

PROTECTION FOR WORKINGMEN.

We are glad to notice in several of the influential journals that supported the republican candidates at the last election a tendency to throw off their partisan feeling and to criticize the abomination called the Senate tariff bill. During the campaign we repeatedly called attention to the fact that high duties did not make high wages, and that higher taxes were not the protection needed by the American laborer. This position our republican friends scoffed at and denounced as "free trade heresy," and continued to deal out to the people the blessings of increased taxation. In pursuance of that policy the Senate bill was passed and we are gratified to find that not only the democratic members of the Senate, but many thinking republicans of that body, feel that the bill is far from the measure it should be if the laborer and workingman are to be benefited. Instead of decreasing the burdens of the tax-payers it has increased them. It increases the cost of goods bought by our people, but does nothing to recompense them for the loss by preventing the immigration of foreign labor to compete with our workingmen. Workingmen need protection, not so much for the goods as for themselves. Upon this point the Philadelphia Telegraph, a hearty campaign supporter of General Harrison, forcibly says: "There is no real protection in this; and the certain and steady tendency towards a material reduction of wages in all places where the lowest class of immigrants from Italy, Belgium, Hungary and Poland most do congregate, proves that high duties on foreign goods, without restriction of foreign makers of goods, extends no protection whatever to our workmen. If the Senate tariff bill, which affirms the policy of higher duties, is a good one and is to become law during either the present or a future Congress, then the Ford bill, or another based upon the wholesome principle of it, should also and simultaneously become law. The Senate bill without the Ford bill, or something resembling it, would be saving protection at the spigot while letting it run out at the bung-hole." This kind of talk from a republican source shows clearly the hypocrisy of the high tariff shouters during the late campaign. It tells the workingmen that they were deceived, deliberately lied to by men who sought their votes, that men who told them that the high wages in the country were due solely to the tariff purposely misrepresented, that their party might be the gainer. We do not say that the Telegraph did this, but it certainly was slow to correct the misstatements of its party associates, and by its silence was a party to the crime. We use the word crime because the man who goes before the people with a lie upon his lips commits a crime and is in the broadest sense a criminal.

Albert Hawkins, the old colored coachman, who pulls the reins over the big seal browns that pull the Executive carriage, still sits erect and drives the President and Mrs. Cleveland from Oak View to the White House. Albert has been the White House driver since the latter part of Grant's first term. He drove Grant, he drove Hayes, Garfield, Arthur and Cleveland, but he will not drive Harrison. Albert, it is said, is going to leave the White House. He has had all the modified glory there is in standing within the radius of the fierce light that beats about the throne, and he wants to get out of official life as he regards it. He has shown great devotion to Mrs. Cleveland, and will leave his position at the White House and retire to private life rather than relinquish the privilege of being at Mrs. Cleveland's service. Whenever Mr. and Mrs. Cleveland go Albert will continue to pull the ribbons over the seal browns, which are the President's private property.

The reason for the increase in the duty on tin plate is perhaps indicated in the statement that a republican "Field Marshal" of politics is President of a new tin company which claims to have found a mine of this metal in the Black Hills. Nature's bounty is thus made to be the means of doubling a tax on an article of universal use for the sake of setting up a half dozen "Little Tin Gods on Wheels" in the procession of iron kings, lumber lords, coal barons and manufacturing moguls. The campaign of education is progressing.

A memorial was presented in the Senate during the tariff discussion on behalf of the dentists of the country, asking a bounty on each tooth filled of \$1 as an encouragement to home industry. It was insisted that it would lower the price of teeth, promote the immigration of tooth artists and afford a better market for agricultural products. But the Senate would go only to the sugar line, as that was regarded as a cause of decay of teeth, and to some extent a contributor to the dental opportunities.

WEATHER INDICATIONS.—For the 2 hours beginning at 12 o'clock, noon. Clear.

An investigation by a legislative committee now in progress has developed that "floaters" are plenty in Michigan and that the ruling rate last November was \$2. Michigan is Alger's State and Alger is enormously rich. Michigan went Republican and after the election Alger called on Harrison. After the 4th of next March Alger will probably have a foreign mission. In evolution the distance between a \$2 bill and a foreign appointment is not as great as between an ape and an alger.

In a few months the King of Spain will celebrate his third birthday in a style befitting his exalted babyhood. The nonsense that is written about this royal toddler is astonishing. It is stated as a remarkable fact that his manner is simple and natural and that he appears to have no high opinion of himself and his heritage. It is even remarked that he says "Ahgoo" with almost a plebeian intonation and that he shows a most democratic fondness for lump sugar.

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Notice of Final Settlement.

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned Administrator of the estate of Mary Ann R. W. Savage, deceased, has filed in the County Clerk's office for Linn county, Oregon, his final account in said estate and the Court has fixed the 9th day of March, 1889, at the hour of 10 o'clock, a. m., to hear objections to said account, and for settling said estate.

This 4th day of February, 1889,
J. K. WEATHERFORD, Administrator.
Att'y for Adm'r.

Administrator's Notice.

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned has been by the County Court of Linn county, Oregon, duly appointed Administrator of the estate of Geo. W. Perry, deceased. All persons having claims against said estate are hereby notified to present them properly verified within six months from the date of this notice to the undersigned Administrator, at his residence near Seilo, Linn county, Oregon.

Dated January 31st, 1889.
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