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TAFT'S PLAN TO SAVE PARTY

President Wants Republicans to Unite and Legalize a Genuine Tariff Commission—Next Year's Budget Will Be Fully One Billion.

By GEORGE CLINTON.

Washington.—It is said on seemingly good authority that President Taft has given his sanction to a bill for reaching in its effect which will compel the affixing to cloths which enter interstate commerce of a statement of the amount of cotton and of wool which they contain. This measure is called here in Washington a "textile pure food bill." The framers of the measure, Victor Murdock of Kansas, says that no reason exists why the consumer should not know how much wool and how much cotton he is getting in his clothes just as he knows under the pure food law how much adulteration he is getting.

An effort is being made to get the two Republican factions in congress to pass a measure of this kind. It is expected that there will be a good deal of opposition and it may be that the "pure fabric law" will have as long a journey to passage as that which the pure food law took before it arrived at its station on the statute books.

Taft's Tariff Commission Plan.

As a fixed daily task President Taft is laboring to bring together the Republican factions in congress in order that he may secure legislation legalizing a genuine tariff commission. One year ago Mr. Taft might have worked nights as well as days along the same line of endeavor and at the end of 24 hours he would have been at the beginning, for the regulars and insurgents were so hostile to one another that attempts to patch a peace would have been met not only sulkily, but defiantly.

This year Mr. Taft, so the men close to him say, has some real hope that he can induce Mr. Cummins, Mr. La Follette, Mr. Murdock and others to link arms with Mr. Aldrich, Mr. Hale, Mr. Boutelle and others and to present a united effort on behalf of a tariff commission. It remains yet to be seen whether the president will be successful, but the politicians say he thinks if a genuine tariff commission is sanctioned and is allowed to go to work in a businesslike way to pass on "proper and improper duties," that the Democrats next year when they are in control of the house will not think it wise to upset the legislation. All this is mere speculation, but it casts a light on one of the chief ends of the administration's winter endeavor and on the views of some of the Republicans of what they must do in order to save the presidential election to their party.

Shall We Fortify the Canal?

The layman who is neither a legislator nor an army officer would find himself unquestionably confused, but probably interested, if he were here in Washington to listen to the arguments for and against the erection of fortifications by Uncle Sam to guard the Panama Canal. A great many of the legislators are opposed to fortifying the waterway, while virtually all the army officers are in favor of it. President Taft has endorsed the fortification plan strongly in his annual message, in which he says:

"It is also well known that one of the chief objects in the construction of the canal has been to increase the military effectiveness of our navy. By convention we have indicated our desire for, and indeed undertaken, its universal and equal use. Failure to fortify the canal would leave the attainments of both these aims in the position of rights and obligations which we should be powerless to enforce and which could never in any other way be absolutely safeguarded against a desperate and irresponsible enemy."

The arguments which pass between the legislator and the army officer on the question of whether or not big guns ought to be placed on the isthmus run something like this:

The legislator says: "The canal should be neutralized, and all nations should be asked to bind themselves to preserve its neutrality. In this way we will be saved the expense of fortification and all danger of the canal's destruction in time of war will be averted."

The army officer says: "An ounce of gun metal is worth a pound of neutralization. If a country at war with

the United States finds it to its advantage to blow up the canal, the canal will be blown up. The promise to keep the peace would be whistled down the wind in a minute. The only way to keep the enemy off is to stand him off with a gun. The canal cost hundreds of millions. Under neutralization it could be destroyed in a night."

Budget at Least a Billion.

At this stage of the session of congress some of the appropriation bills have been little more than skeletonized, but it is perfectly apparent even at this early date that the expenses of the government for the next fiscal year will be at least \$1,000,000,000. Years ago representatives of the party in opposition used to speak of the extravagances of their opponents, and say that they were bent on giving the country a "billion dollar congress."

At the time this charge was considered to be one of the highest flights of rhetorical extravagance, and it is doubtful if even those who made it thought that the day would come for scores of years when congress would be called upon to appropriate \$1,000,000,000 in a single year for the expenses of the government.

Natural growth is responsible in a measure for the vast increase in the expense of running Uncle Sam's household. Twenty years ago the navy cost each year about \$300,000,000; now it costs about \$140,000,000.

