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## WASHINGTON LETTER

 Prom our RegalarPresident Cleveland never did a more universally popu lar thing than when he issued his proclamntion calling an extra mession of Congresn to mert Angust 7, it being hody that the fnancial situ. ation deinands Congressiona legislation, although there is wafference of opinion $2 \mathrm{NB}^{-}$to the exact nature of what that legislation ought to be. I is well known that in calling the extra ression for Aguuust instead of September as orig-
inally intended, the President deferred to public opinion a represented by prominent individuals and business organ izations in every section.
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their judgment an extra ses their judgment an extra ses-
sion would have $n$ tendeney of itself to reatore publieconfilence and improve the financial situation. and al though it grently inconvenlenced him petsonally a n d doubtless many of the Senahad made their arrangements for Soptember he yielded, and n arood effect is alrready per tible
Now that the extra session has heen called, the question
maturally artines, what will it maturally arlses, what will it
do? Mr. Cloveland stated in his proclamation that "The present perifotis condition is Inrgely the resil't of a financial moliey which the exectutive branch of the government finds embodied in unented until repealed by Concuted until rapealent hy Con-
gresk." and it woutd seem that both House and Sennte being democratic ther should be no diffleulty in hav
ing those umwise laws repaaled at the request of a democratic administration, partic nlarly when the fact is remombered that the Chicago plafform, tipon which the
damocratie party earried the damneratic party earried the
country by an overwhelm. country by an overwhelm
ing majority denounced those laws and demanded their re peal; but there is a difficulty, and a donbt. althongh it is growing less substantial, as to the repeal of the Sherinan Silver law.
The absence of Mr. Cleve land, who does not expect to return to Washington until just before the extra session the members of the cabinet most of whom expect to take their vacations between this time and Aug. 7, indicater
that having doneits futy the that having doneits futy the
administration now proposes to keep its hands off and let Congress do its duty, believing that the business interests of the country will make
its influence sufficiently fel. in Congress to make the re peal of the Sherman law a certainty. A prrsonal friend of the President said $t$ h i
morning: "I do not belipe that Mr. Cleveland will have on $t h i$ s question until he gress, which if I mistake not
will be a ennvineing dompment."
ment."
Senntor Vorhees, chairman
of the 太lenate committee on

## Finance, who has niways vo-

ted for the free coinnge of silver, is strongly in favor of the repeul of the Sherman that it will be repeneded belief Senator is always a power in Congress, and his aid will unquestionally be valuable in the Senate, where thestrong ext oppovition to the repeal settled in the minds of to who have heen studying the question that the House will rote for repent by a majority of not lens than 20, although it may take good leadershi and some hard fighting to get it to a vote.
In view of the probabilit of a prolonged fight in whic the whole silver questio would be thoroughly stirred op, and its probnble bad of fect upon flnancial affaira, inade that it would bs ee polies for the extra sension on pass a resolution authorizing the President to sus pend the purchase of silve then at once ndjourn. It is claimed by the advocates of the plan that it wonld dem onstrate before the openit of the regular ression of Congress whether the purchame
of silver was an largaly re stoonsible for the finnneial atringency as it is claimed to be and would enable Con gress to legislate upon $t \mathrm{~h}$ rence, On the other ham there are numbers of democrate who any the party is pledged to give the country and that the work should he gin with the extra session and not ond until it has been thoroughly completed
The canvass for the office of the House will necessarily have to be short. Speake Crisp will be re-elected with out opposition, and elerk
Kerr is so far the only candidute for his position. In an dition to the incumbentsS. Yoder, of Ohio; Charles H Turner, of New York, and Ly curgus Dalton, of Inianathere are a number of gentle men who would like to be sergeant-at-arms, Doorkeep prohabilities are that they will make a very livels canpaign with the chances stigh in favor of theold officials.

The University of $\mathrm{S}^{\mathrm{t}}$. An drew's, which one year ag opened its gates to women,
has now published the reults of the first sessiourl ex amination in which women have taken part. As yet th women stadents are very fen but they have secuped the second place in English literature, the first in Latin, the first in Roman history, the seventh, the cwelfith and the fifteenth in first mathemat ics. As the classes consist of
seventy or eighty students each, the honor of being the some value.-Asheville Citi-
zen.



