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COOL HEADED ADVICE.

Judge Field, of California, occupies a conspicuous position in the Democratic party.

His name has been urged for the Presidency in the past, and is on the list of possible candidates now, though it is not probable it will come before the convention.

His position in the party, and his unquestioned and unquestioning fidelity to the party, entitle his opinions to consideration, especially in times like these, when cool heads are needed at the front, and when hasty or misdirected action may lead to disastrous results.

In conversing upon the policy to be pursued on the tariff question, recently, he is quoted as saying:

"I think Congress ought to be very careful how it conducts itself in its free trade policy. It should go slow on the tariff reform question. Probably the tariff may need reformation in some sense. There are inequalities, perhaps, that ought to be removed, but I do not think the people of this country will favor or will consent to a sweeping tariff reduction or a general free trade policy. There are six hundred thousand voters interested in keeping the manufacturing industries of this country in such a condition that they can earn a comfortable living through them.

This is a thoughtful utterance from one who takes a disinterested survey of the field, and sees the situation as it is, and recognizes what the Democratic party has to contend against. Facts as developed every day attest the wisdom of this advice. It is indisputable that within the Democratic party there is much division of sentiment upon the tariff question, arising from the local interests involved. We find in some of the Western States a strong sentiment in favor of protection to wool, aside from the manufacturing interests which have grown up and become strong in States which but a few years ago were almost exclusively agricultural States. In some of the Southern States, too, we find much change of opinion upon this question, and a growing opinion in favor of protection where a few years ago free trade would have met with no opposition. In Louisiana the planters are almost unanimous in favor of protection to the sugar interest. And yet these States must be held by the Democracy if it expects to elect the next President, and can they be held if the protective idea is to be ignored and a square out free trade platform adopted? With all the lights before us we do not know of a single Republican State that can be won on a free trade platform as an offset to any Democratic State that may be lost. We are not here arguing whether the advocates of protection to this or that interest should take issue with the party if free trade should become its slogan, but are looking at the facts as they present themselves, and pointing out, as we see it, the danger before us if the coultter is run too deep, and leaders fail to recognize the fact that there is a diversity of sentiment, which it is imprudent to ignore. We know that Mr. Carlisle advises moving cautiously and slowly, and draws a distinction between reformation and revolution, but the trouble is that when the campaign opens the opposition will take only as much of his utterances as serves their purposes, and on these they will ring the changes and make the attack, placing the party on the defensive, as they have done in nearly every preceding campaign since the war. They twist, contort and pervert every utterance made, and will have no scruples as to the amount of misrepresentation they indulge in or the methods they employ to place the Democratic party in a false attitude. We have an unprincipled foe to deal with, which is ever on the alert to take advantage of any and every hasty step that may be made.

Several cases have been reported recently of loss of life by the foolish practice of snapping pistols which were supposed to be unloaded. The person who is silly enough to point and pull the trigger of a pistol or gun at another in a spirit of play ought to be sent to an asylum to be taken care of. The unloaded pistol is really a more dangerous instrument than the loaded one, especially in the hands of a simpleton.

It has been noticed in Washington that the deaths which have taken place among members of the House during the sessions since the Forty-fifth Congress, on both the Republican and Democratic side, have been from the middle or fourth row. That row has, therefore, been called "Fatality Row."

The Elden boom seems to be working up mainly from the direction of Georgia, where a certain number of gentlemen seem to have taken it especially in charge.

Keifer threatens to retire from public life at the end of his present term in Congress.

There is a bill before the Massachusetts Legislature to establish the whipping post for wife beaters.

Ex-President Jefferson Davis will be 76 years of age in June next, and notwithstanding the reports about his failing health, it is said to be remarkably good for a man of his years.

Investigations on the subject of oleomargarine manufacture in New York show that several workmen employed by these establishments have been poisoned by handling the stuff, and some have died from the effects of the poisoning.

Last year 164 manufacturing firms failed in the Eastern States, 232 in the Middle States, 132 in the Western States, while only 47 failed in the Southern States. Of the total number of failures in the South only 24 per cent. occurred among manufacturers.

Mr. Arthur has figured it out that he will have 362 votes at Chicago on the first ballot. This will not be enough to nominate, but he thinks the requisite number will be obtained before the third ballot. Of the 362 votes claimed as sure, 240 are counted on as coming from the Southern States.

