The Chatham Record

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TOWNSHIP COMMITTEES.

We have heretofore urged the importance of active work by township committee-men, and because of its great importance we again advert to the subject. The democratic plan of organization in this State provides for the election of "five active men" in every township to serve as committeemen. This has been done in this (Chatham) county, and we hope in nearly all other counties. These committees can accomplish much, and then again they can do nothing. It depends entirely upon whether or not they try. If every township committee in the State will do its duty, Scales' majority will be fully 20,000. We have been asked by more than one committee-man what were his duties—what was he expected to do—, and therefore we will here state what these township committee-men ought to do. In every township they ought at once to carefully examine the registrar's book; see what name is on it that ought not to be and challenge that man's vote; see that the name of every voter in the township is duly registered; if any voter has recently moved into the township, see that he gets a certificate from the registrar of the township from which he has removed, stating that his name is erased from his book, and if any voter has removed from your township see that he does not register elsewhere without such certificate. Divide your township into five sections, and allot one to each of the committee-men, whose duty it shall be to see EVERY MAN in it. Find out how every voter stands and let each committee-man report his list to a meeting of the full committee. Make arrangements to have every man brought to the polls who is unable to get there by himself. In every way possible get out a full vote! On the day of election have discreet men stationed near the polls to challenge illegal voters, and appoint other men to hand out the tickets, to electioneer, &c.

These are some of the suggestions that we would make to our township committee-men, and if they are acted on our vote will thereby be greatly increased. What say you, gentlemen of the committee, will you not come forward and do your duty, your whole duty, in this great contest?

YORK'S RECORD.

We have heretofore exposed Dr. York's record as a member of our State Legislature, and shown how he has opposed every measure that would benefit our people and State. But it is a matter of so much importance that we must again briefly refer to it, and we beg our readers to tell it to their neighbors, so that every voter may know what sort of a man wishes to be our Governor. Remember that what we now state can be proved by the Journals of the Legislature. Dr. York as a member of the Legislature opposed:

1. The right of colored people to be witnesses in our courts.
2. The building of the colored insane asylum at Goldsboro.
3. The building of the white insane asylum at Morganton.
4. The giving a wooden leg or arm to the maimed soldiers.
5. The building of the Western North Carolina railroad.
6. The building of the Cape Fear and Yadkin Valley railroad.
7. The establishing of the white and colored Normal Schools.
8. The compromise and settlement of the State debt.
9. The establishing of the department of agriculture.

Is not such a legislative record sufficient to damn forever any man among a civilized people? We candidly ask any man, be he a democrat or a republican, a white man or a black man, how can you vote for Dr. York? The only important measure for which he voted, that has benefited our State, was his vote in favor of the present system of county government! We ask colored men, how can they vote for a man who opposed allowing them to testify in the court-house? who opposed building an asylum for their unfortunate insane? and who opposed establishing normal schools for their teachers?

We ask the old line white republicans, how can they vote for this democratic deserter, who is ashamed on the stump to call himself a republican?

We ask all good citizens, how can they vote for a man to be their Governor who has opposed nearly every measure that would promote their prosperity, or benefit their State? Think well before you inflict such a calamity on our good old State, as would be the election of Tyre York!

THE OUTLOOK.

The political outlook is bright and cheering. All signs indicate democratic success in the nation, in the State and in this county. In national politics there is everything to encourage us, and the election of Cleveland and Hendricks seems assured. There are 401 votes in the electoral college, so that the successful candidate must receive 201 votes—a majority of all—in order to be elected. We count upon Cleveland's election by giving him the 153 votes of the Southern States (which he will certainly receive) and the 36 votes of New York and the 15 votes of Indiana, making his total vote 204, or 3 more than necessary. In addition to this he will surely receive the 9 votes of New Jersey, and it is highly probable he will also carry Connecticut, California and Wisconsin. New York is considered the pivotal State, and is made the chief battle-ground. Both parties agree that whichever candidate carries that State will be elected, and there seems to be but little doubt of Cleveland's carrying it. His majority two years ago as the democratic candidate for Governor was 193,000, and as he has made a most popular Governor it does not seem possible now to wipe out all that tremendous majority. The only hope that inspired the republicans was Tammany's expected disaffection, but even that hope is gone, for Tammany has pledged Cleveland a hearty and united support, and John Kelly had a private interview with him one day last week, and assured him that this pledge would be fulfilled. The Herald, Times and other influential republican papers are using all their powerful influence in favor of Cleveland, and will carry to his support many thousand independent republicans.

