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McLAURIN-TILLMAN EPISODE.

Senators McLaurin and Tillman, of South Carolina, have carried their little squabble of last spring into the United States Senate. It will be remembered that last spring these two Senators, during the heat of a political discussion, offered to resign and go before the people with their differences and let them choose which should serve them in the Senate. The Governor of South Carolina refused to accept their resignations and they have now removed their scene of action to the United States Senate.

Last Monday McLaurin arose to a question of personal privilege and stated that he had been excluded from the Democratic caucus, and proposed to denounce some of the leaders of the Democratic party. He contended that he was a true Democrat. As soon as he concluded his remarks Senator Jones, of Arkansas, arose and flatly contradicted Senator McLaurin in some of his statements.

Senator Tillman, he of the pitchfork fame, then arose and went over the ground of his and McLaurin's course last spring, and as he concluded he again challenged McLaurin to resign. But McLaurin kept his seat and "said never a word."

While Senator McLaurin claims to be a Democrat, he is not at all in accord with his party in some of its important declarations. He favors the infamous ship subsidy plan of the Republican party and other issues to which the Democratic party is diametrically opposed. While he holds such views he cannot expect to be given important committee places or be invited to the councils of the Democratic party. He would be out of place there and his presence would be a hindrance to the furtherance of the principles and issues of the party.

When John L. McLaurin ceased to think as his party does on the great questions at issue and began to work against those measures advocated by the party that put him in office, his self-respect as a man and a Senator should have forced him to resign. As a man he has a right to change his views on any great question—every man has this right—but as a United States Senator chosen by a great party he has no right to advocate the measures of another party in toto and retain the respect of his countrymen. He ought to resign.

He and Tillman both might resign and have their places filled by other men and their State lose nothing by the change. They should not take up the time of the Senate with their own quarrels. Let them resign and go home and fight out their differences before the people.

And here's hoping that they'll do so, and both be dropped from the pay-roll of the United States Senate.

The Democrats of the United States Senate held their first caucus Wednesday and Senator McLaurin wasn't present either. And as he has not been invited to the Republican caucus he is left out in the cold.

THE FUTURE OF THE PARTY.

Hardly had the echoes of the election of 1900 died away before some of the would-be saviors of the Democratic party were talking of reorganization. These men were generally the men who had failed to support the principles of the party as laid down by the National Convention when it wrote the platform. It is true that the party suffered defeat at the polls,—the majority of the voters of the nation voted against our platform and our candidates. That did not mean that the party is dead—far from it. And to-day party hopes are not dimmed by that defeat. The future is before us and the principles of Democracy still live, and will live—they cannot die.

It is too early to write platforms or to name candidates. The events of the past few years have brought with them new issues, issues that must be grappled with and solved. The Democratic party in the past has been big enough to meet the conditions that confronted it. In the future it will do the same despite the "reorganizers" or any set of men who may claim that they are bigger than the party.

Col. F. A. Olds, the Raleigh correspondent of the Charlotte Observer, has interviewed several of the State's leading citizens on the future of the party. Last Sunday he published an interview with Hon. Josephus Daniels, National Committeeman from North Carolina, which we give below. In this interview Mr. Daniels outlined the policy of the party, which, if followed, cannot lead us wrong. Let us be true to the principles of the party, meeting the new issues with a firmness and a boldness that will not down, and "forgetting those things that are behind" band ourselves together and fight the enemy and stop the quarreling among our own ranks.

Here is what Mr. Daniels says:

"The Democratic party must be a party of principles and not an organization of opportunists. A party that is willing to adopt a policy of 'anything to win,' regardless of measures of right and wrong does not deserve to live. The Kansas City platform was right in its declaration of principles. Imperialism is wrong; monopolies are dangerous; protective tariff in all forms are oppressive; the demands of the money power are tyrannical and unjust. We must fight these.

"The conditions of 1896 demanded the silver issue. It is not an issue today because the conditions do not demand it.

