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WASHINGTON LETTER.

From our Regular Correspondent.

This is going to be silver week in Congress, and conservative democrats will be very much disappointed if the result is not a compromise measure that will become a law, and settle, at least for a time, the very troublesome and very important question. It has been known ever since Congress came together that President elect Cleveland was very anxious for this Congress to put a stop to the purchase of silver, which he believes to menace the prosperity of the country. It was through the efforts of his immediate friends in the House that Thursday and Friday of this week have been designated for the consideration of the Andrews bill for the repeal of the silver law. It is believed that a sufficient number of democrats in the House have changed their views on this question to make the passage of this bill probable by the House, but it is not thought that it can get through the Senate; hence the movement to effect a compromise that will be satisfactory to the silver men and at the same time will suspend the purchase of silver. Senator Hill, who voted for the present silver law, now holds the same opinion about the purchase of silver that Mr. Cleveland does and is working to bring about its suspension. This week will determine whether a compromise is possible, and if it is not accomplished an extra session early in the spring is believed by Mr. Cleveland's closest friends to be inevitable.

It is probable that there will be some tariff legislation at this session after all. The House Ways and Means committee favors, and there is very little opposition anywhere, the repeal of that clause of the McKinley law which raises the tariff on linen goods fifty-per-cent on and after January 1, 1894. It is admitted by the republicans that this clause has failed to accomplish what it was intended to do—develop the linen industry in the United States.

Representative Blount, of Georgia, chairman of the House committee on Foreign Affairs, who voluntarily retires from Congress on the 4, of March, after having served continuously therein for twenty years, was the recipient on Saturday of an unusual and unexpected compliment from his colleagues on the floor of the House. It was while the diplomatic and consular appropriation bill was under consideration that Mr. Blount was honored by such praise as few men have received, from political associates as well as opponents. Among those who made speeches in honor of the retiring statesman were Representatives Holman of Indiana; Hitt, of Ill.; Bland, of Mo.; O'Neill, of Pa.; Springer, of Ill.; and Mc. Creary, of Ky. No greater compliment than that paid by Mr. Hitt, when he said "In the consideration of public questions Mr. Blount has been a patriot and not a partisan," has ever been or ever will be paid a legislator.

The Hawaiian commission having presented the petition of the government they represent for annexation to the United States, to Mr. Harrison, through the Sec. of State, are now waiting as patiently as they may for an answer. In spite of the mystery with which the officials of the State Department are trying to surround the matter there would be little doubt of the character of the answer were it not so near the close of Mr. Harrison's term. He unquestionably favors annexation, but may, so long as it can hardly be consumated under his administration, conclude to leave it for Mr. Cleveland and the democratic Congress to arrange. That is certainly what he should do.

Who Should Have the Offices.

Lumberton Robesonian.

Among the thousands who will ask office under Cleveland there will be a great many who never did an hour's work for the Democratic party, or who, indeed, know any thing of its principles or policies and care less. All they care for is the offices. Many of these will succeed in obtaining their wants and many worthy and hard working Democrats be pushed aside to make room for them. This is not as it should be by any means, but in the great number of offices; and the terrific struggle and scramble to get in it cannot be helped in some instances. Sometimes a recruit from the Republican party will be rewarded for his services and a good solid Democrat set aside. Again a sulker in his tent and a silent looker on, waiting to see which way the cat is going to jump, will step into a fat place, while his neighbor, a time worn and battle-scarred veteran of Democracy, will be pushed out of the way. These fellows who scramble into office over the shoulders of more worthy and more capable men are without sentiments of modesty, honor or fair play, and are on hand at every prize distribution, begging and fighting for crumbs.

From our papers we see a good deal of this cropping out in all parts of the country. There is, we are glad to see, a rising sentiment against giving the spoils of the victory to luke-warm, time-serving Democrats in preference to the simon pure, hardworking, unswerving members of the party. The victory in November was distinctively a Democratic victory, and none but unadulterated Democrats should share the emoluments and rewards.

A Boy Will Start the Exposition.

The little adopted son of Mrs. Palmer will press the button that is to send the electric thrill through the great machinery af the exposition. The little fellow is a Castilian by birth and the son of an officer in the Spanish army. He was christened Murillo Casteler Palmer by the great orator and poet, Emilio Casteler.—Ex.

Spotting Mr. Lamont.

New York Herald.

An interesting anecdote is related of "Dan" Lamont in connection with his visit to Lakewood. Comment has already been made upon the abstraction which characterized the probable future secretary's manner after his parting from Mr. Cleveland at the station.

It now appears that Mr. Lamont was a great deal more "rattled" over the summons to appear at Lakewood than was thought to be possible for so cool and experienced a head.

He was a little late for the train that left New York and didn't have time to purchase a ticket for Lakewood on the New York side of the river.

When he got to New Jersey he rushed to the ticket office, and throwing down a ten dollar bill, asked Agent Bird for a Lakewood excursion ticket.

He snatched up the ticket and darted off without waiting for his change.

So absorbed was he in Cabinet dreams that he did not hear Agent Bird's voice shouting after him that he had left seven dollars on the counter.

Calling an assistant to mind the window, Bird pursued the Colonel and roughly accosted him.

"Here, you!" said he. "You left your change on the window. Now, that's a smart trick, but you can't play it on me. Don't go to the office of the company and say I didn't give you your change."

