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### ABOUT POLITICS.

#### Mike Dooganfield Writes his Political Brother Another Letter.

Mr. Michael Dooganfield, Billingsgate, N. C.,

Mr. Dear Brother:—In my other letter I told you I would have something to say of the record of the Democratic and Republican parties in this county. I want you to investigate the records and see if what I have to say is true. I lay down the charge that the Republican party in this county, while in office, was incompetent, reckless and extravagant, and it is my purpose to prove the truth of this assertion.

In 1898 Sheriff Redding was allowed \$1,973.58 as insolvent taxes. In 1899 he was allowed \$1,709.45 for the same purpose. In 1898 the fusion board of commissioners released 1004 polls, and in 1899 nine hundred and one polls were released. \$1.50 of each poll tax goes to the school fund. A simple calculation shows that the schools lost \$2,857.50 in the years 1898 and 1899, because the Republican sheriff failed to do his duty.

The Republican sheriff and treasurer had not settled in the three years previous to the present Democratic administration. The sheriff had in his possession \$6,167.86 county funds which should have been in the hands of the treasurer, but he did not pay it over until forced to do so by a Democratic treasurer and board of county commissioners. While Sheriff Redding was holding back this money the county was in debt and needed every cent of it. County orders were not worth their face value, and reckless ones and extravagance were apparent everywhere. Elwood Free was a deputy under Sheriff Redding. Do you not suppose that the people will be afraid to trust him? Will he ask for big insolvent lists as Sheriff Redding did? Will he hold back the county money as Sheriff Redding did? Sheriff Redding was his instructor, and we have reason to believe he will follow the teachings of his master.

On the big insolvent list of 1898 some names appear twice. In Franklinville Township there are two names on the list: twice in Trinity Township, once and in Tabernacle Township, three. On the insolvent list of 1898 you will find a woman's name charged with \$3.56 tax (Franklinville Township) and released as insolvent. By reference to the minutes of the board of county commissioners May 7, 1900, you will find that Sheriff Redding was refunded taxes to the amount of \$470.90. By examining the accounts allowed at that meeting you will find the above woman's name and the same amount of tax \$3.56. Before you again invite me to join the Republican party please explain how your county commissioners ever managed to refund insolvent tax, that is, tax that had never been collected. When a board of Democratic county commissioners came into power Sheriff Redding was forced to collect the taxes, and to settle with the county Treasurer every thirty days, as the law says the sheriff shall do.

Sheriff Finch collected the taxes more closely than any sheriff has ever done in this county. He has paid over the money promptly to the Treasurer. Why not re-elect him? If Sheriff Finch doesn't beat Elwood Free by a thousand majority this writer will be very much disappointed, for scores of good Republicans who are not blinded by prejudice and led by revenue officers have announced their intention of voting for him.

Your candidates say they are in favor of public education. There is nothing in the record of the Republican party which encourages us to believe it. When they were in power in the state directly after the war they closed the University, almost all the public schools, and took \$158,000 of the school fund to pay themselves as legislators at the rate of \$7.00 a day. During fusion they spent \$443,280.82 more in four years for schools than the previous Democratic administration spent for the same purpose in the same length of time, yet they increased the average school term only one day. In 1903 the Democrats spent \$364,699.37 more for schools than the fusionists spent in 1898, yet the average school term was 2.01 weeks longer. Do you see any encouragement in that for those who have been voting the Republican ticket?

Your party ran the schools of this county 14.14 weeks in 1899 at an average salary of \$93.00 per month. In 1904 under the Democrats the schools have run 17.51 per month. In four years the Democrats have increased the value of public school

property sixty per cent. They have not increased taxation, and the Republican politician who says so tells a falsehood. Some men may be paying more tax than formally, because they have more property; but I am absolutely certain that others are paying less than they used to pay, because they own less property than they used to own, and think you will find some Republican politicians and wise pullers in this latter class. Do you see in this any encouragement to vote the Republican ticket?