"The Democratic party must fight the entrenched hosts in the nation who are enjoying special privilege wherever found. If the Democratic party should fail to do this, 'help and deliverance will come from another quarter,' but the great Democratic party would fail of the mission which brought it into being.

"Democracy asks the question: 'Is it right?' and lives forever, strong and useful in defeat as well as in victory. The Republican party asks only 'will it pay?' and like a score of other like parties that put opportunism above principle, will perish when it loses the prestige of victory. If the Democratic party has been all wrong on the money question, imperialism, protective tariff, and wrong in its pledge to make eternal war on trusts and monopolies and subsidies and every other species of special privilege until they are destroyed—if the Democratic party has been wrong on these things then there is no need of the Democratic party. It ought to disband and join the Republican party at once and stop all the political fuss.

"The Democratic party will deserve to win by being true to its time-honored principles, applying them to the living questions that are to be settled. A victory won by 'addition, division and silence by pledges of protection to trusts and other outlaws of commerce, would be a thousand times worse for the party than defeat. The party has been strong and honest in defeat. It would be despicable and dishonest in a victory won by sacrificing its principles.

"It is three years before it will be necessary to elect the delegates who will write the Democratic platform of 1904. The men who will write that platform will abide

by it. The men who will nominate the candidates will be men who will support them when nominated. The doors of the party are always open—they swing backward and forward—and men may go out and come in as they choose. But when they decide to come back, they will find the party of Jefferson doing business at the old stand, fighting under the old banner: 'Equal rights to all and special privilege to none,' and will be welcomed back home. But if they are not asked to 'call the figgers' at the first dance, they will find that those who serve the party best will be called to leadership.

"Forgetting those things that are behind, the time is at hand for all men who call themselves Democrats to come together and fight to restore to the republic the old-time simple virtues of economy and equality which prevailed until the Republican party used its taxing power for private enrichment and for the payment of campaign debts. Men who agree that hostility to special privilege is the shibboleth for right and victory, will not have any trouble about writing a platform in 1904. Men who wish the Democratic party to advocate ship subsidies, protection, reciprocity as 'the handmaid of protection' and the breaking down of racial barriers will not and ought not to be heard in councils where Democratic platforms are made or where Democratic candidates are nominated."

Miss Anna Catherine Draper, aged 94 years, died at Hastings, New York, Tuesday. She is said to be the first person in the world to have her photograph made. Her brother, John W. Draper, invented a process whereby a daguerreotype could be made by an exposure of six minutes, and photographed his sister.

The movement of the North Carolina Literary and Historical Association to celebrate the landing of Raleigh's colony on Roanoke Island next year has occasioned a good deal of interest throughout the State. For the benefit of our readers who may be interested in the subject, we publish on the first page of this issue an article descriptive of Roanoke Island, which we think will be entertaining reading.

Representative Crumpacker has introduced his bill for reducing the representation in Congress from those States that have eliminated the ignorant negro vote. An informal meeting of Southern Republicans was held in Washington Wednesday night and the matter was discussed. Senator Pritchard, of North Carolina, declared his opposition to the bill. The South need not fear anything from such bills, as they will never become laws.

Andrew Carnegie, the noted Philanthropist, started the country this week by sending a letter to President Roosevelt offering to the United States Government the sum of \$10,000,000 for educational purposes. The money is to be expended in affording facilities for original research in the highest and most difficult branches of learning. The matter is to be laid before Congress and it is not yet known if that body will accept the munificent gift.

In Tuesday's municipal election in Boston, Gen. Patrick A. Collins, Democrat, was elected Mayor over Mayor Hart, Republican, by 19,000 majority. Two years ago Hart was elected with a majority of nearly 3,000. Gen. Collins, the Mayor-elect, was born in Ireland 57 years ago. Since 1868 he has taken an active interest in politics, having served several times in both houses of the Massachusetts Legislature, three terms in Congress, and was Consul-General at Liverpool from 1893 to 1897. He was chairman of the Democratic National Convention in 1888.

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