

THE DAILY DEMOCRAT.

A ONE-SIDED HEARING.

The House committee on ways and means has practically completed its hearings. In other words, it has stopped hearing and proposes to take a turn at doing. If reports are correct, its doing will be largely colored by what it has been hearing, which means that the new tariff bill will increase rather than reduce the duties on imports. If the surplus is to be reduced it must be done in some other way than by a reduction of duties on either raw materials or manufacturers products.

There is every reason why this should be the outcome of the recent tariff hearings. During the week spent by the committee in listening to arguments on this subject nearly all the arguments presented were by those whose interests are already highly protected, and who very naturally want more protection. Only those who profit by high duties appeared and their arguments were all in one direction. The few who have made fortunes by a high tariff made interested appeals for bigger fortunes and the millions who pay the high duties were not heard at all.

It can hardly be claimed with justice that this resulted from no fault of the committee. The hearings were arranged by schedules. The iron and steel interest were heard one day, the sugar refiners were allotted another and so on through the list. The allotment of time to the various protected interests was made in a way to create the impression that only those directly interested would be given a hearing. As a result even those who favored lower duties and free raw materials and could afford a trip to Washington were not encouraged to make the trip. The hearings were altogether one sided and from present appearances were intended to be so.

It will surprise nobody, therefore, if such a one-sided investigation of the subject of tariff revision shall result in an equally one-sided tariff bill. But chairman McKinley and his committee will have no good reason to be surprised if the unheard parties interested in this subject, the people who pay unnecessary high duties, make themselves heard in the next Congressional election. A refusal to reduce the present unnecessarily high tariff taxation on the part of the republicans in Congress will mean a democratic House in 1891. If chairman McKinley is not electing for a licking for his party he will reverse his present one-sided course and take counsel with the tax-paying public in making up his new tariff bill.

A TWO-EDGED SWORD.

Representatives of leading rubber houses in the country have sent a protest to Secretary Blaine against the action of the government of the Brazilian province of Para in levying an export duty on rubber exported by foreign companies—a tax imposed in the interest of a small native company. This tribute, says the protest, "extorted from American merchants for the benefit of a foreign corporation, is contrary to commercial usage, policy and justice." Whew! And yet the same rubber houses are constantly insisting that their own government shall impose a tribute for their benefit of 30 per cent. on all rubber imported. Why hasn't the Brazilian government got just the same right to take such measures as it thinks desirable to "protect" its rubber concerns? It is one of the consequences of the ever-lasting log roll and grab of tariff legislation, that men get to be like piggy banks in supposing it to be always their right to receive but never to grant anything.—R I Democrat.

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The people have no sympathy with the assumption of spoils-mongering Senators that the offices in their states "belong" to them as patronage to bestow as they please. The "advice and consent" of the Senate to appointments is subsequent, not precedent, to the nominations. The selection of public officers is an executive act vested by the Constitution with the President. Senators may reject nominations that they disapprove, but they are not Deputy Presidents for their States to make or to dictate nominations. The practice of permitting them to do this is belittling to the Senate, demoralizing to the public service and degrading to politics.

But when a President concedes the claims of the spoils-dispensers in most cases, and only asserts his prerogative to put a man in office as a reward for serving him or a bribe to insure the official's support in electing delegates favorable to his renomination, he has no moral ground for his contest. This is President Harrison's attitude. He has nominated men for office in Illinois with the object of punishing the republicans who favored Judge Gresham in 1888, and as a notification to those who may be disposed to favor anybody but Harrison in 1892 that they need expect no "recognition" by this Administration.

It is natural that the Senators thus snubbed and disciplined should strike back. They cannot be expected to sit still under such treatment while other men, by playing the hypocrite or the sycophant to the President, get all they want. There is Donnybrook harmony ahead for the G. O. P.

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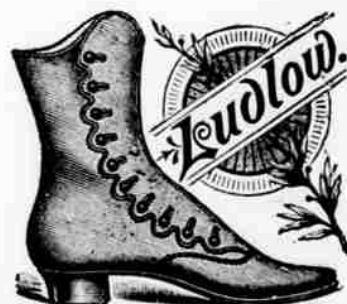
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