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The Carlisle Conspiracy and the Educational Bill.

Representative O'Ferrall, of Virginia, makes a confession which ought to be good for the Democratic soul. He has heard the complaints, loud and long, which came from his constituents because of the failure of the Blair educational bill in the last Congress, and he hastens to make amends by promising to introduce that bill at an early day. In doing so he is quoted as confessing that "if it had been allowed to come to a vote in the last House it would have passed by a majority of 40." And he continues with great frankness: "More Democrats than Republicans opposed it, so its chances in this House are increased by the smallness of the Democratic majority."

This frankness is refreshing. It is an acknowledgment that Virginia did well to leave at home a majority of the Democrats who misrepresented her in the last Congress, and that she would have done a good work still more thoroughly had she rejected Mr. O'Ferrall also.

Will Mr. O'Ferrall be so good as to extend his confession a little, and tell us just why the educational bill was not "allowed to come to a vote in the last House?" The people of Virginia believe it was because of the despotic sway of the Carlisle-Morrison junto, who overruled the majority in several affairs to the detriment of the people. Carlisle refused to recognize any one to call up that bill. Has Mr. O'Ferrall any assurance that he will not exercise the same arbitrary power again?

The significance of these questions is in the fact that if Mr. O'Ferrall cannot answer them satisfactorily, another confession, more humiliating than the first, will be in order. He will have to tell why he voted to re-elect a Speaker who refused to allow a majority of forty members to consider one of the most popular and beneficent measures proposed in Congress for many years. He did not even oppose the nomination of there not in the House did this alleged representative of Virginia propose a candidate for Speaker who would promote the wishes or interests of Virginia. So far as the record shows he was and is a willing accessory of the legislative despotism which for several years has suppressed legislation of the most vital interest to Virginia.

The situation of the Blair bill may be briefly stated. It will pass the Senate at an early day. It will be introduced in the House and "hung up" in committee. The Senate is Republican, the House Democratic. The dictators of the House will be informed that Mr. Cleveland is averse to the bill, and yet afraid to wield his favorite weapon, the veto, on the eve of a presidential campaign. Therefore, smother it or postpone action until another winter, when the veto power shall have gained its bumptious vigor! Mr. Carlisle has the same power and the same disposition to obstruct needful legislation as he had in the forty-ninth Congress, thanks to O'Ferrall and his comrades.

What will O'Ferrall do about it? The people of Virginia will watch him. He cannot escape the ugly dilemma. Having confessed, by word and by act, that he has deliberately helped to promote the Carlisle despotism, he cannot, by the introduction of the Blair bill with a flourish of trumpets, avoid his share in the odium that will fall upon the conspiracy to suffocate it.

Tariff for Revenue Only.

Mills of Texas is making himself conspicuous in talking about the tariff. In his last interview Mr. Mills says:

I was always strongly opposed to protection of any kind. The greatest benefit that can come to American laborers and manufacturers will come from absolute free trade. I would have free trade if it was a possible thing. But it is necessary to have some revenue to support the government, and, therefore, perfect free trade is an impossibility. My stand is simply tariff for revenue only.

If Mr. Mills is in earnest about a "tariff for revenue only" he should insist on a heavy duty on tea and coffee. We imported 525,000,000 pounds of coffee. A duty of 10 cents a pound on this would produce $52,500,000. A duty of 25 cents a pound on the 90,000,000 pounds of tea we import would give us an income of $22,500,000. Then a duty on India rubber of 50 cents a pound would produce $15,000,000, while 15 cents a pound on pepper and spices would realize $5,000,000, and 10 cents a pound on gumarabic, camphor, catechu, and other gums would add $5,000,000—making $100,000,000—on articles which are not and cannot be made in this country, and the tariff would be for revenue only without the slightest tinge of protection.

Then by retaining the duty on sugar, which produces $50,000,000, and is a tariff for revenue, incidentally protecting some of Mr. Mills's political friends, and therefore perfectly justifiable, with the internal revenue war taxes, the income would be sufficient for the needs of the government.

But Mr. Mills has more to say in this wise:

There is no doubt in my mind that a reduction of the tariff would increase wages, lower the price of the necessaries of life, and if we would put all raw materials on the free list we would take the markets of the world. * * * The bringing in free of raw material will enable our manufacturers to produce cheaper, give them foreign markets and keep them in active operation, and the importation of many articles, like wool, will make a demand for a larger consumption of the domestic product.

