

Where are the Tilters At?

The bargain made by Butler with Richmond Pearson and Jeter Pritchard, by which the Populist vote was to be delivered to the Republicans in exchange for a Senatorial seat for Butler and a few of the loaves and fishes for the leaders in the Populist ranks, has been carried out in good faith. Pearson has been elected to Congress, Pritchard gets the short term in the Senate, and Butler gets the long term. All the offices in sight have been parceled out; and the legislative mill has been set to work to create places for a score or so more of the faithful. So far, so good. But what about the "toiling masses," "poor farmers," the down-trodden laboring man? The big bosses are too busy now to think of things of such minor importance. "Plow On," oh ye faithless and unbelieving. Two years from now, about election time, you will be looked after again. But until then—Ta ta! Adieu! Au revoir! Good bye! Sayo nara! Pshaw! Seat? Skip the gutter! Git!

"Some day they'll wander back again"—the fellows who told you they were going to make cotton bring twelve cents a pound and corn a dollar a bushel, and who were going to distribute fifty dollars "per capita" all over this land of the free and home of the brave.

But they are busy now—very busy, and you really must wait.

Time enough to attend to you when there's nothing else to do.

Wait, till the office-seeker tires, Wait, till the century expires, Wait till you think all men are liars—

"Plow on!"—Morganton Herald.

There are 969,544 pensioners now on the rolls, and it is but fair to presume that 960,000 of these are legacies of the late war. This is 360,000 more than the entire Confederate force. There were 2,772,408 Federal troops and the pensioners now alive there fore are just about 33½ per cent. of the entire force. Either the Confederates shot as troops never shot before or there is an immense amount of lying and stealing going on somewhere.—Wilmington Review.

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