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NOTICE.
Hotel Property for Sale.

On account of failing health of myself and wife, I offer for sale my hotel property in the town of Boone, North Carolina, and will sell low for cash and make terms to suit the buyer, and will take real or personal property in exchange. Apply soon.
W. L. BRYAN.

NOTICE.
For sale, 900 acres of land on Rich Mountain, Watauga County, on which is asphalt, and fine land for sheep ranch. Sales private. L. D. Lowe & J. T. Ferguson, Ex'rs, of Mrs. A. P. Calloway, decd. Banner Elk, Nov. 15 '90.

NOTICE.
Parties putting papers in my hand for execution will please advance the fees with the papers and they will receive prompt attention, otherwise they will be returned not executed for the want of fees.
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WASHINGTON LETTER.

From our Regular Correspondent.

"It is another one of Blaine's schemes to get Mr. Harrison in a awkward position," said a republican Senator who is not a very ardent admirer of the Secretary of State speaking of the coming of the Commissioners of the Canadian government to try to negotiate a treaty of reciprocity. "Blaine," continued the Senator, "has always professed a willingness to negotiate, but I happen to know that he is opposed to giving Canada even the slightest trade concessions, no matter how much she is willing to give us in exchange. He brought the Canadian Commissioners here on a fool's errand last year, as you may remember, and Mr. Harrison, unwilling to delude them with any false hopes, sent them home so abruptly and early that many people regarded it as a snub administered to the representatives of a friendly government. But Mr. Harrison knew that it was useless to open negotiations with them that were bound to result in nothing. What Blaine's idea is now I do not know, but I feel certain that he is responsible for the coming of the Commissioners again at this time, and that his object is in some manner to trick the President." No one here seems to have any idea that the Canadians will accomplish anything by coming here.

The acting Secretary of the Treasury—Foster is here, but he has not resumed his official duties—in an official communication to the Ways and Means Committee has acknowledged that the expenditures of the Government, notwithstanding the hanging up of appropriations that should have been paid during that time, exceeded the income during the six months ending Dec. 31, last. That report will not be printed in republican papers.

Representative Fithian's resolution instructing the House Ways and Means Committee to report at an early day a bill placing on the free list all sorts of agricultural implements, is a highly meritorious attempt to alleviate the burdens of a most deserving class, but before the committee could obey this instruction, should the resolution be adopted, other bills would have to be reported and passed. It would hardly be practicable for instance to put agricultural implements on the free list while the raw material of their component parts—lumber and metal—is taxed. The free entrance of raw material should precede that of the manufactured article into which it enters, according to the ideas of those whose long study of the question entitle them to recognition.

Mr. John Whitaker, a large pork packer of St. Louis told the House committee on Agriculture that he believed the prohibiting fictitious sales of grain, generally known as the anti-option bill, would, if

it became a law, add ten cents a bushel to the price of good wheat.

The House Committee on Irrigation has decided favorably on the proposition to eschew the arid lands to the several States, to be by them reclaimed, but the details of the transfer have not been fully determined.

The House Committee on Banking Currency has favorably reported a bill intended to prevent repetitions of the National bank scandals which have become so common. It prohibits national banks making loans to officers or employees except by authority of a majority vote of the board of directors, and directs that all such loans shall be reported to the Comptroller of the Currency.

Senator Mount, the Civilian Minister, was on the floor of the House Saturday afternoon, while the eulogistic address on the late Representative Lee were being delivered, and Members who talked with him believe more strongly than ever that Mr. Harrison's ultimatum was entirely unnecessary and uncalled for by the status of the negotiations at the time was sent. Senator Mount speaks very guardedly on the subject, but it is easy to see how he feels about it.

It is about settled that the first bill reported from the House Ways and Means Committee will be that placing binding twine, an agricultural necessity, on the free list. No antagonism to the bill is expected from democratic sources.

It is expected that the House will this week dispose of the several resolutions now before the Committee on Rules, proposing investigations of the World's Fair. One of them will probably be reported and adopted. The World's Fair Committee will not report the bill for the \$5,000,000 appropriation until the investigation is made or disposed of.

The republicans are worrying a good deal because of the great authority given the Committee on Rules by the new House rules, but the democrats who voted for the rules are not complaining.

The House committee on Territories has practically decided to report bills for the admission of Arizona and New Mexico as States.

Messenger:—The pension burden and swindle is the curse of the age. The commissioner, Ransom, is good enough to inform the heavily outraged and burdened toilers and taxpayers that the pensions for 1893 will not exceed \$160,000,000. Think of it. That huge sum is nearly equal to the expenditures of the democratic Buchanan administration for three years, when the population was half what it is now.

A majority of the alliance members of the house, all of whom have hitherto been acting independently of the republicans and democrats, have decided hereafter to abandon this course and unite with the democrats. A sensible conclusion.—Press and Carolinian.

BLAINE NOT A CANDIDATE.

The following is Secretary Blaine's letter announcing the fact that he is not a candidate for the presidential nomination:

"WASHINGTON, Feb. 6.
Hon. J. S. Clarkson, Chairman of the Republican National Convention:

MY DEAR SIR:—I am not a candidate for the presidency, and my name will not go before the Republican National Convention for the nomination. I make this announcement in due season. To those who have tendered me their support I owe sincere thanks and am most grateful for their confidence. They will, I am sure, make earnest effort in the approaching contest, which is rendered specially important by reason of the industrial and financial policies of the government being at stake. The popular decision of these issues is of great moment and will be of far-reaching consequence.

Sincerely yours,
JAMES G. BLAINE."

The New York Herald has the following to say upon the above letter:

"Mr. James G. Blaine has de-lap-ed over his own signature that he will not be a candidate for the presidency in the approaching battle of the politics.

