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WASHINGTON LETTER.

From our Regular Correspondent

Two violations of the Constitution in a single week is the record of the republican majority in the House—a record that should drive the republican party from power. It does not mitigate the offense against constitutional government that one of these violations should have been an attempt to practically right the wrong committed in the other. A rightful thing wrongly done is often as bad or worse than a wrong. When the republican majority, driven by the party whip, passed the bill levying a 15 per cent. duty on the products of Porto Rico for a period of two years, a grievous wrong was inflicted upon the Porto Ricans, and the Constitution of the U. S. was violated. Later, when the republicans became alarmed at the vigorous protests from all sections of the country against the proposed robbery of the helpless Porto Ricans, they again violated the Constitution by doing a thing right in principle in the wrong way—passing a bill placing more than \$2,000,000 already in the treasury, and all future collections under Dingley duties upon Porto Rican products, at the disposal of the President, to be expended under his discretion for the benefit of Porto Rico. It is perfectly right that every dollar of this money should be spent for the benefit of Porto Rico, but, as Representative Bailey so forcibly pointed out it is everlastingly wrong, to turn over to the discretion of one man money in the treasury of the United States, when the Constitution expressly gives the right to dispose of money in the treasury to Congress, and not to the Executive. But good may come of evil. These things serve to excentuate in the minds of the people the attitude of the two great political parties toward the Constitution, to make plain that there is only one constitutional party, and that is the democratic party.

Senator Jones, of Arkansas, said of the attitude of the democratic Senators toward the Porto Rico bill: "The democrats accept the issues tendered by the republicans. Porto Rico has been annexed to the United States. It is an integral part of the country. The flag proclaims our sovereignty there and the constitution follows the flag. The republican proposition that we can enact discriminating legislation against the Porto Ricans and Porto Rican products is monstrous. We will fight it in the Senate to the limit of our extent, and we will fight it before the people from now until the ballots are cast in November.

Senator Stewart, who has been counted as a counter-balance if not an actual supporter of imperialism, said in a speech against the Porto Rico tariff: "I don't want any territory in which the constitution does not follow the

flag. We cannot discriminate against any section of our own country. If our principles of free government are not broad enough to cover any territory under the flag, then we would better bring back the flag."

Instead of avoiding the collision of imperialism and protection, as the republicans who fathered it intended, the Porto Rico tariff bill seems likely to precipitate the collision, and the republicans to be called on to say whether the country shall give up the Philippines or the protective tariff. If the Supreme Court decides, as many believe it will, that all territory owned by the United States, is constitutionally speaking, a part of the United States, the choice will have to be speedily made, and Senator Foraker has openly said on the floor of the Senate, that he would favor giving up the Philippines.

Junketing is catching. Secretary Root, accompanied by three members of his family is officially junketing in Cuban waters, aboard a government transport; Secretary Long is arranging to take the House Naval Committee to Newport News, on a government vessel, and there is talk of a Congressional junketing party to Porto Rico, made up of the Joint House and Senate Committee and their families.

There seems to be trouble ahead for the administration bill providing that the Adjutant General of the Army shall have the rank of Major General. The Senate has adopted a resolution, offered by Senator Pettigrew, directing the Secretary of War to send the Senate the record of the Court-Martial of General Corbin, who was then a Lieut. Col., during the civil war, and a copy of a report made about the same time by Col. Thos. J. Morgan, relating to the first colored brigade, and Lieut. Col. Corbin's relations therewith. Corbin was court-martialed upon the charge of cowardice, one of the specifications being that while under fire he got off his horse and hid behind a tree. He was acquitted, but the record, as well as the report of Col. Morgan, is said to contain matter which will cause Senator and Representatives to do some hard thinking before they vote to make such a man a major general.

The Republican leaders of the House are preparing for some sort of a political performance during the present week, as they have issued orders to every republican member to be in his seat every day during the week.

We have saved many doctor bills since we began using Chamberlain's Cough Remedy in our home. We keep a bottle open all the time and whenever any of my family or myself begin to catch cold we begin to use the Cough Remedy, and as a result we never have to send away for a doctor and incur a large doctor bill, for Chamberlain's Cough Remedy never fails to cure.—D. S. Meakle, General Merchant and Farmer, Matie, Penn. For sale by dealers.

SPECIAL CORRESPONDENCE

RALEIGH, N. C. March 1900.

—It is astonishing how short the memory of the republican leaders is. Take for instance Revenue Collector Carl Duncan, who looks after republican affairs in all eastern North Carolina. He was speaking about the Legislature which is to be elected this year and offered to bet it would be republican, but no doubt he included populists in his count, as republicans invariably speak of themselves and populists jointly as 'we.' Then he said that as soon as the legislature was elected Governor Russell would convene it and that it would immediately meet and repeal the present election law. He declared that after this it would be no trouble for "us" to elect congressmen.

