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WASHINGTON LETTER.

From our Regular Correspondent

Czar Reed could not hide the chagrin he felt to day when he arose to call the House to order and looked upon the numerous empty seats on the republican side. The quorum of republicans, so necessary to enable him to carry out his partisan designs, was not there. The republican bosses say they will have a quorum in a day or two, and that when the members once get here they will compel them to stay but that remains to be seen. Talk is cheap, but it will require the presence of a quorum of republicans to pass any measure tainted in the slightest degree with politics through the House. This much has been fully determined by the democrats.

Mr. Harrison's message reads more like a partisan political harangue delivered from the stump in the midst of a heated campaign than like the calm non-partisan dignified communications the American people have a right to expect from the President of the United States. What it contains has been largely discounted ever since it was known that he had decided to act upon the advice of the most radical members of his party. It pleases the Reed, McKinley, Hoar, Cannon and Lodge element in his party, but it would be decidedly interesting to know just what such men as Senators Plumb, Paddock and Pettigrew, who voted against the McKinley abortion, which it so stoutly defends, think of it; and also to know whether they propose to continue acting with the republican party, of which Mr. Harrison is the recognized official head, against the material interests of their constituents. Interesting developments may be confidently expected during the session of Congress which begun to day, not the least of which will be the action of the republicans who are opposed to the McKinley tariff—there are lots of them in both House and Senate, who voted for the bill under compulsion. Mr. Harrison, in his message has made a desperate attempt to stem the Blaine current in his party and secure a renomination. He recognizes, as does every body else, that if he is not nominated in 1892 he will stand before the country as rebuked by the party which nominated and elected him to the Presidency. This humiliating condition he very naturally would like to escape; hence his present efforts.

Mr. Wanamaker devotes considerable space in his annual report to his postal telegraph hobby. He also says that one cent letter postage would be a good thing, and then proceeds to throw cold water on the suggestion by inserting a lot of figures to prove what a great big deficiency it would create in the postal revenues. In plain

words he thinks to humbug the people by pretending to favor one cent letter postage and then makes an argument to influence Congress against giving it to us. If that isn't "cheap John" statesmanship, I should like to hear a better name for it.

Senator Quay has arrived, and before he got the Florida mud off his boots he was waited upon by a delegation of republican moguls and asked how soon he intended to resign his position as chairman of the republican national committee. He paralyzed his questioners by telling them that he had no present intention of resigning, and then coolly asking them what they proposed doing about it. This leaves the aforesaid moguls in a pickle. There is no way they can force Quay out until the next national convention names a new committee. Quay's friends, strange as it may appear he has some, say that he was anxious to retire from the head of the committee just after the Presidential election, and that the same men who now want to kick him out persuaded him to remain, and that he does not intend to be fraze out.

Representative Oates, of Alabama, is at work upon a bill, which he will shortly introduce in the House, providing for an income tax upon all annual incomes in excess of \$10.00, in order to help raise the money needed to pay pensions. Col. Oates says his bill will probably not be passed by this Congress, but it will be discussed and if public sentiment favors it, and he thinks it will, it may be passed by the Fifty-second Congress. It is absolutely certain that in the near future either the pension rolls of the Government will have to be revised and reduced or some means of raising a larger revenue adopted.

A democratic caucus will probably be held this week for the purpose of definitely deciding upon the course of the party during the present session of Congress, although it is hardly necessary, as the party in Congress is so nearly of one mind.

The campaign for the Speakership of the next House is practically at a stand-still and will so remain until it is definitely known whether there is to be an extra session in the spring. Every thing now points that way, but the democratic leaders would like to avoid it.

Col. L. L. Polk says there is no truth whatever in the statement telegraphed from Washington that he is in any way supporting Ingalls for the Kansas Senatorship, but, on the contrary, he has constantly sought to secure Ingalls's defeat.

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TO PATRIOTIC ALLIANCEMEN.

Defending the Alliance Against Political Tricksters.

To my Alliance Brethren of North Carolina:
LEXING, N. C., Nov. 24th.

I was among the first to join the Alliance in Caldwell county. Before I joined, I was assured that nothing was secret except the signs and pass words, which were necessary to protect us from impostors.

When I was initiated, I was solemnly assured that there was nothing to conflict with my political or religious views.

As far as interference was concerned, my religion and my politics were placed on the same plane, one was as sacred as the other.

I read the Constitution of the Order, and found no hint in it, that it was ever to be a political machine. On the contrary its labors were to be "in a strictly non-partisan spirit."

It is a benevolent Protective Association to assist each other in trouble. "And to secure entire harmony and good will among all mankind, and brotherly love among ourselves."

These are the great objects of the order, and no one can deny that they are praiseworthy.

