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WASHINGTON LETTER.
From our Regular Correspondent.

Senator Gray made a telling point against the proposed republican gag rule, now before the Senate, when he called attention to the fact that cloture was first introduced to the English-speaking people to assist the Tories in suppressing the House Rule movement in Ireland. He said: "It is a significant fact, pregnant with instruction and warning to the American people, that the first time in the history of England that an attempt was made in the House of Commons to limit debate, it was in order to suppress home rule in Ireland. Let gentlemen go out and tell their naturalized fellow-citizens from that stricken and unhappy isle that the American Senate is taking a page from the history of the English parliament. Cloture was adopted in England in order that Irishmen might be gagged in the House of Commons when they attempted to assert that freedom of speech which belonged to them as representatives of their people. Let gentlemen tell the naturalized citizens that that is the example they are following in order to destroy home rule in this country."

The republicans profess to believe that the action of the legislatures in some of the Southern states in refusing to consider bills making appropriations for state exhibits at the World's Fair while the Force bill is pending is a bluff, but it is easy to see that it has greatly disconcerted them, and they are receiving hundreds of letters every day from their commercial constituents demanding that the Force bill be abandoned, but they still persist in going ahead to their own destruction.

Senator Stewart made another rattling speech on Saturday against both the gag rule and the Force bill, and the republican Senators squirmed in their seats as they listened to his words of truthful condemnation, and vain attempts were made by Senators Spooner, Mitchell, and Hoar to disconcert him by asking questions, but he was fully prepared for them and they soon let him severely alone.

Mr. Morton has allowed himself to be made the tool of the radical republicans and by making a number of arbitrary and unjust decisions he has enabled the gag-rule gang to get the cloture rule before the Senate, and they are confidently counting upon similar rulings to get it adopted, and there is no indication that they will be disappointed.

The Confederation of industrial organizations, which met here last week elected Benjamin Terrell, of Texas, President and J. W. Hayes, of Pennsylvania, Secretary and Treasurer. It also adopted as its national platform nine demands, the most of which every good demo-

crat can endorse without stretching his conscience in the least. For instance, free coinage, the prohibition of aliens owning lands, opposition to using taxation to build up one class at the expense of another, limiting the revenues of the Government to its necessary expenses, state and national supervision of the means of public communication and the election of United States Senators by direct vote of the people, and of President and Vice President by a popular vote.

The confederation took no formal action towards the formation of a new political party and I do not regard it as probable that they will in the future, because, from talks with the delegates I am satisfied that a great majority of them believe that the democratic party will take care of their interests, and that they will use their influence to have all members of industrial organizations support the national democratic ticket next year.

Speaker Reed is doing his level best to gag the democrats of the House, and is only prevented from going to greater extremes by the absence of a republican quorum. He is trying to railroad the appropriation bills through so as to have a clear track when the Force bill comes over with the Senate amendments, if it ever does. He isn't succeeding very well, and will not, unless he gets that republican quorum, and keeps it.

It begins to look as though the silver pool investigation would turn out to be the usual republican Congressional farce, and that Senator Cameron, who has admitted his guilt, would be made the scape-goat. It is stated, and generally believed here, that Mr. Reed and other prominent republicans are using their influences upon the individual members of the committee to prevent their exerting themselves to find out who has been speculating in silver. There is also talk about some democrats doing the same thing. This is all dead wrong, if true. If any Senator or Representative, be he high or low, democrat or republican, has been speculating in silver, wide bills affecting the market price of that metal were pending, let him be exposed. The people have a right to know, and no half way methods on the part of the committee will satisfy them.

All of Northwest Texas is rejoicing over the recent rains and heavy snows that have fallen in that region. They consider that it will insure a large wheat crop next harvest. West Texas expects to have the largest wheat crop ever grown, as large quantities have been planted and the prospect is unusually good.—[Bonham (Texas) News.]

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COME TO STAY.

Those who imagine that the farmers have not come to stay in this great movement will soon see their mistake. The farmers have an issue and it is as broad as the continent and as deep as the earth. East, west, north and south the work of organizing is progressing astonishingly. In addition to this the different State Legislatures have come together and the legislative committees of farmers have also come together. In our own State Legislature there have been a shower of bills introduced on the line of the farmers' demands. This has been a "hay-seed" week in the capital, with farmers' associations on live-stock and other things. The legislators seem to be unanimous in doing something immediately in rapport with the farmers' resolutions. The sentiment appears to be in favor of placing all county officials of the State on salary, school books at cost and some other reforms, these are spasmodic efforts of the politicians, who begin to see the "writing on the wall" and the rumbling of the ground swell beneath their wayward feet. The time has come for new measures, honest measures, just measures in governmental affairs. A handful of millionaires have steered the ship of state into the "hallows" and the masses of the people are coming to the rescue. They are not coming like the vandals of the North up in the debauched and effeminate Romans, to kill and destroy but to save the remnant of the republic established by Washington and the fathers. Nobody need be alarmed at the resistless march of the farmers except the infinitesimal few who have weighed them down with usury and extortion in multiplied forms. "less taxation" is demanded in every quarter of Christendom. The heroic office-seeker and the ravenous salary-grabber "must go." It cost \$100,000 per day to run the State and local machinery of government in this commonwealth, which is equivalent and more to the average day's wages or income of 100,000 farmers. This luxury of government should be remodeled on a somewhat less expensive scale.—[Industrial Union.]

