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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, otherwise they will be returned not executed for want of fees.

D. F. BAKER, SUFF.

WASHINGTON LETTER.

From our Regular Correspondent.

President Cleveland has issued no order, written no letter, nor said anything that could be construed into even the wish that federal officials should not take part in the pending political campaign. This statement is positively made on the best authority, notwithstanding contrary statements which have emanated from usually well-informed sources during the last few days. It is not known how these statements originated, but it is probable that the cause was a misconception of the term "perfidious political activity" on the part of somebody. The President would consider it "perfidious political activity" for a federal official to try to control a primary election or a nomination convention, but he does not consider it "perfidious political activity" for an official to sport for and aid his party after the nominations have been made. On the contrary, I happen to know, that he considers such aid highly commendable, provided always that it can be rendered by the official without neglect of any of his official duties. At this time a number of officials prominently connected with the administration are on the stump in various states and members of the Cabinet will make speeches before the close of the campaign.

The republicans are howling mad because the Treasury department authorized the proceedings against Mr. Morton for having violated the alien labor contract law by importing an English consulman under contract. The fact that Mr. Morton is the republican candidate for Governor of New York cut no figures in the matter with the Treasury officials. The facts, obtained from the men imported under contract, were reported to the department by a special investigation agent, and the department ordered the man deported and that proceedings be begun against Mr. Morton, just as it would have done had he been the candidate of the democrats. If he has violated the law, as it is claimed he has, he will have to pay the penalty, otherwise not. That is all there is about it.

The Washington Post, which is certainly neither a democratic nor a tariff reform paper, bears testimony to the good effect of the new tariff law in the following strong language, on its editorial page: "The effect of the new tariff law will unquestionably be beneficial. The Treasury will be rehabilitated, popular confidence restored and capital freed from its hiding into useful and wholesome activity. Everybody with the faintest glimmer of intelligence realizes these truths." In other words, the writer of the paragraph doesn't believe that the republican stump speakers and editors who are shouting against the new

tariff have "the faintest glimmer of intelligence," if they believe what they say.

The working democrats in the House will shed no tears over the retirement of Bourke Cockran, the most dashing orator in that body. While no one doubts or denies Mr. Cockran's great ability as an orator, his tendency to be erratic made him more dangerous to his own party than to the opposition. No one could ever tell what he would do next, whether opposed or favor a party measure. He would remain away from Washington for extended periods while important legislation was pending, would return unexpectedly and without consulting the men who were managing democratic interests on the floor would proceed to pour out one of those floods of oratory, which he seemed to keep always on tap, and it was just as likely to be opposed to the program that had been marked out by the democratic managers as in its favor, in fact, more likely, as Mr. Cockran appears to take a special delight in opposing his party's program. Mr. Cockran has a rich wife and is said to aspire to a seat in the Senate. Maybe he'll get it, some day, but he wouldn't if it depended upon votes of democratic members of the present House.

Commissioner Lochran is proud of his administration of the business of the Pension Office and welcomes the publication of facts about that office, but he has this to say about a statement lately given wide circulation by Assistant Secretary McKee, of the republican campaign committee: "Mr. Secretary McKee either imposed on by somebody or is circulation palpable falsehoods. He says that there were 50,000 notices prepared to be sent to old soldiers, asking them to show cause why their pensions should not be dropped or reduced; that these were all ready to be sent, but it was determined to withhold them till after elections. It is not suggested how such a glut of notices could have accumulated before there was any purpose to withhold them. The whole story is too palpably untrue to deceive anyone who will consider it a moment. No notices will be withheld." Secretary Smith says: "It is merely a campaign lie."

The news received by the democratic campaign committee continues to be encouraging, and the belief that the democrats will retain control of the House is firm and cannot be shaken by republican blinding or populist's charges.

What Buck Thinks.

Buck Kitchen says that everybody down east knows that Faircloth is not fit to be Supreme Court Justice, and that on a recent trip to the west he learned that Faircloth was even less fit. Buck, you know, is a priest, and apostle of Populism, and his opinions should have weight with the party.—*Concord Standard.*

THE VOICE OF MANUFACTURES.

There is indeed a great industrial revolt against McKinleyism. This is plain enough now. The manufacturers themselves by the scores are speaking out plainly. The Senate Committee of Finance sent out hundreds of inquiries to manufacturers relative to protectionists' fallacies and the Radical free-trade spook, and in answer they make very short, but very pointed, direct, pertinent tariff speeches. The Philadelphia Record is printing these little speeches—the brief answers of manufacturers—by the score. They tell the same pleasant story. The Record says that "these declarations of the great capitalists of industry, the employers of labor and capital, are worth columns of Protectionist's bulletins and howls of humanity. They show that the manufacturers were no longer haunted by the goblin of Free Trade. If the consumers of the country had remonstrated prominently with the demands of the manufacturers, especially in the great metal and wood industries, for the removal of the restrictions on their trade would have impelled Congress to reform the tariff in their interest."

