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A Democrat may be dissatisfied with some of the doings of a portion of his party, but that is no reason why he should quit it—for, with all its shortcomings in respect of a gold or silver currency, it is always a friend of the South against Northern infringements and as such is by far the best party in the field—even although a few self-styled Democrats in Congress have put themselves and aimed to put the Administration in a sorry plight before the country—a victim of treachery on their part.

The Democratic party proper has done all it could, through the President and the House, with these impediments to contend against. It could not control both Republican and Populists hostility, aided and abetted by traitor Democrats severally in addition thereto.

But Cleveland is as true as the needle to the pole, having been tried and found faithful among the faithless—un-Gormanized, unpurchasable, unbulldozable. A red hot Democrat and still a-heating, he'll do to tie to—all the time; and as regards our President's popularity, Mr. Cleveland was never so hugged to the hearts of the masses as he is today. If he has made mistakes they are not reckoned against him. "An honest man is the noblest work of God." The South and the extreme Northwest forgives and forgets for the while his financial proclivities and the part taken to put down the great strike rebellion at Chicago is now lost to view, since that too has turned out all correct. He is the people's president, seeking to serve the public interest—and the wiser but less handsome man who ran his countenance against the outwork of the mule, has expressed in historic phrase the sensation of those who sought to destroy the public confidence in him.

It would be well for American politicians of all dimensions and faiths to pay heed to what has happened in this notable instance, and try to "catch on" to a little of Mr.

Cleveland's pluck.

There sits today in the executive chair in Washington the bravest, noblest man who has occupied that position since Andrew Jackson—"above all Greek, above all Roman fame"—and yet there are a few little peanut politicians of the mongrel stripe prancing around and abusing this great leader of his party and vainly trying to impugn his unsullied democracy! But the country believes in Mr. Cleveland. As President he has done his whole duty; has done it faithfully and fearlessly. There is not enough money in the world to buy him. There are not enough politicians like Gorman to scare him; and that so-called Democrat who assails his political character in any degree, places his own self on record in contrast with one who shines beyond all comparison—as high as an eagle can soar above a June-bug!

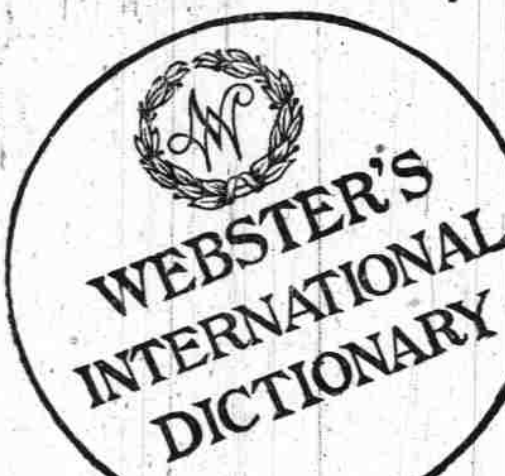
A Raleigh dispatch to the New York Evening Post says that a great influx of Westerners is looked for in North Carolina during the next three months. H. H. Stoddard of Kearney, Neb., has just arrived at Raleigh as the advance agent of a large colony of Nebraskaans who intend coming in the fall most of whom will follow the dairy business. These people say it is too cold out there, and that they have become satisfied that they can do better in the South. George K. Sherwood, of Kearney, Neb., writes to the North Carolina commissioner of agriculture:

"You have no idea of the number of farmers in this section who have decided to go South. We have had a failure of crops out here for three years in succession, and the failure this year is complete. If our Western farmers could buy some of your Southern farms on easy payments, you would be surprised at the large number that would go."

There are in North Carolina now about 28,000 members of the Farmer's Alliance, which is some 12 hundred greater than last year. The order is not growing much, but it seems to be holding its own very well. There is nothing dangerous or wicked in the organization that we know of.—Wilson Advance.

"Er man kin run inter debt," said Uncle Eben, but when he comes ter gittin out he's gott'er crawl."—Washington Star.

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