

LOTS OF SYMPATHY

But Not Much Substantial Support Is Given by the Grand Old Man to

THE CAUSE OF LABOR.

The Rural Conference Is a Gathering of Wild-Eyed Radicals.

ROYALTY ASKS ANOTHER DOWRY.

Princess Victoria Mary Not the First Choice of the Duke.

BUYING FRANCE OFF NEWFOUNDLAND

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LONDON, Dec. 11.—If the rural conference which opened yesterday in London represented with absolute fidelity the spirit of the agricultural element of Great Britain the country is on the eve of a social and political revolution.

No assemblage of supposed agricultural men ever held in England has displayed such unenvied hostility to persons and land owners. Delegates boasting themselves as persistent person-fighters and denouncers of Squire tyranny were cheered to the echo, and their scornful allusions to the patronizing acts of the clergy toward rural inhabitants were loudly applauded.

An occasional delegate feebly admitted that he had met a liberal landlord or an open-minded cleric, but the entire sympathy of the conference was reserved for the motto, "Down with the church and the landlord." The speakers and the bulk of the delegates were fluent and forcible in speech—obviously not from the tongue, but rather from the heart, and to put in dissenting convictions.

Hardly a Representative Gathering. Mr. Schnadhorf has done nothing more clever during his career as a wire-puller than his gleaming from the mass of incoherent intelligence of rural England these men, so strongly radical, and setting them up as representative voices.

But it would be misleading to infer from the character of the conference that the rural poor have deserted the church en masse, or have become infused with political dogmas against the squirearchy.

The conference, while indicating clearly and actively an existent force to be accounted with in the coming elections, owes its greatest importance to its forwarding the rural agricultural policy. When the spirit of the delegates permeates the electorate the hereditary privileges of landlordism and churchism will vanish.

Princess Gladstone's speech to-day was a distinct disappointment, many delegates expecting that a definite assurance in regard to the Liberal program would be declared, and would include some of their aspirations.

Some men who urged the immediate application to England of the principles of free play for rent, equity of tenure and free sale, and others who wanted the abolition of primogeniture and limitation of the size of estates, got only enlarged allusions to the New Castle proposals.

A Synthesizer, Not a Leader.

Mr. Gladstone spoke throughout as a leader who was sympathetic, but doomed not to lead in the struggle in which his home is the most important. The Chamberlain's incidental reference to Mr. Gladstone's projected trip to Biarritz as "a journey to that beautiful land" was misinterpreted by many eyes.

Mr. Gladstone's own allusion to the limitation of his physical powers, and his sensibility of the disadvantage in which his party is placed by the advanced years, caused renewed emotion among his hearers. There were many cries of "No, no; you will have a long life yet."

The following are some of the leading points in Mr. Gladstone's speech:

The labor trouble has now assumed about the same proportions and aspects as the same question in 1886. The agricultural laborer was really struggling with the agricultural laborer. The present agricultural laborer was the foremost question now before the British public, as the constant and increasing migration of the rural population to towns proved most conclusively.

Mr. Gladstone admitted that the Government reserved the right of light step in this direction by passing a county council bill, but he said that he would be satisfied by any means to satisfy the Liberal party except in the fact that it embraced the right to vote.

The great English Liberal also strongly advocated the passage of a law for the purpose of enabling the local government bodies to acquire land, in order to enable them to carry out their duties in connection with a very much greater extent than they were now able to.

The Entail of Land Penetration. The reform of the law was another point touched upon by the speaker, who advocated the abolition of the present system of entail, together with greater facilities for the transfer of land.

Continuing Mr. Gladstone touched upon the question of the reduction of the hours of labor and said that he was in favor of reducing the amount of toll exacted from the working classes in general, but he desired that such a reduction should be made without any violation of the rights of the employer or of the employed.

The principle of liberty must not be included even in making those most needed reforms. Before the Liberal party was made in the hours of labor, Mr. Gladstone would like to see it proved beyond any doubt that those who work for long hours would at least receive the same wages for shorter hours. Therefore, Mr. Gladstone recommended much care and considerable deliberation over this subject before any legislation in connection with recommending legislation in this direction.

