

THE HEADLIGHT.

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THE IMPEACHMENT TRIAL.

The great agony is over, at last, and Judges Furches and Douglas stand acquitted of the crimes of which they were charged.

These cases have created great anxiety among the people of the State, with a divided sentiment—some eager for conviction, and others as eager for acquittal.

Were they guilty? Good men say they were, and yet others equally as good, say they were not. Then, the position taken by Senator London, it seems to us, was the proper one, viz: That, as there was no way to prove criminal intent, beyond a reasonable doubt, the judges should have the benefit of that doubt, and this would secure their acquittal. They may have been guilty on every specification, but, who KNOWS the fact. Let us bury the bickerings and animosities engendered by the results of this trial and other features of the great campaign of 1900, and let us have peace.

The vote on the first article of impeachment was as follows:

FOR IMPEACHMENT.

Alexander, Arrington, Bray, Aycock, Braughton, In'rougis, Calvert, Foy, Gudder, James, Justice, Lind say, McNeill, Miller, of Pamlico, Morrison, Morton, Scott Smith, Speight, Thomas, Travis, Vann, Ward, Warren Webb, Wood, Woodard.—27.

AGAINST IMPEACHMENT.

Democrats.
Brown, Currie, Foushee, Glenn, Henderson, Leak, London, Long, McAllister, McIntyre, Stringfield, Sugg.—13.
Republicans.
Buchanan, Candler, Crisp, Duke, Marshall, McIntosh, Michael, Miller, of Caldwell, Pinnix, Robeson, Stikeleather.—11.

CONSERVATISM IN DEMAND.

We noticed a few days ago in a South Carolina paper, nearly two columns of comments upon Senator John L. McLaurin's democracy. These were extracts from a number of S. C. and N. C. journals, and the majority of the papers represented, suggested his resignation, and formal connection with the Republican party. We know Col. John L. McLaurin, and whether he be Democrat or Republican, he is a gentleman, in every sense of the word. If his sentiments are not in accord with the party that elected him, it would be eminently proper that he resign his position. But we ask, what is true democratic doctrine? Is it not a fact that each of the two factions claim to be the exponents of true Jeffersonian democracy? One of these factions represents the gold standard, and the other, the free silver standard and Chicago platform. Cannot these factions differ on minor points, and yet be a unit in defense of the time-honored principles of democracy? If not, why not? Is a good Democrat to be ostracized and called a Republican, because he differs on some non-essential points from some self-constituted, would-be leader of those who are opposed to the gold standard? or vice versa? This doctrine won't do. The time has come, in its fullness, when no man, or set of men, can hang to his or their bonum, the delusive idea that he or they, constitute the Democratic or Republican party. The true patriot is a liberal partisan, who will accord to his fellow citizen of opposite political views, the

same political privileges he reserves to himself. The days of party prosecution for a slight variation in political views have passed away, and woo be to him who raises the party lash over the head of his brother Democrat or Republican, because he does not bow to his dictates, and cries, "Lay on McDuffo, and damned be he, who cries enough."

Mr. McLaurin still claims to be a Democrat, merely differing with the majority on some national questions, and is willing to test the approval of his course by a vote of his constituents. Charity, as Biblically defined, is as necessary in politics as elsewhere. It is high time that extremists in religion, education and politics, be relegated to the rear; and that those who lead in church and State, be selected by the people, from the conservative ranks of each. Let us have peace and freedom of thought and action, everywhere, and in everything; and we will see in everybody, all the good that is in him, and will recognize Johnnie the Republican and Johnnie the Democrat as one; the same clever Johnnie.

WHY NOT SUBSCRIBE NOW.

We feel greatly encouraged at the number of subscriptions we have already received to the Headlight. Not a day passes that we do not receive some. On last Saturday we received 28, and quite a number since. Our list has reached well into the hundreds, sufficiently so, to meet all demands, but we are in the race for 1000, by the first day of June, and present indications are quite assuring. And now, kind reader, if you wish to subscribe, please do so at once, as this issue closes our offer to send out sample copies. If you have not the money by you, or cannot come to town, send us a postal, asking us to place your name on our list, and pay when you can.

Editor Headlight: Please allow me space in the Headlight to express to the people of Rockingham our appreciation of their great kindness to us in our recent sore affliction. From the moment of our arrival among them, Jan. 1st, distressed with the condition of our little boy, and through all the dark and darkening days and weeks that followed until the last sad rites were rendered, it has seemed to us that nothing has been overlooked that the tenderest thoughtfulness could suggest. To mention names would require a long list, and might still be unjust to some. But to the kind ladies, who continually prepared and sent in the delicacies of diet so delightful and stimulating to the appetite of our dear one, some of them serving at his bed-side by day and by night. To the friends whose generosity helped to meet the extra expense,—to the young men who waited through the hours of that Monday night, and braved the storm of that Tuesday morning that they might see us on the car, and to Dr. J. M. Stansill, whose skill and tenderness followed to the last doing all that medical science could avail, we feel a gratitude more than we can tell. We must mention Brother and Sister Shamberger whose sympathies and services know no bounds, and Miss Mattie Johnson for the many sunshiny rides, that in addition to many other things she did, she was so careful to give him every bright day, and that so pleased and delighted him. God has sorely chastised us in the removal of our sweet boy, so gentle, so affectionate, so refined, and it is right, but He has surely placed us among the very best of people to receive it.

