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MR. MILLS AND THE CABINET.

Senator Mills, of Texas, is in the papers for a Cabinet place. There is no doubt of his distinguished abilities. But he will be much needed in the Senate when tariff reform begins, for he is uncommonly informed as to those matters and reported a capital bill in the House which the blinded tools of Monopoly killed.

COTTON.

The cotton crop is short and prices are going up. That is to say, it is perhaps a million of bales short of the previous crop, but it is a million or two millions of bales too large at that.

AN OPINION.

We have heard it mentioned that State Auditor Sanderlin would be probably State Treasurer. He was overlooked in the State Convention and his office he honors was given to another certainly not more deserving.

IT WOULD HAVE BEEN THE NAME.

Medill, Republican editor, says in his Chicago Tribune, that if Blaine had been nominated he would have fared as Harrison fared. No doubt, only perhaps something worse, for his corrupt record would have been again thoroughly and mercifully exposed, and in 1892, the people are in no mood to tolerate venal and vicious men as Harrison can testify.

Vice President-elect Stevenson was appointed Supreme Court Judge by Mr. Cleveland, but a Republican Senate refused to confirm. They wanted Little Ben to have the power.

Senator Vest is a level-headed statesman as well as a very able one. He laughs at the folly of an extra session.

NORTH CAROLINA'S VOTE.

It is now apparent that Cleveland has less votes in North Carolina than Harrison and Weaver together polled. The News-Observer says: "Eighty-six counties that in 1888 gave Cleveland 136,531 votes and Harrison 125,284 votes, now give Cleveland 127,750, Harrison, 89,472 and Weaver 43,459.

Harrison and Weaver polled 129,961 to Cleveland's 127,750. The vote shows 261,795 in these eighty-six counties in 1888, and but 257,711 in 1892—a falling off of 4,081. So if we take Cleveland's vote in 1888 and in 1892, we see about how many Democrats deserted their ship and voted for the old Northern scamp—about 8,781.

PROPHECY FULFILLED.

A good and finely educated young friend at Goldsboro writes us as follows: "I am still feeling good over the election, and I know you are too, for you did grand work during the campaign, and I sincerely hope you will enjoy the fruits of your labor."

"As to Senator Mills, we have high respect for his abilities, and admit that he has done the party with which he is affiliated good service. Some of the speeches that he made in Illinois and elsewhere in the West during the canvass were models of force and eloquence, and had weight with the people."

There is one good thing to cheer Democrats—there is plenty of excellent ability for Mr. Cleveland to draw upon for his Cabinet, and it will be a good one no doubt. But Mr. Cleveland is going to make it. It will be well for all to understand that. He will take the right men after due consultation. He can be trusted in this as in all other matters pertaining to government.

SNAPS.

Commissioner Roosevelt, of the Civil Service, wants to extend the law governing. Not yet please. Rather curtail the power until many of the "rascals" in go out. They are plethoric, saucy, and satisfied to overflowing. Let them skip or be dumped.

The Austrian army is armed with a new Maennlicher rifle that fires 120 rounds a minute and is sighted at 2,700 yards—over a mile and a half. It does not become too hot.

Awful! There is great danger that Cabot Lodge, the Massachusetts cultured political fraud, will go to the Senate in place of Dawes. The country can spare Dawes, but "it is intolerable and not to be endured" to have the melancholy and Force bill Lodge. Spare as all people of Massachusetts!

Atlanta celebrated the victory in great style and 20,000 visitors were present and the procession longer than ever known there before.

Cut down the McKinley tariff tax so as to take from it all class oppression and favoritism and robbery. That will require care and technical skill.

Senator Pettigrew, Republican from Dakota, is laughing at McKinley and says: "The most comforting thing resulting from the overthrow of the party is that it puts an end to Mr. William McKinley, Jr."

HONOR FOLKS.

Justice Burwell was born in Hillsboro in 1839, was graduated at Davidson College, served in the war. He was a law partner of Gen. Vance at Charlotte, served in the Legislature, and ranks well with men of his age as a lawyer. The News-Observer says: "He stands very high for integrity of character, singleness of purpose, and sincerity. As a lawyer he is regarded not only as learned, but as being peculiarly gifted with clearness of intellect."

The University of North Carolina conferred the degree of LL. D. upon the late Justice Davis in 1887. We notice that in the sketches of him he is not said to have attended William and Mary College, Va. Our memory is not apt to play us a trick in a matter of that sort, and we have an impression that he talked, when we first became very intimate with him at the University, where he was a law student, of his being at that old and distinguished Virginia college from which so many of her most eminent men were graduated, among them Jefferson and Madison, we believe.

We regret to see it mentioned that the grave of Vice-President William B. King, of Alabama, is now almost unmarked. He was buried two miles from Selma, on his former plantation, but his remains were removed. The Birmingham Age-Herald says: "His family erected a very handsome monument to his memory, and the body remained there for many years, until about ten years ago, when his grandniece, Miss Marguerite King, had the remains removed, and they were interred in Live Oak Cemetery, in a lot presented by the city of Selma for that purpose."

The remains are now in a brick vault with no marble slab or other to mark them. This ought to be remedied. Mr. King was a very distinguished and most honorable gentleman, a native of North Carolina and born in Sampson county.

SHARPS AND FLATS.

Let it not be lost sight of that in reducing the tariff it is much more important to consider the oppressions of fifty-four millions of people heavily taxed and greatly oppressed by the legalized Republican robbery, than it is to listen to squealing of fellows rolling in wealth. Republican papers are telling of manufacturers threatening to suspend. Let them do it, if they are not satisfied with moderate profits. The country will no longer keep up a great Chinese Wall to oblige a set of radical robbers who have made their tens of dollars where the employes have been paid one dollar in wage.