Some criticism of the Government cabinet have been made in the course of the speech, a claim which he disputed, he said that the Government should not be hampered in its efforts to provide even the smallest and most meager form of local self-government for Ireland.

A free education also received attention from Mr. Gladstone, who earnestly advocated such a measure in connection with all schools depending upon popular support.

The Conspiracy Law to Be Annihilated. Mr. Gladstone urged the abolition of the common law against conspiracy. We must provide for the rural population of Great Britain, as well as for the same classes in Ireland. Nothing must be done which relates to the prosecution of labor interests, or because it is done by a combination of men, which is an offense against the letter and spirit of the law.

Mr. Gladstone and his wife will start on their trip Tuesday morning and will reach Paris Wednesday evening. Several French free traders who have been attending for a conference with Mr. Gladstone on the subject of international tariffs will have an opportunity to see him, although he gives no promise of an audience. His medical adviser, Sir Andrew Clarke, insists upon perfect rest. Mr. and Mrs. Gladstone proceed from Paris to Biarritz Wednesday.

The cabinet held a prolonged council to-day, and will not meet again until the new year, when they will prepare for the opening of Parliament. After the council, members in conversation referred to the dissolution of Parliament as probable in June.

Royalty After More Public Money.

The arrangements for the marriage of the Duke of Clarence and Avondale were, it is understood, discussed by the Cabinet to-day. Although the act of 1886 bars a special grant to the Duke, the Ministers hold that a

FIGHT FOR SHERMAN

Being Taken Up in Earnest by a Number of Powerful Friends.

BIG RAIDS ON FORAKER'S FORCES

Reported at a Conference Held by the Senator's Lieutenants.

LATEST FIGURES OF BOTH FACTIONS

SPECIAL TELEGRAM TO THE DISPATCH. COLUMBUS, O., Dec. 11.—A conference of the Sherman leaders in the Senatorial contest was held to-day, and the work mapped out for the balance of the contest. The Sherman workers are jubilant to-night and report several accessions from the doubtful circles that they heretofore were not certain they could control. The prospects were of such a flattering nature that steps were taken, which they hope to carry to a conclusion, cutting Foraker down, if possible, below 40 votes in the caucus. The object is to place him in such a position that he will not have the prestige of having a vote which will approach to the neighborhood of a nomination and be an aid to him in future contests.

There were present at the conference Colonel Waldorf, Internal Revenue Collector at Toledo; General J. Warren Keifer, ex-Speaker of the National House; Mark A. Hanna, of Cleveland; Captain J. C. Donaldson, Sherman's local manager, and a large number of the members-elect of the State Legislature. The sitting was given over in detail, and the most accurate estimates made which have been furnished since the election.

Figures From a Good Guesser. It was the opinion of all that Sherman will have two-thirds of the Republican members on joint ballot, if not more. Chairman Hahn, of the State Committee, who was in the conference, estimated that Sherman would be elected by 20,000 plurality, and he came very close to the figure. He states he is more confident that Sherman will have over 60 of the 93 votes in the caucus, and the estimate of the caucus is now claimed to be 54, and some of their estimates go below 50. The Sherman men are urging the point with some effect as to where the seven votes have gone.

Legislative. The sitting was given over to the election, and the 16 short which Bushnell claimed. The most accurate estimate now to be secured from Foraker follows: Sherman men have run from 59 to 63 votes. The morning after the election Governor Foraker, in an interview, claimed he would have 70 votes. The following was the result of the caucus: Sherman, 54; Foraker, 39.

Great Work to Be Done for Sherman. Among other things agreed upon by the conference was to open Sherman headquarters at each of the three leading hotels, at once, and show a card of invitation to the members of the State, and to the members of the Chamber of Deputies that to-morrow's debate may be critical as regards the existence of the Cabinet, owing to the Cabinet's announcement of its intention to introduce a bill dealing with religious associations.

