

THE ROANOKE NEWS

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CHARITY IN ALL THINGS.

Momentous questions are brewing in North Carolina upon which the Democracy of the State are not now united. As a matter of course these must be discussed pro and con in order that they may be understood, but we regret to say it seems to us that these discussions have not always been conducted on either side with that spirit of fairness and justice which is absolutely necessary to a proper understanding of their importance and bearing upon the welfare of the State and the people. This is wrong; we wish to impress upon our friends, both in and out of the Alliance, that these questions should be settled upon their merits and ought therefore to be discussed on their merits. The reason must be appealed to and that can best be done without resorting to acrimony and personalities. Reason is without effect upon one who feels that his honest cause is treated with injustice or that his trusted leaders have been misrepresented.

We have occasionally seen a disposition on the part of some members of the Alliance to distrust everyone who does not belong to the order. This is not right; the Alliance does not contain all the wisdom nor all the honesty; there are patriots who do not belong to it. Neither should non Alliance Democrats assume that they possess all the sense and discretion and that they alone know how to direct the affairs of the country.

There has more than once appeared a disposition to forget the merits of the questions at issue. They have nothing to do with any man's individual record, and if it be deemed necessary to attack his record it should be done in fairness and dispassionately. If his utterances are objects of criticism let them be criticised but the critics should be sure that they are his utterances. He should be treated at least with the same justice that is accorded the vilest criminal—he should have the benefit of any doubt in his favor. Neither should unworthy motives be attributed to men because they differ. Men will differ honestly on all questions, as they have always done. There are demagogues in all parties and all organizations; but it does not follow that every man is a demagogue because he entertains different or new views on political matters. Such modes of discussion only excite anger and resentment, and do far more harm than good; they convince no one of error but rather confirm them in their erroneous opinions. From conversations with leading men both in and out of the Alliance we believe that existing differences on financial questions can be adjusted and settled without a surrender of principle by anybody and in a manner satisfactory to all without disrupting the Democratic party—if the discussion of these questions be conducted on both sides in a conservative manner with a disposition on the part of everyone to tote fair.

So far as our own experience and observation go those who, to distinguish them, may be called outside Democrats have indulged in intemperate and intolerant language to a greater extent than members of the Alliance. Alliance Democrats are just as patriotic and just as willing to listen to sound reason and argument as their non-Alliance brethren, and, we are inclined to believe, are more willing to acknowledge an error. Dictatorial language and overbearing manner have no influence with Alliance men. We do not mean to say that these unseemly methods have been indulged in to any appreciable extent, but we do mean to give a timely warning against a resort to them, and we mean to warn individuals as well as newspapers; because the Alliance does not intend to be intimidated by such means.

So far as the Third Party is concerned we can truthfully say that we have never heard a member of the Alliance advocate it. There are a few, no doubt, who would join it, but they are few in number and they favor it only as a last resort. The Third Party agitation is kept up chiefly by Democrats who do not belong to the Alliance in degrading and condemning it when there is no disposition among the people of North Carolina to organize it. This is unwise and useless, in our opinion. It only serves to keep the idea alive.

Let us discuss these matters without passion or prejudice, but let us be charitable in all things, remembering that charity suffereth long and is kind.

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THERE has been great progress in educational matters in the eastern part of the State in the past few years. There is a number of good schools springing up in every town. The people are more imbued with a desire to educate their children now than they have been in twenty-five years. In this immediate section this disposition has developed to a remarkable extent and it is extremely gratifying to note the fact.

There is no necessity for eastern people to send their children to distant schools if they sustain the schools in their midst. The nearer home the school the less expensive it is, and for this reason if for no other, our people ought to support and build up their home schools. The better the schools in a community the more attractive is that community to people looking for homes. It pays in every way to foster home schools.

THE Twin City National bank of New Brighton, Minn., has brought suit against United States Treasurer Nebeker for the return of the semi-annual tax of one half of one per cent. levied on National banks. The suit is brought to test the constitutionality of the law imposing the tax. The bank claims that the constitution provides that all bills for raising revenue shall originate in the House of Representatives. The Senate, it is claimed, has authority to propose or concur in amendments as on other bills, but the constitution in this case is that the banking act was not a bill to raise revenue when it reached the Senate and could be transformed by the Senate into such a bill. There are other grounds also upon which the tax is contested. It is said it would require \$10,000,000 to refund this tax if the case is decided in favor of the banks.

