

Steadman For Governor.

The following communication to The Raleigh News and Observer was published in that paper on last Friday:

To the Honorable: Should a Confederate soldier ever again be elected to any high office in North Carolina? Or shall they be restricted to "honorable demerits"?

Among the twelve representatives from this State there is not one ex-Confederate soldier, nor is it probable that there will ever again be a Confederate soldier from this State in Congress.

The committee on credentials never did report, at least not to the convention that nominated Blackburn. A majority of this committee was opposed to Blackburn, and his adherents, fearing that the committee would send a "bolt" of a large number of delegates.

There was much bitterness of feeling between the friends and the opponents of Blackburn, and bloodshed was narrowly averted.

Blackburn made a very bitter speech and denounced his opponents in the severest language, and if the half be true that he said of them they are a sweet set of rascals. And if the half be true that was said by his opponents about him and his friends, the latter must be a still sweeter set of rascals.

This disgraceful quarrel among the Republicans of the eighth district should be a timely warning to those discontented Democrats who have been threatening to desert their party. The worst accusation that the Republicans have brought against the Democrats is that the latter have cheated the former at some elections, but that (even if it were true) could not be as bad as Republicans cheating each other, as they have so often done, in their nominations.

The grand jury of Wake county found a true bill, last week, against McBee and Finch for conspiracy in attempting to get possession of the Atlantic and North Carolina railroad. The defendants not being ready for trial the case was continued until July 1904.

In another column is published a letter from ex-President Cleveland emphatically denying the falsehoods about him, which Republican speakers and papers have so persistently circulated. One of these falsehoods is that he invited Fred Douglas to his wedding reception. One Republican paper went so far as to say that its editor had a letter from a Democrat at Washington, saying that this was true.

Washington Letter.

Washington, March 31, 1904.

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Cleveland's Emphatic Denial.

From The Raleigh News and Observer.

Recently Hon. E. Y. Webb, member of Congress from the ninth district, became famous because Grover Cleveland addressed to him the popery letter denouncing the Kansas Congressman's statement that the ex-President had invited the negro Taylor to dine with him at the White House.

After Mr. Webb's letter was widely printed, ex-Congressman Tom Watson came out in an interview charging that Mr. Cleveland dined with Fred Douglas while Governor of New York. This paper suggested that, inasmuch as Mr. Webb had succeeded in bringing out the first amazing denial, he write again to the ex-President and ask him to the truthfulness of Watson's charges.

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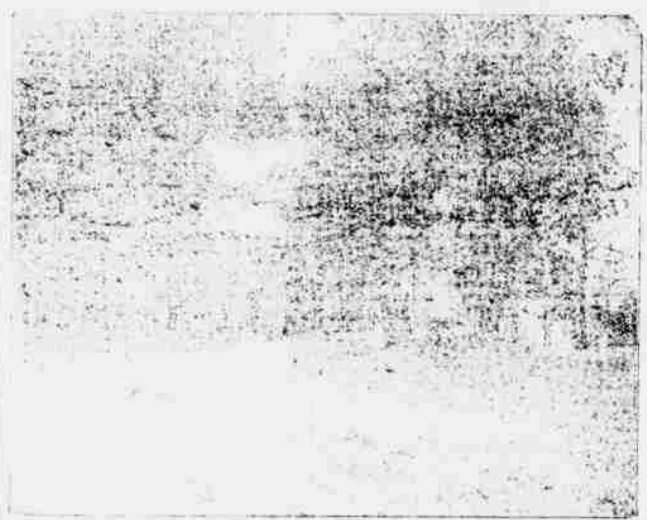
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