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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.

Grover Cleveland's marvelous backbone was never more creditably displayed than in the crisis now upon the country. He recognized from the first that the first and foremost duty of the President of the United States is at all times to maintain the authority of the Federal Government, which was defied by the stopping of mail facilities guaranteed to the people by the National Government, and by the refusal of rioters to obey the judicial orders regularly issued by the United States courts, and he did not hesitate to order that the army be used to uphold the authority of the Government. No one can regret more than he that men should have been killed by the militia, but he is not blind to the fact that it is better that men who openly defy the laws should be shot down than that red-handed anarchy should be in control even for a single day of any portion of our country. He intends that the people shall enjoy their mail facilities and that the dignity and authority of the United States Courts, shall be maintained no matter what the cost may be in money or blood, and his entire cabinet and an overwhelming majority of Congress, regardless of politics, are behind him.

It is a matter for regret that several Democratic Governors of states and a few Democrats in Congress should have confused the question of states rights with the patriotic policy which the President has adopted. It is a mistake. There is—there can be—no connection between the two. Nothing has been done by the administration to interfere with the rights of any state, and nothing will be done. It is for the preservation of the rights of the National government that the tied up Pacific railroad shall be operated (as provided for in their charters) as military post roads, and that United States troops be used to see that the mails are not obstructed upon any railroad and that government property is protected.

The government that does not maintain its own authority cannot retain the respect and allegiance of its people. The United States government claims no authority to interfere with railroad or any other strikers, but when strikes are made the means for the propagation of anarchy and the defiance of National authority it may be relied upon to act, as long as President Cleveland is at its head. There is nothing in common between a patriotic American and the teachings of anarchy, and there cannot be a doubt that President Cleveland will receive the thanks of all good Americans for the promptness and decisiveness with which he has acted in sup-

pressing anarchist tendencies.

There is no mistaking the sentiment which caused the Democrats of the House to vigorously applaud the plain words of Chairman Wilson concerning the Senate amendments to the tariff bill, which the House refused to concur in and which are now being considered by a Conference committee of 14 members—seven Senators and seven Representatives. Mr. Wilson said concerning the work of the Ways and Means committee of the House: "the committee performed their work honestly, deliberately and to the best of their ability. The bill was based upon the principle that, in gathering revenues, taxes should be levied upon finished products and not upon raw material, which was in accordance with a great fundamental Democratic idea. The bill comes back from the Senate and does not recognize that principle. Only wool and lumber have come back undisturbed by the Senate amendments." The Conference committee held its first meeting today. Daily meetings will be held and progress will probably from time be reported to the House and Senate, but it is hardly possible that the committee can conclude its labors inside of two weeks, although there are not more than 25 of the amendment over which there will be any serious difficulty in coming to an agreement.

It can be stated on the authority of leading Democratic Senators that there is no foundation for the stories sent out from Washington, that Senator Hill was to be read out of the party by a Democratic caucus. There is a general feeling of regret among Democratic Senators that Mr. Hill should have voted against the tariff bill, and a few of them have said harsh things of him, but there is no disposition to force him out of the Democratic party. On the contrary, the disposition is to treat him so that he will not be disposed to take himself out of the party.

Secretary Carlisle has been quite sick for a week past and he has not yet sufficiently recovered to actively resume his duties at the Treasury, but he attends the cabinet conferences which are daily held at the White House with President Cleveland to decide upon the telegraph reports hourly made to General Schofield of the movements of the army and the condition of affairs at Chicago and other places where there are disturbances.

One pint of milk, one ounce of gelatine, one half pound of sugar, six eggs, one quart of whipped cream. Put the milk and gelatine in double boiler and let them come to a boil. Beat the sugar and yolks together and stir in the milk. When cold stir in the whipped cream, and lastly the whites of the eggs beaten to a stiff froth. Pour into moulds that have been wet with cold water and put on the ice to harden.

### A CARD TO THE CITIZENS OF NORTH CAROLINA CONCERNING BLIND CHILDREN.

In view of the completion of the Morganton Institution for the education of the Deaf, and their removal from the Institution for the Deaf, Dumb and Blind at Raleigh, the latter Institution is better prepared than ever before to sustain and educate the Blind. Our capacity is increased, our force augmented and our methods ameliorated; all of which enables us to do more efficient work than we have heretofore done. We are anxious that every Blind child in the State receive an education, we wish to do all in our power for the betterment of this unfortunate class, to enable them to avail themselves of this FREE Institution in which the State so magnanimously offers to instruct this class of its citizens.

With a view to this end, we earnestly appeal to the philanthropic people of our commonwealth to aid us in this noble work. We wish to be put in touch with every Blind child within our borders. We desire the name, post-office, township, county and nearest rail-road station of every child of this class in North Carolina. Also the name of the parent or guardian of such child. With such data, we will correspond with the parents and guardians of these children, and in this way put them in reach of an education.

Will not the good people of the State who know of a Blind child or children in their vicinity send us a card with the information wanted? We promise to use our best efforts to get these children in school, if you will enable us to get their names. Please forward the data at once and greatly oblige.

