

FAMILY GOVERNMENT.

An observing person can not fail to notice the government of families of the present day. In most families the children govern the parents and have their own way causing parents vexation and trouble. Children are allowed more liberties and have less restraint than formerly, consequently they are harder to govern. Parents are too indulgent and instead of teaching their children self denial, they try to satisfy them by pandering to their every whim spoiling the child and heaping trouble on both parent and child. A child should be governed gently and firmly and learned to obey without a whimper. But their papas and mammas think they are so sweet and smart that they must have every thing they ask for, and all the little ones has to do is to cry for what they want, and it is given to them. But not satisfied, they still want other things and they know how to get them—just continue to cry until the fond parents will come to their relief by giving any and everything called for. This is the daily routine of parents. The poor tired mothers have little rest from the spoiled child, until it worries itself to sleep. The most of this is caused by not knowing how to manage the child. Self denial is the most important lesson to teach a child. A family of children brought up without obedience to parents, make a general thing, bad and rebellious students; make disagreeable church members and troublesome citizens, from the fact they were not properly controlled when children, and have grown up rebellious and ungovernable. The family government is the grand start from which Governments and nations spring. It is this that qualifies men to govern and to be governed. Without a proper discipline in the family men and women are raised up disobedient to all the rules and regulations of society; they rebel against all authorities and are headstrong and self-willed. How important it is for the family to be well governed, for on this structure our whole system of government rests, as well as the obedience to the laws of God. Few parents think seriously on this all-important subject, and allow their children full liberties to do as they please, and it is so natural for them to go astray that they soon succeed in making unruly and disobedient children, and this principle clings to them in most cases during their lives. Look well to how you control and raise your children.

The Italian muddle remains the same. Secretary Blaine's reply to Rudini's last note is not satisfactory and no one knows how the matter will end. Italy can get a fight if she desires one, but it is not supposed that there will be much more of the affair.

Dr. Beall's letter "A plea for Cleveland," has been very generally published all over the State and we desire to say, that in our humble opinion, it has done good. The letter is a fair statement of conditions confronting us, politically. There are efforts being made by some, would be leaders to divert the minds of the masses from the real issue, which is tariff reform, and a more economical administration of our government. All honest fair-seeing men are for reform, knowing it to be the main issue, and on this issue the people will enthusiastically follow the leadership of the greatest living reformer in these United States whose name is Grover Cleveland. The Free Coinage issue cannot be much of an issue for there are so few who agree on this, even among democrats. To say the least it is a questionable theory. Free and unlimited coinage of silver may be for the best and some contend for it, while others say it will be ruinous to the common people and will cause silver to be depreciated and that the common people will be the losers. We are not sufficiently informed to say how this matter is. Let us not be led off from our moorings by the silver question. Let us go for reform and against the extravagance of the republican party who has made times so hard with us, by extravagance. We are for Cleveland, and tariff reform now and hence forth. If we know ourself, we are a democrat and after that for every good measure that will come up to emoliate the condition of our over-taxed people. Every intelligent person will, if he is honest, say that the republican party has out lived its usefulness. It is now a party of fraud and speculation, and the last Congress squandered the surplus in the U. S. Treasury and run up the expenses of the government to over a billion of dollars. Here reform must come and, useless we have it, the free coinage of silver will be but little help to the people. If the republicans are again voted into power and control of this county the people will say by their act that they don't want reform. Let us all work to bring about a change in our national affairs. The democratic party is the only hope for the country, so rally to it everybody and abandon the notion that anything can be accomplished outside of this great party. If free coinage is a good thing we will have it, if not we don't want it. Let the slogan be "tariff reform." Grover Cleveland, or some other able honest democrat, for President in 1892 and we will succeed and bring about much needed reforms and relieve the people.

Beaver Dams has always been productive and a fair grain and grass section. Improved farming is noticeable along the main roads and it is reasonable to suppose that the same signs of improvements are to be seen in the back settlements. Beaver Dams, like other sections, have some good farmers and plenty of sorry ones. We will venture to say, however, that Beaver Dams and Cove Creek sections have more new, neat dwelling houses and barns than are to be found anywhere in Western North Carolina, according to territory, and we will venture further to say that the people live better and have more and the best kind of eatables. We speak from what we know, for we have been there.

The New River section of our county is destined to become one of the most interesting as well as the most productive sections within our borders. The splendid bottom lands have been, to a certain extent ditched, and where only a few years ago the wild grasses were the only production, the finest corn and grasses are raised. Rye and buckwheat, heretofore considered by farmers as the only grain crop, on the beautiful New River bottoms have also increased. Thirty years ago most of the farmers hauled their corn from Cove Creek to that section, being unable to raise a sufficiency, but, to a very great extent, by the effort of those industrious farmers, this ruinous system has been stopped. Unless Cove Creek farmers take better care of that hitherto splendid section, they will have to haul corn from some other sections themselves in years to come. Perhaps no mountain country has ever been more productive than the Cove Creek section in corn, wheat and grass. This section once fed the balance of the country, to a great extent, and will continue to do so under judicious farming.

President Harrison had a royal reception at Memphis.

Rev. Dr. E. A. Yates a brainy, fearless man has written a lengthy letter to the Durham Globe, condemning the Y. M. C. A. and W. C. T. U.

According to Prof. Ely, it costs the American people \$100,000,000 a year to support the unproductive stragglers in the country, who fail to support themselves.

Gen. R. F. Hoke has been elected president of the North Carolina rail-road by the directors to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of Gov. Thos. M. Holt.

Col. L. L. Polk is in Ohio organizing the alliance there. He and Gov. Campbell addressed a meeting together. The third party move has not as yet cropped out in the convention, but there is some feeling in its favor.

President Harrison and party are now on their extended trip through the South and West. They met with a warm reception in Johnson City and other towns on through Tennessee to Memphis where they were enthusiastically received.

While President Harrison is passing through the South and is receiving such hospitalities and ovations where ever he goes, he no doubt thinks of the Force bill that he so heartily urged on Congress to pass. When he sees and speaks of the happy condition of both whites and blacks, he no doubt wonders what use the bill had been, had they succeeded in passing it, in order that the great white race of the South might be enslaved by black domination.

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The editor of the Santa Ana Standard, having just succeeded in paying a mortgage on his ranch in Orangehorpe, rejoices in the full ownership of 61 acres of as fine lands as California boasts. His experience with the 'dead pledge'—now so happily passed—moves him to wise reflections, as follows:

"A mortgage is a queer institution. It makes a man rustle and keeps him poor. It is a strong incentive to action, and a wholesome reminder of the fleeting months and years; it is fully as symbolic in its meaning as the hour glass and scythe, that represent death. A mortgage also represents industry because it is never idle and never rests. It is like a bosom friend, because the greater adversity the closer it sticks to a fellow. It is like a brave soldier—it never hesitates at charges nor fears to close in on any enemy. It is like the sandbag or the thug—silent in application, but deadly in effect. It is like the hand of Providence it spreads all over the creation, and its influence is everywhere visible. It is like the grasp of a devil fish the longer it holds the greater its strength. It will exercise feeble energies and lend activity to a sluggish brain, but no matter how hard the debtor works, the mortgage works harder still. A mortgage is a good thing to have in the family—provided always it is in somebody else's family. It is like a boil—always a good thing on some other fellow.

The Liver

When out of order, involves every organ of the body. Remedies for some other derangement are frequently taken without the least effect, because it is the liver which is the real source of the trouble, and until that is set right there can be no health, strength, or comfort in any part of the system. Mercury, in some form, is a common specific for a sluggish liver; but a far safer and more effective medicine is

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