In this State of course the democrats will have a majority, the only thing in doubt being how great that majority will be. The republican "bosses" have no hope of electing Dr. York, but are making every effort to obtain control of the Legislature. In this, however, they will signally fail, as they have heretofore. The white men of North Carolina are not yet prepared to [illegible] the control of their State government to a party composed chiefly of [illegible] revenue officers!

In this county the democratic party is now in a better condition than we have ever known, and we can safely assert that our majority will be larger than it has been any year since 1876. Yes, fellow-democrats, the outlook is indeed most hopeful, the skies are bright, the breezes already begin to whisper of the coming victory, the clans are gathering, the good and true men are rallying to our standard, the mighty democratic hosts are marshalling in solid array, and with serried ranks and united [illegible] are marching on with the irresistible force of a Macedonian phalanx to a great and glorious triumph! Let there be no [illegible] no stragglers, but all press to the front and [illegible] fight an enemy that would ruin our State and disgrace our people!

OFFICERS TO BE ELECTED.

Not many persons have thought of the number of officers to be voted for at the ensuing election, or the number of tickets there are to be voted. There will be seven ballot boxes at every voting place, in which tickets will be deposited, as follows:

1. For Presidential Electors, eleven in number.
2. For Representative in Congress.
3. For Governor, Lieutenant Governor, Treasurer, Secretary of State, Attorney General, Auditor and Superintendent of Public Instruction.
4. For Justice of the Supreme Court.
5. For members of the Legislature.
6. For Sheriff, Register, Coroner, Surveyor, and a Treasurer in those counties that have not abolished the office.
7. Township Constable.

Thus the total number of officers to be voted for in this (Chatham) county is TWENTY-FOUR, and yet there are some men who are not satisfied with this number, but wish to vote also for magistrates!

Which Do You Prefer?

From the Lumberton Robesonian.

The Republican party offers social equality to the fullest extent—mixed schools, miscegenation and all. The Democratic party offers protection to the colored man in the possession of every political right, but at the same time the maintenance of the supremacy of the white man in the land of the white man. White men of North Carolina, which will you have?

Snows have already fallen in Maine, New Hampshire, Vermont and Northern New York, and the weather sages are predicting a long and hard winter. In view of this prospect the poor are contemplating the heavy tax on wool and woolen goods with shivering disgust.

Our Washington Letter.

(From our Regular Correspondent.)

WASHINGTON, D.C., Oct. 18, '84.

The exceedingly slim majority in Republican Ohio, which is so satisfying to the Republican heart, is simply the foreboding of an utter rout of that party in New York in November. While it demonstrates to those who desire a change, the desperation of the men who would perpetuate a reign of corruption, it will intensify the struggle in New York and sweep the State like a whirlwind for Democracy and Reform. Such a sinking-up as the Treasury leeches in Washington have had during the past three days has never been experienced in our political history, because the more than sixty thousand of these fellows feel morally certain that after the 4th of March next the places that know them now will know them no more forever. The aggressive [illegible] which Blaine and his crowd [illegible] prosecute [illegible] [illegible] defensive [illegible] fight and give [illegible] The democratic [illegible] city of New York on Wednesday night last shows that in this tribute to Governor Cleveland there is a determination to overthrow the corrupt satraps that the office-holding [illegible] want to continue in control of the Government at Washington.

In the space of a single afternoon [illegible] of Bladensburg [illegible] twenty minutes [illegible] the capitol. In the [illegible] of dueling, whatever [illegible] [illegible] was the chosen field for [illegible] [illegible] It was here that [illegible] Decatur [illegible] It was here [illegible] a member of Congress from Maine [illegible] of Kentucky [illegible] [illegible]

[illegible]

The spot is a beautiful [illegible] just east of the Bladensburg [illegible] [illegible]

The campaign [illegible] the Republican party [illegible] showing Cleveland's election [illegible] even should he carry New York [illegible] the Southern electoral vote [illegible] 180 votes [illegible] [illegible] states New York with the fifteen votes of Indiana, the nine votes of New Jersey, the six votes of Connecticut [illegible] Wisconsin and Nevada [illegible] And the prospects are most flattering that just this state of things is going to transpire on the 4th of November.

Frank.

Stop and Think!

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Do you think the negro is the equal of the white man? If you do, vote the Radical ticket. If you don't, vote the Democratic ticket.

Are you willing for negroes to intermarry with white people in North Carolina? Are you willing for your children to go to school with negro children? If you are, vote for the Radicals. If you are not, vote the Democratic ticket.

Are you willing to live under negro rule? If you are, be sure to vote the Radical ticket; for Democracy [illegible] North Carolina. But if you are not willing to live under negro government, and think this is a white man's country, [illegible] Radicals get into power. If they do get into power, let white Democrats look out!

