

NOT SATISFIED.

Neither McKinley nor Hanna Pleased With the Extra Session.—Tariff Bill Pays Off Campaign Obligations to the Trusts.—Talk at the Capital.

WASHINGTON, July 26.—Neither Boss Hanna nor Mr. McKinley are entirely satisfied with the work of the extra session of Congress just closed. The tariff bill pleased them all right, it more than repaid their campaign obligations to the trusts, not to mention the \$32,000,000, made by the sugar trust and its friends while the bill was pending.

Senator Morgan handled the conference committee without gloves, in a speech made just before the vote was taken on the conference report on the tariff bill, for its abandonment of the tax on bonds and transfers of stock—a tax that was approved by the finance committee and by a Republican caucus, closing with this explicit language, which no Republican attempted to deny: "I charge that the abandonment occurred under command of the sugar trust."

Before the Ohio Republicans do any shouting over the result of the colloquy between Senators Allen and Foraker concerning the charge of the former that the Republican vote of that State was fraudulently increased for Mr. McKinley, they should arrange for Mr. Foraker, or somebody else, to accept the challenge with which Mr. Allen closed the little spat: "I will meet the Senator any time and will undertake to convince any unprejudiced man that there was fraud in Ohio."

Senator Teller's arraignment of the Republican tariff bill, now the law of the land, was one of the bitterest pills the Republicans have had to swallow in a long time. Mr. Teller, who is a protectionist, characterized this bill as vicious, unfair, extravagant, and unsatisfactory; and as having been framed entirely in the interest of trusts and syndicates. Mr. Teller also took occasion to criticize in the strongest language the gold standard policy of forcing professors out of educational institutions because of their belief in the free coinage of silver. He denounced the forced resignation of President Andrews, of Brown University, as one of the most "shameful acts of abasement" the world has seen, and said in ringing tones: "Thank God that President Andrews was big enough to refuse to be stifled."

Senator Turley, of Tenn., cast his first vote for the Tillman resolution to investigate sugar scandal charges, which was defeated, and his second against: the conference report on the trust-made tariff bill, which was adopted.

The hearings to determine whether John Wedderburn & Co., shall be disbanded from practice before the U. S. Patent Office, are now on. A pertinent question often accomplishes more than argument. One destroyed the scheme to authorize Czar Reed's pets who have been made chairmen of committees to give their favorites sinecure positions during the Congressional recess. When Representative Grosvenor tried to push a resolution through authorizing that waste of public money, he was asked, if the House could get along while Congress was in session without these clerks, why they should be considered necessary during the recess. The laugh which followed killed the scheme.

Sec. Sherman's departure before the adjournment of Congress for a Long Island summer resort, was regarded as additional proof that he has very little to do with the official business of the Department of State. In fact, it is hinted by some that Mr. Sherman intended to emphasize that very thing by his going.

Georgia Democrats are more pleased with the nomination of Henry Rucker, an Atlanta negro barber, to be U. S. Marshal for Georgia than Maj. Hanson and his white republican followers from that State are. It is expected that all, or Rucker's Mr. Stovall, will be negroes, as no white man would serve under him, while a white man would follow the dusky officials to the districts of the State.

DULL WASHINGTON.

Pritchard's Departure Has Left the Place-Hunters All Forlorn.—The Changes in the Offices Under Civil Service.—News Notes and Personalities.

WASHINGTON, D. C., July 28.—The pie counter brigade was too much for Pritchard, and on Sunday morning the Smoky Mountain statesman changed his mind and pulled out over the Southern railway for his Madison "vine and fig tree." That Pritchard is a badly overworked man, no one questions for a moment; but his sudden change of front took many by surprise and naturally the atmosphere along Pennsylvania avenue all day yesterday partook stongly of the odor of brimstone and sulphur. The date of his return has not as yet been announced, but will be hailed with wild delight by those who still fondly hope to answer the roll call of Uncle Sam's employ.

