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NOTWITHSTANDING the fact that the democratic party was pronounced dead after the last election, there was an Indianapolis, Ind., preacher who was mean enough to climb into his pulpit last Sunday and jump on the corpse. Some men never learn how to behave themselves at a funeral.—Wilmington Star.

AMONG his claims for re-election and as proof that he hasn't snapped much in Washington Senator Peffer informs his constituents that he has presented 306 petitions, introduced 202 bills and joint resolutions, submitted 87 reports, offered 62 concurrent motions and resolutions, proposed 94 amendments and clinched all this with 437 speeches. The Wilmington Star copies the above statistics and then makes the following pertinent remark: "A man who makes that many speeches ought to be left at home until he breaks himself of the habit."

AGAINST STATE AID.

Saturday the North Carolina Conference of the Methodist church, in session at Kinston, passed the resolutions of Dr. Kilgo against higher education, about which there has been so much said in and outside the press, here of late.

It will be remembered that an effort was made to get the Western Conference, in session at Salisbury sometime ago, to pass these same resolutions, but the conference thought they had about as much to attend to in their own educational work as they could manage, without trying to direct the state in what it should, and should not do, and therefore turned the resolutions down.

There are numbers of our readers who have never read the resolutions referred to and for their benefit we publish below the resolutions in full. These resolutions were signed by Drs. J. C. Kilgo, E. A. Yates and Rev. J. N. Cole, and are as follows:

"1st, That we commit ourselves uncompromisingly to Christian education and insist that our people in their homes teach their children the doctrines of Christ and patronize those common schools whose influences will not be harmful and patronize those colleges that have given positive instruction in the truths of the Bible.

"2nd, That we regard the free public schools as a necessity to the state and we declare ourselves fully in sympathy with them. These schools are for fit people and should be made efficient. That within the constitutional limits of taxation we recommend an increased appropriation for common schools. That while we do not think it the function of the states to teach religion in its colleges, and while we recognize the fact that there are many citizens who do not wish to patronize church colleges, and while we have no disposition to exterminate or do injury to state colleges, yet as citizens of North Carolina, as well as members of the Methodist Episcopal church, south, we do not believe that it is just to the church to tax its members to carry on an educational work to the injury of the church colleges or to put the state colleges in unfair competition with the church colleges.

"3rd, We believe that it is out of harmony with the principles of our government, and morally wrong for the State to undertake to furnish free higher education to the few at the expense of the many, and therefore that all free tuitions in the State University, in so far as they are based upon the appropriation of public money, should be discontinued. That we request the Legislature to discontinue the appropriation of public money for free scholarships and tuitions at the University.

"4th, Knowing that the income from the tuitions is not sufficient to meet the current expenses of a college or university, we are not opposed to the appropriations to the University, but we think these appropriations should be limited to such amounts as are necessary to meet the deficiency in current expenses after tuitions have been collected from all students, except those to whom private scholarships have been given.

"5th, That as the aim of the state in the establishment of the Normal and Industrial College at Greensboro, N. C., and the Agricultural and Mechanical College at Raleigh, N. C., was to provide technical and not higher literary education, we declare ourselves in sympathy with them as long as they adhere to their original purpose, but we are opposed to any policy that will in any way divert them from this aim."

THE SECULAR PRESS.

In its account Sunday of the proceedings of the Methodist conference at Kinston and in speaking of the action taken in regard to the resolutions on higher education, the Raleigh News and Observer says:

"Yesterday in Dr. Kilgo's speech he referred sarcastically to the secular press and certain politicians in the state who do not look with favor upon the movement against state aid."

Dr. Kilgo is the last man on earth who should speak "sarcastically" of the secular press and it is hard to believe that he intended to speak in a "sarcastic" manner. The press of the state has always done everything possible to aid him in the great work he came here to do. It was the "secular press" of the state that stood with outstretched arms to welcome him as a North Carolinian; it was the "secular press" that folded him to her bosom when he arrived here and nothing was too good for him. Now it is hard to believe that he has turned "sarcastically" upon his best friends simply because they do not agree with him in regard to the question of state aid to higher education. Everybody has a perfect right to believe what they please—we grant Dr. Kilgo that privilege—and surely he does not condemn the press because it does not look at this great question in the same manner he does.

ABOUT TIME TO ACT.

Doubt still exists whether Antonio Maceo met his death in open battle or through treachery, but with that doubt filling the air the Spanish Premier Canovas gives public expression to the savage hope that the Spanish soldiers will soon "finish with the rest of the Cuban ringleaders as it appears they have done with Maceo." Says the New York Journal.

Meanwhile the United States Senate splutters with resolutions most of which are commendable, the faulty ones as a rule erring on the side of over-conservatism. Mr. Call's resolutions expressed unquestionably the popular sentiment, though it may be doubted whether the investigation it demands is practicable. It declares in substance that the recent killing of Antonio Maceo, a renowned general in the service of the Republic of Cuba (if true), while under a flag of truce, and with an assurance of safety from the Spanish Captain-General, was a violation of the rules of civilized warfare, an act of base treachery, a murder cowardly and disgraceful, which demands the execration of every Government and of all the peoples of the world, whether civilized or savage; that the Government which authorized, permitted, or failed to punish the assassins was an outcast from the family of nations and from the pale of civilization and public law, and directed the Committee on Foreign Relations to inquire into the facts and report at an early day. There is no particular reason

to disbelieve the charge of treachery against the Spanish troops. A general who, like Weyler, habitually massacres prisoners of war and helplessly wounded men in hospitals is not likely to be squeamish about the rights and immunities of an enemy under a flag of truce. The annals of Spain are not so destitute of cases of treachery and assassination that this most heinous case is in any degree unbelievable.

