

# THE TARIFF SETTLED

For the Present, at Least, and It May Possibly Be Temporarily

## RETIRED FROM POLITICS.

Some New York Democrats Opposed to Mr. Cleveland Are Now

## LOOKING OUT FOR A NEW ISSUE.

The Business Interests Will Be Against Any Sudden Change.

## LEADERS TO BE LAID ON THE SHELF

FROM A STAFF CORRESPONDENT.

**NEW YORK, October 10.** — Not a few New York Democrats of national ideas freely express the opinion that the party will make a mistake should it go into the next national canvass on the tariff as an issue. Be kind enough to note the distinction as to New York Democrats. Politicians of either party here are mostly provincial, have little or no idea beyond Tammany, the County Democracy, John J. O'Brien and the — ward; and like the pious old lady who knew the Bible, nothing more, they don't want to know anything else.

But there are thoughtful men of political influence, Republicans and Democrats, who are looking beyond factional New York toward the next struggle for national supremacy. Among these are Democrats whose opinions are entitled to weight in the national councils, who are quick to recognize the fact that while the tariff question is not settled satisfactorily to the Democracy as a body, it is settled.

### SETTLED FOR THE PRESENT.

Not for all time, perhaps, but it is practically settled for the present. Any disposition looking to the reopening of the tariff agitation during the next few years will be frowned upon by the general business community. And any act of the next National Democratic Convention that predicates a change of the tariff system upon national Democratic success will be simply suicidal.

These statesmen are probably only a short distance in the lead of the many wise Democrats throughout the country. The present flurry in commercial circles will have quieted down in six months, and before the next Presidential nominating convention is called the business of the country will have become firmly seated in the saddle of the new customs laws. Whatever party undertakes, or threatens to undertake, to overthrow these laws and substitute a radically new system, will be buried so overwhelmingly that it would scarcely be worth while to dig it up again.

For whatever hardships is entailed by the recent tariff legislation the Democrats may hold their opponents responsible; but they must also give credit for the benefits which may arise from it. What may those benefits be? Will they offset the perceptible evils? Perhaps the country may not only survive the McKinley tariff bill but thrive under it — because of it, or in spite of it. You may take your choice.

### A POLITICAL POSSIBILITY.

Perhaps in either case it might be politically wise not to call too much attention to the Republican tariff act, for fear that it might after a while work pretty well. The merits of the system will probably be always open to fair discussion. If it is proposed to change systems of taxation, however, or shake customs duties up and down with every change of political complexion at Washington, it does not require any wise men of the East to foresee that the general business people of this country will not assist in the operation. Quite the contrary.

"The party must go into battle on a dead level," remarked one of the Democrats to the writer. "We were nearly beaten the last time on the tariff issue with our tariff reform candidate. Eight or nine, we were beaten. The present tariff law is the result. If it had not been passed the question would still have been an open one all the time, and we could have made a better fight on the next time. But the passage of the law is the law of the land. It may be a bad system, it may be a bad law; but it is rank folly to think of attempting to overthrow it just as business gets fairly adjusted to it. Even if it is a bad law, my point politically is well taken. The people will never submit to any radical modification of the conditions of the last five or six years."

### OPOSED TO CLEVELAND.

"Only so far, in my opinion, as the Presidential candidate is concerned. The party cannot be held responsible for the Hards, the Caribbles, the Mills, the Watterssons and the Morrisons. As soon as one of these is placed at the head of the national ticket, however, in harmony with a general platform, then the party is responsible. For this reason I assume that the late Democratic President, who is a good man and a clever politician, as well as a tariff reformer, is out of the question as to availability. The issue which made our last President is dead — well, dead — but torpid, and must be laid aside, unless he comes back to life it will have a chance to come up."

tariff law, but there is a formidable minority of that party who believe in the high protective theories embodied in that law, and these may succeed in holding the majority in check to prevent at least the certainty of disaster.

### THE MINORITY MAY RULE.

If this minority should prevail and secure a conservative recognition of "the state of things" in the national platform, and place upon that platform a Presidential candidate whose record is not that of a conciliator or a reconciler, then the public may yet be put in the position without the hesitation that precedes a threatened commercial disturbance. If they should not prevail, look out for a general tilt with a wind mill, in which the wind mill will not suffer irreparable damage.

This is a disagreeable conclusion, it is true; but it will be recognized by all broad-gauge political thinkers as logically correct. Principles do not change. Exigencies, especially political exigencies, change very suddenly and very materially.

The greatness of political leadership largely consists in the wisdom to comprehend, and the capacity to govern, the changes, and it is usually an evidence of a wise leadership to let go of it when it is no longer either useful or practicable. It would seem that almost anybody of plain, even horse sense might realize the full import of the passage of the recent tariff act as bearing on the immediate future of the Democracy. An illustration of fact, however, it will probably not take some time to formulate, but require a sound drubbing to force it into the ordinary Democratic mind.

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## WARWICK HUSTLING

### FOR THE SEAT IN CONGRESS OCCUPIED BY WINKLEY.

Governor Hill and Other Big Democratic Speakers to Visit the District — Trying to Get out the Full Party Vote.

### SPECIAL TELEGRAM TO THE DISPATCHER.

CANTON, Oct. 10.—From now until the close of the McKinley-Warwick battle there will be some extremely lively hustings on both sides in this Congressional district. The impression prevails in many quarters, no doubt owing to the Major's national reputation, that most of the hard work is being done in his behalf. This is a mistake of the worst kind. Warwick's friends have rallied to his support in a surprising manner. Like the old General G. T. Winfield Scott, they are claiming everything with confidence. Within a few days they will turn a brilliant array of orators loose in the district, and keep matters going at a concert pitch until after the election.

