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THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 21, 1889.

CHIEF JUSTICE SMITH'S DEATH.

Though not surprised we were none the less pained to hear of the death of the above distinguished North Carolinian. He was one of the purest men the State ever produced, and his death is a sad loss to the bench which he honored, and to all the higher and better interests of the people. He lived to a good old age, 78 years we think. Peace to his ashes! and may the memory of his virtues be a shining light for all who come after him.

ANOTHER KICKER.

Mr. Ewart, republican representative for this district, has attracted some attention in Washington newspaper circles by threatening to "flock together" with other southern republican representatives and vote against any candidate for Speaker who will not favor the repeal of the internal revenue and the passage of the Blair fraud. Mr. Brower, one of Mr. Ewart's colleagues, attracted attention some time ago for the same mock-heroism. It was suggested at the time that Mr. Brower was only "blowing" to attract the attention of the administration so as to get more of the crumbs than had theretofore been tossed to him by the bosses, Mr. B. knowing that the majority of his party in the House being so small the leaders could not afford to run any risk. Well, Mr. B. is said to have "picked up" some in minor appointment since which time he has passed into innocuous desuetude. Probably Mr. Ewart, catching the cue, and knowing that after the organization his chance will be gone, has stepped to the front with what he will do. THE DEMOCRAT hopes he will succeed in rattling the bosses at Washington a little. He let Boss Mott walk away with him so badly some time ago he ought to score an inning before he, too, passes out of sight, as he soon will do. He has gotten two or three negroes of Asheville in places in Washington, but we think he ought to do something more than that for his constituents. Stay in Newspaper Row, Mr. Ewart, and shake your little fist at your bosses until they come down a little more. If you don't do something before the organization, you will lose your grip. THE DEMOCRAT is with you in every lick you can give them—but be sure you give the licks.

EXAMINE WESTERN CAROLINA.

Col. Julian Allen, of Statesville, himself a Polish nobleman, and an accomplished gentleman, for years a resident of this State, is interesting himself in inducing some of his countrymen to come to North Carolina. Five hundred families recently landed in Baltimore, and to these and others Col. Allen recently delivered an address upon the advantages of this State. He has secured the consent of a Polish Bishop to visit North Carolina on a tour of inspection. We hope he will bring the gentleman through Western Carolina. If the people whom he represents are farmers, and can bring with them enough to support themselves while "pitching a crop," they will find homes in our State at reasonable prices,

which, with such labor as they are used to, will give them much better returns than they were used to. Polish farmers would make good citizens, but those who have been miners, and who come here without means, could not be made farmers of readily, nor would they find work suitable to their habits, and would therefore be disappointed and become restless. Col. Allen can do a good deed, for his adopted State and countrymen as well, by getting some of the farmer class, with at least a year's support with them, to come to North Carolina.

In regard to these people as citizens, Mr. M. W. O'Brien, President of the People's Savings Bank of Detroit, Mich., says to the Baltimore Sun:

They make remarkably good citizens, and are large and regular depositors at savings banks. No matter how little they earn, they make it a point to accumulate money. When the Poles become amalgamated they will form one of our best elements. The adults, we must remember, are translated from a condition of serfdom to an atmosphere of freedom. In the schools the second generation prove themselves to be possessed of extraordinary intellectual endowments, pushing hard our young people and rivaling them in learning.

IS MARCHING ON.

Mr. Campbell, Governor-elect of Ohio, gives among other causes for Republican defeat in that State, "that the cause of tariff reform, by which I mean a careful, business like, prudent revision of the tariff, is marching on."

This is the Democratic platform, clearly and succinctly stated. The demands of the party as embodied in Mr. Cleveland's message and the Mills bill is for "a careful, business-like, prudent revision of the tariff," only this and nothing more. And the people are rapidly coming to believe this must be done before prosperity and safe and steady development can take place. It is evident, as Gov. Campbell suggests, this sentiment is "marching on."

THE EMPIRE OF BRAZIL OVERTURNED.

A most extraordinary event occurred last week in Rio de Janeiro, the capital of Brazil. The empire was overthrown, the Emperor deposed and a republic proclaimed, and under one of the generals of the army as the chief officer, established. The extraordinary part of it is that all this has been accomplished without bloodshed or resistance up to last reports. The army and navy combined and did the work, the populace holding aloof, many openly expressing the hope that the Emperor will put down the rebellion. The present Emperor has distinguished himself by his liberality, care and forethought for all the interests of his people, for promoting improvements and enterprise and elevating generally all classes. He was beloved by his people and respected abroad. Republicanism, however, has been gradually taking root in that country since the emancipation of slavery in 1885, and the Emperor, seeing the drift of things, has quietly submitted to the inevitable. We hope all will continue peaceable and progressive. It is a great country, and one that can accomplish much more by the arts of peace than of war.

