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WASHINGTON LETTER.

From our Regular Correspondent.

Republicans are no longer doing much talking about the "do nothing House." Passing two tariff bills—free wool and free cotton ties and bagging—in one week is legislating entirely too fast to suit the republicans, and then the subject of this legislation is not a pleasant one for them to contemplate; it recalls memories of the cyclone of '88, which makes their knees shake at the prospects for its duplication next November.

It has leaked out that prominent republican members of the Senate Finance committee wish to dodge the tariff issue by smothering these bills in committee, that is not reporting them back to the Senate at all—they do not wish to hear, nor to allow the country to hear the tariff speech which Senator Carlisle has prepared, nor that of Senator Mills, which was not delivered in the House, because the Senator preferred it to be his maiden speech in the Senate.

Another reason for wishing to smother these bills is that there are several republican Senators who are considered by the republican leaders as shaky on the tariff question. Democratic Senators have served notice on the republicans that they would resist the smothering process, and intended to have a vote and a discussion, which would show the country where the Senate stands, and that may result in making the dodgers toe the mark.

Commissioner Raur's attempt to draw the attention of the country away from his own shortcomings and mismanagement of the Pension bureau, because a man who had been employed by Representative Cooper, of Indiana, had used that gentleman's signature to obtain information from the Pension office, which he afterwards sold for his own benefit to pension attorneys, was a flat failure; that Mr Cooper knew nothing about the transactions was fully shown by letters in Raur's possession.

The ease with which a real estate pool has been shuffling off depreciated ground upon the government at a fabulous price is creating much talk. Last year all Washington wondered why a bill was smoothly passed locating the postoffice on the south side of Pennsylvania Avenue, in the most disreputable part of the city. At least three prices were paid by Congress for the ground; and now the engineers are trying to find a foundation on the site in a swamp and under water. A plan has been devised to line the entire cellar, covering a square, with Portland cement, like a cistern, and a pumping apparatus will be used to keep it dry. The cellar will be placed on 40 foot piles.

Last week a bill was presented in the Senate to build a new patent office in the same locality and on a like

foundation at a cost of \$3,500,000. To understand the situation, the reader must know that the glory of Pennsylvania Avenue has departed. The low, unhealthy locality, subject to overflow, has been abandoned for high ground, three blocks north, on F and G streets, where are now all the best stores and most of the government buildings. The Avenue property owners have formed a lobby to unload their declining real estate upon the Government. They are assisted by the largest paper here, which has a plant on the Avenue, by a syndicate of real estate agents, who get a goodly slice in commissions, and it is surmised that there are Members and Senators whose hands are not clean. This is more than a local scandal. Every paper in the country should take editorial cognizance of it, and every reader should cut this article out and send it to his member of Congress. There are too many members of Congress who vote gregariously, and hence ignorantly. There should be no excuse for ignorance, when this bill comes to a vote.

Assistant Secretary Nettleton is the guilty man. It is he who was responsible for the spending, without legal authority, of a large sum of money at Ellis Island, money that was certainly extravagantly lavished upon favored contractors, and which later developments may show to have been dishonestly expended. Immigration affairs have taken out of Nettleton's hands, that is not enough; every member of the House and Senate committees on Immigration, which are conducting this investigation, believes that he should be compelled to resign. Superintendent Owen had nothing to do with spending the money, but the investigation has made his general incompetence so plain that it may be regarded as certain that he will have to retire.

Representative McCreary introduced in the House a bill prepared by Representative Springer, providing for the holding of an international momentary Congress, to endeavor to reach an international agreement as to the relation which should be maintained between gold and silver and the uniformity in weight and fineness of coins. The bill is a long one, and was prepared by Mr. Springer previous to his late illness.

Only three democrats—English of New Jersey, Coburn of Wisconsin and O'Neil of Missouri—voted against the bill to put cotton ties on the free list.

"There is to be an apartment at the World's Fair where babies will be checked and left while mother goes out to see the sights. Big improvement that, unless the mothers should fail to come back," says the Knoxville Sentinel. Why in the devil a woman with a baby should want to see any other "sights" we cannot understand. Can you?—Bristol Courier.

BUTLER DODGED

Denouncing the Democrats as Well as Republicans.

STATESVILLE, N. C., April 9.—At the joint discussion between Robbins and Butler here today 2,000 or 3,000 people were present and gave both speakers a patient and courteous hearing. Alliance men from Catawba, Rowan and other adjoining counties were present in large numbers and were liberal in applause for Mr. Butler, but the radicals and the negroes present also manifested their delight. Maj. Robbins made an able and convincing argument against the sub-treasury plan, the government ownership of railways, and was especially strong against the plan to pay the federal soldiers over again as demanded by the St. Louis convention. He denounced the conspiracy of Polk, Butler and others to lead the alliance democrats into the third party. He made an eloquent plea for democratic supremacy and unity which was applauded by all.

Mr. Butler started out by saying that he was not going to make an alliance speech but was simply going to reply to Mr. Robbins. He denounced the two old parties with great impartiality, denounced Cleveland, denounced Hill and, though he was asked the question three or four times if he would support the nominee of the Chicago convention, he dodged it every time. The first time the question was put he answered it by asking if Robbins would vote for the nominee if the convention adopted the St. Louis demands and nominated a man in sympathy with them. Robbins replied that he would for the reason that he had no idea that the Chicago convention would do such a thing. Butler's answer was, that if the Chicago convention adopts the North Carolina platform he would support the nominee. Upon being pressed for an answer, he said that if a majority of the people in the next state convention said that he ought to vote that way he would do so. The speech of Robbins was convincing and, among the intelligent alliance men, will do much good.