"We will not doubt a Father's love, so constant and so kind."
Whatever may transpire, Rockingham must ever have a warm place in our hearts.

W. S. Bone,
Mrs. W. S. Bone.

"The Old Maids" will give an entertainment for the "Old Vets." Listen out, later.

From Our Country Correspondents.

Covington.

Miss Mary Walters, our efficient music teacher has been so sick for several days, as to report "off duty."

Miss Janie Baldwin has been quite sick for several days, but we are glad to say that she is now able to be out again.

John Ledbetter, of Rockingham, made our town a pleasant call Wednesday, and from what he had to say, we hope to get a 'phone line to Rockingham also.

Our 'phone connection with Mt. Gilead is no longer a thing of the future but of the present, and some of the boys are smiling. If you wish to know why ask some of the up-the-line girls,—I don't know.

Fire! Fire! was the cry in Covington Wednesday. It proved to be a house occupied by a colored man. Very little of the contents was saved and the poor negro is left in a strait. He has our sympathy.

Our sick list is quite long at present and from the way the measles is spreading it has a fine chance for growth. We understand that Dr. Brown has it. We will just say if it doesn't get him he may be glad.

So far the school at this place has suffered very little from the measles. From outward appearance we consider our school on the advance order. Several new students have recently entered and we have today just welcomed another new one—from Mt. Gilead.

While Dr. Brown is having measles Farmer John is having more to do than hold a mule, for he has to wait on the sick. Judging from the peculiar head trouble of one of his patients, he begs leave to advise young ladies not to take too much electricity via a 'phone receiver for heart trouble, for it will surely effect the cranium.

Gibson Station.

Miss Lola Gibson is sick.
Dr. McLean is still improving.
A. E. Willoughby was in Hamlet Wednesday.

Miss Lara Gibson spent Sunday in Laurinburg.

Dr. W. T. Pate has had an attack of Rheumatism.

Mr. Jones, of Anson county, is in the Currie house.

Services were held in the Baptist church, March 28 to 31.

Mr. and Mrs. Sweet have returned from South Carolina.

Miss Poyntz, of Baltimore, is again with Mrs. P. R. Mason.

A Baptist parsonage will soon be erected here on the old academy lot.

March 27 and 28, were days of millinery displays with Mrs. P. R. Mason.

Mr. John D. Shaw, Jr., of Laurinburg, was in this community Friday.

N. A. Currie now occupies the house recently vacated by D. G. Wright, on main street.

The display in Spring millinery of Mrs. Z. A. Gibson, who is with N. T. Fletcher & Co., occurred April 1 and 2.

The blue birds, the bees with their humming among the flowers, and the pink and white blossoms of the fruit trees, so fair in color and sweet of odor, unite in announcing Spring.

Laurel Hill.

Laurel Hill is still booming,—another new house on Railroad street.

Spring is here but our "Local Post" has not yet favored us with one of his latest.

The first crop corn planting is almost over and the average is not so bad after all.

Trucking is receiving considerable attention here now. Will report results later.

"The Grippe" raging, and like a sand hill fire, takes everything in sight.

The young ladies, of Snood's Grove church, are making up money to purchase a new church organ for that place. They are getting along nicely.

Notwithstanding the continual driving into the farmer's ears, the fact that he's going to plant too much cotton, he goes right along the same old route, acts just like a man who knows his own business

best. Is he right?

Communion services at Laurel Hill church Sunday before last. Bro. N. A. Furgerson was ably assisted by Rev. A. McGeehy, formerly a Scotland county boy, now of Fulton, Mo. He was greeted with a full house which fully appreciated his masterly sermon.

Our social world had a special treat at the pleasant home T. B. Elmore on Friday night 28th. An auction sale of various and sundry pleasingly disappointing tricks, trinkets, and take-off packets, skillfully and artistically prepared by Misses Zula Elmore, Mary and Katie McLean. The bidding was spirited and the sale complete. The Laurinburg (Juniors) String Band added no little to the pleasures of the evening. "M."

Roberdel.

A. D. McNair moved from Ledbetter to our village last week.

Mrs. Alice Crouch, nee Gordon, of Raleigh, is visiting her father, at Roberdel.

Ted Newton, of Chester, S. C., is visiting his sister, Mrs. Sams, of Roberdel.

Mr. and Mrs. Zack Cooper, of Steele's mill, were visiting their parents here Sunday.

Miss Lizzie Long, of Rockingham, is visiting the family of her uncle, Mr. Hay Cooper, this week.

W. R. Covington is furnishing us with fine beef and shad every Saturday, at reasonable prices.

Miss Mannie Childress and Miss Susie Cole, of Charlotte, are visiting friends and relatives at Roberdel.

We want all the eggs we can get for next Sunday, Easter. Don't make any difference about the size or color.

Was glad to hear that Justices Furches and Douglas were acquitted. We believe it will be best for

the Democratic Party.

We had a pleasant trip to Hamlet Sunday, visiting X-Ray and family. We found him all O.K. with the Headlight in his breast pocket.

Farmers are busy planting corn. Farmers plant part of your cotton land in corn, if you don't you will have to sell your crop for five or six cents per pound. Look out for your own interest.

The Baptist union meeting held here on the 20, 30 and 31, was well attended and much interest and enthusiasm was manifested by all present. It was a meeting of great profit to the Baptist brethren, as well as to the people of other churches who attended.

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