Therefore it is high time for the Senators to stop offering resolutions and adopt a few.

A MAN in Georgia sold his wife for 25 cents. This is another case which proves that man will do almost anything to get a little money for his family and Christmas.

RECENTLY thirteen letters written by George Washington were sold in London for \$23,500. This causes the Richmond Times to suggest that simply as a matter of curiosity Tom Watson might be induced to put some of his letters on the market.

MISS ANNIE PIGEON, a young lady of Cairo, Ill., has entered suit against a farmer for \$30,000 for breach of promise to marry. An exchange says the lady evidently belongs to some fancy variety of pigeons—a pouter, perhaps.

A COUNTY treasurer in New York, who was elected at the last election on the reform ticket, has skipped with the entire contents of his vaults. It seems that the "reform" constituted leaving nothing behind, as heretofore only part of the money was taken by skipping treasurers.

REV. JONES AND TRUSTS.

Rev. Sam Jones, the great evangelist who delights in calling people "fools," "hounds," "yaller dogs" and other things even worse than those mentioned, from the pulpit but who has always claimed that he was in the soul-saving business and on the side of humanity, has now come out and declared himself in favor of trusts, monopolies and combines.

Recently he said that "this cry about monopolies and trusts is popular, but silly; that the Standard Oil Company, the Pullman Car Company and the Sugar Trust gives to the world the cheapest oil, the greatest comfort to the weary traveller, and the cheapest sugar the world ever saw."

To use the own words of Rev. Jones his statement "is popular, (with the trusts and combines) but silly," (to the great mass of laboring, toiling, suffering, oppressed humanity).

Of course the Pullman Car Company is a "great comfort to the weary traveller," but at whose expense? Has the Rev. Jones ever stopped to look any farther back than the plush seats in which he reclines so easily?

We dare say he has not, for if he has his statement has falsehood written across its face in the very beginning.

It is a "great comfort" to such men as Rev. Jones, who go around over the country and shoot off their lip and get thousands of dollars a week for so doing and then buy their ticket for a trip in one of those "great comfort" cars, but turn from the pleasant scene for one moment and look at the poor laborer who build those cars.

See him as he struggles day after day for hardly enough to live on. Look back, Mr. Jones, to the summer and fall of 1893 when the Pullman Car workmen were shot down like so many dogs because the oppression of the millionaire builders of those "great comfort cars" had become so great that they could not feed their wives and children on the salary they were getting and decided to go on a strike for more wages. Look at that "pleasant" scene and blush for the reproach you bring on the name of the Master who you pretend to represent.

Doubtless Mr. Jones sat back in one of those "great comfort"

cars and read the blood curdling accounts of how innocent men were shot down for protesting for their rights; of how mothers were left with a large family of children without any means of support and of how orphans were made by the score, with a smile playing across his lips.

We cannot think of anything more disgusting, more revolting than the statement of Mr. Jones. He, a minister of the gospel, who should be doing everything in his power to bless the human race, quietly sits back, surrounded by ease and comfort, and says that such concerns as above mentioned are a blessing to humanity.

We are sorry for him. The statement should sink him so deep in oblivion that his words would never again have any force in the conduct of secular or religious affairs.

KNIGHTS OF PYTHIAS.

In the superior court in Milwaukee last Friday Judge Austin rendered a decision that will be of interest to Knights of Pythias all over this country. The decision was rendered in favor of the plaintiff in the case of Bertha Ruggaber vs. the Supreme Lodge Knights of Pythias of the World.

This case was made the test in the settlement of nearly one hundred similar cases pending in all parts of the United States from Maine to Mexico, and the amount involved is estimated to be more than \$100,000, divided in sums of from \$100 to \$500 each. In the present case the suit was brought to recover \$1,000 insurance upon the life of Mrs. Ruggaber's husband, who committed suicide in November, 1893, while insane.

Payment of the claim was resisted on the ground that by the terms of a by-law adopted by the board of control of the Endowment Rank of the Knights it was provided that "if a member commits suicide, whether he be sane or insane or the act be voluntary or involuntary, he shall forfeit all rights under the certificate of membership."

From the above decision it seems that insurance companies must pay claims when the insured commits suicide while insane. The decision is something unheard of heretofore and will no doubt be tested in the highest courts.

GROVER CLEVELAND has gone duck hunting again. Ex-Queen Lil, the dizzy, dusky, damsel and exponent of falling fame and fortune in Hawaiian court circles, who is in the United States and on her way to Washington, will no doubt feel better when she rings the doorbell of the White House and learns the true state of affairs. It is another case of fallen statesmanship and Queen Lil will feel that she is not alone in this wide, wide world after all.

THE Charlotte Observer says that if it is true that Mark Hanna is to employ \$200,000 upon the legislature or North Carolina to secure the re-election of Senator Pritchard, it is a fact to be deplored. He will put the price unnecessarily high. There are other people besides Mr. Hanna who will want something out of that legislature and they will not take it kindly of him if he goes to balling the market.

Burned the Spanish Flag.

LEXINGTON, Ky., Dec. 15.—At a big mass meeting, called by Mayor Simrall, to take action in reference to the Cuban revolution, the court-house was crowded tonight. Resolutions were passed that Cuba must be free, that the United States should help Cuba to freedom by peaceful measures, if she could, by forcible measures, if she must. Col. Tom Davidson, after the meeting, burned the Spanish flag amid hurrahs, and Capt. Langmire, of company E, State Guard, said he had forty men ready to start for Cuba on twenty-four hours notice, under command of Col. Davidson.

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