PLANS OF THE PEOPLE'S PARTY. An Unrelenting Warfare to Be Conducted With the Aid of Clubs. COLUMBUS, O., Dec. 11.—[Special.]—A meeting of the State Executive Committee of the People's party was held to-day. The following members were present: Dr. F. H. Barnes, Chairman; Timm; Rev. E. P. Foster, Secretary; Cincinnati; H. F. Hixon, Canton; W. R. Volles, Cincinnati; John Seitz, Seneca county; David Swisher, Newark; J. C. Coxey, Massillon; T. J. Meala, Canton, and J. Sorror, E. J. Bracken and J. P. Mitchell, Franklin county. A committee of four, with Dr. F. H. Barnes as chairman, was appointed to formulate an address to the people of Ohio. A committee to arrange a plan for future campaigns was also appointed. This latter committee submitted its report, and after a great deal of discussion and a few changes, the plan was adopted. As the session was a secret one, the plan proposed was not, of course, known, but enough was gleaned to show that the party is now in a position of the future are to be governed somewhat differently from those heretofore waged.

The party has begun to realize that unless a more concentrated action can be had through the country than has prevailed in the past the prospect for any satisfactory advancement in the future is not bright. The plan proposed, and the address to the people, is to be made in the form of a circular, and to be distributed through the country clubs on the order of the campaign of 1892. This Campaign Committee is to be organized throughout the country, and to be organized in the form of a circular, and to be distributed through the country clubs on the order of the campaign of 1892.

AWAITING QUAY'S DESIRES. Philadelphia Wants to Hear From Him on the Presidency. PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 11.—[Special.]—The arrival of Representative Richard R. Quay at the Continental Hotel, early this morning, did not preclude the coming of the Senator, as the politicians supposed, but there were a number of callers in anticipation of his arrival. His son said this evening that he had "decided to go on to Washington." State Treasurer Boyer was in the Continental corridors quite awhile during the afternoon. He had telegrams stating that Senator Quay would appear toward evening, and the telegrams were from Pittsburgh and Harrisburg. Mr. Boyer was disappointed. "It means he will be here next week, perhaps," said the State Treasurer, "and so will I, if the weather permits."

Of the 888 delegates to the Minneapolis Republican National Convention next June this State has 98, and it is considered now too early for Senator Quay to express his wishes on the subject. The plan of action calls for a selection that will harmonize all existing differences, and the Senator's visit at this time is to discuss the situation with the leaders and get them together.

ADVENTURE WITH A SILENT ISLAND. Reported by Edward Wakefield in THE DISPATCH to-morrow, 24 pages.

A Hapless Babe's Body Found. The body of a boy baby was found yesterday morning on a river bank at the foot of Junata street, Allegheny. Around the infant's neck was fastened a rope to one end of which was tied a heavy stone. From appearance the little body had been in the water for a week. It was sent to the morgue. The coroner will investigate the case.

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ONE WAY TO PUNISH A PASTOR.

His Salary Reduced Because He Will Smoke Wicked Cigars.

HAMILTON, O., Dec. 11.—[Special.]—The officers of the Presbyterian church are disciplining their preacher in a novel manner. The church is the most aristocratic in the city, and the pastor is very popular with the members of the congregation as well as the general public, but the officers of the church are bitterly opposed to him. They have attempted in various ways to secure his removal, but were checkmated at each move.

His orthodoxy was assailed, his Presbyterianism attacked without effect. The congregation stood by the pastor. Last night a new tactic was attempted. The pastor was accused of extravagance and sinful waste of money, the foundation for which was that he had smoked cigars. The officers decided, after a solemn convocation, that their pastor must be disciplined for such a sin, and that no ordinary punishment would fit the case.

The officers voted to reduce the salary paid the pastor by \$500. The friends of Dr. Abbey asserted—and the public agrees with them—that the whole thing is a scheme to humiliate him into resigning his position. The doctor refuses to discuss the affair in any way, but his admirers say he will neither resign nor lose the \$500. They will make it up out of their own pockets.

PLATES, their discovery and history, in THE DISPATCH, two or four pages, 193 columns, 25,000,000 words.