Ex-President Cleveland presided at a lecture given by Rev. Dr. Paxton, at the Church of the Puritans, New York, on Tuesday of last week. Dr. Paxton, in the course of his remarks, said: "I congratulate the chairman on being very much alive. In spite of his modesty he cannot be hid, like Banquo's ghost, he won't down." Speaking as a Republican, I think I shall yet see him lead my party to the frontiers and dismiss us to a long exile. I am much afraid that I shall vote for him."—[Roanoke News.]

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One of the sweetest and prettiest of this year's debutantes, has been engaged to a well known society man. Not a night passes that he does not call to see her, and she generally meets him at the door with an affectionate embrace which he always returns with interest.

A few nights ago he had a very disagreeable adventure. He did not tell of it himself, but the young lady told a bosom friend, who told another friend, and so it went until it finally reached the ear of a town talker. The night was cold and disagreeable. He had an engagement at 8 o'clock, so went to the home of his fiancée earlier than usual. He reached the door and found that the gas had not been lighted.

The bell was pulled. A light and airy step was heard tripping rapidly down the steps, and his heart beat rapidly as he thought of those dear arms that would be around his neck in a few short seconds. The door was soon open. His arms were thrown around her fair neck. He placed his hand gently under her chin, raised it and imprinted several kisses on her lips. He was rather surprised that his kisses met not with their usual response.

The door was closed, his overcoat removed and he turned, struck a match and lit the gas. He then turned to take his sweetheart again to his arms, when he was horrified to see the black housegirl instead of his sweetheart. At the same time a merry laugh floated down the steps. He rushed for the parlor and hid himself. His life is being made miserable since the joke became public.—[Louisville Post.]

Influence of Music.

On Sabbath morning, when I give out a fine tune and hear the congregation sing it, I thank God for the man who gave us the fine music. It is a fiery chariot carrying our thoughts and piety to heaven. I should like to say that God's people are, and always have been, a singing people. Moses is the first great singer whose composition we have; yet we rather think of him as crushed down with the task of leading the millions through the wilderness. David, the singing shepherd of Bethlehem, poured all the wealth of his great heart in the sacred psalms which have been the church's possession ever since. Paul must have been a singer as well as a logician, for the habit of praise survived even in the torture and darkness of the Phillipian jail. No doubt his long journey was gladdened with song. And since Paul there has not been a more Paul-like man than Martin Luther, the re-publisher of the grace of God, and the father of our modern praise. Generally with any spiritual revival there has emanated outburst of song. Why is it that Christians sing and cannot help singing? It is the movement of life and love rising so high in heart that it overflows in melody.—[Rev. James Stalker.]

This administration will go down to posterity as the one that got away with the largest surplus the country ever had in less than two years after it came into power, it will also be known as the murderer of the republican party, as a national organization.—Carolinian.

A speaker at an anti-tobacco meeting the other day in Washington frankly admitted that under certain circumstances the use of tobacco resulted in the saving of life. This caused great consternation in the meeting, until she—for it was a woman—explained her remark by saying that cannibals will, under no circumstances, eat a missionary who is a tobacco user.

The democratic majority in the Ohio Senate, which had been dissipated by the death of two senators, had been restored, the special election last week having resulted in the election of democratic Senators in both senatorial districts by large increased majorities. The McKinley law and the force bill seem to act as incentives to work on the Ohio democrats.—Landmark.

Hats off to the Farmer's Alliance again, gentlemen. Mr. John J. Ingalls, of Kansas, has insulted every man in the democratic party of the United States by saying that his party is the "street walker of the nineteenth century," and that "the worst republican alive is better than the best democrat." And on day before yesterday the Farmer's Alliance cleaned up Mr. Ingalls in great shape. Life is worth living after all, since the gaunt spitfire from Kansas will not wag his licentious tongue in the Senate of the United States after the 4th of March.—Landmark.

The opening of permanent headquarters of the Democratic national committee at Washington, which has been determined upon, is a move in the right direction, as it will enable the party workers throughout the country to keep in constant touch with the party managers on all matters pertaining to national politics. The decision of the committee to begin at once the preparatory educational work of the next Presidential campaign was a wise one, and one that will be productive in votes. This activity on the part of the national committee is highly gratifying and augurs well for Democratic success. Keep it up, gentlemen.—Press and Carolinian.

Republican Senators Surprised.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 26.—It is an undeniable fact that Senators Aldrich and the Republicans were completely taken by surprise by the action of the Senate today in laying aside the closure resolution and taking up the apportionment bill. There was no expectation on their part that any important vote would be reached today, and at least one Republican Senator who was in the city was told that he might safely leave the capitol to attend to some department business consequently he was not present when the decisive votes were taken.

Don Cameron has admitted that he was connected with the silver pool of Washington and it is reported that his resignation will be called for by the Legislature now in session at Harrisburg.—Record-er.