## Work for the Extra Seer

Wimiugton Meswenger
The calling of theextrases sion of Congress meets with great favor. Ner. Gresham says it was needed. So said the more far-seeing newspa pers. It is $a$ pity that it wa not even called earlier. That he Congress must first at tend to the finances is appaand complirated, and require uch immediate doctoring the undivided attention of both Houses and both par ties.
High patriotism will dic tate to all that it is no tim for a display of mere paiti sunship. It is an occasion de
manding the greatest wis manding the greatest wis
dom and broadent possibl patriotisin. Men should lif themselves above the mere with the financial question that concerns alt parties a ike and the whole country in a spirit of broadest na ous ninselfishness and wis dom. If this is done it will ve well and nobly done.
The Congress will have to crapple with questions othe
than the finances. than the finances. The demhold in "dead earnest" of the huge tariff tax question. The democrat who shirks $h \in r$ Thould die the death of a po litical dodger and triekster No man may ever hereafter be trusted who fails his party in this crisis and in th and reiterated assertion that the vile, unequal, unjust, unrearonable, uncot.stitutiona McKinley Republican Turiff tax shall come down, and The vengeance
The pledge of the democra tax for revenne only. That and nothing else
The democracy haveswor solemnly that no longet shai the country be handicapped burdened, robbed by a mon strous kystem of Taxation
that is based upon the abthat is hased upon the ab
surd, unwise, unconstitutionsurd, unwise, unconstitution al principle of a tariff for PRO teation with only ircidenta all this shall be reversedthat the mound, conatitution al, just, fair tariff is only for revesue with such incidenta protection as may be deriv from it. This is the pledg of democracy. Stand by it the democratic Congress and the democratic Congress and
their eyes will be upon every mother's son of them. If any democrat hisdges, dodges, de cerves the Messenger w il
take very great pleasure in publishing him. Turn on th ight.
Then there are the rascal. hieving pensions, a disgrac to the county, und especially to the Ncrth that favored razped with beroic hand.
There it plenty to 10, and fany of the members ar too lazy, or too delicate, o ed work, they should take a long holiday. Let them dis to their dietriets, resign it once
olected to do the needed most and reign with Thee in glory
urgent work
Do not forget that the re publican Supreme Court dedided that taxes laid for any urpose other than for revethe very word it. That is he very word it used. And so it is. Hence the republi-
can tariff is $n$ Robber and can tariff is n Robber and
nothing else, and the worst of its kind. It is an enemy of its kind. It
to the people.

## essenger

The prajer of Rey. Dr. Mo ses J. Hoge, of Richmond, at the grave of President Davis was peculiarly apposite, impressive and tasteful. It was in striking contrast to the bombant and infelicities of Rev. Dr. Milunrn'syrayer at the Chicago Nhow. We would like to copy all of the prayer of Dr. Hoge, for it is memor able. It was reverent, full there was no betrayal of conscience, no confession of sorrow and repentance over sins committed by the brave inen of the Confederacy who dared to tight for what they held to be sacred and rightecus and deac to their heart of hearts Hear the venerable Presbyte rian divine in the presence with uncovered bended head
with with uncovered bended heads

- as he offers up to the Al--as he offers up to the Al-
migty God, most high, most migty God, most high, most
holy, most merciful his supplications and prayer-hea this devoted and aged serrant of Jehovah saying:
"By Thy help, I ord Godo ruth and justice, we will be aithful to our trust ! We will ho, by disinterested of all who, by disinterested service
and heroic sacrifice, struggled to maintain the empire of principle in the world, and who, with honor stainless and conscience inviolate, fulfilled their task. Now nom bered with the immortal deal they still live enshrined in the souls of those who love
them all the more for what them all the more for what
ther suff-red and who cher ish their memories with unying devation.
Then liear him lifting his eart fillos with gratitude nd adoring love to the King of kines : 8 he relers to the noble dead and lamshandless wife and devoted daughters: "Accept cur thanks, g ra. cous Father, that we have accomplished the office of giv ing ow betoved and honored ing on broved and honored
chief tris apporprinte resting place nmong those whosharplace mong those whoshar
ed with him the roys of ricto ry und the sadness of defeat. and who followed the banne now forever furled, with a for titude which no reverse could shake and which no dizaster could daunt.

Here on this imperial hili we have laid him down besing their perpetual requium and amid the flowers which speak of the resurrection of the just and of the land where death never withers affections, which bloom in beauty and fragrance $\epsilon$ vermore.
(We look up frour the open grave to the open lieavens, where Thou dost live and reign, and whereall who have
"In this, the hour of their reshly-awakened sorrow, 0 Father, mont tender and ing, in the plentitude of Thy compaswion remember and comfort thine handmaiden and all dear to her. Thot unsband of the widow and ather of the fatherless, b Thou their strength, thei song and their salvation."

## Preferred

Yankee Blade
Many interesting stories have beeni told about the favo:ite son of the South, Hen ry W. Grady. One that wa heard a few evenings ago a in aswermbinge largele made 1p of Prosbyternan clergy
men, shows that hie colored oachman, who had net ap peared prominentiy before orthy to be in the service of noch a master.
Rev. Dr. Henry M, Field was the relater of this ineilent. Dr. Field was visiting Atlanta, and of course, me Mr, Grady. Mr. Grady plac ed his carringe at Mr. Field disposal, and after driving at Mr. Grads's office, the Dr. ewarded the coachman with a big silyer dollar. Later in the day Mr. Grady remarked to Dr. Fields that his coach man had told him of th
trip, and at the same tim

