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WASHINGTON LETTER.

FEATURE OF THE SHORT SESSION OF CONGRESS.

Cleveland vs. McKinley. No More Democratic Populist Fusion. Dingey Bill as Revenue Produced. No More New States.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Nov. 24.

President vs. President-elect promises to be one of the most important features of the short session of Congress. The influence of the two men will be squarely pitted against each other in the question of whether this Congress shall attempt to legislate for the increase of the revenues of the Government. President-elect McKinley has already given his friends to understand that he doesn't wish the Dingey tariff bill to be passed at this session and that he would prefer that the whole matter should be left for the new Congress. It is known that President Cleveland will, in his annual message urge that the revenue be increased by amending the internal revenue laws, and that he is not without hope that his recommendations will be favorably acted upon, in part at least. Thus we will have the President trying to get additional revenue legislation and the President-elect trying to prevent either that or tariff legislation at the short session. Even if Presid. Cleveland had the solid support of his party, instead of that of only half a dozen Senators and a few Representatives, he would have the poorest chance to succeed, because whatever their personal opinions may be, the Republicans all wish to be on the side of the incoming President in order to get as much patronage for their constituents as possible. This isn't so much politics as it is human nature.

There is no mistaking the bitterness the silver Democrats feel towards President Cleveland. They speak right out, and charge him with destroying the party. The bitterness extends to the gold Democratic Senators. Senator Morgan, of Alabama, when asked whether the gold Democratic Senators would be invited to take part in Democratic caucuses when the Senate meets, replied promptly and decidedly: "No; not at least without repentance, and neither of them has shown evidence of that. These gentlemen will not wish to associate with men whom they have denounced as anarchists, traitors and dishonest people."

The proposition to oppose every nomination sent to the Senate by President Cleveland is being seriously considered by silver Senators, and it is said, to be discussed in caucus, and it may be adopted, too, as all of Mr. Cleveland's nominations will be gold Democrats, and the average silver Democrat would much rather see the places go to gold Republicans than to gold Democrats.

Representative Howard, of Atlanta, who is a close friend of Tom Watson says: "There will be no fusion of Populists and Democrats to aid Democratic Presidential candidates. The true silver men will have to come to the Populist party, which is the party of the people, and which should have the last fight. It will lead the next fight." Mr. Ward says he does not believe the Populist Senators will obstruct tariff legislation, and that personally he wishes the Republicans to try high tariff in combination with a gold standard and let the people see just how it will work.

According to Mr. Worthington C. Ford, Chief of the Bureau of Statistics of the Treasury Department, who is supposed to be an expert on everything pertaining to the tariff, the much talked about Dingey bill which was passed by the House at the last session as an emergency measure intended to supply the deficit in Government receipts and which was held up in the Senate by the refusal of six silver Republican Senators to support it, would not supply money enough to make up the deficit even if it became a law. The people who do not want any sort of temporary tariff legislation are using the figures of Mr. Ford as an argument against taking up the Dingey bill at this session, because an extra session for the general revision of the tariff, will, in their opinion be necessary, no matter what the fate of the Dingey bill. Mr. Ford says he feels very certain that the Dingey bill would not add over \$15,000,000 a year to our revenue. If his figures were known to be correct the Dingey bill would not be seriously considered by anybody, as the only excuse for its being was that it would wipe out the deficit, but there are other experts who claim that Mr. Ford is way off and that the bill would add more than \$25,000,000 a year to Uncle Sam's income. That's just the reason why expert testimony is not more convincing. It is so easy to get it on both sides of anything or everything.

Those who are the most anxious for the admission of the Territories to statehood admit that they do not expect any favorable legislation at the short session of Congress, and that their hopes are not bright of seeing the Fifty-fifth Congress. Ex United States Marshal Nix, of Oklahoma, who is now in Washington, stated the cause which keeps that Terri-

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story, as well as New Mexico and Arizona, out of the Union, when he said: "As long as free silver is as popular as it is now in Oklahoma, I fear our chances for statehood are very slim, for I appreciate the fact that no more advocates of 16 to 1 are wanted in the United States Senate. If Oklahoma were a State now, there wouldn't be a ghost of a chance for a gold standard man to be elected Senator."

Supreme Court Decisions.

RALEIGH, N. C., November 24.—The Supreme Court of North Carolina filed the following opinion:

Jones against Beaman, from Greene, affirmed.

Cox against Bank, from Greene, affirmed.

Have Not Dissolved.

Special.

CHICAGO, November 24.—At a meeting of the Wire Nail Trust Association it was declared that the reports of the dissolution of the Association were false, coming from one dissatisfied hardware house.

Lee Does Not Credit It.

Special.

WASHINGTON, D. C., November 24.—Consul General Lee authorizes the statement that he does not believe the report of the dramatic court martial and summary treatment of the American Indians in Cuba.

He thinks Spain treats prisoners as agreed upon, and believes the statement got out of Spain's gathering testimony on other cases.

As to Cuban Matters.

Special.

WASHINGTON, D. C., November 24.—The State Department has no news concerning the Competitor's prisoner trial by secret court martial, and will not discuss the matter.

Cleveland Not to Act.

Special.

WASHINGTON, D. C., November 24.—The Administration will make no serious mention of the Cuban issue, unless there are some decided battles, but will leave the matter as it stands for the incoming administration.

New York Stock Market.

Special.

NEW YORK, November 24.—Stocks opened somewhat strong, but fell very easily, losing a good deal of the firmness which characterized the closing of the former.

May be Retired.

HAVANA, November 24.—The unexpected return of General Weyler without accomplishing anything, is causing the impression that he will shortly be changed.

Weyler says he could not get the insurgents to fight. He endeavored to kill all their cattle.

Dakota Bank Failure.

Special.

SIOUX FALLS, South Dakota, November 24.—The Dakota National bank closed its doors on account of a heavy run, leaving only a thousand dollars cash on hand.

It was heavily loaded with real estate.

A. & N. C. R. R. Case.

Special.

HALIFAX, N. C., November 24.—Craven County was made party plaintiff in the A. & N. C. R. R. lease case and the hearing was continued until December fourth, to be heard at New Berne.

THE COTTON MARKETS.

November 24.

THE spot sales in Liverpool were only 8,000 bales of which 6,900 were American.

Spots declined 1-32d and futures 2-61 and the tone "prices favor buyers."

UNDER this depressing news New York opened "easy" at 7-43 for January. The market there during the day has been barely steady at near the opening figure, till near the close when a better demand seemed to spring up and January closed at 7-55.

TOMORROW and Thursday will both be observed as holidays in New Orleans, and on Thursday (Thanksgiving) all the exchanges in U. S. will be closed so it may be only a holiday covering that caused this sport.

"It is a long lane that has no turn," is an old saying, and it may apply to cotton at present. Cotton has declined almost daily for nearly three weeks and a reaction is due.

New Berne market has been active at 6-6 to 6-7.

Yours truly,

J. E. LATHAM.

THE MARKETS.

CHICAGO, November 24.

OPENING CLOSING.

December Wheat, 77 78

December Pork, 7.70 7.62

January Hogs, 8.82 8.80

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Currants, Raisins,  
Apricots, Evaporated Peaches,  
Catsup, Evaporated Pears,  
Brazil Nuts, Fresh Prunes,  
Almonds, Roasted Walnuts,  
Spirits, Cooking Butter,  
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