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Stand up for Principles.

A party backed by a majority of the popular vote, although retarded in its purposes this time by the electoral college, has every encouragement to stand up for the right and contend for the principles which will eventually triumph. The Democrats have every reason to continue the fight, so ably begun, against monopolies and high tariff. The next four years must be spent in enlightening the people as to the benefits of reform.

As a gentleman remarked to the Charlottesville (Va.) Chronicle, the efforts to boom business in certain quarters since Harrison's election, as evidenced by the advance of wages in certain iron mills in the North, is one of the weakest subterfuges of the republicans to show that Harrison's election means a return to business prosperity. When it is remembered that very many of the "protected" industries in the country cut wages, and some shut down just previous to the election, and that the wages paid to artisans and laborers was a sum which gave them a bare existence, it is easily seen that this proconcerted action in advancing wages was a part of a political movement, which party on the earth at the present day or in any age of the world, except the republican party of the United States, would have had the face or the hardihood to attempt. What did it matter to the stockholders of the great corporations, that to accomplish a political end; to perpetuate a party of plunder in power; to protect the iniquitous combinations against the people—that some thousands of laborers and their families should be reduced to penury? And how magnanimous must their act in "advancing wages" seem to starving wretches who are dependent upon the whims of these prominent factors of the republican party. It only proves the oft repeated assertion of a gentleman that the republican party may, in its personality, be an angel in heaven or a devil in hell, to accomplish its purposes. The last thing in their thoughts is the good of the country, and patriotism has no place in their catalogue of virtues. The most absurd thing (is absurd to themselves as it is to the honest millions who have been systematically robbed for so many years) is the cry of "fraud," set up by such creatures as Mahone—a man who has not an honest or a generous impulse in his nature. And he is only one of the lesser rights of this great party—a mere reflection of the greater orbs, Blaine, Sherman & Co. These being facts, what is left for the Democratic party to do? Surely, not to join hand-in-hand with these perverters of honest government. The only hope of the nation is through the democratic party. The principles of the democratic party are as eternal as truth itself, and they will never die. Because, in the endeavor to render justice to all men, the democrats will not turn aside from truth and right even to retain control of the government, and are easily undermined and overthrown by its more designing enemy, is nothing against its character as the true party of the people and the exponent of all that is fair, and honest, and just in government. Thus it behooves the members of that party to rally again and again to the support of its principles, and there will come a time when they MUST prevail.

—An exchange says there are things a level-headed human being should never do. Among these is to walk on the railroad track, to attempt to get on a moving train, to point a gun or pistol at another, to put his name on another man's note, to keep his savings in an old stocking under his bed, to play a game of chance with a prepossessing stranger, to run for office when he has a paying situation in private life, or call a bigger man than himself a liar.

Mr. Cleveland.

Henry Clay said, "I would rather be right than President." We doubt not he meant it, and it immortalized him. It has been flying at the head of papers from that day to this, and people have treasured in their inmost hearts this noble expression of the gallant "Harry of the West," as he was lovingly called and is lovingly remembered. But there is a vast difference between saying and doing the right; and Cleveland stands forth as a man who did the right when President, and thereby lost another term. When his cabinet assembled for the consideration of the pauper pension bill, to a man they advised him that a veto would be right but very inexpedient. His reply was "All I wish to know is what is right." He vetoed it, and a howl followed. Again, his message upon the tariff was right, but admitted inexpedient. Yet he says he "would do it again." Take him all-in-all we have never had a truer, noble, more honest, or more able President, and he has set a standard that his successor must seek to measure up to or suffer the consequences. But all that is past. We may expect sectionalism, and there is one paramount duty for all North Carolinians. Look to our State and let us notify our leaders, that, as in the days of the Roman Republic, "They shall see that no harm befalls our old Mother."

—The South has been attacked by writers of every grade, but by none more unworthy and despicable than Geo. W. Cable of Southern birth and an alleged Confederate. Every low order politician, such as Forker and Foster, born North, and Mahone and Wise and such ilk living South, have villified us; but fiendish hate is illustrated by Ella Wheeler Wilcox. When she speaks of the yellow fever at Jacksonville, she invokes the muses to point and venom to the shaft she hurls at a suffering people in whose behalf the sympathies of many noble men of the North as well as the South were enlisted. If such poems and sentiments were to appear in the South in regard to our Northern friends, they would send up a howl and declare that we were in a state of rebellion and would want to call out the troops to suppress us.

—Above all things boys, cultivate the virtue of truth. It is the only thing that will wash. If you don't stick to this plain and simple old accomplishment you are bound, some time or other, to get into trouble of being "found out." And after you are "found out" a few times, you will find that nobody will believe anything you say. And then you will not think nearly so highly of yourself as you would like to do, and the estimate of the world upon you will be but low. For nobody respects a liar. He may be liked a little. He may make himself agreeable to a degree at times, but no one will take any real, sound account of him. In short, he will soon fall into the station of a nobody—a something that scarcely anybody likes to be. And then above all, the Lord that sits in the Heavens will know him for just what he is.

—The Independent Chicago News hears that Editor Shepard is "hustling for the Italian Mission." Make it envy to the North Pole and no dissenting voice will be raised. If Harrison were to get off on Foreign Missions Forker, Ingalls, Sherman, Blaine and one or two others, wouldn't we have a peaceable country? It would be hard on the missions they filled, though.