The presidents of the United States one after another always have urged economy. It made no difference whether it was Cleveland, Democrat, or Harrison, or any other president, Republican, the plea for economy went from the White House to Capitol hill each year. In the past year perhaps the saving admonition has been more sharp and pointed than before, for apparently the president, with other American citizens, has been somewhat staggered by the mere sight of the figures in the government's expense account.

Taft Wants Just Debts Paid.

No president, however, no matter to which party he has belonged, ever has asked congress to refuse to authorize the payment of Uncle Sam's just debts. President Taft has urged economy constantly, but like other presidents before him he this year has urged strongly that congress do justice to the persons who have valid claims against the government and who cannot get their money.

Uncle Sam has a court of claims. The judges are as hard worked as, and perhaps harder worked than, any of the other federal jurists. They are obliged to pass judgment on the validity of claims made against the United States by private individuals. If the court finds that the claims are just, all it can do is to say so and to inform congress that the United States owes Henry Nelson or Phillip Stuyvesant such and such a sum of money. Then Henry Nelson and Phillip Stuyvesant go to congress and ask that the money which really belongs to them shall be paid, and congress usually turns a deaf ear. Of course claims are paid from time to time, but many a man with a bill which the courts have O. K'd waits many a long year before he gets his money and then he does not get all he deserves, for no interest is allowed.

In his message to congress this year President Taft urged the payment of the just indebtedness of Uncle Sam. He says this pointedly: "The delay that occurs in the payment of the money due under the claims injures the reputation of the government as an honest debtor, and I earnestly recommend that these claims which come to congress with the judgment and approval of the court of claims should be promptly paid."

Two Cavalry Leaders Die.

Recently two officers of high rank on the retired list of the United States army have died, one in this city, and one in Virginia, just across the Potomac river. Major General Wesley Merritt and Eugene A. Carr died on the same day. Both were cavalry leaders and one of them, Merritt, died within sight of a battlefield on which he won fame and the stars of a major general when he was only twenty-five years of age.

Both Merritt and Carr were buried a few days ago in the cadet cemetery at West Point on the Hudson river, where they lie close to another famous cavalry leader, George A. Custer, who was killed in a fight with the Sioux Indians on the Little Rosebud June 26, 1876. Custer, like Merritt, was a major general of volunteers at the age of twenty-five years.

Carr Famous Indian Fighter.

Eugene A. Carr, like Merritt, was a West Pointer. His rise was rapid and he was one of the few officers of the United States army who received commissions by acts of congress because of conspicuous personal gallantry in the field.

Carr stayed in the regular service at the close of the civil war and was sent to the plains to begin the untiring duty of fighting Indians. Like General Miles, Carr developed a remarkable plainman's sense. They won perhaps even more fame as Indian fighters than came to them as fighters against men of their own color.

each additional hour, or \$75 a day. This machine used about ten gallons of gasoline per day at an average price of 75 cents per gallon.

An experienced chauffeur, who was brought in a \$150 per month and expenses, stated that he found the roads in a better condition than around some more settled communities, and that muddy roads were, short curves and shallow grades, encountered, they could all be overcome, and that in no instance had an accident occurred that might not occur to a machine in any other locality.

The freight rate for automobiles to Dawson by the White Pass and Yukon route is \$190 per ton, actual weight, when knocked down, boxed, or crated sufficiently to be loaded in box cars.

A Good Safe Place.

"Where can I hide?" gasped the mining stock promoter as he burst into his office. "The police are coming."

"Get into the simplified card index case," cried the chief clerk. "I defy anyone to find anything in there!"—Puck.

THE KINGDOM DIVIDED

Sunday School Lesson for Jan. 1, 1911
Specially Arranged for This Paper

LESSON TEXT—1 Kings 12:1-24. Memory verses, 13, 14.
GOLDEN TEXT—"He that walketh with wise men shall be wise; but a companion of fools shall be destroyed."—Prov. 13:20.

