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When we think of the result of the election we are constrained to believe that even as it is, its better side...

There is people who voted the fusion ticket for no other than curiosity. It was a new thing, this party had advocated new ideas...

We make no war against our fellow Democrats, but we do say, that has some of them not thought so much of a few cents, and gone and worked for the party in which their forefathers fought for...

Alexander the III the Czar of Russia is no more. He is dead. All that is mortal of this despotic monarch will soon be sulphurized in their fast resting place.

The despot, the King on his throne are subjected to some immutable laws of mortality as the humblest peasant.

The death of the Czar had been expected for some time and all the nations of earth were prepared for the deep sorrow which now overshadows the Russian Empire.

Great Britain mourns with the Russians in this their hour of national sorrow. There is a bond of friendship between Russia and France, and the great heart of the French Republic goes out in sympathy to her neighbor for it has been only a short time since the French President was cut down by the hand of an assassin and France was filled with a feeling of irretorable loss.

All the Empire is in deep sorrow at the death of the Czar. It is remarkable that the Czar was permitted to die a natural death.

The Russians are made up of a low grade of citizenship. The country is full of anarchists, communists and nihilists and the life of the monarch is constantly in danger. They use dynamite, nitro-glycerian and other diabolical agencies of destruction.

Many attempts have been made during the past reign to take the life of the Czar, but without success. The entire Royal family were caught in a fatal railroad disaster and narrowly escaped death.

We hope that there will be a revolution in Russia and that royalty and despotism will be dethroned.

Until monarchies and despotisms are overthrown the deadly work of the nihilist will go on with impunity.

The will of the people must rule. Republican government is the lowest under the sun.

VANCE TO THE FARMERS.

Since his death, the Populists have warmly praised the great Vance. Those who believed in that great statesman (and all good North Carolinians believed in him) ought to heed these words spoken by the great Zerkow in Raleigh:

will fight you, and you become as other political parties; and, moreover, when you do that, as I have already intimated, you deprive yourself of good men, the broad men and liberal men who are your friends in all the other parties, and you will not permit them to serve you or to help you, but as political apostates, and that men do not want to become."

WASHINGTON LETTER.

I will have to let politics alone until after the election. All our folks have gone home and as the Headquarters here each side is claiming the victory with such gusto that I don't know what opinion to form.

However there are some practical points that are of greater importance than anything else to the rank and file of our people. One of these is the growing demand for Southern truck in Northern and foreign markets. It does not pay our people to raise cotton at five cents a pound.

It does pay them to raise strawberries at twenty cents a quart. Diversify crops and put money in your pockets. Another thing keep up with the times. Harness your water power. Learn all about electricity, the coming motive power of the twentieth century whose conspicuous dawn will soon begin to tint the horizon of time.

The education of the public mind has been totally neglected in this great field which is as yet, an unopened book. A few have forged ahead and accomplished marvels, among which stands the harnessing of Niagra by which five thousand horse-power of mechanical energy has been transferred to the city of Buffalo, twenty-eight miles away, over a little copper wire, smaller than a lead pencil.

Study electricity and learn to handle dynamos and motors. Electric cars, electric lights, electric machinery of all sorts will be used in a few years by all progressive people. Competent electricians are everywhere in demand. Although this city is full of office seekers who cannot get the smallest place under the government I have heard of several \$1,800 positions within the past few months which were vacant for want of a man competent to fill them.

Dr. Toner, one of the oldest and most distinguished physicians here tells me that in 1801, when Thomas Jefferson was President, there was a small pox scare here. A Dr. Waterhouse, of Cambridge sent the President some virus requesting him to test the efficacy of vaccination. Jefferson did so, and vaccinated a large number of people with his own hands, watching the process of incision with all the interest of a physician.

This is about the most democratic proceeding I have yet heard of credited to the "Sage of Monticello". In 1833, when Andrew Jackson was President, his coachman, Charles, who had been with him in all his campaigns was taken with confluent small pox, the most malignant type of the disease. There was a panic among the other servants, and "Old Hickory" tried in vain to get some one to nurse Charles. Finally, he gave orders for no visitors to be admitted, changed his clothes, and nursed Charles himself giving him all his medicine and attending to all his wants until he recovered.

Things have changed here since those days. An interesting series of letters by Mr. Isaac Avery, of Morganton Clerk of the Consular Court at Shanghai, will be syndicated from here by the Wm. A. Hungerford Syndicate Company, a new concern, which starts here under the most favorable auspices.

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