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NOTICE.

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NOTICE.

Parties putting papers in my hand for execution will please advance the fees with the papers and they will receive prompt attention, other wise they will be returned not executed for the want of fees. D. F. BAIRD SHFF.

WASHINGTON LETTER.

From our Regular Correspondent.

President Cleveland has not changed his mind about the desirability of admitting free of duty such raw materials as coal and iron ore; nor have the Democratic majority of the House which voted to put them on the free list in the original Wilson bill; nor have the Democratic voters of the country who were under the impression when they a Democratic Congress and administration in power that free raw materials were assured. Notwithstanding this overwhelming Democratic sentiment in favor of free raw materials, coal and iron are not to go on the free list. It is both unnecessary and unprofitable to enter into any explanation at this time as to the whys and wherefores of this. It is sufficient to say that the fact has been made plain that no bill putting iron and coal on the free list can pass the Senate.

Therefore the Democrats of the House are brought face to face with the choice of leaving the McKinley law stand or, of allowing the Senate to have its way about coal and iron, and getting a new tariff law on the Senate books, which contains many most excellent features and which is, even in the iron and coal schedules, a big reduction from the duties imposed by the McKinley law.

This is the situation that confronted the Democratic House conferees when they met the Senate conferees today for their first formal meeting in their second effort to reach an agreement on the tariff bill. In addition they were met with the tie vote of the Senate refusing to instruct its conferees to recede from the differential duty of one-eighth of a cent a pound on refined sugar, thus indicating, one might say officially, that any change in the sugar schedule would not be accepted by the Senate.

Notwithstanding all this chairman Wilson and the House conferees are not disposed to give up the fight; therefore a call is being circulated for a caucus of the Democrats of the House, to be held if no agreement is reached on the bill by Tuesday. It is believed that the conferees will endeavor to reach an agreement upon everything except the iron, sugar, and coal schedules of the bill before the caucus is held, and that chairman Wilson will then ask the caucus what shall be done about those schedules. It is, of course, impossible to say what action the caucus will take, but in view of the fact that the Democrats of the House are practically unanimous in the opinion that a tariff bill must be passed at this session of Congress, and that a bill cannot be passed unless those schedules are accepted in accordance with the demands of the Senate, it is believed that the caucus will instruct the conferees to agree, knowing that the re-

sponsibility has been placed, by President Cleveland's letter, where it belongs. There has been much talk here about the probability of President Cleveland vetoing the bill if the House agrees to the Senate iron, coal and sugar schedules, but I do not think it at all probable that he will. In fact, I have excellent reasons for the belief that he has advised chairman Wilson and other prominent Democrats of the House to get all the reduction possible in the Senate bill and then to accept it as the best that can be had. Mind, I do not state it for a fact that President Cleveland has given such advice, but that I have excellent reasons, which cannot be told without violating confidence, for believing that he has. It is also known that prominent Democrats, outside of Congress, have given Mr. Wilson and the other Democratic conferees similar advice. The commission appointed by President Cleveland to investigate the causes of the recent railroad strike met for the first time, today, in the office of Hon. Carrill D. Wright, U. S. Commissioner of Labor, who is ex-officio chairman of the Commission. No time is to be lost in making the investigation. The House committee on Labor after an extended examination of the various bills on the subject decided by an unanimous vote in favor of Representative Springer's bill for the creation of a national board of arbitration, which he has been favorably reported to the House and will, if the committee can succeed in securing a day for its consideration, almost certainly be passed at the present session. The bill is drawn in accordance with the recommendation contained in President Cleveland's 1887 message to Congress. The Senate Investigating committee is having considerable trouble in locating a witness—Mr. Battershall—who is alleged to be a walking encyclopedia on just the things the committee wishes to find out about the alleged dealing of Senators in stock of the sugar trust. There is little disposition in either House or Senate to take up any other general legislation of importance, as the belief is general that the business of the session will be rushed to a close as soon as the tariff bill is finally disposed of.

Landmark: An editor works 365 days per year to get out 52 issues of a paper; that's labor. Once and a while some body pays a year's subscription; that's capital. And once in a while some sun of a gun of a dead beat takes the paper for years and vanishes without paying for it; that's anarchy. But later on justice will overtake the last named creature, for there is a place where he will get his deserts; that's hell.

From Banner Elk, N. C.

Editor Democrat:

There are a number of people in this country to whom Mr. Cleveland is an idol. To them it is blasphemy to question the infallibility of Grover, or of the Groverian scripture. It is never worth while to waste argument on a man who has got the Grovers. My own opinion is that Grover is a mortal man with many robust virtues, but at the same time overburdened with human frailty. I even think that Mr. Cleveland betrays at times a singular facility for blundering.

But Grover is a cool man! Blundering; yes, to use no harsher term, that's the word. He blundered when he failed to call an extra session of Congress when he was inaugurated; he blundered when he assumed that the repeal of the purchasing clause of the Sherman act would relieve the finances of the country; he blundered when he did not outline a policy to be pursued, in line with the Chicago platform, in his message to the regular session of Congress, when Congress and the people expected that he would; he blundered in making some of his appointments of ministers to foreign lands; he blundered in his ghostly silence during the past weary months of debate on the tariff, when he should have used his influence and patronage to have a proper tariff bill become a law; he blundered when he appointed a negro to the office of Register of Deeds for the district of Columbia; he blundered when he vetoed the only silver measure that could have given the country any financial relief.