I further make the assertion that the Republican party is the party of high taxes. Last year the people of Randolph county were taxed \$46,000 for state, county, roads and schools. The expenses of the national Republican administration amount to \$7.10 for every man woman and child in the United States. There are about 30,000 people in Randolph county. 30,000 times \$7.10 is \$213,000. Randolph's part of the expenses of the national Republican administration. During last four years of Cleveland's administration the total expenses of the national government amounted to \$1,738,699,216.43. Roosevelt's four years has cost \$2,641,724,019.18, or \$822,024,802.75 more than Cleveland's four years. Roosevelt's increase alone amounts to \$18,696,350 per month, or \$233,311 a day, \$25,967 an hour, or \$43 a minute.

When the Democrats came into power directly after the Carpet-Bag-Republican administration they found the rate of taxation for State purposes to be 31 2/3 cents on every \$100 worth of property. This rate has been gradually decreased under Democratic rule to 21 cents. During fusion the rate was raised, but it was done in such a blundering way that the Supreme Court declared it unconstitutional.

Two years ago the Republicans charged that the Democrats would raise the assessment. Of course as property increases in the county the total amount of assessable property increases, and this is called the natural increase. If you will take the highest assessment of the Democrats immediately preceding fusion, the highest assessment during fusion, and the highest assessment of the present Democratic administration, and compare them you will find again that the Republican party is the party of high taxes and high assessments, too. The fusionists increased the assessment more than the Democrats have ever increased it. You can verify this statement by an examination of the abstracts on file in the office of the Register of Deeds, and I challenge any Republican to disprove it. The Republican party is the party of high taxes in the county, in the state, and in the nation.

If I were to think of joining the Republican party, as you invite me to do, I could not for thinking of your presidents record for war, for abusing southern people, for appointing negroes to office and eating with them, I would think of the one thousand negroes our party put in office during fusion, and how J. M. Allen voted to help do it. I would think of your party's opposition to the constitutional amendment and its present affiliation with the State Liquor Dealers Association to fight the Watta Law and bring back the saloons and distilleries. I would think about Sheriff Redding's big insolvent list, the negligence of your county commissioners that put the county in debt, your treasurer's inability to balance his books, and his failure to settle with the sheriff for a period of three years. I would also remember your short schools, and the little attention your party has ever given education.

Very truly,  
PATRICK DOOGANFIELD.

### Back Creek Locals

Miss Mattie Bulla, of Spero, who has been on an extended visit to her sister Mrs G. I. Davis of Liberty returned home last Sunday.

Mr. W. F. Redding and wife of Asheboro visited at Mr. B. F. Bulla's last Saturday night and Sunday.

Mr. F. C. Robbins, of Spero, died of fever last Sunday morning.

Mr. T. F. Bulla visited his parents last Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Millikan who have been sick for some time with typhoid fever are improving.

Mr. Arch Bulla who has been in school at Why Not has returned home.

Miss Mollie Clark, of Sawyersville returned home from Kansas a few days ago.

Messrs Calvin McCain and Will Bulla attended the fair at Greensboro last week.

Miss Martha Redding began her school at Lena's Grove last Monday.

Miss Dora Morris, of Greensboro, is visiting her Aunt, Mrs. R. I. Pocke of Carway.

Wiley Talley's political convictions are based on a desire for office and can be as they have been changed often to suit the shifting times. In one campaign he was a member of three different political conventions and was secretary of two of them. He has felt compelled to improvise his convictions, and it is no wonder he has forgotten his convictions over again.

Married.

Mr. E. E. Jordan, of Liberty, and Miss Mary Ephraim, of Misco, were united in marriage last week. They returned to his home last Thursday. Their many friends wish them a long and happy life.