What shortness of memory. Does he really think for the merest portion of a second that the democrats in North Carolina and those who stood shoulder to shoulder with them in '98, at the election have so soon forgotten the negro rule in this State in '97-'98? It is inconceivable that in one year any people so determined could ever think of returning to any such state of affairs. If Mr. Duncan can bet he will lose as he lost in '98, for if there are three things certain besides death and taxes in this year of grace, 1900, they are that the democrats will carry the election and elect their congressional nominees and that the Amendment will be ratified by a majority more than gratifying.

Senator Butler is flooding the State with copies of his speech in congress against the franchise amendment to the constitution. This plan for negro supremacy is being sent out by the republicans under the Senator's frank. Collector Duncan, for example, is sending out some thousands of copies. He has a great admiration for the Senator; in fact he said a few days since he loved him. This tenderness is very beautiful. It has increased considerably since the winter and early spring of '97.

Republican State Chairman Holton, one of the bitterest of all the republicans, had some criticisms to make of Governor Russell's frank statement made at a banquet in Chicago, in which the republicans were arraigned for allowing themselves to be placed in antagonism to the constitutional Amendment. The Governor sees far more clearly than Holton the "handwriting on the wall." He knows what the white men of the State will do at the polls next August. The Governor dismissed Holton's criticism with a few contemptuous words.

It is hardly probable that the session of the legislature in June will last more than a week or that it will do other than the particular thing for which it meets—that is to safeguard the election law and the franchise amendment. There will be pressure to have it consider some other

business—local in character.

This leads to the just criticism of much of the steadily increasing volume of business which is forced upon the legislature. At least one-third of it, perhaps even more, could easily be done by the clerks of the superior courts.

Populists are saying that there will be a revolt against Senator Butler and his determined effort to enforce their State convention to array itself in opposition to the franchise amendment. They are telling the Republicans as much. Senator Butler will be surprised at the dimensions of the revolt. He will find that he cannot get populists in line against white supremacy. They showed him this in '98. This year they will illustrate it even more plainly.

Republicans have had an idea that they were going to induce Attorney-General Walker to declare himself against the amendment. As he remarked today, they do not know him. He will take no such step, nor will he antagonize the amendment. He was speaking to a republican and a democrat when the republican made the statement that a certain populist had said he would vote against the amendment for fear he would be disfranchised. "Not at all," said the Attorney-General. "It is impossible, provided he registers before 1908." This indicates an able republican's legal view of the matter.

It is very hard to stand idly by and see our dear ones suffer while awaiting the arrival of the doctor. In Albany, N. Y., a dairyman called at a drug store there for a doctor to come and see his child then very sick with croup. Not finding the doctor in, he left word for him to come on his return. He also bought a bottle of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy, which he hoped would give some relief until the doctor should arrive. In a few hours he returned, saying the doctor need not come, as the child was much better. The druggist, Mr. O. Scholz, says the family has since recommended Chamberlain's Cough Remedy to their neighbors and friends until he has a constant demand for it from that part of the county. For sale by dealers.

A Weldon correspondent to the Raleigh Post says: A cotton buyer from Raleigh was here this week trying to drive a trade with Senator Matt Ransom for his large holdings of the fleecy staple. The Senator is not quite in the notion to sell yet. He has on hand about \$40,000 or \$50,000 worth of cotton, and when he does sell it will place quite a nice little sum to his bank account.

A. R. De Fluent, editor of the Journal, Doylestown, O., suffers for a number of years from rheumatism in his right shoulder and side. He says: "My right arm at times was entirely useless. I tried Chamberlain's Pain Balm, and was surprised to receive almost immediate relief. The Pain Balm has been a constant companion of mine ever since and it never fails." For sale by dealers.

LINNEY SCORED.

News and Observer. There is little doubt that if Linney could recall the speech he made in congress, plus his surrendering the floor to White to slander the white men of the South, he would gladly do so. The best scoring he received was administered by Mr. Williams, of Mississippi, who said:

"I do not blame the gentleman from North Carolina (Mr. Linney) much, because he cannot know what he says; he cannot measure English when he speaks; he does not mean what he says; he does not fathom the significance of his own words; * * * that he does not understand the force and power of the English language, but merely open his mouth and lets come what words will and lets them fall where they may. * * * And yet I am prone to believe that at the bottom of this entire speech of the gentleman from North Carolina lies this thought and motive, viz., that if the illiterate vote, the incapable vote and the incompetent vote, the ignorant and criminal vote for the State of North Carolina is once ruled out by legislation or amendment, in accordance with the constitution of the United States, it may be that the gentleman and men like him will have played out their short scenes upon the political stage of this country and be retired to private life."

This is at the bottom of hostility to the amendment. The present Republican leaders know that its passage will eliminate them in any event. If it kills the Republican party, they die. If it creates a Republican party of strength and respectability, it will have new leaders, and they die also in that event.

They have read the handwriting on the wall and that accounts for their squirming.

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