This diminishes from the political campaign a very important element. So far as the republicans are concerned, it may be said, without our fear of contradiction, that they have lost their strongest man. By all odds Mr. Blaine was their most available leader. Even in a subordinate position as Secretary of State, he has thrown his chief into the shadowy background. President Harrison claims the respect of his party, the name of Blaine rouses its enthusiasm. Harrison is a fine specimen of statesmanlike mediocrity; Mr. Blaine has the genius of statesmanship, with many of the faults which genius implies.

As to the Democrats, their shrewdest opponent has retired from the field. They have a large number of men who can certainly win against Harrison and who ought to be able to win against Blaine. If they handle their forces with skill and enter the contest with a strong Western man it will be their own fault if they fail to carry the day. For the great bulk of the American people in all sections of the country are with them.

Asheville Citizen:—Robert G. Ingersoll says there are many more infidels now than there were one hundred years ago. It is safe to say that the infidels of a century past now realize how little their unbelief affected the truths of the Bible, and less than one hundred years hence Col. Ingersoll may also realize that even his great stream of watery eloquence did not lower the temperature much.

LADIES
Needing a tonic, or children who want health, use BROWN'S IRON BITTERS. It is pleasant to take, cures Malaria, Indigestion, Biliousness and Liver Complaints.

A POLITICAL BLUNDER.

The choice of the democrat as candidate for the presidency should be determined by the free will of the democrat party.

No nomination secured by slapping phreatic machine manipulation can command the hearty approval of a party founded in democratic conceptions of free, popular action. No such means can be used in behalf of any candidate without doing serious hurt to his cause.

These are the truths which the World has earnestly pressed upon the attention of politicians and political managers. They are truths which politicians and political managers will do well to heed.

In such matters it is well to avoid not only evil but the appearance of evil. The calling of New York's convention at an unusual time and upon an impromptu short notice is a blunder.

Those most concerned need not be surprised if it is resented as a wrong.

A "Bullied" Tradesman's Leave.

A special from Chicago to the New York World says: William Long, a negro, was arrested last night while trying to dispose of stolen silver ware. He was locked up, and two hours afterward the turn key found him hanging by his suspenders, apparently dead.

Long was cut down by the police and pronounced dead. It was decided to take the body to the Michael Reese hospital on the way to the morgue, and get a doctor's certificate. By order of the hospital physicians, Long's body was carried into the dissecting room. The surgeon and two assistants entered.

"This would be a good subject to work on, boys," said the surgeon. "I've been looking for a bigger for some time."

"He seems too big for the table," said the other. "I think I'll eat him in two and place half of him in the other room."

At these words the supposed corpse jumped from the table and before the police or physicians could recover their astonishment, escaped out of the window, which was on the second floor.

The police ran down, and after a chase captured Williams and carried him back to the cell.

The New York Advertiser says that the work of civilizing Africa goes steadily on, though there are some queer phases in the endeavor. For instance, Boston is sending to that benighted region an average of 700,000 gallons of rum a year. The rapidity with which the Africans are absorbing Boston civilization may be inferred from the fact that the export of rum to the Gold Coast has increased to these figures from 251,000 gallons in 1889. A few more years of civilization, and the Gold Coast will be a 'gold mine' that will cure.

The DEMOCRAT twelve months for one dollar.

SAN JONES' SAYINGS.

These little du'lee who play billiards, drink whiskey and go to wine suppers, they live in pigdom.

If a man behaves tolerably well nowadays he can stay in the church. I heard an old fellow say the other day that he had been in the church forty years and had not been turned out yet.

You can't even try to get whiskey out of the town, but some old fellow will say, Why the grass will grow in the streets. Well, let's have more hay and less hell.

Tell me what you love and hate, and I will tell you what your character is.

A fellow who wants to go to heaven because he's afraid of hell, is like a rabbit with the dogs after him. He wants to get out of danger; he don't care particular where he goes; he just wants to go somewhere.

Whenever I see an old maid, I know that some man has not done his duty. When I see an old bachelor, I know I see an old hog.

These fashionable ladies are no more like what God Almighty made them, than if a Chinaman had whittled them out of white pine.

These little preachers, I never did say they were not called to preach, but if they were called by the Lord, he must have called them to keep them out of deviltry.

A Methodist knows he has got religion, and is afraid he will lose it. A Presbyterian knows he can't lose it, but is afraid he hasn't got it.

Every good habit a man implants drives out an evil one.

A girl who wears high-heeled shoes is a good little thing but she aint got much sense.

Common sense is the most uncommon thing in the world to-day.

I like to see a girl who can play on the cook stove as well as on the piano.

The intellectual man is the man who keeps his eyes open and sees things as they are.

Scott's Ultimatum.

While on a business visit to Lenoir last week, the editor had the pleasure of a call on brother Scott, of the Topic, who was found in his den, dashing off Addisonian sentences, while three printers sat on his table and called lustily for "copy." Bob Deal, of the Will esboro Chronicle, dropped in while we were there, and we three discussed the question, "Who is the man for President?" Deal favored Hill and Scott opposed him. "because he is a bachelor and bachelors are no good," and then Deal accused Scott of having matrimonial intentions and the meeting broke up in a row. Deal left Lenoir in a huff and Scott forwarded his ultimatum to Wilkesboro on Tuesday, in which he required Deal to withdraw his offensive remarks about married men, apologize for his insinuation that Scott couldn't marry if he would, make reparations for kicking over the Topic's tripod, and salute the Topic's flag, which is an apron rampant on a shooting stick. The presidential question, in the mean time, remains unsettled.