### Object Lesson in Social Equality at Republican National Convention.



The above shows what actually took place at the Republican convention which nominated Roosevelt and Fairbanks at Chicago. When President Roosevelt was declared the nominee of the Republican party a little negro boy, the son of a negro delegate from Alabama, stepped out upon the platform, escorting a little white girl. Standing there together these two children waved United States flags in honor of Mr. Roosevelt's nomination. A traveling man from North Carolina was there and there are hundreds of men who were present and saw it, and it is useless to deny the truth. This is in line with the President's policy. He dined with the negro Booker Washington, he appointed the negro Crum Collector of the Port at Charleston, he had a negro Harry Smythe Cummings, of Baltimore, to second his nomination; and it is not surprising, therefore, that the little negro boy and the little white girl should have been placed upon a platform side by side as an evidence of Mr. Roosevelt's sentiment respecting social equality. No doubt this was done to catch the negro vote in the doubtful states of the North. If Mr. Roosevelt must have the negro vote in the doubtful states, let Southern men answer the insult by refusing to give him a single white vote in the South.—Smithfield Herald.

### JOINT DISCUSSION AT STAR.

A Correspondent Tells How Mr. Brittain Handled Mr. Talley.

Mr. Editor:—We had a joint political discussion in our town last Monday night, the 17th, by Messrs Mendenhall, Brittain and Talley.

Miss Minnie Stewart and Captain Siler, previous to the speaking entertained the audience with selections of music on the piano forte. Mr. Long, of Biscoe, introduced Mr. Mendenhall and was very careful to tell as something that we all know, viz: that Mr. Mendenhall was not a Railroad Magnate. Mr. Mendenhall commenced his speech of one hour by stating that he was in favor of joint discussions and of discussing the present issues only, and then jumped right straight to Cleveland's second term, and gave us a long tirade on the bond issues, soup kitchen and hard times of that time. He forgot to tell us of the prosperity of Cleveland's first term and that wages were higher then than they have ever been since. His memory was also so short that he actually couldn't remember to tell that the cotton factories in his own town had been shut down most of this year. I guess he did not know any better, but thought Cleveland was still the cause of it. He was either ashamed of his candidate for President or maybe he forgot who he was for. He only mentioned Roosevelt's name one time. He talked for a full hour. He then introduced Mr. John T. Brittain. John made a fine talk as the representative of our old and admired citizen, Mr. W. H. Watkins and next State Senator, judging from the applause given to John after some of his hard lies. Democracy may be considered safe as far as Star is concerned. Mr. Talley was the next speaker and spoke of his opponent, Mr. Watkins as being a high-toned gentleman. I guess some of the Star people had told him they had known Mr. Watkins low these many years. The principle point of his speech was the stealing of votes in Randolph county by the Democrats. If his party (by the by Mr. Editor which is his party) never did steal any votes. Well, Wiley did the best he knew how. We had a large crowd, a great many ladies being present and everybody was well pleased, both speakers and audience.

Mr. J. M. Allen, republican candidate for the House, has taken back his false statement and declared that he had been misinformed.

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### TIGES ASSUMES ANOTHER TITLE.

In Davie County He Declares that He is a Descendant of Kings and Queens.

According to his own testimony Tigie Men-enhall republican candidate for Congress in this district is a direct descendant of Kings and Queens of England. We have known him all his life as "Tige." We did not, however, know that the modest, unassuming and scholarly Mr. Robert N. Page, was opposed by one in whose veins flowed the blood of royalty.

Mr. L. D. Mendenhall, of Randleman, the fourth candidate of the Republican party in the 7th district spoke in the court house here last week. He is a great blower and like all of his kind makes many misstatements. For instance, he said "that no man who had faced bullets had ever been defeated for the Presidency." We all remember without reference to history, that General McClelland, Hancock and Benj. Harrison were defeated. Well he boasted of his blue blood, stating that he had the royal blood of England in his veins. However, he failed to state whether he was a descendant from the Stewarts, the Plantagenets or Guelphs. We would like for him to inform us on this in his next delivery.

Such rot as this makes any decent man sick. In free America a man is not measured by what his grandfather did, but by his own accomplishments. Every tub stands on its own bottom. "Honor and fame from no condition rise, set well your part, therein all the honor lies." We suppose if he should happen to be elected (which, thank God, there is not the remotest chance of) he would hunt up his title. Well, so long the Duke of Randleman will never set the world on fire—Davie Times.

