

THE DAILY DEMOCRAT.

From our regular correspondent,
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Boss Quay is again in supreme command of the majority of the senate. He was lenient towards Senators Hoar, Spooner and the rest of his opponents letting them down easy by allowing them to report a new resolution in place of the one offered by him. But it amounts to precisely the same thing as if his resolution had been adopted. The tariff bill is to be voted upon during the first week or ten days of September and as a special sop to the radical element the most of the republican senators have signed an agreement to vote for the consideration of the Force bill in December next. This does not mean that all of the republican senators will vote for that a trochous measure, for a number of them have stated that while they were willing to vote to have the bill considered they proposed voting against it. The radical element hopes to gain four votes for it from the new senators from Idaho and Wyoming.

Senator Gorman was asked what the democrats proposed doing in regard to the tariff bill. He said: "No agreement has been reached as to the close of debate upon the tariff bill. When there has been a sufficient, if not a thorough and satisfactory discussion of the bill, the democrats will agree, in accordance with the custom of the senate, to take a vote upon it. The question has already been under consideration, but no conclusion has been reached. The proposition for a closure must come from the republicans. None has yet been received. When it comes we shall decide whether it is satisfactory, if not we shall make a counter proposition." Senator Gorman intimated that in two weeks more the democrats, having shown the most striking inconsistencies of the bill, would be perfectly willing to have the republicans pass it, and let the voters of the country, at the congressional elections, decide which party was in the right.

Senator Carlisle presented an argument which no republican senator could answer when he showed by price lists and actual bills of sales that certain American manufacturers, who are given an increase of duty upon products similar to those manufactured by them upon their plea that they are necessary to prevent their being driven out of business by foreign competitors, are selling their manufacturers in foreign countries much cheaper—in some cases 33 and 50 per cent less—than they sell the same articles in the United States. Mr Carlisle said he thought, and the consumers will undoubtedly think with him, that if these manufacturers could afford under the present tariff to send their goods to foreign countries to compete with foreign manufacturers of the articles, and sell them for less than they did at home, that it would be manifestly unjust to the home buyers to raise the duty in order to allow these manufacturers to make their American customers pay a still higher price. No republican attempted to make a specific answer to Mr Carlisle's argument—it can't be answered. "Protection" is the humbug of the age.

If, in the face of the acknowledgement of the commissioner of pensions that he borrowed \$12,000 on notes endorsed by George E. Lemon, the king of the Washington pension attorneys, the republicans of the committee investigating Representative Cooper's charges against Raun decide to white-wash that official they will prove themselves to be possessed of an unusual amount of "gall" even for Reed's henchmen. When this charge was first made, and before investigation was ordered, Mr Raun and his friends repeatedly stated that Lemon had never endorsed his notes. Finding that Mr Cooper had absolute proof of the transaction he now boldly admits it, and yet attempts to deny that he has favored Lemon by advancing his business in the Pension office. Lemon did not endorse those notes for nothing, and if he had not taken himself off to Europe to escape testifying, Mr Cooper would have made that fact even clearer than it is now. The committee, which has taken a recess to the first of September, has, by its rulings (voted against by the democratic members) made it almost impossible for Mr Cooper to prove the other charges, but what is admitted should be enough to make a vacancy in the head of the Pension office.

Speaker Reed could stand the pressure no longer, and on Saturday he agreed that Thursday and Saturday of this week should be devoted to the consideration of measures reported from the committee on labor and the house so ordered. He heard from some of the labor organizations in his district.

The late Senator Beck was eulogized in the senate on Saturday. Senators Carlisle, Blackburn, Vest, Ingalls and Allison paid glowing tributes to the memory of the deceased statesman.

The bill for government inspection of meats for export, which makes little ezars of the president and secretary of agriculture, has gone to the president for his approval.

The confederate mistake: Sam Jones says "make this thing of pensions. I told a gathering of Union soldiers not long ago that if we rebels had known how many of them we had crippled we would have rallied and come at them again. If they are swearing the truth now they were worse whipped than we were."

Jesse James, jr., told a Kansas City reporter that he regarded the recent Missouri Pacific train robbery as the work of amateurs. Young James is now thirteen years old, and a very bright and industrious boy. He is said to know more about the train robberies of the past than any one in the country. He can tell the time and place of the principal "hold ups" and the names of the participants in them. He lives with his mother and is her chief support.

The republicans of Oswego county who are largely interested in brewing, protest loudly against the increase of duty on barley in the McKinley bill. They are willing that everybody else should be burdened with heavier taxes, but when the scheme presses upon them they squeal.

In Alpine County, Cal., near the Nevada State line, according to the census taker, there is no church and no minister, but four liquor sellers and nine professional gamblers, and yet the jail has not had an inmate since 1887. There is a great moral lesson somewhere here if one only had time to think it out.

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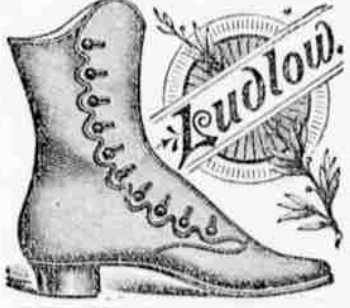
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