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The Leading Dry Goods House. Pittsburgh, Pa. Thursday, Dec. 10, 1891.

Ribbon and Millinery

Departments. Every shade, sort and kind of Ribbon is being cut off here every day, and an enormous stock of Ladies' and Children's Hats and Bonnets, untrimmed and trimmed, are very interesting just now, because on them all we have made extremely low prices.

Also one of the handsomest displays of the store is right here: Lamp Shades. Made for us in Paris, any one of which will add much to the brightness of the home wherein it may go.

Turning to the left we come to the Cloak and Suit Department. A whole building given up to this department, well lighted, warm and comfortable, and filled to overflowing with garments of Cloth and Fur for ladies and children. Enough to say that here is everything new and desirable for ladies' and children's outfits, in the way of Wraps, Jackets, Ulsters, Waterproof Circulars and Ready-Made-Costumes for all occasions.

Also, Furs in all newest shapes that fashion dictates, such as CAPES, MANTLES, JACKETS, WRAPS. As well as our complete line of Real Alaska Seal Jackets, Coats and Wraps.

On the second floor in the rear of this building the department for Children and Infants' Wear. Complete outfit for infants, and, as well, dresses, coats and jackets for misses and children. Everything is in full holiday swing here, and no more sensible sort of buying can be done than pleasing the hearts of children with nice new clothes.

Coming back to the main room of the store we turn to the Flannel and Domestic Cotton Department. Here, too, are many of the useful sorts of presents—Calico Dress Patterns, Flannel Skirts, Embroidered Flannels of all sorts and flannel of the best kinds made. Money goes a long way in this department.

Going across the store we find one entire front room devoted to the wants of men and boys in the way of Furnishings. The goods brought together here comprise one of the most complete collections of useful and desirable articles, many of them made expressly for our trade. This is the case in fine Hosiery, Underwear and Neckwear, and at this holiday time the stock is larger than usual. There are also very many other things here calculated to please that particular man that you want to buy for.

There are Mufflers, Silk Handkerchiefs, Canes, Umbrellas, Comb and Brush Sets, Silk Suspenders, Gloves of every sort, Bath Robes, Smoking Jackets, Dressing Gowns and Driving Robes. It will be an easy thing to find just what you want for him here.

Getting back to the practical side of this holiday time, we come to the Departments for Dress Goods and Silks. Occupying an entire room, where hundreds of thousands of dollars' worth of goods are to be seen, being a monster collection of every and all the best makes, and containing every new fashion hint in style or color.

The popularity of these two leading departments is founded upon the policy of this house of offering the best goods at the lowest prices. Job lot ideas do not obtain here, but everything offered you is not only new and fresh, but the best and most reliable obtainable.

There are holiday Dress Patterns of Black Silk of every desirable weave. There are the same in Colored Silks from staple evening shades to the extreme novelties in colors, just from the foreign looms. At this season of the year Silks for evening toilets are in great demand, and this stock of novelties is in the front rank, as usual.

The Holiday Patterns of Dress Lengths of Wool Dress Goods. Are legion in number and variety, in black and colors, and at specially attractive prices. We will not go into details, but you can depend upon it, you never bought good dress goods for as little money as you can to-day here.

Next comes another leading department. Curtains and Upholstering. Here are Lace Curtains, 50c to \$100; Chenille Curtains and Portieres, \$4.50 up. A handsome lot of Down Pillows in every variety of shape, style and color of covering. Also, pillows in all the shapes without covering. Fancy Screens, ornamented with Japanese Embroidery, and also with hardwood Grill Work Frames that can be upholstered in silk, or as your fancy dictates. Table and Piano Covers in a variety of sizes, in Chenille, Velour and Tapestry materials. Fancy Printed Silks for Holiday Work are in this department.

Brass and Iron Bedsteads and Cribs are also here. One department, and an important one now, is the one devoted to Art Needle Work. And Materials, where every kind of silk and the goods on which to work them are found. Here also will be seen a large variety of Children's Caps and Hoods. This adjoins the Ladies' Hosiery Department, which will well repay your attention at these times. Last, but not least, the Ladies' Kid Glove Department. As a fashion-correspondent aptly remarks, "No matter how many Gloves nor how handsome a collection her toilet stock may show, a lady is always pleased with gloves as a gift."