### MONTGOMERY NEWS.

Miss Maie Wade left Tuesday to attend the Fair at Raleigh.

Messrs Manly Luck, of Biscoe, and G. N. Swoboro, of Star, left last Saturday for St. Louis.

W. J. Thompson has bought out B. L. Henderson's stock of goods in the store near the depot. Mr. Thompson will continue the business at the same stand.

Mr. Eugene Bostick, of Oval, who has been sick of fever fever for some time, died Tuesday night. Mr. Bostick leaves a wife and three children to whom we extend our sympathy in the hour of their bereavement.

Saturday the local freight car on the afternoon train caught on fire and before any thing could be done toward extinguishing the flames, the car was raging. The car was cut loose and allowed to burn down near the river bridge. The passengers were brought on to Troy on the engine.

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### AN INQUIRY ANSWERED.

#### Thirteen Reasons Gives Why You Should Vote the Democratic Ticket.

The Republicans are distributing throughout this county (and probably all over the State) a circular giving thirteen reasons, "Why you should not vote the Democratic ticket," which we will answer seriatim, as follows:

1. "It is the party of aristocrats and bon tons."
2. "It creates offices for the Democratic politicians."
3. "It has burdened the farmer by raising taxes and increasing the value of his lands. (Proof—compare your tax receipts of 1903 with those of previous years.)"
4. "It has taxed the merchants of the State until they can hardly remain in business."
5. "It increased the number of Superior Court Judges and Solicitors from twelve to sixteen, when twelve could easily have done the work."
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This is not true, but it is the white man's party, and a large majority of the men not only in North Carolina but in the United States are Democrats. More white wage-earners and laborers are Democrats than are Republicans.

This is not true, but it is true that the Fusion Legislatures of 1895 and 1897 created more offices than any Democratic Legislature has ever done since them. And not only did these Fusion Legislatures create so many offices, but they filled many of them with negroes!

This is not true. The rate of taxation for State purposes is less now than it was under Fusion rule, and the rate in this county (including the road tax) is less now than it was the last year of Fusion rule. If there is a farmer in Randolph whose land is valued higher than he would take for it, name him! Now, "put up or shut up!"

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### free silver in 1896 and 1900, and leaped back to that "gold-telegram" plank and that is "irrevocably established" in 1904.

But that does not begin to compare with the jump made by those who left the Democratic party because Cleveland was "a gold bug" and are now hurrahing for Roosevelt and the gold standard!

13. "It has forever turned its back on the old Confederate soldier. Proof—(a) His pension has been reduced; (b) Julian S. Carr and Cy Watson, both generous and patriotic Confederate soldiers, were defeated for the United States Senate by machine leaders who never smelt powder; (c) Charles M. Steiman and Theodore F. Davidson, two old Confederate soldiers, were defeated by the professional politicians for the nomination for Governor."

The idea of Republicans pretending to pose as the friends of the Confederate soldiers! Did you ever know such "cheek?"

The first legislation enacted in this State to pay pensions to our Confederate soldiers was passed by Democrats over the votes of Republicans opposing it. Not only that but the Democratic Legislature of 1901 passed the bill written by this writer increasing the amount appropriated by the Fusion Legislature!

Republicans cannot complain that the Democrats did not nominate an ex-Confederate for Governor, when they have nominated as their candidate a Connecticut Yankee!

Nor can they complain of the Democrats not electing an ex-Confederate to the Senate, when they never did elect one themselves. The first United States Senator they ever elected in this State was Yankee General (Abbot) and the last was Pritchard, who advocated the pensioning of Confederate deserters!—Chatham Record.

### SHYLOCK

Shylock was the man who wanted a pound of human flesh. There are many Shylocks now, the convalescent, the consumptive, the sickly child, the pale young woman, all want human flesh and they can get it—take Scott's Emulsion.

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