter of the 5th inst. to the attorney general in reference to your duties in connection with the enforcement of the law relative to the quart-a-month act has been handed me for attention.

In reply thereto I beg to advise that the affidavit required to be made under the provisions of this act may be made before any officer of this State who is qualified to administer an oath, but if made before the Judge of Probate issuing the permit, he may charge and collect a fee of twenty-five cents for administering the oath. You ask to be advised as to whether or not under the provisions of this act citizens of the State of Georgia would have the right to order and receive within this State the amount of liquors permitted under the provisions of the act.

In reply thereto I beg to advise that there is no direct or specific prohibition of the right of citizens of another State to receive within this State the amount of alcoholic liquors permitted under the act, yet the whole tenor of the act seems to be an effort to localize, as far as possible, the receipt of liquors permitted to the locality of the person receiving.

Section of the act requires all persons desiring to receive alcoholic liquors to apply to the Judge of Probate of the county in which they reside and file with him an affidavit that he has not received any like permit during the same calendar month.

Section 9 of the act prohibits any person from receiving any alcoholic liquors shipped to him within this State except at the office of the common carrier transporting same nearest the residence of the consignee.

I am, therefore, of the opinion from a construction of the act as a whole that it was the intention of the legislature to restrict the receipt of alcoholic liquors, allowed under the terms of the act, to citizens of this State and would, therefore, advise that you issue no permits to non-residents of your county.

Yours very truly,  
CLAUD N. SAPP,  
Assistant Attorney General.

### AUTOMOBILE OWNERS MUST REGISTER CARS.

In accordance with the act, approved February 20th, 1917, creating a State Highway Department, every owner of a motor vehicle and every dealer in motor vehicles is required to register with the State Highway Engineer on or before the first of July, 1917. The law provides that each owner of a motor vehicle and each dealer in motor vehicles shall make application to the State Highway Engineer for registration and license. The State Highway Engineer will furnish these application blanks on request.

The law further provides that on and after the first of July that any person who drives a motor vehicle on, or along, or across any public road, or street, or highway in the State of South Carolina, shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor and shall be punished by a fine of not more than \$25.00, or imprisonment for not more than 15 days for each and every offense.

The State Highway Engineer is anxious to register these motor vehicles as fast as possible, and to cause as little inconvenience to the public as is possible, however, there are about 30,000 cars in this State to be registered, and to register this number of cars will take at least two months of time. As there are now only about two and one-half months between now and the first of July, and as no one will be allowed to drive a motor vehicle on the public highways after the first of July unless duly licensed and registered, the State Highway Engineer desires to urge every owner of a motor vehicle and every dealer in motor vehicles to make application for registration at once in order that his office may be able to complete the registration of motor vehicles by the first of July.

The registration fees for owners of motor vehicles will be 12 1-2c per horse power, based on A. L. A. M. rating. The registration fees for dealers in motor vehicles will be \$15.00 for each make of motor vehicle sold. It will not cost any more to register a car now than it will to register the same car during the last part of June. Every owner of a motor vehicle is urgently requested to write to the State Highway Engineer at once requesting application blanks.

The registration and license fees paid to the State Highway Engineer are in lieu of all other State, municipal and county licenses for the entire year of 1917.

J. ROY PENNELL,  
State Highway Engineer.

### AMERICANS SEIZE MUNITIONS SHIPS

Schooner Bound For Mexico Captured by U. S. Destroyers.

San Diego, Cal., April 10.—A munitions carrying schooner, bound for a Mexican coast port, was fired upon and captured by two United States torpedo destroyers, it was learned tonight from authoritative sources. Five shots were fired at the vessel when it attempted to escape and the ship was then beached. Several thousand rounds of rifle and machine gun ammunition were taken aboard the destroyers and landed at a Pacific coast port.

The patrol boats sighted the schooner Monday southbound off the coast of California, and following a course inshore. The warships gave chase, and when the captain of the schooner saw that capture was inevitable, he is reported to have attempted to destroy his ship.