The pious Mr. Wanamaker has appointed a negro postmaster for Gaston, N. C. How would white republicans in Western Carolina like to have a negro postmaster at their post-office? Will they speak out in meeting and tell us?

Hon. Henry J. Spanghorst the democratic ex-Lieutenant Governor of Missouri says the Germans of the West are rapidly changing their minds upon the question of tariff. The country generally is getting its eyes open to the oppressions of the tariff.

Autumn.

With shy brown eyes she comes again, With hair a sunny, silken skein, As full of light as golden rod, Love in her voice, love in her nod, She treads so softly no one knows The time she comes, the time she goes.

The grass is brown, the leaves begin Their gold and crimson dyes to win, Each cricket sings as loud as ten, To drown the noisy locust, when You come, oh maid, to bid us cry To summer sweet a long good-bye.

And when you go the leaves are gone; The aster's farewell scent is flown, Poor Cupid puts away his wings, And close to cosy corners clings; The rude winds usher, with a shout, The winter in, the autumn out.

There's sadness in her shy brown eyes, Though gay her gown with tawny dyes; Love's in her voice—but telling most Of one who's loved, but loved and lost. She treads so softly no one knows The time she comes, the time she goes. —Boston Journal.

Lots of Gold.

The Salisbury Herald says: "Messrs. McCandless, Arendell and others went into Montgomery county to ascertain the facts about the late discoveries of gold. They came back and confirm all reports we have from there. They calculate that at least \$50,000 worth of gold nuggets have been taken from Mr. Sanders' prospect. The gold bearing gravel has been explored to a depth of 23 feet and the amount of gold in the deposits is undiminished. They report that the whole neighborhood is excited and has given up all their different occupations to stay around these gold deposits." The Herald also says work of surveying a road from Salisbury to Troy, Montgomery county, has been begun, and that the road will be built. This will be a practical extension of the Western N. C. road in the right direction, giving, when completed through, a more direct connection with Wilmington.

The Democrat Won.

Mr. Trigg Miller was the Democratic nominee for the House of Delegates in the district composed of Wise, Dickin-son and Buchanan counties, Virginia, and his brother was the Republican nominee. These brothers also married sisters. The contest was a hot one, and Judge Kilgore took the stump for his Republican son-in-law. But the Democratic brother was elected by eighteen majority.

Mr. Calvin S. Brice, chairman of the National Democratic Executive Committee, has announced his candidacy for the United States Senate for Ohio. He believes that his position at the head of the national committee would enable him to do much good for Ohio if in the Senate. "I would go into that body," says Mr. Brice, "with an extensive acquaintance with its leading members and be in position to render better service to the cause of tariff reform. I would then feel that I had the recognition and support of my State in the contest." Mr. Brice attributes the recent Democratic victories to tariff reform and local issues. He says tariff reform is more popular than it was last year. Mr. Brice is very largely identified in business matters in the South and would prove a useful friend to our section in the Senate. Next to "the old Roman," Mr. Brice would prove the most useful national man Ohio could elect.

In Craig county, Virginia, one of the Southwestern counties where Mahone expected to carry everything out of a total vote of only 685, Capt. McKinney's majority over Mahone was 451. The returns from some of the precincts show how political bossism is despised there. At McGuire's Store the vote stood: McKinney 73, Mahone none; at Walker's Store, McKinney 140, Mahone 2; at Marshall's Store, McKinney 79, Mahone none. Craig county is entitled to a Democratic banner.

Private Dalzell informs the Republican statesmen that if that surplus isn't shoveled out according to contract to the soldiers the racket at the last election may be considered an April shower to the cataclysm which will overtake them in 1892. Mr. Dalzell knows what the republicans promised for the soldier vote in 1888, and law or no law, is determined to hold them to their bargain or blow something up.

The seizure of Biesacker's distillery by revenue officers, is additional evidence that "the internal revenue is a good thing," as Col. Henderson says. It is shrewdly suspected that the revenue machine is being operated in the interest of the big western distilleries, and the evidence seems to warrant the suspicion.—Lexington Dispatch.

Two freight trains collided on the Virginia Midland road near Bull Run station, a few days ago, going at full speed. Two engineers and one fireman were killed. Two engines and twelve box cars were demolished.

Diphtheria is raging in several towns in Indiana.

Judge Moody, one of the new United States Senators from South Dakota, is said to be a master of invective and sarcasm in debate, who will make even the peppery Ingalls look to his laurels in that field.

Ex Secretary of the Navy Robeson was recently beaten for a petty local office in the gift of the Board of Aldermen of Trenton, N. J., that paid only \$1,500 a year.

ANNUAL STATEMENT.

COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF BUNCOMBE COUNTY, N. C.

Disbursements for the Year Ending 31st of October, 1889.

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