OUR CONGRESSMAN DETAINED. Congressman Martin expected to leave for North Carolina yesterday, but was detained and will not get away now before the latter part of the week. The other members have about all left the city or they are in hiding. Around both ends of the capital things have all the appearance of that celebrated village about which Goldsmith dwells with such poetic beauty and grace. An occasional sound of a hammer and the foot falls of the watchman are about all there is left to break the stillness of the hour.

THE CIVIL SERVICE INVESTIGATION. The hearings before the committee of the Senate in civil service retrenchment and reform, of which Senator Pritchard was chairman, have been adjourned till the next meeting of Congress. In the meantime the National Civil Commission will hand over to President McKinley the evidence and its conclusions regarding changes in the Government Printing Office, and likewise the Pension office, which have been carefully investigated by the Commission with a view to ascertaining whether or not politics had anything to do with, or effect upon, the changes that have been made at the Government Printing office. So far as the investigation has carried it has been conclusively demonstrated that all promotions have been of Republicans, and all reductions and dismissals of Democrats, save in two instances, in one of which a Republican who was a personal appointee of Benedict, was summarily dismissed by Palmer, while the other was a Democrat who was promoted under circumstances which made it almost impossible to have promoted a Republican. This in the face of the fact that the Republican party went upon the hustings pledged to civil service reform and denounced Bryan for his opposition thereto. Ye gods and little fishes, stand from under!

NO FUSION IN KENTUCKY. Fusion between the goldites and Republicans in Kentucky has been declared off. This is official. Between the latter and those who have hitherto affiliated with the Democratic party there is an incompatibility that cannot and will not be reconciled, and the day for the parting of the ways has indeed come. So mote it be. So far, so good. One of the leading gold standard Democratic speakers selected for the campaign in Kentucky this fall, said last night at one of the up-town hotels: "I want it distinctly understood that we are done with the Republicans and once for all ways. It is an open secret that the Republicans would have been badly beaten in Kentucky and in the National as well as State elections last year had it not been for our support. For this espousal of Republicanism we get a black eye on everything that tends to foster and build up Southern interests in the new tariff bill. In fact, if I know anything, we have gotten it where the rooster got the hatchet all around. Let it be known therefore that we part company with the Republicans henceforth and forever." This comes "straight from the hub" and has stiffened the spinal column of the silverites no little, who will wage an aggressive fight all along the line this fall, leaving no stones unturned for the success of the white metal in the Blue Grass State in October.

"THE FAITHFUL"—AND OTHERS. Gen. W. R. Cox has gone to his home in North Carolina and will not return to the city again for some time. L. C. Watson, the new postmaster for Lenoir, has arrived and visited the Postoffice Department on official business. Loge Harris, of Raleigh, Chairman Holton and the slate makers, have quietly returned to North Carolina. V. S. Luske, of Asheville, put in his appearance late this afternoon, though he has not yet been seated with the other members of the House.

Not a Failure Has Been Reported. Mr. R. B. Glover, Randall, Ark., writes: "Out of all the Hughes' Tonic I have sold none but a failure reported. Every bottle has given perfect satisfaction. I recommend it a certain cure and speedy cure for chills and fever. Sold by Druggists."

Airy, whose staying qualities show no visible signs of relaxation. On the same train that brought the honorable Virgilius, of Buncombe, was S. L. Rogers and J. D. Blanton, of Asheville.

The number of fourth-class postmasters removed daily has reached 163; of this number the Old North State got one—H. M. Rogers, Fletcher.

Late North Carolina arrivals: Z. F. Long, Rockingham; L. C. Watson, Lenoir; W. E. Dalton, Winston; V. S. Luske, S. L. Rogers, J. D. Blanton, C. W. Byrd, F. M. Weaver, J. A. Nichols, Asheville; R. N. Barber, Mocksville; W. T. Shaw, Weldon; E. H. Smith, Winston.

HOLTON'S DISAPPOINTMENT. In political circles here there was some disappointment today at the failure of the President to appoint Eugene Holton, of Winston, to succeed Capt. R. B. Glenn as United States attorney for the western district of North Carolina. Capt. Glenn's resignation has been in the President's hands for some days and the appointment of his successor may be daily expected. The successful knight in the race for the assistant district attorneyship has not as yet been designated.

THE LANCASTER SENSATION.

