

HAD THE GOLD CRAZE

**AN INSANE MAN WANTED TO
SELL GROVER A JOB LOT OF
THE PRECIOUS METAL.**

THE INCOME TAX DECISION.

**Reported That the Supreme Court is
Divided as to its Constitutionality--
Justices Field and Gray Expected to
Read a Dissenting Opinion--Ex-
President Harrison Has Become an
Enthusiastic Bicyclist--The Depor-
tation of Negroes to Liberia.**

WASHINGTON, D. C., April 2.
An infirm man loaded down with yards of brass chain, his coat and hat fairly covered with cheap gew-gaws, lugged a heavy bag up to the White House portico at 8:30 o'clock this morning and asked if the President was still buying gold for the Treasury. He claimed to have a job lot of the precious metal which he was willing to let at par. He emptied the bag, which contained nothing but brass castings and tin clip-pings, inside the big front door, and drew from his pocket a lump of glass, which he offered to part with for \$15,000,000 in United States securities.

Then the patrol wagon took him away to the nearest precinct station house, where he gave his name as William Lavery, his age as 85, and said his home was in the asylum at the Little Sisters of the Poor. The police department confiscated most of his treasure and told him the gold reserve had been fully replenished.

"How would the people of Wash-
ington like to see ex-President Harrison
mounted on a bicycle, and dashing
along Pennsylvania avenue?" enquired
Louis Osborne, of Indianapolis, Ind., at
the Metropolitan. "Perhaps if Mr. Har-
rison ever returns to the Capital they
will witness this sight, for he has taken
to the wheel, and it fits him as easy as
water fits a duck. He has become an
enthusiast on the subject of bicycling,
and almost on any fine day the ex-Presi-
dent can be seen seated on a wheel and
picking his way through the streets of
Indianapolis as unconcerned as others
who have taken to the bicycle for health
and transportation. All of his household
also have the fever, and Mrs. McKee,
Mrs. Dimock, "Baby," McKee and Ruth
McKee have been supplied with wheels,
which they ride with grace and dignity."

Senator Gordon, in his lecture tour
through the West, is carefully refraining
from talking politics, and says the only
subject upon which he can be inter-
viewed is the industrial affairs of the
South. In this connection, he says:
"The South presents a singular ex-
ception to the rule applying to other
sections of the country. In the period
of depression it has furnished no tramps,
Coxeyites or strikes. Poor as we are,
we are not poor in the sense of being in
want. There is no suffering for the
lack of clothing or food. This marvel
is due to the fact that after the war we
began life anew, and every one knew
that he had to make his own living or
starve."

"We are more independent than we
were five years ago. The fact that we
could not borrow money has been a god-
send to us, and, though we are in debt,
it is not to the extent that exists in
Kansas and other sections of the Union."
When asked concerning the proposed
deportation of negroes in large num-
bers to Liberia, he said:
"The colored population do not want
to go, and we want them where they
are. The recent increase in the price of
cotton has brought some relief, but not
much, as it came too late, the people
having already parted with their crops.
In the future our people will diversify
and intensify their farming; that is,
they will raise more on their farms than
in the past. The South is getting on its
feet, and the marvel is that they did it
with the conditions that confronted them."

There is deep interest here in the de-
cision of the Supreme Court on the in-
come tax. The court is reported divid-
ed.

Those who believe that the law will
be sustained entertain the opinion that
the decision will be read by Chief Jus-
tice Fuller, and that in all probability
the dissenting brief will be read by either
Justice Field or Justice Gray. But this
impression lacks authoritative founda-
tion. Those who predict an adverse de-
cision fix upon Chief Justice Fuller and
Justices Squires, Field, Harlan and
Brown as the members of the court who
believe the law unconstitutional.

Many believe that the clause taxing the
salary of Federal officers will be declar-
ed unconstitutional. The precedents of the
courts would seem to expect such a con-
struction. If this exception shall be
made, will not the judges be open to the
criticism that they have so construed the
law as to tax others and exempt them-
selves?

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America. He has been detailed to that
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It Pays to be a "Reformer."

Col. Olds in Wilmington Messenger.

It is reported here that Daniel L. Rus-
sell, the eminent Republican lawyer and
advisor to the fusionists in the Legisla-
ture, made no less than \$7,000 in the
way of fees during the late session. He
was a busy man and in his room at the
Park Hotel kept a type writer and sten-
ographer steadily at work.

More Evidence of Manipulation.

Salisbury Cor. Charlotte Observer.

Mr. J. H. McKenzie, one of Rowan's
Representatives in the past Legislature,
was in town Saturday and says he can-
not account for the appointment of Row-
an's magistrates by that body. He had
several good Democrats—Mr. C. H.
Bruner, of China Grove, Mr. D. R.
Julian, and one or more others—appoint-
ed, and their names were on the list
when it came from the committee room.
These names, he thinks, were erased and
others substituted afterwards by the
fusion gang, just as they manipulated
other bills.

"His Piety Tested."

Under this caption, the American
Hebrew, printed in New York, says:
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was attached was eminently a trait of
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lately deceased. His early life, so like
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Talmud, was consecrated to the South-
ern Baptist Theological Seminary."

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