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WASHINGTON LETTER.

From our Regular Correspondent.

St. Louis is the Mecca towards which the eyes of all good Democrats are now turning. Next week when the Democratic Convention meets there, it will only have to ratify the choice of the party, long since made, of a candidate for the Presidency; to formally accept and adopt the platform already mapped out by Mr. Cleveland's last annual message to Congress, and to select a candidate for Vice-President on the ticket with Mr. Cleveland. The only thing about the programme about which there is even the slightest particle of doubt, is the last and it is more than probable that Mr. Cleveland will signify his preferences for a running mate before the Convention meets thus removing all doubt, for the Convention will take pleasure in nominating a man for whom he expresses a preference, and it is only right that they should, for has he not proven himself a savior of the Democratic party? Aye, and more. He has restored the party to its old time Andrew Jackson aggressiveness; for the first time in many years the party starts a Presidential campaign by a brilliant charge on the enemy's picket line, which has been forced in with such a rush that the main army has been compelled to beat a retreat, which has so far been a very orderly one, but ere the idea of November it will have become a rout. All this has been brought about by one courageous individual, his name is Grover Cleveland. He has given the country a clean, honest administration, and the only reason that he has not accomplished more, is that he has been hampered by a republican Senate, but this time it is to be a clean sweep and from the 4th of March, 1889 the whole government, in all its various branches will be administered by Democrats, and in the interest of the whole country, not of a small fraction of it.

The President has approved the act restricting the hours of letter carriers to eight per day. A most excellent law, and like most other good laws it originated with a Democrat. Hon. S. S. Cox, of New York.

The demand for Mr. Carlisle's tariff speech is unprecedented. Already 500,000 copies have been ordered, and every mail brings new orders. This is as it should

be; it would be a good thing for the Democratic party and the career of revenue reform if that speech could be read by every voter in the United States.

The House is making good progress with the regular appropriation bills, having already passed several of them.

The bill creating a department of labor has been passed by both Houses, and only lacks the signature of the President to become a law.

The President has approved the act authorizing him to arrange a conference between the United States and the republics of Mexico, Central and South America, Hayti, and San Domingo, and Empire of Brazil. It is expected that this country will derive much good in the shape of increased commerce, from this conference.

The President has gone to review the memorial day processions in New York and Brooklyn.

Senator Vest's resolution for an investigation of the meat product of the United States having passed, the following committee were appointed to make the investigation: Messrs. Vest, Plumb, Madison, Cullom, and Coke.

The House judiciary committee have favorably reported the International copyright bill, recently passed by the Senate.

The bill establishing a department of Agriculture which has already been passed by the House, has been favorably reported by the Senate, and is certain to pass that body at an early day; then the Commissioner of Agriculture will become a member of the Cabinet.

Mr. Fuller's nomination is still "hung up" by the republicans in the Senate.

The Senate finance committee reported adversely the House bill to issue paper fractional currency, but in lieu thereof they reported a bill reducing the fee for postal notes under one dollar to one cent.

Gen. Sheridan has been dangerously ill; he is now somewhat better, though the danger is by no means past. Valvular disease of the heart is his complaint.

The laying of the corner stone of the new Catholic University in this city Thursday was an event of great importance. The impressive ceremonies were conducted by Cardinal Gibbons, assisted by about 30 Bishops, and over 200 Priests. The President and his cabinet were present.

The Democratic caucus of the House had a long session Saturday night, devoted to the consideration of the report of the Democratic members of the ways and means upon the proposed amendments to the Mills tariff bill. Quite a number of minor amendments were agreed to. There is to be another caucus held to-night, when the subject will be finished up.

A telegram from Hot Springs, N. C., tells of a remarkable accident near there. John Kellar was near a steam saw-mill in operation. Suddenly the gearing caught while the saw was running through a log, when the sawyer succeeded in reversing it. The saw being released from its tension threw a sliver through the body of Kellar. It penetrated his abdomen, coming out at the back. He lived three hours.

The Sherman boom of 1888 is in a rapid decline. It must soon be laid to rest beside the Sherman booms of 1880 and 1884. The vigorous uprising of the Blaine movement disposes of all booms that are distinctly anti-Blaine.

FROM BENNETTSVILLE, S. C.

Cor. VIDETTE.

Dear Editors: According to promise, I now write to give you some news from this prosperous and interesting section. I wish it were possible for you to visit us and ride around through the county that you might view our fields of waving grain fast ripening for the harvest, and the miles on miles of cotton farms expanding before the eye until the gazer is wearied with the contemplation.

