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JUSTICE LANIER'S declaration for Cleveland is put down as a triumph of Reciprocity.

FLAGS captured by United States troops in Mexico are to be returned to that Government.

A WONDERFUL change is going on in public sentiment. A little while ago Georgia was put down as certain for Hill, it is now unquestionably for Cleveland.

It is stated that in Wake and several surrounding counties, especially in Pitt and Edgecombe and Johnston, the farmers are planting more tobacco than heretofore.

ACT in the living present and look well to the future. The man who is anticipating happiness is a great deal better off than he who is always thinking of past misfortune and dreading the future.

DANA of the New York Sun is an enemy to be dreaded. He has long been a thorn in Cleveland's side. He is now paying his respect to Gen. Alger. Dana was assistant Secretary of War under Lincoln. He says Alger left his post in time of danger and was discharged from the army at the request of Sheridan.

THERE are indications that the Republican party is disposed to unload in order to ride out the storm. Not long ago a convention of White Republicans was held in North Carolina. "The negro was denied the pleasure of participating in the great Sherman reception given in Washington a few days since, and now Harrison says that none of that ilk shall go to the Minneapolis Convention in his interest, and upon the whole it appears that "the man and brother" is not wanted by his white Republican allies for ought else but to vote."

THE TWO-THIRDS RULE.

It is usual for Democratic Conventions to adopt the two-thirds rule. In the custom democratic it is a cardinal principle of Republican majorities rule, and it is not a little remarkable that the great party of the people refuses to be governed by the majority in its National Conventions.

There are two sides to every question. Those who favor the rule say, among other things, that it is sanctioned by established custom and what has worked well in the past may be expected to work well in the future; that, to place a candidate in the field who has been nominated by a bare majority would endanger the success of the ticket; that a candidate who cannot command the voters of two-thirds of a convention will not be likely to arouse popular enthusiasm.

On the other hand it is said, that the custom does not accord with the theory of Democratic government; that it generally results in the defeat of the strongest candidate before the convention by the combination of other candidates.

Whether the approaching Chicago Convention will adopt the two-thirds rule is a question.

It is probable that the friends of Senator Hill will oppose the adoption of the rule, and that his opponents will advocate it as the most reliable instrument for his defeat. The Senator has warm friends, but he has made many enemies, and it will be difficult for him, or any other man who has aroused wide spread oppositions, to secure the votes of two-thirds of the Convention.

It is hazardous to depart from long established custom. Whether a change now would be beneficial is problematical, but we incline to the opinion that it will be the wisest and best for the Chicago Convention to follow the usual custom and adopt the two-thirds rule.

CONGRESS AND THE FARMERS.

It is evident that Congress is disposed to help the farmers. This does not result from the preponderating influence of the Alliance but from the fact that the Democratic party is in the majority and the demands of the farmers are on line with the Democratic theory of retrenchment and reform.

It is not expected that Congress will adopt any measure formulated by the Ocala Convention, but recognizing the situation of the masses, as affected by Federal legislation, such measures will be passed as will give relief without doing violence to the spirit and letter of the Constitution.

Farmers insist that they are discriminated against in commercial affairs. No liberal minded man will insist that legitimate trade shall be fettered with iron bands. Trade is world-wide in its operations, and legislation in regard to it should be eminently conservative.

An anti-option bill will, without question, be reported to the House by the Committee on Agriculture. Mr. Alexander, of North Carolina, says that it will suppress fictitious buying and selling and yet will not interfere with what the world calls legitimate trading. Mrs. Fanson of Kansas, said: "We don't want to restrict legitimate trading, but we want to prevent tampering with the market by persons who sell and buy what neither they nor any one else has got."

A bill for the free coinage of Silver has already been introduced in the House upon which action will be taken at an early day.

We say to our friends Be patient! "Wait for the wagon and we'll all take a ride."

A GENTLEMAN said to the Chronicle last evening: "The national Democratic convention is going West, which fact gives that section an advantage in the naming of the candidate; now what's the matter with Adlai E. Stevenson, of Illinois?" Nothing in the world. He would make the party a splendid candidate and the country a splendid President. He is a man of ability, one of the best of Democrats and one of the finest of gentlemen. His record, personal and political, is faultless, and as First Assistant Postmaster-General under Cleveland he was the most popular member of that admirable administration. He turned the rescals out with a celerity that astonished them and that excited the admiration of the Democracy. His influence took the World's Fair to Chicago, and his personal popularity, not only in his own State but wherever he is known, is such that a campaign, with his name at the head of the ticket, would be one of enthusiasm from the beginning and of success in the end. He is, besides, a grandson of North Carolina, his parents having gone West from Iredell, and he has many relatives in Iredell, Mecklenburg and Alexander, and has a filial affection for the State. What's the matter with Adlai E. Stevenson, indeed! Nothing in the world. He's all right.—Charlotte Chronicle.

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"The Naulakka," a novel by Rudyard Kipling, the famous author of "Plain Tales from the Hills," written in collaboration with an American writer, Wolcott Balestier. It is the story of a young man and a young woman from a "booming" Colorado town, who go to India, he in search of a wonderful jeweled necklace, called "the Naulakka" (from which the story takes its name), and she as a physician to women. The novel describes their remarkable adventures at the court of an Indiana maharajah. Besides this, The Century will print three other novels during the year, and a great number of short stories by the best American story-writers.

The well-known humorist Edgar W. Nye ("Bill Nye") is to write a series of amusing sketches which he calls his "autobiographies," the first one of which, "The Autobiography of a Justice of the Peace," is in November. This number also contains a valuable and suggestive article on "The Food-Supply of the Future," which every farmer should read, to be followed by a number of others of great practical value to farmers, treating especially of the relations of the Government to the farmer, what it is doing and what it should do. This series will include contributions from officers of the Department of Agriculture, and other well-known men will discuss "The Farmer's Discontent," "Cooperation," etc., etc.

A celebrated Spanish writer is to furnish a "Life of Columbus," which will be brilliantly illustrated, and the publishers of The Century have arranged with the managers of the World's Fair to print articles on the buildings, etc.

One of the novels to appear in 1892 is

A story of New York Life by the author of "The Anglomaniac," and the magazine will contain a great deal about the metropolis during the year,—among other things a series of illustrated articles on "The Jews in New York." In November is an illustrated description of "The Players, Club," founded by Edwin Booth, and one of the features of the splendidly illustrated Christmas (December) number is an article on "The Bowery."

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