

Tom Reed.

Louis Napoleon planned and executed a coup d'etat and lost a kingdom most miserably for his pains.

On the other hand pussy Tom Reed, of the State of Maine, is in no sense king of this country.

If it does, can they pass, since the Northerner, whether farmer, city man or politician has forgotten the fortification of Jackson at New Orleans in the memory of cotton as a great arm of the South in the late war.

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Tell Us Please:

If the State of North Carolina is to have only thirty-four warehouses of deposit, under the Sub-Treasury plan, how the farmers are to be expected to haul their grain and bulkier articles of produce a distance of fifty miles to a place of deposit?

Tell us who is to do the rating, the farmer or the government? If the government, wont the scale be fixed, so that the Kansas farmer will be allowed fifteen cents per bushel on his corn, and the North Carolina man the same?

Does not this rule apply to wheat as well and to all other crops, cotton excepted?

Is not tobacco in the same category? Moreover, can tobacco, in the leaf, be stored for a year or any considerable proportion of a year without partial or entire loss of the crop?

If the farmer fixes the price, will he not name one at which he can produce at a comfortable profit?

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"On to Richmond."

Gov. Foye has accepted an invitation to attend the occasion of the unveiling of the Lee monument at Richmond, and yesterday invited his personal and general staff to accompany him.

The State Guard will make a fine show on the occasion. All four regiments will be represented, and there will be about twenty-two companies present.

Col. Gray, of the third regiment, will parade with field and staff, as will also Col. Anthony, of the fourth.

The many companies who will attend the unveiling of Mercie's statue to the great southern general, Robert E. Lee, will make a fine show, and North Carolina's troops will doubtless attract as much notice any.

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Among the veteran regiments that will attend, is the Rowan County Veteran Regiment of the North Carolina State Troops. A hundred to a hundred and fifty of the old gray-headed "boys" will go from this county.

This county's organization is the most perfect in the State. They met not long ago and assessed themselves for the benefit of their needy confederates, and their presence will be an honor to Richmond.

Asheville is in a pother about the strength of the brick to be used on her pavements. The WATCHMAN would suggest the application of those worn by her young man in their hats.

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The House committee, sent to Alabama to investigate the workings of the United States Courts, have reported that in Alabama the machinery of the court has been perverted to the purposes of systematic robbery.

Thus far Eaves' so-called auspicious telegrams have failed to fructify. There is a good deal of Dead Sea fruit about republican promises, anyhow.

Washington Letter.

May 12.—The two main topics of Major McKinley in the speech before the House in which he opened the tariff debate, were, first, the great and beneficent scheme of extending and liberalizing the draw back sections of the law.

Secondly, that the time had come when the American agriculturist must sell the products in the markets of the world in competition with the low priced labor of foreign countries. The only remedy or advice he offered the farmers was to take great care of and preserve the home market, for they would certainly be driven from the foreign ones.

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Senator John F. Wilson, of Iowa, who is regarded as one of the best lawyers in the Senate has prepared for publication a long article concerning the recent "liquor package decision" of the Supreme Court, and the effect of that decision on the liquor traffic in the prohibition states.

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Senator Gorman has introduced an amendment to the interstate commerce law providing that it shall be unlawful for any railroad company to operate a line extending into an adjoining country, to transport either passengers or freight between the two countries without a license granted by the Interstate Commerce Commission.

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The bill classifying worsted goods as woolen cloth has passed both Houses and Congress.

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Dave Settle made a medium clerk of court for Rockingham county, but why he should aspire to Congress, we are not taught. His district is full of abler, worthier, better men than he.

Grover Cleveland to the Farmers.

HE ENDORSES THE ALLIANCE PLATFORM OF PRINCIPLES. Atlanta Constitution. STEUBENVILLE, Ohio, May 11.—A few weeks ago, J. Hill, corresponding secretary of Oak Grove lodge, No. 22, Farmers' Alliance, near this city, wrote to ex-President Cleveland, enclosing a copy of the declaration of purposes of the Alliance, and asking for Cleveland's views thereon.

The following are the declaration of purpose, and Mr. Cleveland's reply: "I am profoundly impressed that we, the Farmer's Alliance, united by strong and faithful ties of financial and home interests, should set forth our declaration of intentions, we therefore resolve to strive to secure the establishment of right and justice to ourselves and our posterity; to labor for the education of the agricultural classes in the science of economical government in a strictly non-partisan spirit; to endorse the motto, 'In things essential, unity; in all things, charity'; to secure the purity of the elective franchise, and to induce all voters to intelligently exercise it for the enactment and execution of laws which will express the most advanced public sentiment upon all questions involving the interests of laborers and farmers; to develop a better state, mentally, morally, socially and financially; to constantly strive to secure entire harmony and good will among all mankind, and brotherly love among ourselves; to suppress personal, local, sectional and natural prejudices, all unhealthful and all selfish ambition; to assuage the sufferings of brother and sister, bury the dead, care for the widows and educate the orphans; to exercise charity toward offenders; to construe the words and purposes in their most favorable light, granting honesty of purpose and good intentions to others, and to protect the principles of the Alliance unto death.

MR. CLEVELAND'S REPLY. Mr. Cleveland's reply was: MARCH 24, 1890.—J. A. Hill, Corresponding Secretary—Dear Sir: I have received your letter, accompanied by a copy of the declaration of principles of the Farmers' Alliance.

It has always seemed to me that the farmers of the country were especially interested in the equitable adjustment of our tariff system. The indifference they have shown to that question, and the care with which they have been led away from a sober consideration of their needs and their rights, as related to this subject, have excited my surprise.

Struggle as they might, our farmers must continue to be the purchasers and consumers of the numberless things enhanced in cost by tariff regulations. Surely they have a right to say that this cost shall not be increased for the purpose of collecting unnecessary revenues, or to give undue advantage to domestic manufacturers.

The plea that our infant industries need protection, which thus impoverishes the farmer and consumer, is, in view of our natural advantages and skill, and the ingenuity of our people, a hollow pretext.

Because my conviction that there should be a modification of our tariff laws arose principally from an appreciation of the wants of the vast army of consumers, comprising our farmers, our artisans, and our workmen, and because their condition has led me to protest against the present imposition, I am especially glad to see these associations of fellow countrymen, arousing themselves to the importance of tariff reform. Yours, very truly, GROVER CLEVELAND.

There is an impression afloat that there is a charter provision which prohibits any and all other lines from paralleling the North Carolina railroad within range of twenty miles.

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