TIME—The time of Solomon's death and the division of the Kingdom, B. C. 922.
PLACE—Rehoboam's capital was at Jerusalem. The Disruption occurred at Shechem, which was the first capital of the northern kingdom, and the metropolis of Ephraim. It was 30 miles directly north of Jerusalem, between Mounts Ebal and Gerizim. Here were located incidents in the lives of Abraham, Jacob, Joseph, and Joshua. Close by, doubtless as a part of the larger town, were Jacob's well and Sychar where Jesus talked with the Samaritan woman. And there is now the seat of the Samaritans, the smallest religious sect in the world.

This lesson covers the story of Rehoboam, and how he lost a kingdom. It is the story of a reckless, untrained, conceited young man, and his coming into the real business of his life. He was the heir to a throne, and his name means "Enlarger of the people," expressing the hope of his father for his son. The son disappointed these hopes, and became the "Diminisher of his people." Alas for such boys to day!

His father was Solomon. His mother Naamah, a young heathen princess of the kingdom of Ammon on the border of the desert east of the Jordan. She was one of many wives of Solomon.

Rehoboam seems to have been the natural heir to the throne. Judah accepted him. But as in the case of Saul, David and Solomon, at least in Jerusalem, the people had a voice in the selection of their king. Accordingly the tribes were summoned to meet at the old northern capital, Shechem, to confirm the successor of Solomon. The northern tribes were determined to obtain a charter of rights that would relieve them from their burdens, as the price of their submission. For Solomon had forced them to give their unpaid labor upon his great buildings, and these free and independent Ephraimites were reminded of their ancestors' slavery in Egypt. They were shrewd enough to send for their brilliant sympathizer, Jeroboam, whom Solomon had banished to Egypt. They were ready to enforce their just demands.

Rehoboam, apparently attended by a small force goes to confer with them. Jeroboam is their spokesman. Rehoboam answered the people roughly. One of the most foolish things he could do. "Rough words do one of two things, they wound or they madden."

And Israel said that the king hearkened not. Josephus says that "they were struck by his words as by an iron rod." What portion have we in David? What have we of the northern tribes to do with David's son, Rehoboam, or David's tribe, Judah? To your tents, O Israel. Back to your homes and prepare for war.

Every young man has a kingdom in his own soul. He may throw it away—half of it or all of it, in the same way Rehoboam did, foolishly following his headstrong will. Or, he may take the advice of wise men and the Bible, and become monarch of all the royal possibilities God has placed in his life.

One's character, already formed, is a powerful factor in all emergencies of choice and decision. There is no time to prepare a new character. Rehoboam had formed the habit of taking bad advice when it fitted his inclination, and so he took it at his life's crisis.

On his return to Jerusalem Rehoboam assembled an army of 180,000 men to compel the seceding tribes to return. But a prophet forbade the movement in the name of the Lord. Rehoboam's goodness was but the early cloud and the morning dew. As soon as he was firmly established, he returned to his old ways, and "forsook the law of the Lord." The deterioration of his character and his kingdom was symbolized by the change from the shields of gold which Solomon had made for his palace army, but which Shishak took away, and which Rehoboam replaced by shields of brass.

This deterioration continued two years, when God used another instrumentality for making Rehoboam good. In his fifth year Shishak, the Pharaoh of Egypt, came up with 1,200 chariots, 60,000 horsemen, and an uncounted number of common soldiers. They captured the city of Judah, devastated the country, and carried away the treasures Solomon had stored in the temple and in his palace, and the golden shields in his army. Shishak left an inscription on the walls of Karnak in Egypt giving an account of this invasion. The prophet Shemaiah interpreted the meaning of this calamity; and king and princes humbled themselves, confessed their sins, and promised to do better.

The Lord therefore delivered them. Rehoboam continued to reign; and though his kingdom was not destroyed, yet it was far from what it might have been, for "he did evil, because he prepared not his heart to seek the Lord."

God's principles are everlasting, but the forms of their application vary with every variation of circumstance.

As patriots, what is there in our country, that we wish to have go down the ages as a blessing? and what is there that we should give our whole soul to changing or blotting out?

Must War on Insects.

When it is stated on good authority that the people of the United States have suffered from the ravages of insect pests to the extent of about \$700,000,000 in a single year, when the agriculture of the small state of Massachusetts is said to lose nearly \$5,000,000 annually from the attacks of insects, it is time to look about us to see how we can get help in the war against them; it is time to do something to increase the numbers of the creatures that feed upon these insects.