ROSWELL P. FLOWER was last week nominated for Governor and William F. Sheehan for Lieutenant Governor by the Democratic party of New York. These nominations are looked upon as a defeat for Hill, who was said to be opposed to them, and the belief is that Hill has lost his grip. The platform opposes the coinage of a silver dollar which is not of the intrinsic value of every other dollar in the United States and unites with the friends of honest money everywhere in stigmatizing the Sherman progressive silver-basis law as no solution of the gold and silver question and as a fit appendix to the subsidy and bounty swindle. Hill was endorsed.

MANY Virginia Republicans are kicking against Mahone's determination to make no contest this year. A number of the most prominent members of the party has called a mass convention at Roanoke on October 1, for the purpose of reorganizing the party and taking such steps as wisdom may dictate. The call entirely ignores General Mahone's chairmanship and refers to him as being responsible for an act of political treason in advising Republicans to support the candidates of another party.

THE News and Observer has been enlarged to an eight column paper and is now printed on new type and with a new press. The News and Observer has one of the best editorial staffs in the State, and while not always agreeing with its methods and tone we recognize the fact that it is a fearless Democratic journal and wish it financial success. We congratulate it on these evidences of prosperity.

NEW YORK politics are attracting attention. There is dissatisfaction among Democrats of New York City. Tammany Hall has secured control of everything and the county Democracy is kicking. Notwithstanding, the papers are predicting 50,000 majority for Flower. Jones is also kicking hard but it is said he has only one vote, and that will hardly change the result.

THE Republican office holders of the State have determined to establish a weekly newspaper at Raleigh in the interest of the administration and it will be manipulated in Harrison's interest, although Blaine has a much stronger following than the President.

THE death of Balmaceda late usurping president of the Republic of Chili committed suicide a few days ago who is a great delight of his enemies and the rest of the world, except the newspapers, which will now have to find something else to talk about.

REPORTS from some sources say that the Alliance in Kansas is dying out, but Col. Polk denies this and says if it be so why are the Democrats and Republicans combining against the alliance in county affairs?

THE REPUBLICAN PARTY

HAS LOOKED AFTER THE BONDHOLDERS.

A farmer in Michigan sold his farm of 100 acres in 1864 for \$100 per acre—not an extravagant price at that time—and received \$10,000. With this he bought \$10,000 of United States bonds bearing six per cent. interest in coin. These bonds furnished an income of \$600 per annum, and left him free to dispose of his own labor as he saw fit. His labor, together with the income from the bonds, supported his family without adding to or taking from the original amount received as proceeds from the sale of the farm. In 1873 the 6 per cent. bonds were exchanged for 4 per cents. due in 1907. At present rate of premium his bonds are worth \$12,500. How is it with the purchaser of the farm? For the first few years the business of farming paid him a profit, but since 1873 his profits have been less, until a state of positive loss has been reached. As it now stands, he is an old man; his best energies gone. His farm is less fertile, his buildings old and weather beaten. He has no more stock than when he began, and the farm that cost him \$10,000 twenty-six years ago, upon which he has expended all the labor of the best years of his life, cannot be sold for \$4,000. But the money with which it was purchased has increased in its power over values until it will now buy more than three just such farms.—N. H. Dunning.

COURTESY REPAID.

HOW KINDNESS TO A NORTHERN STRANGER RICHLIY RECOMPENSED.

WILSON, N. C., Sept. 16. Last fall a wealthy northern gentleman visited Rocky Mount. He was very fond of hunting and Mr. C. H. Harris, who for sometime last fall was an auctioneer for the Wilson warehouse and is the ex-editor of the Rocky Mount Plain Dealer, kindly lent the stranger his dogs and showed him numerous courtesies. The stranger dropped dead on Monday and when his will was opened it was found that he had bequeathed Mr. Harris one hundred thousand dollars for courtesies and favors shown him, to be paid by his executors in United States currency. Mr. Harris left to day to get the money.—State Chronicle.

NOTICE TO ALLIANCEMEN.

AURELIAN SPRINGS, Sept. 9, 1891. Mr. Thomas C. Burgess, acting secretary of C. F. Alliance having given notice of sickness, the secretaries of the various sub-Alliances, of the county will take notice that Mr. P. W. Purrington, of Scotland Neck, county seere ary elect, will act in his place and they are requested to proceed accordingly. R. A. PATTERSON, Pres. C. F. A. & L. U.

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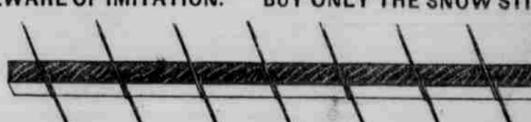
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