The death of Thomas Adolphus Trollope, an English man of letters, is announced, aged eighty-three. He lived most of his manhood in Italy. He was a brother of the more famous Anthony Trollope, the novelist. He was a man of immense reading and range of information, and was author of excellent novels and other works of merit, and did much journalistic work. He has not been valued as a true worth. He was older than his brother.

Rev. Robert Proutitt, of New Jersey, a Presbyterian minister of learning, has joined the Quakers. He has published his reasons for taking this course. He says it is sufficient for him to be a companion of all who fear God, and he strongly suspects that the world and the visible church have too much preaching. He says: "While humbly receiving the scriptures of the Old and New Testament as containing the word of God, I decline to subscribe to the merely human declaration of their contents even though that declaration be so noble and venerable as the Westminster standard. I further decline to be called 'Rev' as being too much like being called 'Rabbi,' against which our Lord expressly enjoined his disciples."

Robert Chambers, of Edinburgh, wrote that unfortunate book, "Vestiges of the Natural History of Creation." He got his old mother to copy his manuscript and sought to keep the authorship a secret. It would have been better for him if he had never written it, and better for the world. His sister unintentionally betrayed the secret. Some of the writing was shown to her and she was asked if she knew it. She said it was her mother's writing. She complained of the unfair manœuvre.

CHIEF JUSTICE SHEPHERD.

In our brief editorial reference to the new Chief Justice we followed the telegraphic dispatch announcing it, and not it wrong. His name is James Edward Shepherd, and he is a Virginian, born in July, 1847. We believe he is the first Chief Justice of Virginia birth since C. J. Rufin. As we said, we know but little of him. The Raleigh News-Observer gives an outline sketch, from which we take the following: "When the war closed he was unable to enter college, but he prosecuted his studies while engaged as telegraph operator at Wilson, where he found employment. After some years he chose the profession of law, and diligently began the study of it. He afterwards entered the State University, where he was prepared for the bar at the law school of Judge W. H. Battle, and in 1869 he was admitted to the practice. He opened an office at Wilson, but in 1871 moved to Washington, and formed a partnership with Hon. Thomas Sparrow, and entered upon a most successful career. His professional life has been a series of successes. He soon attained high rank at the bar."

Six years later he was nominated by the Democrats as Judge of the Superior court for the First district, and Judge Eure resigning, he was appointed to fill the vacancy, and thus he entered the State in the fall of that year. He was elected in November, 1882, and continued on the Superior court bench six years, during which time he so commended himself to the people and to the bar that he was nominated and elected to the Supreme court in 1888, taking his seat January 1st, 1889. Yesterday he was appointed and sworn in as Chief Justice of North Carolina at the age of 45 years. He will preside over this high court with dignity and execute its duties with fidelity. He is a man of singular purity of character, of the highest integrity and most sterling worth."

NORTH CAROLINA MONTHLIES.

The Southern Educator, the very best well read monthly published at Durham, is to be issued in the October issue. It is a readable, useful number of a publication of merit. It has some illustrations. Trinity College is written up. Its frontispiece is a colored likeness of President Crowell. The two benefactors and main contributors to the college, Mr. Washington Duke and Col. J. S. Carr, appear in good likenesses. The Wake Forest student for October appears in new cover, new size, new dress, and new editors. It is improved in its get up. This is a creditable literary monthly. Wake Forest College has done a great deal for the Baptist and no little for the South. The Messenger wishes the new editors much honor and usefulness in their new sphere. The Educator for October is well filled with varied matter, much of which cannot fail to entertain and interest the household. Price 50 cents a month. Published at Raleigh, Mr. S. T. Nicholson, General Manager.

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STATE PRESS.

Democratic success simply means that every man will be given a fair and equal chance so far as legislation is concerned. It means tariff reform and the holding of government expenses down as much as possible. —Kinston Free Press.

The first care of the new administration will be for honesty, fidelity and capacity in the transaction of the public business; the next should and doubtless will be the interest of the party and the so entrenching of it in the power that it cannot be displaced by anything short of such a landslide as that which occurred last Tuesday. The civil service theory is a pretty thing, as a theory, but parties are not built up and established by adherence to any such principles of Government. The offices belong to the party that is in power, and that party is wise that recognizes the fact that while a great many people go to the poles to vote on the tariff, the currency and such questions as these, ninety-nine hundredths go there primarily to vote one set of officers out and another in, or to keep one set in and another out. —Charlotte Observer.

After all the people are about right. Against the advice of the politicians, in the face of a brave and manly avowal made just before the convention that nominated him, that was considered fatal to him, the people rose as with the voice of one man and placed the colors in the strong hand of Grover Cleveland. The vast power of the administration, the wise and crafty machinations of the shrewdest business men in the world, and untold millions of money were hurled against this giant but the thunderbolt fell impotent at his feet and from the clouds of the battle field this great figure emerges triumphant and serene, the greatest Statesman on the continent! God in his mercy has spared our glorious government and it will grow in power and grandeur as long as the people are free. —Laurinburg Exchange.

PUBLIC OPINION.

Mr. Dewey advances the startling proposition that Cleveland was a Republican President for the first three years of his term. He explains this by saying that previous to the writing of his last message to Congress he merely "separated" a Republican from the party, and that he will have cause to admire the man he will make of them. —Jacksonville (Fla.) Times-Union, Dem.

From all parts of South Carolina there come to us suggestions of Wade Hampton for high office under the Cleveland Administration. Unable themselves, under the extraordinary conditions of politics in the State, to retain their beloved leader of 1876 in the Senate; disbarred, for the same reason, from offering the honors they could wish to bestow; the true Democrats of the State see in the victory of Democracy in the Union

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