Stephenson is in Jail.—Burglars at Work in South Carolina.

LANCASTER, S. C., July 30.—As the hot summer rolls by sensational news comes to the surface mostly to sadden some one's heart. I fear the statement in yesterday's NEWS 'phoned from Pineville, is too true concerning Mr. J. R. Stephenson and his two daughters. This is a case from the Indian land township remote from here. However, Stephenson is behind the bars in Lancaster jail. The news of the affair is hard to get at but from good authority it is said, that Stephenson says it is a case of black-mail.

Stephenson is considered an excellent man of some note and good standing. Until recently he has been an enebriate probably caused by a stricken conscience. This is sad indeed, black as it is with no ray of hope for future years for the stricken family.

Burglars entered three houses here last night. Mr. Connor, editor of the Review, had his pants rifled of \$13. Something fell as the burglar lifted Mr. Connor's pants from a chair and Mrs. Connor was awakened and saw a negro when she screamed and was almost scared to death; the man made good his escape.

They also visited Mr. West Elliott, the dispensary man. After getting all he had, \$8 or \$10, leaving him with a few pennies which they refused to take, they next visited Rev. Mr. Ewart, the pastor of the A. R. P. church, and lifted him of several dollars. No doubt there is a gang of burglars that have been working the neighboring towns.

Glad to hear the NEWS stepping to the front with its Linotypes, but then some of your printers will have to step down and out and yet we call this an age of "progress" W. F. S.

MINE OF TRUE RUBIES.

A Treasure in Western North Carolina.—Something new to Science.

The New York Journal says: "Large deposits of true rubies have been discovered recently in the Cowee Valley of North Carolina. They occur under conditions entirely new to science. Prospecting for them has been carried on for three miles up and down the valley, the gravels being found ruby-bearing throughout. Associated with the rubies are many beautiful garnets, which yield cut gems of remarkable brilliancy and color."

"It is believed by those engaged in developing the mines that a veritable ruby-producing district similar to that of Burmah has been located. The importance of such a discovery is not easily over-estimated when the fact is considered that a ruby of a single carat's weight, unflawed and of good color, is worth twice as much as a pure white diamond of the same size. When King Theebaw's dominions were conquered by the British a few years ago it was imagined that the world's market would be flooded with Burmese rubies. This expectation was disappointed. No jars full of great pigeon-blood stones were found in the looted palaces of Mandalay, as anticipated."

Notes From Hornet.

HORNET, N. C., July 30.—We are having good seasons; corn and cotton are good.—There are few cases of fever in the neighborhood.—J. M. Beaver, who has been very sick for sometime, is better.—E. H. Hinson, Esq., is very sick.

HOPES OF PIE FALL.

Office-Seekers Greatly Disappointed at President McKinley's Latest Order, Which, Instead of Letting Down the Fences, Strengthens Them.

WASHINGTON, D. C., July 29.—The unexpected has happened! President McKinley's famous and long-expected modification of the civil service rules has come at last, and with it brought sadness and dismay to the pie counter brigade. Instead of any modification or back-down from the present law, the new rules as promulgated by the President today simply strengthen the weak places in the present system, and by every one is conceded to be the most distinctive step forward that has been made in the civil service regulations since the passage of the original law fifteen years ago. In short, it is a drag-net for the "ins" and a barricade against the "outs."

Heretofore it has been the cause of much complaint that people in the service could be dismissed or reduced without definite charges being made, and without giving the person concerned any opportunity for a defense. The new rules cover and remedy this evil, as the following amendment by Mr. McKinley to Rule 2 shows. It reads: "No removal shall be made from any position subject to competitive examination except for just cause and upon written charges filed with the head of the department or other appointing officer, and of which the accused shall have full notice and an opportunity to make defense."

He also amended rule 3 so as to include within the classified service the employees of all custom house offices without regard to the number of persons there employed. Hitherto the classification embraced customs offices where the number of employees was five or more. This order therefore brings into the civil service 65 hitherto unclassified customs offices.

In addition to this the President has amended rule 6 to read as follows:

"Custom House Service.—One cashier in each customs district, one chief or principal deputy or assistant collector in each customs district, one principal deputy collector at each sub-port or station.

