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Last spring the United States geological survey sent out a special expedition for the purpose of exploring the mineral resources of Alaska. The disclosures of this expedition, as contained in a recent report filed in Washington, justify the statement that Alaska will eventually become one of the most important gold producing sections of the country. The existence of gold in Alaska has been a settled fact for some time, but the amount of precious metal imbedded among the rocks of that distant territory has been purely a matter of speculation. If it turns out that the geological survey is correct in its theory it is more than likely that England and the United States will have another boundary line dispute to settle.

The passage of the Dingley bill at the session of Congress beginning next Monday seems to be more of a possibility. The Washington Times has claimed that if the Senate would pass the measure it would become a law. The statement was ridiculed by the radical tariff men, who must have an absolute revision of the tariff of nothing at all. Now comes a semi-official statement from the White House to the effect that President Cleveland is willing to permit the measure to become a law if the Senate will pass it. He will do this to relieve the incoming administration of embarrassment. He feels that he and the wing of the Democratic party which has followed his lead are particularly responsible for Major McKinley's election. They oppose some of the tenets of Major McKinley's party, but rather than give in to the free silverites they would swallow high tariff and the strongest kind of paternalism. This is why the President would agree to the Dingley bill becoming a law. It would only be passed as a temporary measure. No one else wants anything more. When passed by the house last winter the bill was only to be in force two years. If the Senate passes it as it came from the House it would only last a year now. It would raise revenue and that is what is wanted. Notwithstanding the administration does not expend the money appropriated by Congress, the deficit continues to increase rapidly. The deficit for the month is over \$8,000,000 notwithstanding the fact that the Treasury has had the benefit of nearly a million dollars from seigniorage growing out of the coinage of silver bullion in the Treasury. With a Dingley bill bringing in \$30,000,000,000 a year and an extra tax laid on beer, the Treasury would have an increased revenue of \$50,000,000. That would put the finances of the government in shape and give Congress a year in which to revise the tariff. A tariff commission could be formed and the bill passed, if one can be passed, if one can be passed, if one can be passed. That such a consummation is possible can be hoped for now. The Republicans, legislators, have not been able to count on more than forty-two Senators who would vote for a revised tariff bill. With a Republi-

can Senator from Kentucky and one from North Carolina they could count on forty-four. Now comes Senator Wilson of Washington as the authority for the statement that Senator Jones of Nevada will vote with the Republicans on a tariff measure. This gives the party forty-five votes and makes it a tie. Vice President Hobart would quickly decide the tie.

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VALUABLE LAND FOR SALE
 By virtue of authority conferred by a certain mortgage deed from William A. Smith and wife, Narcissa J. Smith, to Mrs. Iola H. Gates, recorded in book 114, page 588, Register of Deeds office for Wake county, N. C. I will sell at public auction to the highest bidder for cash at the court house door in Raleigh, N. C., at 12 o'clock m., on Monday, the 4th day of January, 1897, the following described tract of land: Lying in Wake county, Swift Creek township, adjoining the lands of J. B. Strain, Caswell Franks, Wiley Carroll and others and situated on the waters of Watson's Branch and bounded as follows, viz: Beginning at a stake in J. B. Strain's northern line, running north 10 degrees west 4 1/2 poles to a rock; thence west 104 poles to a stake; thence east to the beginning, containing 323 acres more or less, and being the home place of said W. A. Smith. The place has dwelling and necessary outhouses, and I am informed there is a young orchard in good bearing condition upon this land.
 B. C. BRCKWITT, Attorney for Mortgagee, Dec. 2, 1896.
 S. W. BREWER, Trustee, nov24-td