Waynesville Courier. The other day a colored individual named Jasper, armed with a coffee-pot filled with powder, was pouring a stream along the floor showing a child how the blasting funny business was done. He sprinkled a little of the harmless looking stuff too near the fire, and when he recovered from his surprise and the smoke had cleared away, he took an inventory and found the coffee-pot had been blown to atoms, a good part of his hair was missing and he was extremely thankful to find even a part of himself present. The child was sufficiently instructed in the business and will be certain to retain the lesson.

A she panther would mourn more over a lost mate than some women.—Bristol Courier.

North Carolina Politics.

RALEIGH, N. C., April 9.—There is no denying the fact that political matters are the leading topic in North Carolina at this time. But at no time in the history of the State has there been so much uncertainty.

The republicans, who claim a "fighting chance," are very quiet. They don't seem to be sure about a "fighting chance," even, this year.

Side from a few personal encounters between alleged bosses and a number of "cussing bees" that some more of the alleged bosses have taken part in, there has been nothing to disturb the usual tranquil flow of party spirits in the State.

True, they have started two or three campaign organs in the western part of the State, but the tone of these are very much like the appearance of a dog whose master is engaged in eating fried chicken—they appear to be waiting for the bones.

The republican organs say to their people, "Let's wait and see how many mistakes the democrats will make and then keep an eye on the third partyites all the while."

The democrats are going ahead without knowing what to do. Perhaps the general feeling can be defined in this way: "We are all right if the third party don't get us, we are all right if we get it."

So far as I know only six counties out of ninety-six have declared for the third party. There have been some little mass meetings in a number of counties. There are men in every county, in both parties, who are ready to bolt; but it is probable that there will be some kind of a compromise in the State before the convention meets on the 8th of May.—Atlanta Journal.

Mr. Butler's statement of his position at Statesville is important. It shows very clearly the importance of having a State convention in full harmony and sympathy with the National Democracy. Mr. Butler does not stand alone. He represents thousands of people who claim to be "Jeffersonian Democrats," and who comfort themselves with repeating constantly that they are better democrats than other people.

His position is and theirs doubtless will be also; that unless the State convention particularly endorses the National Democratic candidate and resolves to support him, these "Jeffersonian" Democrats need not vote for him but will be at liberty to vote for that candidate who stands upon the St. Louis demands.

Under the circumstances the necessity of having a convention in harmony with the National Democratic party is apparent. What Mr. Butler will do with his conference of the 17th of May, the members of which are to be instructed not to back down from the St. Louis demands, is not apparent.—News and Observer.

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Democratic State Executive Committee.

The session of the committee in this city yesterday was largely attended, the proceedings harmonious, and the most excellent feeling prevailed. The only action taken by the committee was the adoption of the following resolution:

"That the democratic executive committee for this State hereby endorse and approves the letter of E. J. Chambers Smith, chairman of this committee, to Mr. J. C. Flington, dated March 20, 1892, as setting forth the proper and true test as to who shall be entitled to participate in the township meetings and conventions of the democratic party of North Carolina. And we heartily commend the manly utterances of that letter to the democracy of the State."

That part of the letter on which the resolution was passed to emphasize most, read as follows:

"The requisite that a citizen must vote for the candidate he has been instrumental in naming is no new one, and is essential to the preservation of the integrity of the party. I should say, therefore, that only those who are democrats and intend to support the democratic nominee can have a voice in naming delegates to the various democratic conventions."

This is nothing more than old democratic honesty, and is meant to preserve that honor, and there by the integrity of the democratic party. It prescribes no new taste, but simply asserts that those who do not intend to vote for the nominees of democratic conventions will not be qualified to participate as delegates in such conventions. No one who wants to be politically honest should object to such precaution. It has always been taken and should be.
—Raleigh Chronicle.

Shaver, of the Chatanooga News, is noticing things a gain: "Tammany, it is said, is winking the other eye at your Uncle Grover."

It seems that courts are so built that a man can law as long as he has a dollar.—Bristol Courier.

It is as bad taste to flatter a man to his face as it is to slander to his back.—Bristol Courier.

David B. Hill is a very fine illustration of that touching little rhyme: Man's a vapor, full of woes, cuts a caper, down he goes!—Bristol Courier.

NOTICE.

By virtue of a decree of the Superior Court of Watauga county made at full term, 1891, as commissioner appointed at said term will sell for cash at the court house door in Boone on the 2nd day of May, 1892, it being Monday of Spring Term of said court, to the highest bidder a certain tract or parcel of land lying in Laurel Creek township, said county, adjoining the lands of Isaac Eggers and others to satisfy three bills of cost against J. E. Lunsford, wherein the State is plaintiff and J. E. and Elizabeth Lunsford, defendants, which said land was mortgaged by the said J. E. and Elizabeth Lunsford for the personal appearance of said J. E. Lunsford at Fall Term 1889. For a more particular description of the land see mortgage on file in the Clerk's office. This the 8th day of March 1892. D. F. BAIRD, Com.

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