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WHO WILL IT BE?

The republican presidential nominations are always settled long before the convention. The coming nomination will be no exception to this rule and President Harrison is attempting to settle it in favor of himself if possible. This junketing trip of the president's has brought forth two prominent candidates for the nomination on the republican ticket and one on the democratic ticket. They are Benjamin Harrison, James G. Blaine and Sylvester Penney. The two prominent, particularly owing to the junketing trip, are Penney and Harrison, their prominence being in the order named. Harrison is naturally prominent because he is the president of the United States while Penney is prominent as the only governor of a state visited by the president who has wrapped himself in the windingsheet of official dignity and etiquette. Penney's attitude in this matter is undoubtedly correct, if this visit is to be considered an official one, but as no one else in the country considers it more than a fence repairing expedition on the part of the president, the attitude of Penney is all wrong.

The story is current in the East that the diplomatic misunderstanding with Italy was greatly aggravated by a linguistic blunder of Baron Fava in translating Rudini's first dispatch to Blaine. The Italian premier demanded the "judgment" (*giudicio*) of the persons who had killed Italian subjects; that is judicial proceedings against them. In transmitting the translation of this dispatch to Blaine, Fava rendered *giudicio* "punishment," thus seeming to make Italy demand promise of punishment before guilt was ascertained. This story explains the apparent contradiction in Rudini's second telegram, in which he denied that he had ever been so absurd as to demand punishment before trial; but it has one weak point. It is customary in transmitting diplomatic translations, to send the originals with the translations. How did the wrong rendering escape Mr. Blaine's linguistic acumen?—Oregonian.

THE DEMOCRATIC DUTY.

The ablest democratic journal in the country is the New York World and under the above caption says: It will be many a year before the good people of the United States will be able to foot up the total cost to them of the billion-dollar congress. The final expense of the bounties it provided and the jobs it got under way cannot be foreseen.

The sugar bounties are put at \$3,000,000 per annum to start with, but no one can tell what they will amount to in the course of years. The same is true of the postal subsidy and of many other elastic schemes. But it is absolutely necessary that the direct and immediate appropriations will greatly exceed the billion figures which have given the monopoly congress its most appropriate name. The appropriations of the fifty-first congress in excess of the fiftyth are at least \$170,000,000, each of the 170 monopoly congressmen having thus cost the country at least \$1,000,000 per man for the luxury of his presence in that branch of the legislature which is supposed most nearly to reflect the views and the interests of the people.

The next house will have before it an extremely difficult task. Its duty will be in almost every instance to reverse the policy of its predecessor. The lines upon which it will be forced to deal with tariff taxes are probably plain enough. The duty to simplify and reduce is conceded, and the methods will not be far to seek. The president or the senate, or either of them may take the responsibility of a continuance of war taxes and of a barbarous commercial policy if they see fit, but the enormous Democratic majority elected in opposition to these Bourbon iniquities can afford no participation with them.

A duty equally clear but more difficult will be the restoration of economy in the public expenditures. The billion dollar congress has wound up on the machine to run on the most extravagant scale. It will require infinite labor and infinite courage to separate the necessary from the unnecessary, the proper from the improper, the jobs from the actual public needs. The democratic congress cannot afford to expend a billion dollars or anything like it. Should it do so that fact alone would destroy its claim to be democratic. Democratic government is simple and inexpensive. The democratic creed forbids the taking of a penny from the pockets of the people which is not absolutely essential to an economical administration of government within the strict limits of the constitution. Many of the objects to which the billion-dollar congress appropriated were not legitimate and ought to be cut off for that reason alone.

It is because of this wide difference in their respective rules of constitutional construction that democratic congresses have always been economical in comparison with federalist administrations and congresses. Jefferson and the congresses holding his political views surrendered patronage, retrenched expenditures, repealed taxes, and the same is true of Cleveland and the democratic congress of his time, to the extent of their ability. The democratic effort is not to aggrandize government at the expense of the people, but to leave with the people every atom of power and every dollar of money which a frugal and unostentatious government can get along without.

The election of speaker and the selection by him of the committee on appropriations will indicate what may be expected from the fifty-second congress. If it shall fall in this particular the outcome of the elections of 1892 will be less clear than it seems to be now. Nothing contributed so powerfully to the election of Tilden and Hendricks in 1876 as the wise and timely economies of the preceding democratic congress.

Stephen Elkins and R. J. Arkell vouch for the truth of a story that Blaine is about to write another Florence letter, declaring that he will never

again be a candidate for president. This may be true, but the statement certainly represents the wish of Mr. Harrison, as much as the intent of Mr. Blaine. Elkins transferred his allegiance from Blaine to Harrison three years ago, and A. Kell is the business partner of the president's son. It may be that these gentlemen have some knowledge of a compact or understanding, in fulfillment of which it will be Mr. Blaine's duty to write such a letter as that they prophesy.—Oregonian.

It is a notable fact that the upper classes in Japan were more generally afflicted by the grip during the late epidemic of that disease, while the visitation of cholera last summer confined itself to the lower classes. Climatic conditions favor the development of the first disease, while the last, being especially a filth disease, runs riot among the wretched, half-starved, miserably-conditioned creatures that swarm the hovels of the cities.

It is to be noted that each step in the progress of reciprocity is a denial of McKinleyism and for just as far as it goes a protest against it. It looks as if Blaineism would have to be the republican party's refuge for safety against McKinleyism; as if its plea for support on account of the tariff would really have to be the Hibernian one of proof that it is being offset by the progress of reciprocity.—San Francisco News.

The strong leaning of the Indian toward civilization is seen in the chief visiting Chicago who was so pleased with the display of false teeth at a dentist's that he had several of his sound, natural molars extracted and false ones inserted in place of them. Let us not be discouraged in our endeavors to domesticate the Indian.

President Harrison advocates subsidies, for steamships because other nations have adopted the scheme. On the same principle, the United States, as the greatest of all nations, ought to have a standing army of 1,000,000 men because all European nations indulge in such luxuries.

LITERARY NOTE.

Appropos of the recall of the Italian minister, Ex-Secretary Thomas F. Bayard, is preparing an article for the May Forum on the power of the United States to enforce treaties violated within a state's jurisdiction. Though suggested by the present controversy with Italy, this paper will cover the whole ground thoroughly, and will refer also especially to cases that arose during Mr. Bayard's own diplomatic experience.

The same number of the Forum will contain an explanation of the new commonwealth of Australia, which has just been formed, by Sir Roderick Cameron, of New York, who is perhaps the best informed man in the United States on Australian subjects, having been knighted by the queen for eminent services to Australia by promoting trade with America. The new Australian commonwealth is a matter of great pride to Americans, because in great measure it has adopted the constitution and many of the political institutions of our own country.

In the May number of the Forum, too, will appear the first of a noteworthy series of articles by General Francis A. Walker on the census. The title of another timely article in the same number will be "Reciprocity: Why Southward Only?" by Mr. Roger Q. Mills.

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Administratrix' Notice

In the County Court of the County of Yamhill, State of Oregon: In the matter of the estate of J. J. Butler, deceased. NOTICE is hereby given that the undersigned has been, by an order of the County Court of Yamhill County, Oregon, duly appointed administratrix of the estate of J. J. Butler, deceased. Therefore, all persons having claims against said estate are hereby notified and required to present the same to me at my residence, near Bellevue, Yamhill county, duly verified, within six months from the date hereof. Dated this 8th day of April, A. D. 1891. MALINDA BUTLER, Administratrix of said estate. F. W. Fenton, Attorney for estate.

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