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Notice.
 By virtue of a decree of the Superior Court of Wake county, in a cause pending in said court before the clerk, wherein J. C. Marcom, administrator of John Upchurch, deceased, is plaintiff, and W. F. Upchurch is defendant, I will sell for cash to the highest bidder at public auction at the court house door in Raleigh, N. C., on Monday, the 4th day of January, 1897, at 12 o'clock m., the lands described in the petition in said cause, to-wit: Situate in White Oak township, said county, and adjoining the lands of Rufin Goodwin, Mrs. Tempy Lawrence, Sallie Clark, Margaret Barker and others, containing some forty odd acres, more or less, and being the home place and the lands upon which the said John Upchurch resided at the time of his death.
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Land Sale.
 Under and by virtue of a decree of the Superior Court of Wake county, in a certain civil action, No. 721, summons docket of said court, entitled, B. F. Montague vs. J. W. Ryals, Nancy A. Britt and Joseph Austin, I will on Monday, the 21st day of December, 1896, at noon, sell as public auction at the court house door in the city of Raleigh, N. C., the following described tract of land lying in Panther Branch Township, said county, and adjoining the lands of George Partin, A. E. Smith and others and bounded as follows: Beginning at a stake in Little Creek, thence north 4 degrees east 3 chains and 23 links to a stake, thence south 87 degrees east 14 chains and 44 links to a stake, thence north 40 degrees east 15 chains and 10 links to a stake, thence south 87 degrees east 15 chains and 50 links to a stake, thence north 3 degrees east 11 chains to a stake in the Penny corner, thence north 83 degrees west with L. J. Weathers' line 49 chains to a stake on Juniper Branch, thence down the various courses of said branch to Little Creek, thence down said creek to the beginning, containing one hundred and two and a half acres (102 1/2 acres) as more fully appears by deed of Nancy A. Britt and others to J. W. Ryals and wife, date March 15, 1894, Registry of Wake county, Book 57, page 400, and known as the homestead of said J. W. Ryals. Terms cash.
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Land for Sale.
 By virtue of a deed of mortgage executed on the 3rd day of January, 1891, I will offer for sale at the court house door in Raleigh, N. C., on Monday, January 4th, 1897, at 12 o'clock m., for cash, the following tract of land as described in said deed of mortgage: Lying and being in Middle Creek township, Wake county, and beginning at a mulberry tree in A. J. Utley's line, thence about east to a dogwood tree, thence about east to a dogwood tree, thence about east to a white oak, the Tom Smith corner, thence to a large hickory, about east, the corner of the land belonging to heirs of Marcom Wood, thence to the beginning, containing twenty acres more or less. See Book 144, page 209, in the office of the Register of Deeds of Wake county, J. C. L. Harris, nov24 tds Atty. for Mortgagee.

SALE OF LAND.
 Under and by virtue of a decree of the Superior Court, in a civil action, No. 5812, et al, entitled, Wm Smith vs B F Montague, we will on the 7th day of December, 1896, sell at public auction at the court house door in the city of Raleigh, N. C., at 12 m, the following tract of land, situate in Wake county, St. Matthews township, beginning at a stake Jesse Watkin's n w corner in Jonathan Pool's line; thence s 28 1/2 poles to a stake said Watkin's s w corner; thence s 35 w 53 3/5 poles; thence west 93 poles to two red oaks on the bank of Neuse river; thence up the various courses of said river about 84 poles to Pool's corner; thence with his line s 89 6 1/2 poles to the beginning, containing 233 acres. Also at the same time and place, we will sell the personal property set out in said decree, consisting of 1 mule, 1 horse, 2 wagons, harness, farming implements and part of crops made on said land. Terms cash.
 ARMISTEAD JONES, THOS R PURNELL, Commissioners, nov7 tds

SALE OF LAND.
 By authority conferred upon me in a judgment of foreclosure made at Feb. term and an order made at October term, 1896, of the Superior Court of Wake county, in a civil action No. 6338 C. J. D. entitled W. F. Utley vs Mary A. Utley et al, I will on Monday, the 4th day of January, 1897 at 12 o'clock m., sell at public outcry at the county court house door in the city of Raleigh, N. C., the following tract of land situated in Middle Creek township, Wake county, N. C., and known as part of the home tract of land recently owned by A. J. Utley, deceased, adjoining the lands of A. J. Utley, and A. F. Norris and others had bounded as follows: Beginning on the east side of the Raleigh road and runs with A. J. Utley's line on the south and Dallas Adams on the west and on the north with James C. Noah's line back to said Raleigh road and with said road south to A. J. Utley's line, containing 50 acres, more or less. Said land being the same conveyed by A. J. Utley and wife on the 9th day of December, 1896, to W. F. Utley by mortgage deed which is recorded in Book 119, at page 225 in the office of Register of Deeds for Wake county. Terms of sale cash. H. E. WOODRUFF, nov25 30d Commissioner.