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D. B. Parker Principal.
Aug. 24th, 1893.

OUR WASHINGTON LETTER.

(From our Washington correspondent.)

The first regular session of the Fifty-third Congress has commenced, and, as it was already regularly organized in both branches at the extra session, it will be very expeditious in getting down to actual work. Although no general legislation was passed at the extraordinary session, the committees were all formed and during the recess much work was accomplished, so that the law-makers are not compelled to indulge in the usual long wait that characterizes the meeting of Congress.

On all sides it is conceded that the most important work of the Fifty-third Congress will relate to the revision of the tariff laws. The Committee on Ways and Means has been hard at work since the closing of the special session, and the Wilson tariff bill is about ready for presentation to the House. It has been urged that the sooner Congress takes decided action on the tariff measure the better it will be for the country, as uncertainty in this respect tends to disarrange and cause turmoil in the business world. Undoubtedly this argument will influence Congress to be unusually speedy. The country will not look with favor upon unreasonable attempts to delay action. In addition to the tariff question the Fifty-third Congress will undoubtedly be called upon to pass other financial measures, and the prospect is that it will remain in session until early next summer.

The President's message has been the most fruitful topic of discussion this week. Opinion upon its merits of course widely differ. It is said Mr. Cleveland wrote most of the message with his own pen. He does more and more of his own writing every day. The reigning Executive seldom uses a stenographer, though there are several good shorthand writers at the White House. He prefers to write state papers almost entirely with his own hand. He uses a pad and pen, and he wrote the message in piecemeal, taking up the different subjects one by one and fitting the pieces into the mosaic. He is a remarkably ready writer. His hand is small and cramped, but he writes rapidly and revises little. He has a good command of language and he likes out-of-the-way expressions. The President takes plenty of advice from his cabinet and gets all the suggestions he can, but he has his own opinions and he writes his own ideas in the end. The present message was looked over by the cabinet and a few outside parties. Cleveland and Gresham, Lamont and Bissell had the most to do in consultation, but the finished document was, I am told, mainly the individual work of the President.

The message does not go to Congress in typewritten form. It is usually sent in manuscript, on long sheets of gray-blue paper, and it seldom reaches Congress in the handwriting of the President. One of the best penmen in the United States is the assistant secretary, Mr. Pruden, and it is he who copies the messages for Congress. Two copies are made, one for the Senate and the other for the House, and at the same time that these are read by the clerk printed copies are laid on the desks of the Senators and Representatives, some of them take the printed messages home to read at their leisure. Copies of the message are given

to the newspaper correspondents, and they are sent out by the press associations to all the papers in the country. If an advance copy could be secured, it would bring a hundred dollars for every crabbed stroke in the signature at its close. President's messages always affect the stock market, and once every year the President puts forth a paper which makes and unmake fortunes. This was never more so than it is to-day, and there are numbers of New York brokers who would pay well for advance information.

Things are sprucing up in a social way at the Capital. After the Thanksgiving calm, the stir usually evident upon the meeting of Congress is felt right through the social structure. All the the signs of the approach of the regular "session" can be seen. Social cards are fluttering round in great number, and pretty soon Vanity Fair will be admiring the gay butterflies whose gowns are now probably giving them more concern than the condition of the country and its possible effect upon the Washington social-political season. People are everywhere discussing the prospects of a gay season, and the general impression seems to be that while it is not likely to be inordinately fast or furious in date, for the great mass, it will be just about the same as ever. There is not likely to be any lack of official entertainments, for there never was on the part of new leaders such a determination to do all and more than custom had ordained.

The unexpected happened Mr. J. J. Van Allen, of Newport and London, whose nomination to be ambassador to Italy caused widespread comment and criticism, and met with considerable opposition in the Senate, will not represent this government at Rome after all. His failure to qualify has been the occasion of some remark, but the fact of his declination of the high post of honor was a State Department secret, known only in administration circles, until yesterday, when a manly letter from the ambassador-elect to the President, declining the office, was given out for publication.

Senator Morgan is whetting an ugly-looking knife on the Wilson bill, and there are excellent reasons for suspecting that he intends to use it.

OLD FAMILIAR FACES.

THE OLD HOME TREE AGAIN.

Wm. Abbott.

After spending some time with my boyhood friend, Rev. J. A. Campbell, as I wrote last week, I crossed the old Cape Fear to spend a day with other friends and former acquaintances. I spent a day and night pleasantly around Bunn's Level, a small village in Harnett, near Friendship Baptist church, where the Baptist State Convention was held in 1840, I believe. The people there are well known throughout all that country for their hospitality, and I found them true to

their good name.

Next I visited the home of my childhood and slept a night or two in the same little room which was "my own" years ago. I strolled a bit along the wooded hill-sides and through the sedge fields, and many familiar objects appear as they did when they sent back the echo of my joyous shouts of childhood or served as a sign-board to guide me back home from gathering nuts or frost-bitten grapes. And the hickory nuts fall from the old hickory tree at the kitchen chimney just as they did a score of years ago, but they are not gathered up so carefully and stored away for the winter's night, when

"The hammer goes whack! whack!
On the flat iron's face
The hickory nuts to crack."

The old time windlass that whirled up the best water "in all the neighborhood"; the old time shelter above the well, on whose sills I have often rested under the cool shade of wide-spreading oaks, all call up the lines about the "old oaken bucket," and say:

"How dear to my heart are the scenes
of my childhood,
When fond recollections present them
to view."

But I must not keep my readers in a strange old place longer.

In Raleigh I observed many changes and improvements and enjoyed the best part of a day speaking with old friends and looking at the city.

I have spent two days here at Wake Forest and have greatly enjoyed being with some of the students, their noble instructors and the good people of the place.

President Taylor tells me that the students are doing well, are studying hard and making a good record. The college, he says, was never in better condition and the largest number has been enrolled in the history of the institution up to this particular period of the session.

The college in all its appointments is doing good work, has a noble and talented faculty, and furnishes training for young men equal to the best.

N. Y. Guley, Esq., of Franklinton, one of the eminent gentlemen employed to give instruction in the law course, has commenced his lectures twice a week. They are interesting and well attended. I had the pleasure of hearing him and I congratulate the young men upon the treat that is in store for them throughout the course.—Scotland Neck Democrat.

NOTICE.

By virtue of power of sale contained in a mortgage, executed to me by M. R. Smith and wife Louisa E. Smith, Recorded in the Register's office of Harnett County. I will sell on Monday, Jan. 1st 1894 to the highest bidder for cash: One track or parcel of land, adjoining the lands of J. C. Sorrell, Daniel Lucas and others and containing about 50 acres more or less. For a better description see records of Harnett County. This 1st day of Dec. 1893.

E. F. Young Mortgagee.
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EXECUTORS NOTICE.

Having qualified as Executor of Ransom Pate, deceased, late of Harnett County, North Carolina, this is to notify all persons having claims against the estate of said deceased to exhibit them to the undersigned on or before the 16th day of Nov., 1894, or this notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery. All persons indebted to said estate will please make immediate payment.

This 16th day of Nov., 1893.

Parion Pate

Executor.

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NOTICE OF LANDSALE.

By virtue of a Mortgage made to W. H. Sikes and transferred to T. B. Mimms, by Erney Harrington and wife Sallie. Recorded in Book F. No. 2, 569th page, in Harnett Co. I will on Monday Dec. 18, 1893, at the Court House door, in the town of Lillington, Harnett Co., N. C., at 12 o'clock M. I will sell at public sale to the highest bidder for cash the real estate containing 40 acres. This sale will be made to satisfy Mortgage as above.

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