

HARD PRESSED.

The policy of civil service reform is more fully carried out by President Harrison than by his predecessor, President Cleveland. The republicans did not pretend to follow any reform notions on the question of civil appointments, while Mr. Cleveland and the democrats did. The people can now see the difference between one who pretends and one who acts, and between bombastic bluster and honest work.—*Mountaineer*.

Carefully collected facts in regard to removals during the first four months of Cleveland's administration compared with removals made by Harrison in the first four months of his term show that the latter exceed the former about twenty per cent. So much for civil service reform under Harrison. The *Mountaineer*, with an utter disregard of a truth that is before the eyes of everybody, says: "The republicans did not pretend to follow any reform notions on the question of civil appointments." Didn't, eh? Why does the *Mountaineer* thus insult the intelligence of the people by attempting to make them believe what all know to be untrue? Let us look into the pretences of the republican party on the civil service reform question, and then let the public decide as to how much, or rather how little, truth there is in the above statement of the *Mountaineer*.

The republican party in its national platform on which Harrison was elected has this to say on the subject of civil service appointments: "The reform of the civil service should be completed by the further extension of the reform system already established by law to all grades of the service to which it is applicable," and that the spirit and purpose of the reform should be observed in all executive appointments." Could any language be plainer than this? Compare this with the quotation above from the *Mountaineer* and it will be seen that that paper has put itself into the deepest kind of a hole, out of which it cannot possibly escape. We trust it will, in a manly way, confess its mistake about the matter, and publish the above quotations from its party platform, as well as the following from Harrison's letter of acceptance, which is a clincher: "In appointments to every grade and department fitness, and not party service should be the essential and discriminating test, and fidelity and efficiency the only sure tenure of office." In view of the above every one must concede that the republicans did pretend to have some very reform notions on the question of civil appointments, but they did not carry them out at all.

The Roseburg Review says:

"It is estimated that 12,000,000 grain bags will be used in harvesting this year's crop in Oregon."

From this the farmers should learn an important lesson. The material out of which sacks are made is all imported, none being grown in this country. The duty on the raw material is 25 per cent., and on the sacks 40 per cent. This adds at least 2 cents to the price of every sack which the farmer buys or uses. This imposes a needless tax of \$240,000 a year on the farmers of this State on that one necessary article alone. Farmers, what do you think of this? This sum would meet the ordinary current expenses of the State for a whole year. And all this is done in the name of "protection." Well there may be "protection" in it for somebody, but there is none for the farmer, and we can only pity the farmer who blindly votes to sustain this unjust policy.

There is one frank official of the new Administration at Washington. In calling for the resignation of a classified clerk, of excellent standing, but a Democrat in politics, Auditor Coulter said, in reply to the question if there were any charges against him: "No, none at all; only we want your place." This is far better than Pharisaic cant about "improving the service," but it is an open violation of Harrison's pledge made in his letter of acceptance that "in appointments to every grade and department, fitness, and not party service, should be the essential and discriminating test, and fidelity and efficiency the only sure tenure of office."

Judge Daniels, of New York, decides that Col. Bradley must first submit to an examination as to the grounds of his libel suit against the New York World for publishing the "blocks of five" letter. He has never yet told under oath just what parts of the published letter he did or did not write or dictate. And the New York World wants to know if he will take the stand. We suppose that he will not take the stand—nor let the stand take him if he can help it.

The Railroad Age gives the approximate mileage of railroad construction during the first six months of the present year, which is estimated at 1522 miles, or less than half that of the same period of 1888. More than half of the new construction is in the South. The Age estimates the total mileage for this year at from 3500 to 5000 miles.

Sir James Caird in a recent official report upon East Indian wheat says: "That India, both from its large population, which is every year rapidly increasing, and from its comparatively limited extent of further available wheat land, cannot be depended on for large and continuous supplies of wheat to Europe."

If Satan ever laughs, it must be at hypocrites; they are the greatest dupes he has; they serve him better than any others, but receive no wages, nay, what is still more extraordinary, they submit to greater mortifications to go to hell than the sincerest Christians to go to heaven.

During 1888 the people of the United States consumed 75,845,252 gallons of distilled spirits, 36,335,068 gallons of wines and 767,587,057 gallons of malt liquors, a total of 879,767,476 gallons, 14.30 gallons for every man, woman and child.

One of the largest fields of potatoes ever raised in Plymouth County, Mass., is being cultivated by Walton Hill, owner of the Webster place, Marshfield. The field contains thirty six acres and the yield will exceed 3000 bushels.

The first sale of New Jersey wheat of this year's new crop was sold in New York Saturday. The lot consisted of 100 bags and brought ninety-five cents a bushel.

An English syndicate is still busily engaged in its attempt to secure possession of several Minneapolis flouring mills.

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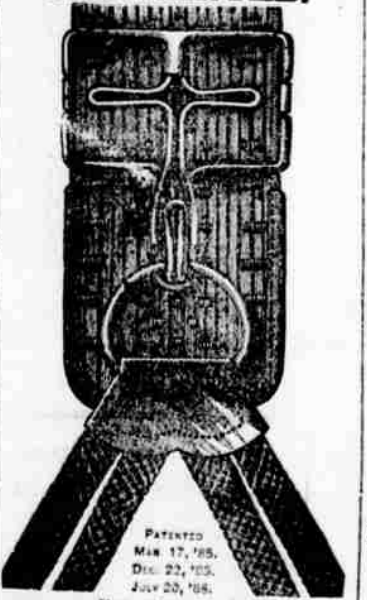
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