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VIOLATING PLATFORM PROMISE.

ONCE AGAIN the Attorney-General has seen fit to violate the direct promise of the Democratic National platform and go outside of Alaska to secure a man to fill a high official position in the Territory. The new official is coming from Georgia—a State which, like that from which the Attorney-General hails, has a record in opposition to carpetbagging that all the people are proud of. The treatment that Alaska has received generally at the hands of the Administration has been such that it is not easy to find fault with any branch of it, but this carpetbag question is one that long ago became galling in Alaska, and we had expected that it would be discontinued with the incoming of a Democratic administration.

When one considers the extent to which the Mexican military forces on both sides of the contest down there are executing prisoners and members of their own armies it is not a wonder that there are more Mexican ex-soldiers in American military prisons than are in the field.

UP TO ALASKA NOW

COMMENTING upon the passage of the Alaska railroad bill and the Alaska problems that will follow, the Seattle Post-Intelligencer says:

"From now on there will probably be more differences of opinion, but these differences should be confined to Alaska, where they rightfully belong, and we who are outside of Alaska should take no part in them. The people of Alaska have the same sort of civic pride as we of this State have. "In the discussions and controversies that are certain to ensue it will be well to bear in mind that Alaska is entitled to do the talking. It is the interests of the people of Alaska that are at stake, and it is the people of Alaska who best know their own business. The comments and activities of outsiders will contribute nothing toward unanimity in Alaska."

True enough. Many problems of government will arise in Alaska and they will be Alaska problems. They should be settled by those who live in the North, and we should have a wider measure of self-government so that we can settle them among ourselves without outside interference. The people of Alaska are on the threshold of a commonwealth-building undertaking, and they should be given a free hand with which to do the work.

Those Alaska newspapers which insist upon saying that the letter concerning the railroad bill, signed by Alaska Senators and sent to Secretary of the Interior Lane, contained that which it did not contain are likely to learn one of these days that the truth is a hard thing to fight. Misrepresentation always reacts.

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