—Murat Halstead, who revels in blood whenever a colored man stubs his toe in Mississippi or Georgia, hasn't got around to the subject of the Ohio White Caps yet. In considering these things south, Halstead always uses a very great spy-glass, but he looks through the big end of it at home affairs. There's a great deal of difference you'll discover.

—A Watermelon trust is the latest. It has been formed in Columbia, S. C., and will control the whole melon-growing section of the State. Selling agencies will be established in New York, Philadelphia, Baltimore, Boston and Chicago.

A Preacher Assaulted.

It is about a month ago that an attack was made upon the Rev. W. L. Grissom, of Concord, at one of his churches in Cabarrus county. The unwarranted affair grew out of unfortunate charges against the conduct of Mr. Grissom, of which, however, he was honorably acquitted by the Church after a full and impartial investigation. The attack referred to, occurred near Concord just after services, when Mr. Grissom was knocked down without warning.

On Christmas night about 8 o'clock, in company with a friend, Mr. Grissom was walking on Union street in Concord, when opposite the residence of Mrs. G. W. Means, he was overtly and violently assaulted from behind, by a strong man, and dealt a heavy blow upon the upper arm, with some heavy piece, perhaps a pail, which so confused and shocked him, that the dastardly coward escaped in the darkness without pursuit.

Mr. Grissom is still suffering from the effects of the former attack. The intent of the assailant was evidently to effect serious bodily harm if not death, to his victim.

Though unknown, the assailant is covered with the supreme contempt of the community, on account of both the fact and the manner of his attack.

The Lynchburg & Durham.

Mr. J. P. Easley, representing a wealthy Philadelphia syndicate, accompanied by Mr. A. W. Nowland and Maj. Goodwin, of the Lynchburg & Durham railroad made a tour of inspection over the road last week. Inspecting the work and the route. If Mr. Easley's report to his syndicate is satisfactory they will invest in \$1,200,000 of the bonds, which will insure the early building of the road. We are not able at this time to say what his impression was. From a private letter to our townsman Mr. J. A. Long from Maj. Peter J. Otey, President of the road, we learn that 44 miles of the road has been graded and that about 13 miles of this has been finished, that trains are now running over it daily. An express car was put on last week. Major Otey also states that work is progressing satisfactorily. This will be good news to many of our readers.

Failure in Oxford and Henderson.
 The Harrison-Bridgers Dry goods Co. of Oxford and Henderson have made an assignment to Mr. A. C. Zollicoffer. The Henderson Gold Leaf says: "The firm made an assignment for the benefit of their creditors late Saturday night, the liabilities being put down at about \$10,000. The assets will inventory about \$1,500 it is thought after taking out four homesteads from the stock on hand. The first preferred creditor is a daughter of Capt. Harrison, senior member of the firm, for \$1,500. The clerks are preferred for amount due them, as are a few others at home. No Northern creditors are named in the list of those preferred."

A Strange Phenomenon in Dakota.
 CHICAGO, Dec. 28.—A dispatch from Chamberlain, Dakota, says: There is now no doubt that the great phenomenon in Charles Mix county is not caused by burning coal alone. There is a great volume of steam constantly issuing from the crevice, accompanied by a strong sulphur odor and light colored smoke. The earth for many feet about is warm. It is also phosphorescent and can be seen at night for many miles. At frequent intervals a deep rumbling sound is heard for a long distance. The phenomenon is situated on the portion of the Randall military reservation which was lately thrown open to settlement.

Returned From Brazil.
 Goldboro Argus.
 The many friends here of Mrs. Geo. W. Butler, nee Miss Rena Humphrey, will learn with real pleasure that she arrived in the city yesterday, accompanied by Dr. Butler and their two children, from their far away home in Brazil. They were passengers on the steamer with Minister and Mrs. T. J. Jarvis, whom they left in Washington City. They will spend the Christmas holidays with Mrs. Butler's mother, Mrs. M. O. Humphrey, in this city, and probably remain some weeks longer. Their hosts of friends here will indeed be glad to have them in their midst again.

A Request From Bishop Lyman.
 Raleigh Chronicle.
 Rev. Jos. Blount Cheshire, Jr., of Charlotte, writes the editor of the Chronicle as follows:
 "Bishop Lyman has taken his passage in a steamer which sails January 2d. In a recent letter he asked us to have the announcement made in the Raleigh papers, about this time, in order that it might be known throughout the Diocese, and he asks the prayers of his people in their several churches for his safe voyage, on the last Sunday in December and the first Sunday in January."

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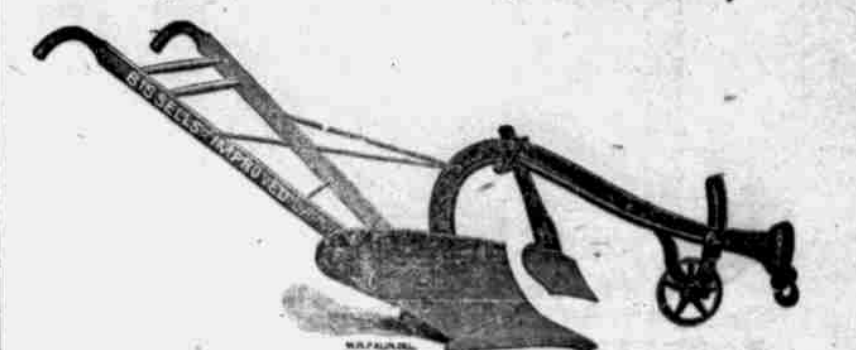
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