These replies—counted by fifties—are really excellent campaign lightning. They strike in the right place. They show that the intelligent, wide-awake, progressive American manufacturers are alive to their own interests and wish to get rid of the protectionist shackles and tear down the Chinese Wall Republic shut-out and shut-in arrangement. The Record well puts it:

"It must be said that in the great body of American manufacturers there are comparatively few of such men who content themselves of inconsistency and stupidity by claiming high protection at home for products which successfully compete in the open markets of the world. As the liberal manufacturers tell them in these replies, instead of reducing they will be obliged to raise wages in order to secure the greatest possible efficiency of production. With the widening of markets in the industrial epoch which the new tariff has ushered in the workingmen will demand and receive a larger share of the profits of their labor. In these replies of the manufacturers who declare that they want no duty to protect them the Professional Protectionists witness how great is the industrial revolt against their narrow and liberal theories of trade."

"Tariff reform, tax reduction should be pressed until American industries are freed from burdens that oppress and retard, and the people at large are relieved still more of the huge weight of taxation that has cursed and almost ruined them.—*Messenger.*"

ANNOUNCEMENT.

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

TELLING A PERSON'S AGE.

There was once a wise king who was very curious. He possessed a desire to know everything, and was continually asking questions. Indeed his thirst for knowledge carried him so far that he wanted to know the age of every person he met. Not being a king, he was exceedingly polite, and would resort to strategy to gain his end. One day there came to the court a gray haired professor, who amused the king greatly. He told the monarch a number of things he never heard before, and the king was delighted. But finally he came to the point where the ruler wanted to know the age of the professor, so he thought of a mathematical problem.

"Answer," said the king. "I have an interesting sum for you, it is a total in mental arithmetic. Think of the number of the month of your birth."

Now, the professor was sixty years old, and had been born two days before Christmas, so he thought of twelve, December being the twelfth month.

"Yes," said the professor.

"Multiply it by two," continued the king.

"Yes."

"Add 5."

"Yes," answered the professor, doing so.

"Now multiply that by 50."

"Yes."

"Add your age."

"Yes."

"Subtract 365."

"Yes."

"And now," said the king, "might I ask what the result is?"

"Twelve hundred and sixty," replied the professor, wondering.

"Thank you was the king's response.

"So you were born in December, sixty years ago, eh?"

"Why, how in the world do you know?" cried the professor.

"Why," retorted the king, "from your answer—1,260. The month of your birth was the twelfth, and the last two figures, give your age."

"Ha, ha, ha!" laughed the professor. "Capital idea. I'll try it on the next person I meet. It's such a polite way of finding out people's ages."—*Selected.*

Press and Carolinian: Mr. Marion Butler can now peacefully and softly slide over into his little job. Mr. Wellborn knocks every argument he makes in asking for his resignation as a candidate for judge, into a wrecked mass of busted cocodrums worse than those of the end men of a fake minstrel show. Mr. Wellborn will continue to run as a Populist candidate for non-partisan judge of the 9th Judicial district.

Chronicle: As much as the rep-pop-licans profess to love silver, they are awfully mad because Secretary Carlile is having so many silver dollars coined in 1894. You see it takes the wind out of their thunder.

Do Not Be Deceived.

A vote for any other but the Democratic nominees for the State Senate, the legislature and for Congress and the Supreme Court Judges, Superior Court Judge, Sheriff, Clerk of Court, Register of Deeds, Surveyor, Coroner, and all, means that you are willing that the North shall rule the South; that the North shall enforce its bayonet rule; that it shall force its gold standard policy upon us; that it shall deprive us of the advantages of the free coinage of silver as a money of the country, that the producers of the farms of the South shall be made a subordinate subject of the silver to add to the wealth of the people of the North? If you care for anything else you vote to give to the North all these advantages and to bring back and prolong all the misery and misfortune that has been your lot ever since the Republican party has been in control of the government. It means that your crops will continue to be worthless; that you will have no money; that your homes and farms will have no value; that they will not be worth as much money as they were when the war ended and that ultimately you will be deprived of your equal rights in the administration of the affairs of the government and that possibly even your rights as citizens will be abridged and your homes taken from you without adequate pay for them. Think of these things kind friends before you vote for a Populist or a Republican or either one who has fused.—*Press and Carolinian.*

A New York dispatch says: The Tuckasee Timber Company has been incorporated, with a capital of \$600,000, for the purpose of purchasing timber and timber lands and manufacturing lumber. This corporation has acquired about 75,000 acres of timber land near Asheville, Western North Carolina, on the line of the Southern railroad, and not far from the estate of Mr. George Vanderbilt. These lands are very heavily timbered with hard woods and poplar.

State Auditor Furman says that the number of pensioners in North Carolina this year will probably be about 7,000, an increase of nearly 200 over last year. The pension warrants will be issued in December.

Several North Carolinians have been affected by the reorganization of the Treasury Department. The salary of Mr. G. W. Sanderlin, deputy third auditor, has been increased to \$2,500. Mr. D. B. Ellsworth, was transferred to the third auditor's office and made assistant chief of the division of accounts. Mr. W. W. Scott has been transferred to the office of auditor for the State Department at \$5,000, and Judge J. C. L. Gidger to a similar position in the office of auditor of the Treasury.—*Christian Advocate.*

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