Among the men who will lead their assemblages are Senator Governor Hill, of New York; Congressman Cannon of this State; Congressman Maddox of New Jersey; General Sickles, New York; Virgil P. Kline, Cleveland; Smith M. Weed, New York; Congressman Brynum, Indiana; Hon. Martin A. Foran, Cincinnati; General John C. Frémont, ex-Commissioner of Pensions; Hon. J. H. Outhwaite and Hon. Lawrence L. Ladd, Toledo.

Warwick's friends point with satisfaction to the allied fact that McKinley, from the prison he had guarded her closely, remaining with her most of the time and locking her up in the house whenever he went out. She is in health these days, but while he was away she had a fit of rheumatism. But while he was away she intrusted Orr with the care of the small fortune left her. It is for alleged violation of this trust that Mr. Orr has been locked up. Mrs. Nixon is a woman with no knowledge of business, and advancing age has made her less capable of managing her affairs. When her husband died 10 years ago she intrusted Orr with the care of the small fortune left her. It is for alleged violation of this trust that Mr. Orr has been locked up. Mrs. Nixon is a woman with no knowledge of business, and advancing age has made her less capable of managing her affairs.

The returns from the remaining 19 States are all in and most of them have been counted, but in each case there are one or more districts which have not yet been figured up so that the actual figures for the whole of the States can not yet be determined.

A sufficient number of districts in each State have, however, been counted to afford a very close estimate of what will be the total. These estimates have been figured up so far as 63,000,000, the number added to the total of the 29 States which have been counted, gives a grand total for the whole country of 63,000,165, and it can be confidently asserted that the final official figure will not vary from this by more than 250,000.

## LOCKED UP HIS AUNT,

WHILE HE WAS GETTING AWAY WITH HER SMALL FORTUNE.

A Member of the Y. M. C. A. Is Now Behind Prison Bars — His Victim Escaped by Climbing Out of the Window and Calling the Police.

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NEW YORK, October 10.—Manfred Hamilton Orr is a short, thin man of 25 years, with bristling blonde hair and mustache, and a face full of jagged outlines. He is a faithful attendant of Dr. Paxton's church, and for many years has been a worker in the Young Men's Christian Association. Until six months ago he was a member of the Seventh Regiment.

Just now Mr. Orr is unable to attend meetings of the Young Men's Christian Association. Nor will Mr. Paxton see his eager and devout face in the congregation next Sunday. The fact is, Manfred Hamilton Orr has been found out and is now under \$1,500 bail in the Jefferson market prison awaiting trial for grand larceny.

About 25 years ago Orr was left an orphan. His aunt, Mrs. Sarah Nixon, took him and has since clothed and fed him, bringing him up as her own child. When her husband died 10 years ago she intrusted Orr with the care of the small fortune left her. It is for alleged violation of this trust that Mr. Orr has been locked up. Mrs. Nixon is a woman with no knowledge of business, and advancing age has made her less capable of managing her affairs.

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WICHITA, Kansas, October 10.—Admirable work is being done by the War Department under provisions of the fortifications act of the last session of Congress for furnishing the ordnance department of the army with 25 eight-inch, 50 ten-inch and 25 twelve-inch steel guns and ammunition for their test or proof, all to be of American manufacture. The advertisement stipulates that one-fourth of these guns will be constructed on the Pacific coast. Proposals will be received not later than 3 o'clock Thursday, December 18, next.

Bidders are notified that specifications for the guns will be ready by the department in a few days and can be had upon application. In the instructions to bidders it is specified that proposals will be received for construction of eight-inch, 13 of the ten-inch and 6 of the twelve-inch guns above mentioned on the Pacific coast.

## STILL THEY COUNT.

Superintendent Porter's Census is Not Yet Completed, But A

### CLOSE ESTIMATE CAN BE GIVEN.

The Figures Not Nearly So Large as Generally Anticipated.

### ENORMOUS CUSTOM HOUSE RECEIPTS

For the Last Month Under the Operations of the Old Tariff Law.

### FROM A STAFF CORRESPONDENT.

WASHINGTON, October 10.—Although there is lots of work yet ahead of the Census Office, the greatest interest at present surrounds the approaching completion of the count of the country. This work is being rapidly pushed forward and the results have been published by counties. The larger towns have also been counted, but those of less than 2,000 people and the small villages will have to wait for the second count before they can officially know the number of their inhabitants.

### NOT AS MANY AS EXPECTED.

From the present outlook it would appear that there are not quite 64,000,000 of us. There are, however, over 63,000,000 people in the country, and an advance of 13,000,000, such as that figure indicated during ten years, is of itself sufficiently extraordinary.

Up to the present time the Census Office has completed the count of 29 States and Territories.

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the Treasury Department, who gives the information to THE DISPATCHER, says he believes this to be the largest return of any one month in the history of the office.

Had the whole been paid gold the weight of these receipts would be upward of 40 tons.

### AFTER GREAT GUNS.

The War Department Wants Bids for the Manufacture of Cannon.

### THOUSANDS CHEER HIS SPEECHES

Topeka Turns Out in Great Style and Senator Ingalls Talks.

### GLAD GREETING OF SCHOOL CHILDREN

Vast Throngs Crowd the Depot to See the Chief Magistrate Pass.

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