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WHERE THE POPULIST SENATORS ARE.

It has been worrying the political mind for some time just what figure the Populist Senators will cut in the organization and control of the Senate of this Congress.

The Republicans cannot afford to openly affiliate and recognize these statesmen, but they have arranged an underground connection, by which the anti-Democratic measures can prevail.

This comes out from Washington and up to date, has neither been denied nor questioned:

The deal the Republican Senators made with the Populists could not be kept a secret. Senator Stewart, of Nevada, the renegade Republican who now calls himself a Populist, made the deal, and he gets the lion's share of the price—the chairmanship of the Pacific Railroad's Committee, which promises to be one of the most important in the Senate at this session. The Populists will not vote with the Republicans to reorganize the Senate. That would be too hard to explain to their constituents. They will nominate their own officers of the Senate, and after voting for them on one ballot they will go out—to get lunch or for some other purpose—leaving the Republicans free to elect their officers on the next ballot.

A SQUARE ISSUE WITH ENGLAND.

President Cleveland's message on the Venezuelan question which we lay before our readers with a ring like a bugle call throughout the boundaries of the United States. It is an assertion of the dignity and honor of our country of which every patriotic citizen must be proud.

It will become at once the leading topic of the civilized world, for it presents the possibility of the gravest international complication this generation has witnessed.

President Cleveland gives briefly the history of the efforts of our government to secure a peaceful and just settlement of dispute between England and Venezuela concerning the boundary line of the latter country and shows how England, rejecting the suggestion that the matter be subjected to arbitration, persists in her demand for the disputed territory. President Cleveland is determined that, so far as he can prevent it, England shall not enforce

her arbitrary demands. He says that "the doctrine upon which we stand is strong and sound, because its enforcement is important to our peace and safety as a nation, is essential to the integrity of our free institutions and the tranquil maintenance of our distinctive form of government. It was intended to apply to every stage of our national life and cannot become obsolete while our republic endures. If the balance of power is justly a cause for jealous anxiety among the governments of the Old World and a subject for our absolute non-interference, none the less is an observance of the Monroe doctrine of vital concern of our people and their government."

If James Monroe could come from his grave he could not put with greater clearness and emphasizes the doctrine which he enunciated and which has ever since been the recognized policy of our government.

The issue is squarely made. England demands 35,000 square miles of territory which Venezuela says is hers. Venezuela asks England to arbitrate. In this request the United States joined. England flatly refuses to submit to arbitration. She says in effect: That territory is mine. I will have it.

President Cleveland's reply in substance is: Have it you shall not until you have proved your title to it before an impartial tribunal. Now either the United States or England must back.

We know the United States will not.

President Cleveland has nothing more to say to England. He now addresses himself to congress and in no uncertain terms urges that body to the only course which is consistent with our national honor. As he says: "Nothing remains but to accept the situation, to recognize its plain requirements and deal with it accordingly."

He suggests that congress make an appropriation for a commission to be appointed by him which shall make the necessary investigation and report "with the least possible delay." When such report is made and accepted the president says it will be the duty of the United States "to resist by every means in its power as a willful aggression upon its rights and interests the appropriation by Great Britain" of any territory which rightfully belongs to Venezuela.

This noble message concludes with the following words which will stir the American heart as has no appeal in many a year: "I am nevertheless firm in my conviction that while it is a grievous thing to contemplate the two great English speaking peoples of the world as being otherwise than friendly competitors in the onward march of civilization and strenuous and worthy rivals in all the arts of peace, there is no calamity which equals that which follows a submission to wrong and injustice and the consequent loss of national self-respect and honor, beneath which is shielded and defended a people's safety and greatness."

In supporting the president in this position the people of this country will stand as one man. Party lines will vanish like smoke and sectional divisions will be forgotten. The honor of our country

is at stake. We have a President who means to defend it and we are all with him.

The situation is, of course, a very grave one and the issue is impossible to predict.

The one certain thing is that the position our President has taken will be fearlessly maintained and triumphantly vindicated.—Atlanta Journal.

Col. Snider is a winner. There is a lesson in his success. If the same amount of devotion and bull-dog tenacity, as manifested by Col. Snider in his recent matrimonial campaign, were given all business but few failures would be chronicled. What is love anyway, that its victim will face shooting irons, mad dogs and an angry parent in order to win?

A girl baby born the other day in Kohomo, Ind., is the fourteenth daughter of a fourteenth daughter—a record which is thought to be unprecedented. This is blooded stock.

Although Chicago didn't get the convention, it has before it the encouraging prospect of having one of the best equipped universities in the world if the million dollar gifts keep pouring in at the rate which they have struck lately. We have great hopes of Chicago.

THE RIGHTS OF HUSBANDS.

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