Less than two months ago a deputy marshal at the order of a Federal Commissioner, actually went into the very office of the Governor of Texas to arrest him while in the discharge of his duties as Governor, and on what? Because the Governor kept in the penitentiary a negro who had been duly convicted of having married a white wife in violation of the State law of Texas which forbids negroes and white people to intermarry. The deputy did not arrest the Governor only because somebody advised him that he was not the right deputy to do the dirty work, that he was outside of the territory in which he had jurisdiction!

Think of that! A Deputy United States Marshal attempting to arrest the Governor of a State because a negro was put in the penitentiary for marrying a white wife!

About this matter of negro equality the Radical party is on one side and the Democrats are on the other. The Radical Chicago platform expressly declares in favor of legislation to secure all civil rights. What do Radicals mean by this? Let Senator Edmunds' bill, now before the United States Senate, answer! Senator Edmunds is from Vermont and an able lawyer. His bill proposes to take every civil rights case from the State Court and transfer it to the Federal Court and requires the Judge to decide it in defiance of any State laws and Constitution that may be in the way!

If this bill passes, our State law and our State Constitution forbidding mixed schools and mixed marriages will be as worthless as waste paper.

Are you ready for this, white men of North Carolina? If you are, vote for York and the whole Radical ticket, for every man on it stands on the Chicago platform and sustains Blaine. If you are not ready for it, then vote the straight Democratic ticket. Democrats "take no negro in theirs," while every man who joins the Radical party is obliged to be "hail fellow well met" with every negro he sees and treat him as an equal.

What a spectacle that was in Raleigh the other day in the Radical County Convention! The white Radicals and the negro Radicals got to [illegible] and the [illegible] [illegible] and cowards, and [illegible] [illegible] any way the white [illegible] wish? And what [illegible] The white Radicals had to [illegible] the negroes.

And it will always be [illegible] [illegible] white men in any [illegible] same party with them if the white men do not treat them as equals.

Are you ready for this, white men of North Carolina? If not, don't vote for the Radicals, for the Radical party is a negro party, and the only [illegible] [illegible]

An Interesting Letter.

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R[illegible], N. C., Oct. 16, 1884.

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[illegible] scholars, will be compelled to submit, in which case much trouble is likely to arise.

There has been much talk in the North to the effect that Blaine will carry North Carolina at the coming election. It is evident that the politicians who make such statements are either grossly ignorant of the real state of affairs or are extremely reckless in their statements. The Democrats have been in power ever since the withdrawal of the U. S. troops and there appears no good reason to expect that the State will now give its electoral vote to the Republican nominee. H. E. C.

Cleveland Assaulted.

A despatch from Albany, N. Y., dated 20th, says:

As Gov. Cleveland was going from the executive mansion to the capitol, about 9 o'clock this morning, he was assaulted by Simon Boone, of Elmira, N. Y., who struck at him with his right hand. The blow was warded off and the man repeated the attempt several times, without hitting Gov. Cleveland's face. He then darted towards a pile of cobble stones but was intercepted by Dr. George H. Houghton before he could obtain a missile. Boone then returned to attack the Governor, when Dr. Houghton seized and held him and the Governor leisurely resumed his walk. Boone quickly went to his boarding house on Lancaster street, where he was arrested shortly after. Dr. Houghton overtook the Governor and conversed freely with him about the assault. The Governor proceeded to the capitol and went to work, [illegible] the matter [illegible] the office. In the [illegible] court Boone pleaded not guilty and asked for two days to prepare [illegible] to telegraph to Judge Bradley Smith, of the Supreme Court [illegible] The case was put down for Wednesday afternoon. Boone has been seeking a pardon for his brother in the penitentiary [illegible] sentenced to two years at Auburn for [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] Boone [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] to get the pardon.

[illegible] burned to [illegible] [illegible]

The number of persons who have emigrated from Germany this year up to the end of September is 111,[illegible], against 119,[illegible] during the corresponding period of last year.

The [illegible] portion of the town [illegible] was burned last Saturday [illegible] The cause [illegible]

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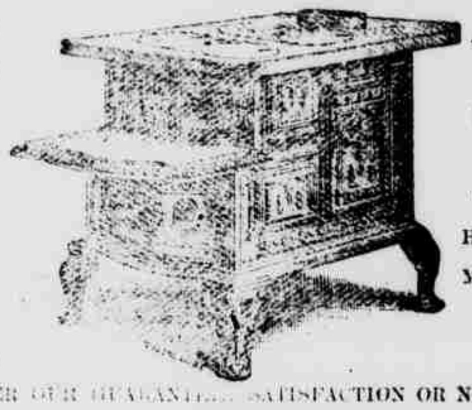

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