The grain crop is very promising; the wheat beautifully tinted with golden, and the oats taking on the brown of ripeness. Cotton is up pretty well and the song of the chopper is beginning to sound through the land. The cold and excessive rains have hindered the growth of the staple and we now have the promise of sufficient grass to awaken the energies of the laziest farmers to bestir himself, lest "Gen. Green" overcome "King Cotton." The corn crop is doing well, some fine crops are about two feet high, but most of it is not so fine, but the bread prospect is certainly good.

Our Montgomery boys down here are quietly making a reputation creditable to the dear old county, and there is room for more sober, faithful workers from the hill country of the old "North State." The VIDETTE is a welcome messenger, as it comes week after week freighted with news from home, and also bright and spicy.

There is a good deal of sickness due to changeable weather, rather than to any local cause. We have good physicians, and churches are abundant over the county, there are also fine schools in various localities. So you see Messrs Editors, we are trying down here to provide for the body, the mind and the soul. There is not a grog shop in the whole county, and no liquor has been legally sold in the county in a great many years.

New implements of agriculture are being introduced continually, new houses are going up, and machine shops and blacksmith and wood shops, are prosperous. Our clever friend "Mc"—, universally esteemed as a man, and a skilled workman, is foreman in a wood and blacksmith shop at the old McCall X roads. But my letter grows long. Come and see for yourself and then you will say "the half was not told me." With kindest regards,

Yours very truly,
J. F. REYNOLDS.

Raleigh Visitor: Next August the Cotton States Convention will be held in Raleigh. The first of these conventions was held in Texas last year, and by a very large vote Raleigh was chosen as the next meeting place. Thousands of people will then be here, and the city will be taxed to its utmost to accommodate them. But after the exposition experience Raleigh is ready for any crowd however large. The State will be well represented here at this great convention.

"He Had Got 'em."

"Well, Uncle Rube, how have you been since you came to live down here on the river?"

"Pol'y, master, pol'y."

"You are not used to live in such an out-of-the-way place, Uncle Rube. You are suffering from isolation."

"Dat's it, sah. Glory to his name, dat's it. I've got 'em. I've suffered wid 'em mighty bad master. I had disremembered de name ob de Misery. I knowed it wad malaria or rhumates or something o' dat kind. You struck it de first time, sah. Got a quarter 'bout you sah to buy some isolation medicine?"

Gen "Joe" Johnston.

Of Gen. Joe Johnston as he now appears a Washington correspondent says: "He is beginning to look old. It is time, for he was born in 1805. He goes to his office regular and works steadily, but cannot carry quite the load of responsibility a younger man would take on." Gen Johnston's grandfather was born in Scotland 103 years before his own birth. In 1727 the grandfather came to America to settle in Virginia. Johnston's father was born when this first settler was 53 and Johnston when his father was 50. So Johnston's father served in the Revolution, running away to enlist in the Light Horse Harry Lee's Legion at the age of 17, and received the thanks of the General before the whole army for his bravery at the assault of Fort Watson. In 1829 Joe Johnston and Robt. E. Lee graduated together from West Point. Old Joe has fought in four wars. He went against Black Hawk, fought Oseola, was in the Mexican war and the rebellion. He bears ten scars of serious wounds, and yet he is as spry as a boy. Gen. Johnston has no children, and with him will end a line of remarkable men."

Quicksands.

New Orleans Picayune.

People often hear of quicksands but they do not generally understand the extraordinary facility, it may be called voracity, with which these monsters engulf all that falls into them. Quick sand is composed chiefly of small particles of mica mixed largely with water. The mica is so smooth that the fragments slip upon each other with the greatest facility, so that any heavy body which displaces them will sink and continue to sink until a solid bottom is reached. When particles of sand are ragged and angular any weight pressing on them will crowd them together until they are compacted into a solid mass. A sand composed of mica or soapstone when sufficiently mixed with water seems incapable of such consolidation. All the streams in Western Kansas are infested with quick sands, as the railway builders have discovered to their cost. On one occasion an engine ran off the track at River Bend, about ninety miles from Denver, on the Kansas Pacific. The engine, a large freight, fell into a quicksand and in twenty minutes had entirely disappeared. Within two days the company sent out a gang of men and a wrecking train to raise it. To their surprise they could not find a trace of it. Careful search was made, magnetized rods were sunk to the depth of 65 feet, but no engine could be found. It sunk beyond human ken, and from that day to this has never been discovered.

The closing services of the General Baptist Convention began at 10 a.m. Wednesday morning. The committee on time and place of the next meeting reported that Memphis, Tenn., be the place, at the First Baptist church, on Friday before the second Sunday in May, 1889. Dr. J. P. Green, of Kentucky, was appointed to preach the Convention sermon, and Dr. J. D. Renfro, of Alabama, alternate.

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