

Washington Notes.

WILSON'S CABINET.

President-elect Wilson is one of the most reticent men ever chosen president of the United States. When reporters try to get some news out of him about his cabinet his mouth and tongue seem to be held fast by a pad lock.

It has however leaked out from sources close to Mr. Wilson that it is very likely that A. Mitchell Palmer, Pa., will be attorney general. A. S. Burleson, of Texas, will be Secretary of Agriculture and Josephus Daniels of North Carolina will be Post Master General. These names were obtained from what are considered by newspapers as "inspired sources" and while they are not affirmed or denied by Mr. Wilson himself they are no doubt the names he has in mind at the present time.

HEARINGS ON THE TARIFF BILL.

The hearings on the tariff bill which the Democrats will introduce will commence before the Ways and Means Committee on January 6th, and it is expected that unusual interest will attach itself to these proceedings.

THE SOUTH AND PROTECTION.

The South which has been sending Democratic Delegations to congress for years and years is now an important manufacturing community and it is thought that they will show more interest in maintaining a protective tariff than they have ever done since the war. The South is now literally covered with manufacturing establishments and feels the need of protection same as the manufacturing industries of the Central and New England states do.

FINANCIAL LEGISLATION.

Serious attention will be given to financial legislation also in the near future!

It is clearly evident that the finances of this country while good and sound are not on a scientific basis and the fact of it is that the country does not possess an adequate supply of money, with which to conduct the vast business we carry on. In the days of Clay, Calhoun and Webster the leading financiers as well as those great Senators reached the conclusion that there should be about one dollar (\$1) for every thirty dollars (\$30) worth of property and as this country now possesses about one hundred and fifty billion dollars

worth of property there should be five billion dollars (\$5,000,000) circulating medium, while we only have a tariff over three billion dollars in circulation, and consequently only thirty-five dollars per capita, when we should have \$50 per capita.

We have had a great deal of talk about there being an abundance of money in the country, and it is true that there is a large aggregate amount of money in a few hands, but there is not enough money for the transacting of the business of the country to keep it up to that flourishing state of prosperity which is within our reach. Every autumn when the time of "moving the crops" arrives the demands for money with which to move them is so great and the tension so strenuous that it almost snaps at times, (and did in 1907) so this one fact alone proves that there should be an enlargement of the volume of the country's money.

FRANCE AN EXAMPLE.

France is the most prosperous of any country in Europe or any one in the world except the United States and France has a larger circulation per capita than any country in the world. France has a circulation of over forty dollars per capita and France has never been known to have a panic in times of peace. The subject of finance presents a great opportunity for ambitious statesmen in Washington as they have given very meagre attention to this great subject.

Two Handcuffed Men taken At Morganton.

Morganton, Dec. 15.—Two unknown men with handcuffs on their wrists, and who had evidently escaped from officers somewhere, were arrested here last night, on the arrival of train number 35. They had been handcuffed together but had succeeded in breaking the chain and each had one cuff on each wrist. The conductor of the train noticed the handcuff and telegraphed to the officers here, who made the arrest. Both men are young and fairly well dressed, one being tall and the other about average size.

Nothing can be learned from them as they will not talk further than state they were handcuffed

together and robbed in Raleigh, by a policeman and who became frightened and ran leaving them handcuffed together after which they broke the chain with a railroad iron.

No credit is given their story seem to know but little of each other, one claiming to be from Memphis, the other Atlanta, but telegrams to these places discredited their story. They are being held in Morganton jail until further information is received.

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Resolutions.

At the November meeting of the W. C. T. U. the following resolutions were adopted.

Whereas our beloved President Mrs. S. L. Morgan, who since the beginning of our organization has served so faithfully, has been called to a different field of labor and whereas we realize that in her going we are losing a most efficient helper, one who by her faithfulness and interest in the work has greatly endeared herself to each member, the we recognize the influence of a higher power in the circumstances which induced her to sever the ties binding her to our union. Therefore resolved that we her collaborators in the work extend to her our sincere regret upon losing her also our thanks and appreciation for her help and interest in every department of our work.

That our tenderest love and best wishes follow her and that we bid her God speed in the new work to which she has gone.

That a copy of these resolutions be sent Mrs. Morgan, that they be placed on record in the minutes of the W. C. T. U. Also sent to the White Ribbon and our town papers for publication.

Mrs. R. M. Morrow.
Mrs. R. F. Williams.
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Mrs. Thomas F. Coble.
Committee.

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