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## WASHINGTON LETTER.

From our Regular Correspondent

For the Democrat

Senator Gorman has, by general consent, been put in charge of Democratic interests in the fight which it is now evident will soon be engaged in upon the floor of the Senate. It will be a consolation to democrats through the country to know that under his skillful leadership everything will be done which is possible to be done, to prevent the consummation of the republican threat of throttling the minority in the Senate, as Speaker Reed has already so effectually done in the House.

The republican Senators who have been opposed to the new force bill, are slowly yielding to the pressure which has been brought to bear upon them. Even Senator Evarts it is said has, under compulsion, promised the new republican boss—Representative Belden—that he would vote for the bill. It now looks as though the bill would become a law. It is regarded by the republicans as a last desperate chance to gain enough Congressmen in the South to off set the losses which they are certain to have in other sections. In fact Mr. Belden openly uses this as an argument to convert republican opponents of the measure.

Many of the more decent republicans are disgusted

with Mr. Belden's attempt to manufacture sentiment in favor of the Force bill, by sending that remarkable appeal to the republican editors to come to the rescue of the G. O. P.

Much indignation is expressed here over a rumor which has leaked out through British sources to the effect that Mr. Blaine has completely backed down in the Behring Sea negotiations, and that Great Britain is to have everything its own way. Should it turn out to be true, goodbye to Mr. Blaine as a public man. The American people forgive every thing except cowardice.

The two subsidy shipping bills, about which, for certain reasons and promises, Mr. Harrison has been fretting a great deal, have passed the Senate. Even such high-boned republicans as Senators Edmunds and Plumb could not stand this bill, which will take millions—just how many no one can say—out of the Treasury, all of which will go to a certain well known ring already formed in anticipation of the feast at public expense which awaits them when the bills become laws. Only one democrat—Senator Payne—voted for these bills.

Thanks to the solid republican vote of the Senate and of the House, it now only requires the signature of Mr. Harrison to complete the degradation of silver and put it on the same footing as coal and iron or any commercial commodity. Senator Sherman, the man who is responsible for demonetizing silver in 1873 is also responsible for this latest fraud upon the people, under the guise of friendship. Mr. Sherman is, and always been the humble tool of Wall Street, and the provisions of this silver bill, with which he so adroitly bamboosed his colleagues of the Conference committee, are all in the interest of those money sharks. No democrat stultified himself by supporting it.

Speaker Reed is as mad as a hornet over an article signed "X. M. C." which appears in the current "North American Review", showing the mistakes which he (Reed) has made since he became Speaker. What adds to his anger is the fact that the article is generally understood to have come from Mr. Blaine, who is madly jealous of the prominence the Speaker has recently gained, although "Gail Hamilton" is the writer of it.

The tariff bill is now the "unfinished business" of the Senate, the majority having repented of the "cussedness" which made them refuse to take it up last Monday. How fast it will be pushed through will depend largely upon the action of the republican caucus.

It has been the boast of Speaker Reed that the House was no longer a deliberative body, and now that the Senate seems about to adopt the gag rules of the House,

the question naturally arises, why not abolish Congress, and let those immaculate saints who now run the republican party decide upon what shall become laws? There is one consolation however. The further the republicans go in their encroachments upon liberty, the more certain it is that the people will rise in their might and thrust them from the power which they have so glaringly misused.

Gen. Schofield will soon be Lieut. General of the Army, unless the republican bosses shall decide that the bill reviving that grade in the Army, which has been favorably reported from the House committee on Military Affairs, shall not be passed because the officer to be promoted under it is not a republican.

The quality of the blood depends much upon good or bad digestion and assimilation, to make the blood rich in life and strength giving constituents, use Dr. J. H. McLean's strengthening cordial and blood purifier, it will nourish the properties of the blood from which the elements of vitality are drawn. 1.00 per bottle.

All honor to Cleveland county Alliance! This patriotic band of the sons of toil are true to their Constitution and refused to become a political party. They resolved to let every man vote as individuals and as a body to keep out of politics. This was wisdom. This was good policy, and bears good fruit, and prevents discord in democratic ranks. The Alliance stoops to conquer and have won a victory, while avoiding strife. The candidates are all Alliance men satisfactory to town as well as the country and now there is democratic harmony between country and town. Let peace henceforth reign and each help the other like a band of brothers. All classes are necessary in society; all are members of the same body.—*Shelby Aurora.*

Senator Blackburn, of Ky. is hopeful that the Radical Senate will not pass the Force bill. He thinks the bill abominable—even much worse than is generally supposed. He says many protests are being sent to the committee. It is revolutionary and dangerous and ought to be strangled to death at once. Reed forced it through the House. We expect ourselves that the Senate will pass it under whip and spur, and the row will begin.—*Messenger.*

Boss Quay has \$300,000 worth of grease with which to begin his work of purchase and corruption in Pennsylvania. We wonder how much Sunday junketing Harrison and moral lecturing Wanamaker—those two pious frauds—gave to the fat frying funds.

Life will acquire new zest, and cheerfulness return, if you will impel your liver and kidneys to the performance of their functions. Dr. J. H. McLean's Liver and Kidney Tonic will stimulate them to healthful action. \$1.00 per bottle.

