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Being now in the hurry and rush of Spring business, you will pardon us if we do not present much that is new. We merely wish to assure you that we are still doing business at the old stand.

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Washington Letter.

From our regular Correspondent.

Washington, April 10, 1893.

Mr. Cleveland is going to feed the Tammany tiger with official pap, and the promises he made to Murphy, Sheehan, and Croker, at that memorable ante-election dinner in New York are to be kept. When Senator Murphy and Lieut. Gov. Sheehan called at the White House to arrange a date for agreeing upon the individuals who are to fill the offices allotted to Tammany some people were surprised, as they had taken up the idea that because the anti-snappers were being taken care of Tammany was to be snubbed. Not so. Hill is to be snubbed, has already been unmercifully snubbed in the distribution of federal patronage in his State, outside of New York City, but the Tammany promises are to be lived up to, and this week Murphy and Sheehan are to meet Mr. Cleveland to arrange the slate. It is not surprising that Mr. Cleveland should have considered it necessary to go away for two or three days absolute rest before tackling this job.

That row between the President and the Senate may occur yet (although the impression is general that this will be the last week of the extra session), and without Senator Hill's assistance. The nomination of Mr. Eckels, of Ill., to be Comptroller of Currency was such a manifestly unfit one that it has been hung up by the Senate committee on Finance, and Mr. Cleveland has been requested by the Democratic members of that committee to withdraw it, but up to this writing he has not done so, and his stubbornness is so well known that it is hardly expected that he will. The Democratic Senators may back down, vote to reject, or adjourn without acting upon the nomination.

Attorney General Olney, although said to be a good lawyer, has none of the tact in dealing with politicians which is so necessary for a member of the cabinet. He have if he wishes to escape becoming unpopular. The most influential Democratic Senator or Representative is treated with the coldest and most indifferent courtesy if he calls on Mr. Olney without an endorsement, oral or written, from somebody fortunate enough to enjoy the priceless boon of his acquaintance. Naturally enough, the Democrats do not like this sort of treatment. Within the memory of many men now in public life, there was another Attorney General from Massachusetts--Mr. Hoar, who was in Gen. Grant's cabinet--who had Mr. Olney's knack of offending his political callers by not treating them as they thought themselves entitled to be treated, and the result might be profitably studied by Mr. Olney. Gen. Grant nominated Attorney General Hoar to a vacancy on the Supreme Court Bench, and was greatly surprised when informed that he could take his choice between withdrawing the nomination or having it unanimously rejected. It was withdrawn.

After what has been said about Mr. Cleveland's intentions, by those near him, the appointment of Judge William Lochren, of Minnesota, to be Commissioner of Pensions, was a very pleasant surprise to Republicans, who generally feared the selection of some man who had not been in the army at all. Judge Lochren was a brave soldier, and if he is allowed to have his way in conducting the business of the Pension bureau, the interests of his soldier comrades will be safe. But, if some Democrats of influence know what they are talking about, he isn't to have his own way, but is merely to follow without the slightest deviation, lines laid down by Mr. Cleveland for the government of that bureau. Well, we shall soon see, as he assumes office about the first of May.

As a press muzzler, Postmaster Gen. Bissell is not a shining success. His order against making public the changes in fourth class postmasters was issued in the morning and suspended in the afternoon. Reason: a unanimous kick, from Democrats as well as Republicans. He has another scheme however, by which he hopes to prevent the bad character of some of the applicants for ap-

pointments as fourth class postmasters becoming public until after their appointment. He requires every Senator and Representative who endorses a candidate to promise that neither the name of their candidate nor of any other or others there may be shall be made public before the appointment. This rule expedites appointments, because it makes it impossible for citizens to protest against objectionable candidates; but it is bound to result in some very bad appointments.

The United States now has two full-fledged ambassadors,--Bayard to Great Britain, and Eustis to France, both of whom have been confirmed by the Senate.

Remonstrances against the sending of Max Judd, the St. Louis Jew, to Vienna, as U. S. Consul General, have been unavailing. He has been commissioned, and will sail this week, unless the Austrian Government formally protests.

HARRY.

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