But our constitution has been violated, and its principles trampled upon, and as a consequence what do we see?

Instead of brotherly love among ourselves, there is a discord; instead of securing entire harmony with our neighbors and other classes, the seeds of suspicion, jealousy and even hatred are sown; political tests are set up and every one in or out of the order are compelled to submit to them on pain of political destruction, and if any one refuses to bow down to those idols, no matter what his ability, experience and faithful devotion to the best interests of the farmer, and all classes, he is denounced as unworthy of confidence; of fee seekers seeing how the order is being used as a political machine gave up, for the time, their legitimate callings and forced themselves in, contrary to the letter and spirit of the constitution; the freedom of the press is threatened if it presumes to criticize those in authority—threatened with the boycott, a copy of the odious "ban of the empire" used by the despots in the dark ages.

Freedom of thought and freedom of speech are threatened with the penalty of "being kicked out of the order."

And in addition to all this, there is evidence, amounting almost to a certainty, that an effort is being made through the Alliance to induce or compel the members-elect to the Legislature to violate their solemn pledges to the conventions that nominated them, and thus trample on their honor, and betray the people, both in and out of the order, who elected them.

This is the condition that confronts us. And now what shall the conservative members of the Alliance do? Shall we call a halt and demand a return to the constitution and a cessation of this constant interference without political convictions? Or shall we remain silent and see our order drift to destruction? This will be the inevitable result if we do not come together and enter a determined protest. Good men who are out will not join us, and all classes will band against us. But what can we do? For one, I propose to stand by the constitution of our order and offer this suggestion to my conservative brethren throughout the State, and appeal to them to come together and let themselves be heard and felt.

Let us in our sub-alliances, when they meet in Dec., and in our County Alliances, when they meet in January. Resolve that we will not permit any interference, from any quarter with our political rights and convictions, and we advise and counsel the members elect to the Legislature to stand upon their constitutional rights and upon their honor, and to keep sacred the pledges made to the conventions that nominated them, and to the people who elected them. And we further more condemn the "boycot" in every form.

When you have passed some such resolutions forward them to your Representatives and Senators in the Legislature, and have them published in your Alliance and State papers.

I would advise every alliance man, whether a delegate or not, to attend the county alliance and if it declines to adopt some such resolution, let them immediately organize as a democratic meeting and pass the resolutions as democratic alliance men.

I believe this course is for the good of our order.

I know it is in harmony with the spirit of our fundamental institutes, which guarantee a free speech and a free press, and with our statute law, which forbids secret political societies as hostile to the genius of liberty.

I invite suggestions from my conservative countrymen and ask the State papers to publish this appeal.

R. L. BEALL.

Senator Vance, of North Carolina, thinks the South should allow a Northern man to be elected Speaker of the House of Representatives. "The Northern democrats have made bigger gains than those in the South, and I think they are entitled to it," he said to an interviewer at Asheville Monday. "I think we have gained four or five Senators in the present Congress," he continued, "and if revolution goes on as it has started we will have no troubles in getting control of the Senate in March, 1893."

—Bristol Courier.

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There lives out in Joe Cannon's district in Illinois an old farmer who is a zealous Republican, one of the red hot, partisan stripe. When he heard of Cannon's defeat he said to his wife, who is one of those women who obey their lord and master blindly:

"Mary, pack up everything. I'm going to move."
"Why?" asked Mary.
"Because Joe Cannon is beat and I wont live in a democratic district."
"Very well," said Mary, with a little resigned sigh.

Then the old man went to town to sell his farm. There he heard all the election news. He returned home, and entering the house said:
"Mary, you can quit packing up. I ain't a going to move."
"Why?" inquired Mary.
"Because," he replied sadly, "there's no place to move to."—Washington Mirror.

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FAYORS CLEVELAND.

Gov. R. L. Taylor, of Tennessee, came to New York on Sunday and departed for home Monday evening. Governor Taylor voiced the sentiment of other prominent Southerners who have been recently interviewed, that Cleveland is the logical candidate of the democracy for President in 1892.

"No other man," he said, "is thought of in the South in connection with the nomination. Mr. Cleveland is so popular with our people that the mere mention of his name in an assemblage is sufficient to provoke enthusiasm. He made the issue on which the democrats won in the late election, and the people naturally want him to be the standard-bearer in the great fight that is coming.

"There is absolutely no talk of Hill for President. The people do not want him, but they would not object to see him a United States Senator. Personally, I hope that the New York Legislature will make him Senator Evart's successor this winter. If Mr. Hill has presidential aspirations he can afford to wait. Mr. Cleveland is the man now and nothing but death can prevent him from being nominated and elected two years hence."—New York Times.

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