Mr. Lamont thanked him absently and walked toward the parlor car, but the ag't. followed him and called the parlor car conductor's attention to the future statesman.

"Keep your eye on that man," he said to the conductor. "I think he's a crook. Spot him and see where he goes when he gets to Lakewood and report back to me.'

The conductor proceeded to "spot" his man at once, and kept it up religiously during the trip, eyeing Mr. Lamont so persistently that the latter felt uneasy under the stare.

When the train drew in at Lakewood the conductor was about to rush forth to tell the station agent to shadow the supposed malefactor, but almost the first person who advanced to greet Colonel Lamont was Mr. Cleveland himself.

He stretchsd forth his hand and shook that of his former private secretary with fervor, calling him by his christian name. The conducter nearly fell under the train with astonishment,

Bishop Lyman to be Married.

COLUMBIA, S. C., Feb. 7.—The fact has just become known that the Right Rev. Theodore B. Lyman, of the diocese of North Carolina is to be married on Tuesday at St. Michaels Church in Charleston. The Bishop is 79 years of age. The lady to whom he will be united is Mrs. Sarah Robertson. The Bishop is now in the city and will go to Charleston tomorrow.

Truth Is Stronger Than Fiction.

ASHEVILLE, N. C.,—Four years ago Amos M. Austin, of Yancy county, killed Henry Ledford of the same county. Austin was brought to Asheville and confined in jail here nearly a year before his trial occurred, resulting in his conviction and sentence to the penitentiary for manslaughter. He left a wife and seven children who had moved here during his confinement.

After serving some time in the "pen" Austin attempted to escape and was shot twice in the head and once in the back, from the effects of which wounds, he came near dying. News reached his wife here of the shooting and that her husband had been killed. Time passed and as no news came from Austin his wife, or widow, as she supposed, honored the suit of E. W. Morgan, and on Oct. 4th, 1891, they were married in Asheville.

The couple lived happily until some time last year, when Mrs. Morgan received a letter from her husband No. 1. She left No. 2 immediately and has not lived with him since.

Austin has just arrived here having been pardoned from the penitentiary by the Governor on account of ill health resulting from his wounds. One bullet remains in Austin's head and causes fainting fits. Austin has seen two of his children but doesn't seem to care to see his wife, who fears he will harm her, or the other man in the case.

The Matter of Oath Taking.

Winston Sentinel.

The theme of Rev. L. G. Broughton's discourse Sunday night was "The vain use of God," the second of a series on the Ten Commandments. His text was the second Commandment.

In the course of his sermon he made an attack upon the courts of justice because of their practice of using the Holy Scriptures upon which to administer oaths to witnesses, charging that this custom was in direct violation of the teaching of the text.

The great masses of humanity, he said, have no regard for the oath, and the legal professions he believed was trickery and chicanery in swerving the witness from the testimony given under this oath.

Dr. Broughton said when a man registered he was sworn to support the constitution and obey the laws of his country. The constitution affirms that every native-born and naturalised citizen not otherwise disabled shall be allowed the exercise of his franchise, yet some under this oath consider it the highest act of citizenship to cheat his fellowman out of his vote. He said that while the Democratic party was defrauding the negro out of his vote in the South, the Republican party was up North grinding down wage-workers and compelling them to vote as their employers dictated or not at all, and the Peoples' party is moving about organizing secret political societies.

The Horse that Pulls the Plow Must Have the Fodder.

Austin, Ga., Chronicle.

Senator Vance, of North Carolina, has stated the doctrine, to the victory belongs the spoils, in a quaint, homely way which is peculiarly his own, but which goes home to the understanding of all his hearers, and finds hearty endorsement. "The horse that pulled the plow must have the fodder," was the expressive language in which he clothed the familiar doctrine, and though Senator Vance is being criticised by some of the ultra civil service people, and called the spoils Senator, he has said nothing which is not good politics, and politics which no party is strong enough to disregard.

Mark you, he did not say the horse that did not pull the plow shall be turned out to starve, or shall not have fodder. He only said what the horse who did pull the plow deserved. He leaves the other horses to look out for themselves. He is arguing the case of the horse who worked, and who worked where he ought to have worked. He believes, just as the most of other people believe, that the best things should come to those who carried the day, and snatched victory from the entrenched foe. He does not say put them all to the sword and no quarter; he only says look out for our own men first, and then be generous to the enemy. Don't leave these sleek, fat fellows who have had their noses in the crib for years in possession of all the best places, and divide up their leavings among horses who pulled the plow. Look out for the faithful fellows first, and then discuss the fate of these other fellows afterwards. They are many of them, no doubt worthy of consideration, but there is nothing either in practical politics or fair dealing, which entitles them to the first consideration.

Senator Vance is right. "The horse that pulled the plow ought to have the fodder."

Essay on Boys.

North Carolina Teacher.

At a recent board school examination for girls, one of the tasks was an essay on boys, and this was one of the compositions, just as it was handed in by a girl of 12: "The boy is not an animal, yet they can be heard at a considerable distance. When a boy hollers he opens his big mouth like frogs, but girls hold their toung til they are spoke to and then they answer respectable and tell just how it was. A boy thinks himself clever because he can wade where it is deep, but God made the dry land for every living thing, and rested on the seventh day. When the boy grows up he is called a husband, the grew up girl is a widow and keeps house."

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