But Grover is a very cool man! After all these blunders, and as if to place a glittering tip to the icy peak of his towering exhibition of frozen impudence, he writes his letter to Mr. Wilson, Chairman of the House finance committee. In that he proved that he was on record both for and against the income tax. But Grover is a very cool man. He did not hesitate to insult the Senate in that letter, and the Senators did not fail to resent it. The political muddle is without precedence, and all on the account of Grover's own action. As a specimen of what the Senators think and say, here is one little paragraph from Mr. Gorman's speech. "Never before since the declaration of independence, has a President of the United States been guilty of such a violation of the spirit of the constitution, as has Mr. Cleveland in writing his letter to Chairman Wilson." It takes these Democratic Senators to show up to us Grover's "ways that are dark and tricks that are vain." The whole true inwardness of the business is, that Grover is trying to auger his way into a third term as president, and he very reasonably expects that the money power will attempt to hoist him there. In the mean time,

what are the people going to do about it? Are the Groverian idolaters going to block the wheels to Democratic success in the future, or are they going to stand squarely upon the Chicago platform? As to a third term for Grover, the idea is preposterous, and unless the most unlooked-for changes take place, he stands no more chance for a third term as president than Satan does for a second term in the happy land. Our county and State conventions will soon be called upon to place candidates in the field for the different offices. Let us see that no man gets on the Democratic ticket who is not known to stand wholly upon the Chicago platform, as the people understand it. Let us profit by the mistakes of our erring brethren, and try to secure the support of every true American for our ticket. Put the right men out, and let favoriteism go to the winds. PHANTOM.

WOMAN'S TRUE KINDLINESS. It is More Natural with Her Than with Man. Among all nations, women are ever inclined to be cheerful and modest. They do not hesitate, like man, to perform a hospitable or generous action; not haughty, nor arrogant, nor supercilious, but full of courtesy and affection; industrious, economical, ingenious; more virtuous, and performing more good actions than man. I never addressed myself in the language of decency and friendship to a woman, whether civilized or savage, without receiving a decent and friendly answer.

In wandering over the barren plains of inhospitable Denmark, through honest Sweden, frozen Lapland, rude and churlish Finland, unprincipled Russia and the widespread regions of the wandering Tartar, if hungry, dry, cold, wet, or sick, woman has ever been friendly to me, and uniformly so; and, to add to this virtue, so worthy the appellation of benevolence, these actions have been performed in so free and kind a manner that, if I was dry, I drank the sweet draught, and if hungry, ate the coarse morsel with a double relish.—Ex.

Morganton Herald: Everybody expects the Republicans to change the name under which they attack the Democracy of North Carolina at least once in two years. In fact, so heartily ashamed do they seem of the name republican, that they are constantly conjuring up some new title for their badly disorganized forces. They have failed to get in under the name of 'Independents and Liberals.' This year they started out as 'Coalitionists,' but they have already gotten tired of that and they are now calling themselves 'Cooperationists.' What it will be next nobody can tell, and it don't make any difference. No army that was ashamed of its flag and uniform ever yet won a battle either military or political.

THE DEMOCRATIC PARTY RIGHT SIDE UP. Statesville Landmark. The Democratic State convention meets next week, and in preparation for it the most of the county conventions have already been held. Such as have not been held will be this week. The reports from all that have been held are of the same character: "the boys" are all on hand as usual; their spirits are fine and their faith in the party of the people is undiminished. The dissatisfaction which was apparent through out almost all of the first year of the Cleveland administration is subsiding, but, whether men are satisfied with national affairs or not, they have come to a realizing sense of the fact that the welfare of North Carolina is at stake and that it is no time to be squabbling over free silver and such things when home government is in any sort of peril. Pretty much all of our Supreme Court is to be elected this year—our court of last resort; the one which passes, finally, upon the lives and property of the people. So, also, the judges who travel from county to county and administer justice. Likewise the men who make and unmake our laws; and last, but by no means least, the men who attend to the business of the people at the various court houses. Those enumerated—the judges, legislators and county officers—are the public servants with whom the people are most concerned after all, and when they come to look around for the right men for these places they see that the Democratic party is the only one which can furnish them. The people want the State governed properly and the county business done right, and they are going to give the job to the Democratic party again this year, as usual. If President Cleveland should turn Republican tomorrow and Congress adjourn without passing a new tariff bill at all, North Carolina would still go Democratic this year, upon the record of the party in the State and upon the character and capacity of the men whom it offers the people as Congressmen, judges, solicitors, members of the Legislature and county officers.

A Warning. "Have you been reading the serial, 'The Scout of the Sierras,' that is running in my paper?" "Yes, I am very much interested in it. Who is the author?" "I am the author." "You are, eh? Well, I want to tell you right now that unless the hard heated adventurers comes to grief and the brave scout rescues and marries the captive maiden pretty soon I'll stop my paper.—Texas Sitings.

ANNOUNCEMENT. I hereby announce myself an Independent Anti-administration Democratic candidate for Solicitor in the 10th Judicial District. J. F. SPAINSHORN.

One dollar pays for the Democrat one year.