

Coming to a Head.

The telegraphic dispatches published yesterday informs us that the house of representatives, by a vote of 155 against 72, on the 28th passed the bill to restrict Chinese immigration precisely as reported from the committee on education and labor, and that the bill now goes to the senate. From this it will be seen that the Chinese bubble is drawing to a head pretty fast. The entire question has engrossed more attention at Washington this winter than it has ever received at the hands of public men. The secret of this is that both political parties are maneuvering for campaign advantages in California next fall.

The bill which has so nearly unanimously passed the house is the same that was supported by a recent report from the committee on labor and education, to whom the subject was referred, which reiterates the views which have long been prevalent with reference to the Asiatics on this coast. Several eminent men addressed the house on the topic, and among them, Gen. Garfield of Ohio, Haskell of Kansas, Matcy of Mississippi, and Willis of Kentucky, chairman of the committee which reported the bill. Two of these gentlemen are republicans and two democrats. If nothing unforeseen happens, the bill will be opened speedily in the senate, and if no parliamentary mistake is made, a vote will be reached in time for the bill to become a law at this session.

The chances are that the Chinese problem will now be thoroughly and satisfactorily settled. It can hardly be said that any very deep or close attention has been bestowed upon it up to a very recent date at the east. For a long time there was rather a tendency to believe that the people of this coast were asking more than could be granted consistently with the principles of our government. There was a disposition to consider protection from cheap labor a novel demand, something that had never been heard of before, and something that could not be tolerated. It must certainly be regarded as one of the marvels of the times that the section of country in which these ideas were general should have been so utterly oblivious of what has been done for it, in precisely the same direction. The parties who profess to believe that the American laborer could not be protected from the competition of cheap Asiatic labor, are now enjoying the benefits of the most gigantic, far-reaching and searching system of protection, resting on precisely the same basis, that has ever been devised.

The tariff which is now in force, and which may be pronounced the most exclusive that has ever been drafted, reposes upon no other foundation than that on which the Chinese question stands. It was conceived, elaborated and enacted for the sole purpose of protecting American labor from the competition of the "pauper labor" of Europe. There is no other argument that has ever been heard of, that has or can be urged in favor of the industrial policy which we have been so long pursuing. It is the whole burden of the song and the foundation of the edifice. A tariff running all the way from 30 to 100 per cent. has been imposed

to protect the American miner from the competition of the English miner in Cornwall; to protect the American weaver from the competition of the like artisan in Lyons, and to protect the American mechanic and laborer in at least 1,000 forms of employment.

In the great majority of cases the government derives no benefit whatever from this colossal prohibition. The price of the native article is raised, by the amount of the tax levied. The additional price goes into the pockets of the manufacturers, and is supposed to be distributed by them among artisans and laborers. Certain it is that if protection was proposed alone for the benefit of capitalists, it would never have been adopted. To insure the success of this protection of American labor from the "pauper labor" of Europe, an army of civil servants is kept up at the public expense. This army exceeds by several thousands the employes of any power in the world, though we are supposed to be maintaining a republican government which is, or ought to be, distinguishable from the monarchical form in nothing so much as its simplicity and cheapness. But while all this is done for the protection of labor on the other side, the proposition to protect labor on the Pacific side from the competition of the Asiatic coolies, was met with something like positive derision.

Then we heard a great deal of the universal brotherhood of man, and other generalities supposed to be applicable to the case. But there was a dense forgetfulness of this great truth when the tariff was under consideration. Probably it was supposed not to extend to the Cornish miner, or the Lyons weaver, or the Manchester cotton spinner. It would seem that we are only brothers with the heathen non-assimilable Asiatic. In the whole course of our history there never was a more glaring instance of short-sightedness and injustice of one section of the republic toward another than that manifested by the east, toward the Pacific coast, in the matter of Mongolian immigration. Kept above the competition of European labor by a tariff, prohibitory, nearly, in the whole field of labor, and meant to be, it seemed for a while to be held that the small demand of the Pacific coast to be protected against a still lower form of labor competition could not be granted.

This was not the treatment which one part of the Union should extend to the other. If the east had no protection at all for its labor, there would be some logical consistency in the attitude assumed by some of the organs of public opinion. But the lower house of congress has, by its action, partly remedied this great wrong. It is competent for congress to lay down the rule that if the east is entitled to protection from the "pauper labor" of Europe, the west has a valid claim to be protected from the still more degraded labor of Asia.

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