VERACITY OF THE BIBLE

After a Visit to the Holy Land Even a Skeptic Must Be Convinced.

One thing cannot fail to impress every visitor to Bethlehem, and, indeed, to the Holy Land generally, who is imbued with true Christian faith and a proper sense of the sanctity of the location and of the events that have transpired there, and that is the more than remarkable correspondence between the things and places shown us today as having been associated with the life and work of the Saviour and other events that enter into the structure of our religious faith and the descriptions and accounts of them, as furnished us in the pages of the Holy Scriptures. They agree with them in every respect and it is impossible, after carefully considering and comparing them, to doubt their identity, so exactly are they in accord with the Bible narrative.

The work in the fields, the arrangement of the buildings, the very articles of diet and clothing of ancient days are plainly recognizable in the doings and surroundings of today. Indeed, where modern methods have not become obtrusive the manners and customs of the people remain much the same as in the days of the presence on earth of the Saviour. Between the descriptions given in the Bible of localities, climatic and geographical conditions, distances, etc., of these times and those of today there is hardly any discrepancy. Even a skeptic, considering this remarkable accord of circumstances with the Biblical narrative, cannot but be convinced of its veracity; to the believer it comes as a wonderful conviction, a satisfactory corroboration or encouragement to see things as those who described them so graphically saw them so long ago.—Columbian Magazine.

POLICY



Calvin—The doctor forbids me to drink champagne.
Ruth—Forbids you to drink champagne?
Calvin—Well, until after his bill is paid.

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The Way of Life.

It is being said of an elderly man in business in Atchison: "He can't stand punishment as he formerly could." And there is punishment to be endured in making a living; don't forget it. Look over your own experience, and you will detect punishment every hour of the day. If it isn't at home, it is on the street car or on the road. How many ways there are to punish a man who tries his best to get along and behave himself. And after a man gets old it is more evident every year that the poor fellow can't stand punishment as he could when he was younger.—Atchison Globe.

It Worked Well.

"How is the new filing system? Success?" asked the agent of the merchant to whom he had sold a "system" a few days before.
"Great!" said the merchant.
"Good!" said the agent, rubbing his hands. "And how is business?"
"Business?" echoed the merchant. "Oh, we have stopped business to attend to the filing system."

Ill-Mannered Chicken.

Little Robert, 3 years of age, went with his grandmother to the chicken park to see her feed the chickens. When the little ones jumped upon the water dish and dipped their bills into the water, he cried: "Oh, grandmother, they are putting their feet on the table."

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The noblest motive is the public good.—Virgil.

IN SCIENTIFIC DAYS



Marjorie—Why are we stopping here, Harold?
Harold—Ah, the anchor's caught on a wireless.

He Knew.

A certain jurist was an enthusiastic golfer. Once he had occasion to interrogate in a criminal suit, a boy witness from Bala.

"Now, my lad," he said, "are you acquainted with the nature and significance of an oath?"
The boy, raising his brows in surprise, answered:

"Of course I am, sir. Don't I caddy for you at the Country Club?"—Success.

A girl who is truly modest doesn't feel called upon to blush when there is no occasion for it.

"I want to get two pounds of tripe," said the lady, entering the shop.
"Sorry, ma'am," replied the keeper, "but we haven't any tripe today."
"No tripe? Why, it's in season."
"No, ma'am, there's no tripe being shot just now."
"No tripe being shot! Why, what are you talking about?"
"I—I should say, ma'am, that the fisheries commission won't allow tripe to be caught now."
"Are you crazy, man? I don't want fish! I want tripe."
"Well, what in thunder is tripe, ma'am?"
"Why—why, I don't know just what it is, but if you haven't got any I'll try some other place."

Of Course She Must.

"What time does the dance begin?"
"Nine o'clock."
"Then we must be there at 8:30."
"What for?"
"I must have at least an hour in the dressing room to rearrange my hair."

Cured.

"Your son used to be so round-shouldered. How did you get him cured of it? He seems to be so straight now."
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