So all you have to do at these holiday times to make a satisfactory present to a lady friend is to come to this Glove Department and there select one pair or as many dozen pairs for her as your desire or interest may suggest. You will find here every one of the best makes, 4 or 5 of them, in all the best styles, all the lengths that are worn and all the best shades known.

Finally, we would say that every possible arrangement has been made for giving prompt and satisfactory attention to all our Holiday customers. Goods bought now will be laid away until you direct us to send them. Goods sent by mail or express to any part of these United States that you may desire. No pains will be spared to make your shopping pleasant and profitable.

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Holiday Buying Time

Here in earnest, and every department of our store is in readiness for it. You may have been in the store many times already, struggling with the idea of what to buy for Christmas, and yet have not fully realized just how complete the preparations here have been for this busy season.

Here are some facts; a bird's-eye view of the big store in Christmas readiness: Notions. As you enter the door where of our customers do, on the right hand, you see a long counter with a large staff of wide-awake salespeople to minister to your wants. You find there a thousand and one things besides pins, buttons and needles.

There are silver thimbles, gold thimbles, needle cases, shining, sharp scissors, manicure sets, brushes and combs of various sorts, beginning with the low priced ones. There are hand-mirrors, cloth brushes, nail brushes and a host of pretty emory bags, and a host of other little things, many of which will come in with useful handiness at any time, and will help you now to solve the problem "What to buy."

Right across from this comes the Trimmings, Linens. Which is by all means one of the wide-awake Departments of the store. There is everything in the way of feather trimming and feather boas, which, by the way, are selling at 1/2-prices now. Besides trimmings of all sorts to go with the Dress Pattern you are going to give.

Next, filling a large space in the center of the store, and the nearby counters, comes the Fancy Goods Department, the truly Christmas Department, and a popular one it is; filled with more pretty things than were ever brought together here before, at prices that suit every size of pocketbooks.

There are leather goods, pocketbooks and all that sort of thing. There are fancy Satin and Kid Knick Knacks, wonderfully pretty, with their hand-painted designs, of very artistic character. There are plated silver and Solid silver novelties without end. There are Japanese oddities; there are dolls; there are Vienna and Paris fans; there are work boxes and jewel boxes; there are cigar boxes and sets.

Here, too, comes the enormous stock of Ladies' and Children's Umbrellas. Many of them handsomer than anything we ever had to show you.

There are presents in this department, as you see in this hurried look, for the last arrival or the great Grandparent. That is why we say this is the leading Holiday Department of these stores.

Everything gay and new and nothing is anchored with a heavy price. Next comes some of the useful and particularly feminine departments like Hosiery and Corsets and Underwear.

Of these it is enough to say that each year, more and more, the practical buyers here find just what they want to give. Farther back is another busy place, the

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Next, filling a large space in the center of the store, and the nearby counters, comes the Fancy Goods Department, the truly Christmas Department, and a popular one it is; filled with more pretty things than were ever brought together here before, at prices that suit every size of pocketbooks.

There are leather goods, pocketbooks and all that sort of thing. There are fancy Satin and Kid Knick Knacks, wonderfully pretty, with their hand-painted designs, of very artistic character. There are plated silver and Solid silver novelties without end. There are Japanese oddities; there are dolls; there are Vienna and Paris fans; there are work boxes and jewel boxes; there are cigar boxes and sets.

Here, too, comes the enormous stock of Ladies' and Children's Umbrellas. Many of them handsomer than anything we ever had to show you.

There are presents in this department, as you see in this hurried look, for the last arrival or the great Grandparent. That is why we say this is the leading Holiday Department of these stores.

Everything gay and new and nothing is anchored with a heavy price. Next comes some of the useful and particularly feminine departments like Hosiery and Corsets and Underwear.

Of these it is enough to say that each year, more and more, the practical buyers here find just what they want to give. Farther back is another busy place, the

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