## Chronicles, Chapter 1890

And it came to pass that in the second year of the reign of Benjamin that James the son of Mott, and Matthew and Zebulon of the tribe of Jefferson, took counsel together against John the 'pubican, and cast him out of the confirmation chamber. And after these things John the 'pubican was filled with wrath against James the son of Mott and all the house of Mott. And as he returned to his house and to the place where he sat and collected the revenues, he communed with himself and said: Matthew and Zebulon are too mighty for me, seeing the people are with them, for are they not sent regularly every six years to the great Sanhedrim of the nation? But James of the house of Mott is a son of Belial, and him will I smite, even in the son of his lions, his first-born who serveth with me in the collector's office, him will I smite until he shall be as a reproach and a by-word unto his people.

And William, the son of James of the house of Mott, was a "Reliable" man and had served John faithfully all the days of his stewardship. But John remembered only the great evil which James of the house of Mott had wrought, and he said unto William: I will resign this office, and as thou art a ready writer, show me how aptly thou canst word a resignation of thy clerkship, thus craftily intending to obtain and accept said resignation without regard to the form or correctness thereof. But William remembered the teaching of his father's house, and pulling down the corner of his left eye, said: the Motts never resign. And John said you must go, but William said I go not.

Then the wrath of John waxed hot and his strength asserted its power, and he took William by the tenure of his office and the texture of his raiment and cast him out of the shop.

And Benjamin wept because of the strife among his people.—*Press and Carolinian.*

## "AN HONEST SALOON ADVERTISEMENT."

FRIENDS AND NEIGHBORS: Grateful for past patronage, and having a new stock of choice wines, spirits and lager beer, I continue to make drunkards and beggars out of industrious and sober people. My liquors excite riot, robbery and blood shed, diminish comfort, increase expenses and shorten lives, and are sure to multiply fatal accidents and distressing diseases are likely to render these latter incurable. They will cost some of you life, some of you reason, many of you character, and all of you peace; will make fathers and mother fiends, wives widows, children orphans and all poor. Train the young to ignorance and infidelity, lewdness and every other vice; corrupt the ministry of religion and members of the church; hinder the Gospel and send hundreds to temporal and eternal death. I will accommodate the public, even at the cost of my own soul, for I have a family to support, and the trade pays, for the public encourages it. I have a license; my traffic is therefore lawful. Christians countenance it and if I do not sell drinks somebody else will. I know the Bible says: "Thou shalt not kill." "Woe unto him that giveth his neighbor drink," and not to put a stumbling block in his brother's way. I also read that "No drunkard shall inherit the kingdom of God." I suppose a drunkard maker will not share any better fate, but I want a lazy living, and have made up my mind that my iniquity pays very good wages. I shall therefore carry on my trade, and do my best to decrease the wealth, impair the health and endanger the safety of the people. As my traffic flourishes in proportion to your ignorance, I must do all I can to prevent your mental culture, moral purity, social happiness and eternal welfare. For proof of my ability I refer to the pawn shop, the police office, the hospital, the lunatic asylum, jail and gallows, whither so many of my customers have gone. I teach the old and young to drink, and only charge for the material. A very few lessons are enough. Yours till death.—*Lick-Reseller in Orange County Pilot, Santa Ana, Cal.*

## WILKES COUNTY WINS.

WINSTON, N. C., July 16.—W. W. Barber, of Wilkesboro, was nominated to-day at the Judicial Convention at Elkin for Solicitor on the eleventh ballot. He is a good one and will win the fight.—*News and Observer.*

NEW YORK, July 14.—Major-General John C. Fremont "the Pathfinder" of nearly a half century ago, and the candidate of the first National convention of the Republican party for President of the United States, died at 3:30 o'clock yesterday afternoon. He had been ill five days with inflammation of the bowels. His death was primarily due to exposure and fatigue incurred on Tuesday last, when the weather was unusually hot. He was 77 years and six months old.—*Ex.*

## STATE PRESS.

The Southern white people were never more dependent on one another than now.—*Santord Express.*

Our subscribers read the letter of Senator Vance, and can judge for themselves whether it contained anything which would justify Col. Polk in his animadversion on this good and great man.—*Wadesboro Messenger.*

We think that the alliance acted wisely in rejecting the sub-Treasury bill and endorsing Senator Vance. The resolution endorsing Senator Vance was passed unanimously.—*Lenoir Topic.*

What is the use of talking about him? He stands pre-eminent among men, people and folks. The people of the State know him and are for him. This is enough said, it seems to us.—*Jonesville Leader.*

The attack of the *Progressive Farmer* on Senator Vance which appeared in the last issue of that paper has called forth comments from nearly all the State papers and it is worthy of note that not one of them has been found that voices the sentiments of the organ which pretends to champion the cause of the alliance.—*Asheville Citizen.*

Until recently Chauncey Depew always had a queer habit of saying "By gosh" when excited. One day a friend upbraided him for using such profane language. "What" asked our Chauncey, "You don't really mean to call 'By gosh' swearing?" "Why, of course, I do," replied his friend. "Well, then, by gosh, I will never say it again." And Depew has kept his word. He now swears "by jingo."

## The Farmer's Alliance at Rocky Point, Pender County.

The following resolutions passed by this alliance, and ordered to be published by the *Progressive Farmer*, at Raleigh, have been handed in to us for publication:

Resolved, That as the Farmers Alliance is not a political organization, and does not wish to engage in practical party politics but leaves its members to vote as they please, its noble and ennobling plans and purposes are not to make alliance nominations for office—but to advance by other means, the great and neglected cause of agriculture, appealing to State legislature and our National Congress for relief from the oppressive burdens upon the farmers and industrial classes.

Resolved, That we appeal to our alliance brethren all over North Carolina to stand firmly by the principles of our organization, but not to impair its objects and prospects by making alliance nominations for office except through the conventions of the two political parties prevailing in the United States to-day.—*Wilmington Messenger.*