



A Blow Abreast at a Vital Interest in New England.

In the movement to reduce or remove the duties on lumber no person can be more interested than Vermont. To put the manufacturer of lumber in competition with cheaper labor and cheaper material would, under ordinary circumstances, be a great misfortune to our people engaged in the business; but after years of operations under a healthy tariff, with large investments made with the expectation of a continuation of a system of protection, and in a time of depression in prices in market would be, to say the least, an injustice.

What reason is given for it? What has Canada for instance done to entitle her to flood our markets at prices at which she could live, but which would cripple our manufacturers? What advantage would it be to any class or any other section of our country to cripple this industry? Let our Democratic friends in Island Pond—Messrs. E. C. Robinson, R. J. Clifford and H. E. Fitzgerald—interested in this industry answer these questions. The Herald will gladly accord them space. And let the people of Essex County especially, whose very life depends upon its great lumber interests, wake up and enquire into the matter and see among what set of legislators or politicians are their true friends.

We do not profess to know the secret or avowed motives that prompt this movement, but let our people as become live men see to it that nothing is permitted to be done by default.

It is too late to say that if lumber can be manufactured cheaper somewhere else let it be done there. For our people are in it; they cannot retire; their investments are already there and they cannot abandon their enterprise without ruin. Morally they have a vested right to pursue the business with the same advantages that invited them into it unless something has occurred to change the wants of the country or unless some other class are suffering by such continuance of a state of things on which our people relied when they engaged in their enterprise.

Abolish the Mountain Rule.

Of what sense is the unwritten law which requires a Governor to be taken alternately from the east and west sides of the mountain? Aren't both sides of the mountain in Vermont? Is not a Governor selected for the whole State? Ought not the chief officer of the State to be selected for his fitness for the office and not for his location? Should a small and weak man be selected solely because he lives on the east side and wants to be Governor, when by going to the west side a man can be found better qualified and in every way more fit? It is time this unwritten law was repealed and State officials elected for what there is in them and not on account of where they live.

"Whom the Gods Would Destroy They First Make Mad."

The Republican party has great cause for congratulation. Not only is the Democratic party severed in twain but there is no method in its madness. As its custom it has lost more than it gained by recent elections. It has given birth to a political dictator and one with a following which it can't despise nor disregard. It can nominate neither of two men without provoking the opposition of the other. It can nominate a third, but two will sulk in their tents, and dull indifference is often worse than lively opposition. And to add to the confusion some ill advised Harter is continually letting the cat out of the bag, and the party don't know what to do with a tariff under which the country is so provokingly prosperous. Many would like to submit some theory of legislation so as to have the President veto it or commit the other party by the action of the Senate so as to procure a legalized campaign document, but in their confusion they can't frame it. To add to this the party is called upon to propose to the country to give to the silver interest a dollar for a dollar's worth of silver and put the government

stamp upon perhaps three quarters of it saying "this is a dollar," and then compel the citizen to take it in payment of a dollar's worth of corn or wheat.

But if entangling and disjointed political theories were the only embarrassments of the party there would be a possibility of surmounting them, but a worse trouble is in the personnel of the party. Individual rivalry and

strife run high, concealed as long as possible but now at open war. Hill thinks too much, and Cleveland—the Brutus of the day—thinks he sees him falling in the Senate chamber, while Caesar Hill sees Brutus Cleveland in any event to be at Philippi. But what is worse still this occurs while all the country outside this angry strife is consistent and serene. Besides, the "grand old man," of whose death there were such conflicting hopes and fears, is now hurting worse than death itself. He has exhibited in life a grand and commendable ambition. He has attained an eminence as a statesman higher than any man since Webster. He would honor the office of President. The office could not increase his importance in the history of the country. History will say of him as it said of another, "The Secretary stood alone." He is a political philosopher beyond and above party qualifications. We do not mean that he has not party qualifications but that he has moving qualities beyond that and now to the great disappointment of his friends and the chagrin of his enemies who have charged him with inordinate ambition, he quietly lays down all pretensions to the presidency and by this great act assures the country that it does not require his services in that capacity. He does it at a time when every indication points to the success of his party. He does it in a time and in circumstances which show him to be entirely unselfish. He maintains in age the true dignity of the philosophy of his life. In faith and loyalty he endures to the end. Age does not weaken him. The Democratic party had danced one old man in dotage on its platform and kept him vainly trying to jump from one plank to the other as it went to pieces, and had come to think that it was a law in nature that weakness increased always with age, and so as boys look for the circus it looked for an exhibition of personal ambition in Blaine.