The ammunition was taken off by motor launches from the destroyers. The identity of the captain and crew of the schooner has not been revealed.

Persons in a position to know the full details of the action intimated that the ammunition was taken aboard the smuggler at two Pacific coast points by fishing boats.

### MUCH GASOLINE CAPTURED.

Launch Commanded by Germans Taken on Georgia Coast.

Atlanta, April 10.—A launch manned by a German-speaking crew and carrying more than 500 gallons of gasoline was captured several days ago off the Georgia coast and taken to Fernandina, Fla., according to a letter received here by Charles S. Arnow, State game and fish commissioner.

The capture was made by a revenue cutter, Mr. Arnow said, adding that it had caused much speculation as to whether or not there was any truth in reports of German submarines in the Gulf of Mexico. Only one of the German crew spoke English, Mr. Arnow said. He had no information to show where they came from.

## GIVES IT CREDIT FOR SAVING CHILD'S LIFE

Tells of "Most Awful" and "Most Wonderful" Things He Ever Saw.

"BLEEDING TO DEATH."

"We Had About Given Up Hope," Says Father, Expressing His Gratitude For Aid.

"I believe Tanlac just saved my daughter's life, for she was in an awful condition when she began taking it and the doctors had said they had tried their last remedy," was the highly interesting statement made by Mr. O. T. Ferguson, of Anderson, in the endorsement he gave Tanlac on February 28th. "My daughter suffered from a very bad case of some trouble that was like bloody diarrhea. She bled continually for five months despite all we could do, and she suffered agony, too. She was just bleeding to death, that is the only way I can describe it, and the loss of blood had sapped her strength until I had to lift her in and out of bed.

"We had doctors attending her and they did all they could, and finally they said they had tried their last remedy, and I could not say that she was any better than when they started treating her. We had about given up hope and I had begun to fear that my only child would never get well.

"My mother-in-law had been urging me to try Tanlac for my daughter, and at last I bought a bottle, and the doctors had said they had done all they could. When the bottle had been taken she was in pretty good condition generally and wonderfully improved. She gained a lot of strength, too.

"My daughter's trouble was the most awful thing I ever heard of, and the way Tanlac helped her was one of the most wonderful things I ever saw or heard of. My daughter was put on the road back to strength and improved health by Tanlac, and she soon was able to be up and doing light work around the house. She is in good health, and it is all due to the good Tanlac did her."

Tanlac, the master medicine, is sold exclusively by J. F. Mackey, Lancaster; Peoples Drug & Grocery Co., Heath Springs; C. O. Floyd, Kershaw.—Adv.

### MEXICO BRIDLES TONGUES.

Heavy Penalty For Slander, Libel or Falsehood.

Mexico City, April 10.—A decree was published today providing a punishment of a fine of 50 to 500 pesos or imprisonment from one to eleven months for slander, libel or the issuance of false or distorted information. The decree will go into effect April 15 and will remain in force until congress passes laws defining the limits of freedom of speech and the press.

Newspaper heads are held strictly accountable and all their employees who handle news, including the printing staffs, provided they are cognizant of its character.

The decree prohibits malicious expressions calculated to excite hatred of the authorities, the army, National Guard or fundamental institutions of the country. It also prohibits its manifestations against friendly nations, their heads or their legitimate representatives in Mexico. The publication of news which the authorities decide is against the public good is forbidden.

### BRAZIL LINES UP AGAINST GERMANY.

London, April 10.—Diplomatic relations between Brazil and Germany have been broken off, according to The Evening News.

Reuter's Rio Janeiro correspondent also announces that Brazil has severed relations with Germany. Brazilian interests in Germany will be taken over by Switzerland, the correspondent adds.

Rio Janeiro, April 10.—At a cabinet council today it was decided that Brazil should sever her relations with Germany.

### A Negotiable Instrument.

"What you studying there?"  
"Law."  
"Dry, ain't it?"  
"Not when you like it. Just now I am learning all about negotiable instruments."  
"I dunno much about law," said his roommate, "but I do know you are offered mighty little when you try to sell a mandolin."

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