The programme of Blaine's backers is said to be to keep his name out of the convention until the fight between the other aspirants becomes lively, and when things get pretty badly tangled, to introduce Blaine's name as a peace offering, and run it through with a sort of a whoop as was done with Garfield.

A Tribute to Woman's Physical Endurance.

St. Louis Republic. A man, big and stout, with lung power and a spinal robustness never allotted to the best made woman on earth, would scream to have the torture removed in an hour or less if he were chained as the frailest woman are. His trousers are torn at the waist band, and suspended from his shoulders; his shoes large and generally low heeled, and his hair is not pressing on his brain, tied with a string, stuck full of buttons, with a bonnet driving them well high into his brain.

The man does not live who could waddle about in tied-back, leaden skirts, corsages with whalebones piercing his vitals, French heels, hoop-skirts to trip him up every few moments and has screwed down on a wig or switch, his hands encased in a kid glove a full size too small, and running a race to catch the street car in a high grade of wind. He would simply fall down, roll over in the mud, scream "murder" and lie there until some Samaritan dragged him out of his misery. The wonder is that women be as handsome, graceful and supple as they are with the disadvantages they labor under at present. They can not endure such a martyrdom themselves unless injured to it from the cradle, like Chinese ladies whose tiny feet are stuck into infinitesimally small wooden shoes at birth and kept from growing with the feet body ever after.

The Fish Hatcheries.

Raleigh News and Observer. Monday a reporter came across Mr. Stephen G. Worth, State fish commissioner, at the fish hatcheries at the work at the fish hatcheries this season. Mr. Worth said the work would begin April 2nd. Twenty-five assistants will be employed. There will this year be five stations—at Eden, Raleigh, New Bern and Wilmington. At Eden Mr. Worth will have his headquarters. The main body of the assistants will be at Avoca, as heretofore. At Eden, Raleigh and New Bern, near the spawning of the rockfish will be made. From Raleigh rock and shad eggs will be distributed by express to points all over the State. Fish will be hatched at the State hatcheries near this city and placed in Neuse river. This plan will be more expeditious and will save much labor and trouble. In addition to the work of fish propagation there are two other important matters before the fish commissioner, the one being the representation of the fisheries of the State at the exposition and at New Orleans, and the other revision of the oyster laws. Commissioner Worth is giving this subject his attention and will be prepared at the next session to commend legislation which will lead at once to the cultivation of oysters in all available places. North Carolina behind just in this particular, but she will soon be up and to the front as she already is in other fishing matters.

Is it Safe to Dance?

New York Journal of Education. A great deal can be said about dancing; for instance, the chief of police of New York City says that three-fourths of the abandoned girls of that city were ruined by dancing. Young ladies allow gentlemen privileges in dancing which, taken under other circumstances, would be considered improper. It requires neither brains nor good morals to be a good dancer. As the love of one increases, the love of the other decreases. How many of the best men and women are skillful dancers? In ancient times the sexes danced separately. Alcohol is the spirit of beverages. So sex is the spirit of the dance. Let it away and let the sexes dance separately, and dancing would go out of fashion very soon. Parlor dancing is very dangerous. Tipping leads to drunkenness, and parlor dancing leads to ungodly balls. Tipping and parlor dancing sew to the wind, and both reap the whirlwind. Put dancing in the crucible, apply the acids, weigh it, and the verdict of reason, morality and religion is, "Weighed in the balance and found wanting."

Rescued From Death.

Wm. J. Coghlin, of Somers, Mass., says: "In the fall of 1878 I was taken with bleeding of lungs and died by a severe cough. I met my demise and was admitted to the hospital. The doctors said I had a hole in my lung, and I had only one week to live. I was told that I was to die. I got a bottle, when, to my surprise, I commenced getting well, and to-day I feel better than for three years."

Cure of Epilepsy.

"I am well and happy again," says our fair correspondent, Miss Jennie P. Warren, 740 W. Van Buren St., Chicago, Ill., "your Serravallo's Nervine cured me of epilepsy."

THE SITUATION

BETTER PROSPECTS FOR HARMONY.

Interview With Gen. Ransom on the Effect of the Tariff Agitation on Judge Bennett's Federal-Jurors Bill.

Correspondence of THE OBSERVER.

WASHINGTON, March 17.—General Ransom who spent several days recently at home, and who looks in better health since his return, was met in Statuary Hall of the Capitol this morning. He talked freely of men and measures, but as much of what he said is deemed confidential, it is only necessary to state that he expresses himself as in favor of a low tariff, although he does not approve of the attitude of the majority in the House of Representatives.