But this is not all. Never before did the chief magistrate of the nation stand so free from criticism. His administration has passed through delicate and in some respects new circumstances and never was rarer diplomacy or sounder statesmanship exhibited. When was there such universal confidence in an administration as now! It has been characterized by such frankness that the President has gone among the people and in numerous and long speeches talked to them, while sharky reporters followed with harpoons that they found no opportunity to throw. Our foreign relations were so maintained that those who howled about the administration being moved by motives of political gain are now less than dogs "that bay the moon."

This is the condition of the great national party in the whole country. But let us not be so lost in admiration of the condition of the whole country as to neglect our immediate and domestic duties. If the whole country is in a healthy condition it should not give wary local politicians an opportunity to make any State a market place for the exchange of cheap political wares. It is not a little significant that Vermont, once so proud and jealous of her freedom from political intrigue, has now such political organization and such well recognized sentinels as to direct public sentiment, or rather to bring success out of general apathy and indifference.

In all the sycophancy of the times—in all the fawning, and all the hypocritical aping of classes and sentiments, including cheap imitations of farmers, not one word is heard or seen referring to the wants of the State, the features of the work to be done by the next Governor, nor a word about the qualifications of any man in respect to the work he will have to do. But the air is

full of discussion of the comparative "following" of self-styled candidates—of their standing with classes—of their chances as influenced by political moves of the "claims" of individuals, self-styled "heirs of the crown," as if it was a hereditary and some renowned family was entitled to it because it had not been in the family for a long time—of local "claims"—of the mutual political relations, connections and dependencies of small political maneuverers, and of all considerations which are personal.

Is it not about time that the people look about and see who they want for Governor—if they care anything about it? Business Opinion Of Democracy. New York Press. The test of the strength of any Congress is in its ability to satisfy the business men of the country. A significant feature of the present situation as regards business men and the Democratic Congress is that nowhere in shops or stores or factories can a good word be heard, either from Democrats or Republicans, in respect to the divided, incapable and quarrelsome Democratic majority in the lower branch of Congress. Over two months have passed since it elected a Speaker. In that period of time no single measure of benefit to the commercial and industrial interests of the country has been introduced or brought to the front which has the slightest opportunity of being made a law.

There is absolutely no hope of any substantial legislation for the benefit of the country from the Democratic party. There is neither principle nor policy controlling the Democratic majority in the House. It is led on solely by the will-o-the-wisp idea that the country has declared itself for the Democratic party, and will support the Democratic party regardless of its performances in Congress or its action in reference to pledges given before the election.

It is not astonishing that the business men of the country are disgusted by the discouraging outlook for good legislation. With a Republican Congress things would have been different. It would not have required two months for the adoption of rules. The Republican party was committed to the passage of a bankruptcy bill, to an improved postal service, to the strengthening of the Civil Service law, to the construction of new coast defenses, to the creation of a strong navy, to the building up of American shipping through the postal subsidies, to the fair treatment of the old soldiers, and to the establishment of new markets for the products of the agriculturist and manufacturer.

The contrast is terrific. The Democratic House proposes to tear down the country's industrial interests by tinkering with the tariff and debasing the currency. Every other consideration that would make the country satisfied is utterly and absolutely ignored by it. Of course, with all the destructive tendencies, the present House can accomplish little, but it is well for the business men of the country, the merchants, the manufacturers, the bankers, the laboring men and the agriculturists to understand that the reason why the Democratic majority will not be able to injure the national interests is because a Republican Senate and a Republican President with the veto power stand between the passage of vicious measures in the House and their enactment. This Republican barrier can maintain the tariff against the attacks of the tinkers, can hold the currency sound and solid and can keep the country from taking the free trade road to disaster until the elements of popular will exerted in the political campaign of the present year determine that another Republican shall sit in the White House and a Republican majority be elected to Congress.

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**CENTRAL AND NO. BLOOMFIELD.**

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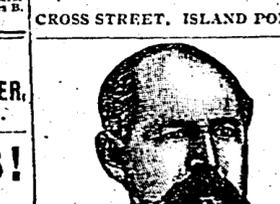
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