"Internal Revenue Service.—One employe in each internal revenue district, who shall act as cashier or chief deputy or assistant collector, as may be determined by the Treasury Department; one deputy collector in each internal revenue district where the number of employes in the office of the collector exceeds four; one deputy collector in each stamp (or branch) office.

"Appointments to the positions named in this rule in the custom house service and the internal revenue service shall be subject to an examination to be prescribed by the Secretary of the Treasury, not disapproved by the commission, equal to the examination held by the commission for positions of like grade. Such examinations shall be conducted by the commission in accordance with its regulations."

This brings to a sudden and unexpected end the campaign of the pie counter brigade, and settles once for all that those who hold down internal revenue jobs in North Carolina as elsewhere that they must pass successfully a rigid civil service examination and bide their time for a vacancy to occur. Sad and doleful as it may sound to the disconsolate on the anxious bench such is nevertheless true. The President of the United States has said so, and it's a "go."

Among Our Neighbors.

A Salisbury cornfield was demolished and a house took its place. Two Salisbury men will go to Klondyke, but will not leave for the gold fields until next February. Rowan's taxable property now amounts to \$5,000,000, a considerable increase in a year's time. J. P. Hornbuckle, of Concord, is dead. The W. N. C. Local Ministers' Conference is meeting at Asheville. The Salisbury Methodist district conference met this morning at Albararle Stanley county.

Lawn Party at Rev. G. R. White's.

For the News and Times. A lawn party will be given at Rev. G. R. White's on Friday, August 6th, from 8 to 10 o'clock. Lunch and ices will be served by the Ladies' Missionary Society of Ebenezer A. R. P. church. Many of our friends know of the beautiful grove in front of Mr. White's residence, situated on the Pineville road, five miles south of Charlotte. Everybody most cordially invited. We can safely promise a pleasant evening, best attention, and an abundance of good things.

COOK ON DECK.

If Spears Cannot be District Attorney the Warren Lawyer Wants It Himself.—Filibustering Expedition at Wilmington—Professor Allen Holt's Removal—Gudger Goes to Panama.

WASHINGTON, July 30.—According to the latest returns there is "another Richmond in the field" for the Eastern district attorneyship in the person of Charles A. Cook, of Warren. As I understand it, Col. Cook reluctantly "yielded the palm" to O. J. Spears, in consideration of the fact that the latter had canvassed the State so thoroughly for McKinley and borne the heat and burden of the day without a murmur. But now that there is talk of smashing the original slate and substituting Bernard for Spears, Cook quietly steps upon the quarter deck and proclaims that it shall be Spears or Cook, live or die, stand or fall. Cook is a wily politician; sharp, shrewd and hard to hem, and Col. Harry Skinner and Romulus Zigzag Linney, who are pushing Bernard, will find "Jordan a hard road to travel," and an uphill grade to foil the schemes and plans of the Warren county lawyer. Cook filled the position under Harrison's last administration and were Spears out of the race could give Bernard "cards and spades" and lay him out on the first round. At heart, however, Cook prefers Spears to Bernard under the existing circumstances, and should the worst come will throw his influence outright to Spears. Meantime we will see what we see.

FILIBUSTER AT WILMINGTON.

Through the Spanish Minister here information has been received from Wilmington, N. C., to the effect that the brig Alexander Jones and schooner John D. Long are suspected of fitting out a filibustering expedition to Cuba. The acting Secretary of the Treasury has therefore dispatched instructions to the Custom officers at that port to institute an investigation at once of the steamers mentioned above.

THE GOLD FEVER.

The Alaskan gold fever has struck Washington broadside, and large numbers are leaving for the Klondyke region, with others still to follow.

PROF. HOLT REMOVED.