As I have said, the increased demand abroad for the products which we can make better than other nations will increase wages and, at the same time, the price of the product, it having been made at a less expense, will go down. As it is our home market is our only market. We make a manufactured product of $7,000,000,000 a year, and of this we only export $126,000,000. Our importations amount to about $250,000,000 a year, and we import only 5 or 6 per cent. of the manufactures we consume. Our people will always make more than 90 per cent. of their own manufactures. They would make them if there were absolute free trade. We consume the greatest part of what we make, because we make them cheaper than they can be made in any other country, and if we can have the markets of the world thrown open to us our goods will soon take possession of them for the same reason.

Will Mr. Mills please explain in his next interview what are "raw materials?" And while he is explaining he might tell a waiting world why, if as he says in the last lines quoted above of our manufactures, "we make them cheaper than they can be made in any other country," it is necessary to have "free trade" or "raw materials," or anything else to give us free access to the markets of the world and to defy competition in them?

Fearing that Mr. Mills will not answer this last question, we suggest that it is because a Democratic Congress and a Democratic administration will not permit American ships to exist on the ocean.

The interview with Mr. Mills closes thus:

"Do you think, Mr. Mills, it will be possible to pass a tariff reform measure this session?"

"Everything will depend upon Mr. Randall and his friends. We only have about fifteen majority in the House, and we will want the support of all Democrats. I hope for the best."

This last paragraph shows that Mr. Mills cannot do sums in simple subtraction, as the Democratic majority is just eleven. But Mr. Mills speaks for the President, Speaker Carlisle, and a vast majority of the Democratic party when he declares for free trade and a tariff for revenue only. *By their words ye shall know them.* The people can choose between free trade Democracy and Republican protectionists.

Republican League of the United States.

A very noted assemblage has been holden in New York city. Fourteen hundred men, members of and representing four hundred Republican clubs, located in thirty-two states and territories, were in session Thursday, Friday, and Saturday considering the best methods to secure success for the Republican party in the campaign next year.

Amongst the members of this convocation were some of the ablest leaders of the party, and the deliberations were marked with that good sense which always characterizes the meetings of men who work earnestly and wisely with a common end in view.

The club convention was in the interest of no candidate, but of the party as a whole. The whole object was to propose a plan of organization which would bring out the full Republican strength in every section of the country.

That object was accomplished and a plan was adopted, which will be carried out with the enthusiasm that was displayed throughout the entire meeting. The principles laid down by the convention are good Republican doctrine and will meet the approval of the country.

The Republican League of the United States, formed by the New York convention of clubs, will be composed of delegates from state and territorial leagues only, leaving to each state and territory the duty of organizing subordinate leagues or clubs. For executive work an executive committee has been created, composed of one delegate from each state and territory represented at the convention. This committee met and organized, forming a subexecutive committee of nine to perform the duties assigned to them by the general committee. The headquarters have been established in New York city, with a branch headquarters in the Auditorium building, Chicago.

Agreeable Progress.

Gratifying results are reported of the late municipal contests in Massachusetts. In almost every city the Republicans made handsome additions to their gains recorded at November's state election.

For several years the cities of Massachusetts have been drifting into the control of the combined Democratic-whisky interest. The aggressiveness of the saloons has had a demoralizing influence. Extravagance and fraud have kept pace with this usurpation of evil agencies. At last the Republicans became aroused to the danger threatening and resolved to stem the tide of corruption. In no narrow or dogmatic spirit, but simply with a determination that the grog shop should not be allowed to dominate and pervert the rule of the sober, honest majority, they entered the campaign vigorously. The lines were drawn straight through the center—Republicanism and good government on the one side, Democracy, the saloons, and corruption on the other.

On these lines six cities voted on Tuesday. Boston re-elected its Democratic ring mayor by a greatly reduced majority; a majority less by four thousand than their average, but the Republicans secured the board of aldermen by a two-thirds majority. The result encourages the belief that the ring-ridden city may next time be wrenched from the hands of its present bosses. In Lowell, Lynn, and Newburyport the saloon Democracy were driven from power by very emphatic votes, and in Worcester and Salem the Republicans were continued in power by increased majorities.

These results plainly point a moral. Any cause worth espousing is worth the best efforts of its champions. The saloon in politics must go. It is the twin sister of corrupt government. The Democratic party has made its bed with unrestricted whisky and must take the consequences. Law and order citizenship proposes to govern this country.

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