Very truly,

W. J. YOUNG, Principle.

### Tobacco Causes Loss of Memory.

Those annoying and unaccountable lapses of memory experienced when one is unable to recollect some well-known word or the name of some perfectly-familiar friend are attributed by a French physiologist to the excessive use of tobacco. This gentleman has observed that aphasia and amnesia are at present almost unknown among the gentler sex. On the other hand, he has nearly invariably found these afflictions common in men who are habitually heavy smokers, while in cases where they are only of rare occurrence he has frequently known the extraordinary lapse to have been preceded by an extra dose of the fragrant weed. It is comforting, however, to be assured by this same authority that a moderate use of pipe or cigar is in no way harmful to the memory.—Westminster Gazette.

The new French President is a brave and modest man. He walks about Paris, and in his inaugural message he said: "I love my country too ardently for it to be a happy day for me when I became its chief Executive."

### Col. Skinner and Mr. Blow Exchange Blows.

Wednesday evening as Col. Harry Skinner stepped out into the passage in the court house, having just come down the steps from the People's party convention, Mr. A. L. Blow, who it seems was in waiting for him, dealt him a severe blow in the face, just under the eye. Col. Skinner struck back, inflicting a wound on Mr. Blow's head, when friends separated them. Both men were very bloody, though no serious injury resulted. The trouble arose during Col. Skinner's speech an hour or two before. He was criticising the Democratic method of carrying elections and alluded to the chairman of the Democratic executive committee. Mr. Blow, the chairman, was present and told Col. Skinner that no man could accuse him of fraud, especially one who like him had been the man who committed the frauds. Col. Skinner replied that what he had done was with the knowledge of Mr. Blow, chairman of the executive committee for the Democratic party, and any man who said otherwise was a d—d liar. Thursday morning the two gentlemen appeared before Mayor Fleming through Mr. B. C. Pearce, proxy, and were fined \$5 a-piece and costs.—Greenville Index.

### Preaching Politicians.

It may be doubted whether any class of men is so troublesome in a community and so dangerous to its best interests as the preacher politicians. They appeal to the religious instinct, and boldly use it for purposes in no wise religious. Sometimes blindly fanatical, sometimes ignorantly prejudiced, they always sacrifice the peace of society, the welfare of their own people, and the true principles of religion to accomplish their schemes. Such men kindled the fires of civil war, and made impossible a calm and peaceful solution of the problem of slavery. They wickedly urged the slave to massacre the women and children of the South, they denounced the Constitution and the Union as a "covenant with hell," they clapped their hands, when crazy John Brown invaded Virginia. This is not the preaching of Jesus. These are not the followers of the Master. No church can prosper when guided by such men. No State is safe while they inflame the public mind. They cannot be trusted, for they are blind leaders of the blind, and their feet are not shod with the preparation of the gospel of peace.

Let us have none of this business in North Carolina. Let the preachers stay in the pulpit, and leave to the people the management of civil affairs. Let those who have "taken the stump" on certain civil questions go back to their churches, and seek to lead their people along the paths of righteousness, or else let them put aside the preacher's robes, and assume the name as well as the work of the politician.—Ex.

### A Smoking Tree

While waiting for the train at the Asheville depot a few days ago this writer met up with a citizen of extreme western North Carolina. He lived up near the Tennessee line, among the Smoky mountains which permit little travel in wheeled vehicles and offer an inviting field for the moonshiner. In speaking of moonshiners, our new acquaintance told this story. Revenue officers began to get a little too thick and troublesome up there. A real bright and original moonshiner dug a cave in the mountain side just under a hollow tree and set his still there, letting the smoke pass up the hollow and out among the branches and foliage of the tree. People saw what was known as the "smoking tree" and marvelled. It came to be the greatest natural curiosity to be seen in that region, and people came from far and near to see it. But some who frequently visited the smoking tree came away in conditions that aroused more or less suspicion in time. Their general walk and conversation led to an investigation of the tree by revenue officers, and as a result the still was discovered, and the soft snap of man of genius and famous natural curiosity suddenly passed away.—Clinton Democrat.

### An Unknown Admirer.

About one year ago a pretty young lady attending the Richmond High School received a package from a little town in Virginia containing a handsome and valuable diamond ring. Accompanying the package was a note stating that the donor was unknown to her and she would, perhaps, never see him, but he admired her. The ring had engraved in it the word "Unknown." The young lady graduated this year, and recently she received a package postmarked from a little town in North Carolina. It contained an elegant gold watch and chain. A note accompanying the present stated that her unknown admirer knew her birthday occurred about the middle of June and that the gift was intended as a birthday present. The enamored unknown took great pains to keep the young lady and her friends from discovering his identity. He even carved out the numbers in the watch so the jeweler who sold it could not be traced. Neither the young lady nor any of her friends have the faintest idea as to who the unknown admirer can be, they not knowing any one in the towns from which the presents came.—Richmond Times.

Morganton Herald: Jake Seagle says that he and Hort Bower and Will Scott and Grover Cleveland and the other fellows at Washington have been doing some fine work for the country in the retrenchment and reform way, of which but little has yet been said, but which will come out in the campaign.