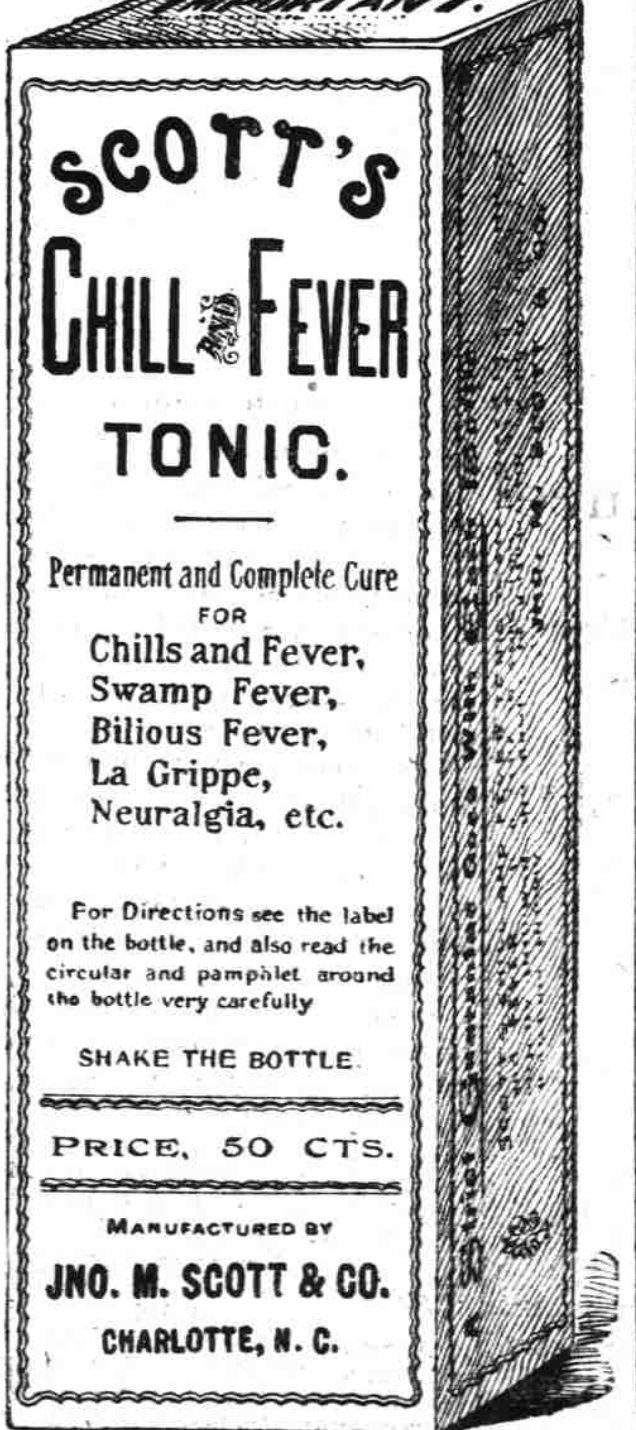
Prof. J. Allen Holt, postmaster at Oak Ridge, has been removed, and L. C. Huffins appointed in his stead.

The Chief End of Man.

A lady in Monroe had been teaching her little five year old son the Shorter Catechism, and wishing to show what her young hopeful knew, she asked him in the presence of some ladies, "What is the chief end of man?" The little fellow promptly replied, "To glory without God and enjoy himself forever." That really seems to be the chief object of some men.—Monroe Enquirer.

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Notice of Election. —TO— Authorize Local Taxation for Public Schools.

Notice is hereby given that an election will be held in each public school district in Mecklenburg County on Tuesday, the 10th day of August, 1897, pursuant to Chapter 421 of the Public Laws of North Carolina passed at the General Assembly of 1897, for the purpose of submitting to the qualified voters of the several school districts of the said County the proposition to levy a special annual school tax for each district, of 10c upon every One Hundred Dollars worth of property and 30c upon every poll in the several school districts in said County. At this election, if a majority of the qualified voters in the several districts of said County, or any number of them, shall cast their ballots in favor of the levying of said tax, then the said tax will be levied, collected and applied to public school purposes in the districts so voting in favor of said tax, in accordance with the Act of the General Assembly hereinbefore referred to. By order of the Board, this 7th day of June, 1897. P. M. BROWN, Chairman of the Board of County Commissioners for Mecklenburg County. 14 dt wtf

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