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of Hickman.

Editorial Correspondence.

FRANKFORT, KY., Oct. 15, 1900.

Dear Mercury:

This is the 47th day of the session, and the outlook for the session closing as designated as a non-partisan one is very gloomy. It is the opinion of many that every member will not be ready Monday to come to an agreement because the House and Senate will not pass stand. Ice has been one of much concern during the session, and if there is an agreement entered to be put in night, when something would be done on one that would shatter the hope. The question of the Senate to the House bill which there are a great many amendments, but it is one that ought to be settled, it seems to me. The feeling runs that they have passed has which the House has rejected, and the Democratic members have passed what they claim is a fair law, which the house has not considered. A Conference Committee has been working on the House bill for several days, but they cannot agree upon a report. Should they fail to agree, the Democratic Monday morning a caucus will be held and a compromise will be had by the middle of next week.

In my conversations on the railroad and other phases of Franklin, I find the people divided in their judgments according to the papers they read and that is where much trouble comes in. Democrats read Democratic papers and Republicans read Republican papers and form an opinion according to their doctrine. Not one reader in a hundred reads any newspaper that does not correspond with his political leanings. When the Republican Editorial or news letter says the Democrats are purely political, it is true, and when the Republican papers assert that the Democrats are not political, it is true, because in this State, and perhaps throughout the United States, the two political parties are so evenly balanced that the people of the country are divided in their political views. Kentucky is a Democratic State by 40,000 or more, and is politically fair. What is the matter, and what is the remedy? Kentucky has the best work of builders, and has more to do with than any other State in the Union, and what I think for but my opinion may be more educated, I am of the opinion that if J. C. W. Beckham is honestly elected by the people of this State, there was interest enough in the Democratic party to carry the State for the Democratic ticket. Democratic Legislature, and that Democratic Legislature would elect a Democratic United States Senator. Democratic Senator would help to keep down the Republican majority in the House of Representatives, and that would help to keep down the Republican majority in the House of Representatives, and that would help to keep down the Republican majority in the House of Representatives, and that