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As could be inferred from my telegram of this afternoon the situation has improved. The Georgia and Missouri delegations are not against the tariff, and the bill will probably be further modified in caucus. Coal and lumber will have to come off the free list as printed, leaving salt only. The Pennsylvania men are not in favor of the tariff, and the bill will receive the support of nearly the whole party in the House. This may give it some prospect in the Senate.

The committee on the Revision of the Laws reported this afternoon through Mr. Oates, of Alabama, Judge Bennett's bill concerning the standing of jurors to the foot of the panel in Federal courts. It is that the committee on the Revision of the Laws of the United States, Section 819, which has been printed recently in these columns. Reed twitted the amiable gentleman who had charge of the bill, and was resting his true character, which he intimated in his Yankee school-marm manner was something very naughty, indeed. Then tall Bisbee, of Florida, denounced the measure. These speeches got the Republicans on their ears. Judge Bennett made a strong statement of the workings of the English system of challenges; as Reed, the vindictive editor, went into "ancient history." Before the judge could conclude his remarks, which had been extended five minutes by the courtesy of Mr. Oates, the hammer fell, and he asked and obtained leave to finish in the Record. Judge Bennett speaks in the House with much deliberation, a powerful voice and some mannerism. He was evidently annoyed that his speech was cut short by the limitation of the debate. He prepares his speeches with care, he has made two, and attracts more attention than most of the new members. Said Jim Randall, the cent editor, to me the other day: "Your man, Judge Bennett, is a very big man." And he has said the same thing twice since. But to leave Bennett and get back to the vote. The motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill, which requires two-thirds of those voting, was lost by lack of only eight votes. The defeat of so good a measure is to be deplored. But it may turn up in better luck some other time.

Dr. York introduced a bill by request to-day concerning Cherokee lands in North Carolina. I understand that the other members declined to undertake it on account of its great length and consequent cost of printing. Col. Green introduced a bill requiring voters to be residents of the State in which the route is located. At the sitting of the Public Buildings committee a few days ago Maj. Dow and all of the North Carolina members except two were present, and not simply Gen. Vance, as stated in this correspondence. I understand that the whole delegation is interested in procuring such edifices as it is possible to obtain.

The Decisive Vote in the Next Election. St. Louis Globe-Democrat. The next Presidential election will be determined by the vote cast within four miles of the City Hall of New York. If this vote is less than 40,000 Democratic majority the President will be a Republican; if more than 60,000 the chances are the other way. This is, as Mr. Carlyle would say, the line in ruce of the political situation.

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How the California Defaulter and Peruvian Millionaire Paid an Old Debt.

There is rather a good story told of Henry Meiggs, the railroad king of Peru. He ordered a magnificent set of silver ware from Tiffany's. One day a young man, son of wealthy parents at Long Island, entered Tiffany's to buy his mother's present, and was shown Meiggs' order. Returning home he described it to his parents, and expressed a regret that he had not been able to duplicate it for them. "You could," said his father, "if Meiggs would pay me what he owes me. He then told in 1832 he had brought a quantity of lumber down the Hudson for Meiggs, and been paid in notes for \$7,500, on which he had never got anything. Unknown to the father the son secured the notes, wrote a letter to Meiggs on the basis of old friendship between his father and Meiggs, and sent them to Peru through a banking firm. In quick response there came from the contractor an affectionate letter, enclosing a draft for \$15,000, principal and interest. This event was celebrated by the purchase of a silver service, identical with the one that led up to the payment, and Meiggs was notified of the use made of his money. He thereupon wished to reimburse his old friend for the present, but that was declined. The old friendship has been resumed, however, and a new one established between the sons.

What it Would Take to Elect Blaine.

Boston Herald (Ind.). The Republicans should pray that the Democrats may not blunder much between now and July. A shrewd observer says that "if they blunder enough Blaine will be the nominee of the Republicans." It would take a row of Democratic blunders as thick as mile posts and as long as the Pacific railroads to place Blaine in the White House.

Death of Madame Anna Bishop.

NEW YORK, March 19.—Madame Anna Bishop, once a famous singer, who had a world wide reputation, died suddenly last night of apoplexy at her residence on Park Avenue. Her husband, Martin Schultz, was at her bedside when she breathed her last. She leaves no children.

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