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HONOR.

It was an indispensable condition of the Confederate surrender that the conquering power should regulate and dispose of the political condition of the conquered. Gen. Lee did not make, probably did not attempt to make, any stipulations touching the political status of the South and her people. General Johnston did make such as attempt, but his conditions were promptly and peremptorily set aside at Washington, and he surrendered, as did General Lee, with the implied understanding that the whole question of what disposition was to be made of the Southern States, what position they were to occupy in relation to the Government, what privileges, franchises, &c., were to be accorded to their citizens, was to be determined by the conqueror.—Richard Webb.

The *Whig*, since the war, has been an active friend of reconstruction. On this account, we think it is entitled to credit, though we depurate the zeal with which it has unceasingly urged amalgamation with Radicalism, in order to co-operate. Its ill success in this regard ought to make it more wary in making concessions to Radicals, which are so ready to use to break its own heart. We, therefore, take issue with its assumption, which has no other foundation than the ultra claims of a party in the government, that "it was an indispensable condition of the Confederate surrender that the conquering power should regulate and dispose of the political condition of the conquered." Facts do not bear out this assumption.

By whatever name or scheme the Confederates essayed to shake off the control or government of the United States, it was nothing more or less, in strict truth, as well as law, than a revolution. The people of the South had no other than a revolution, which is conceded by all writers, to attempt to throw off a government which they deemed inimical to their peace and prosperity. Nor was this spirit of revolution evoked by any hostility to the form of government or Constitution itself, but to the purpose, as they believed, of the Northern majority, to change and modify that government in its practical administration, so as to make it bear unequally upon the South, a source of constant irritation, and finally, an instrument of grievous oppression. Such is the true history of the revolution in a nutshell—the true feeling and design of the Southern masses; and no history, which may be written, is true, which does not clearly embody this idea. Subsequent history establishes the correctness of Southern opinion upon this subject.

The plain duty of the United States government was to put down this revolution, if necessary, by force of arms. During the whole war, neither President Lincoln nor the Congress ever claimed any higher right, duty or obligation, on the part of the government, than the right to quell the "rebellion" and to extend and maintain, in full force and vigor, the United States Constitution and the laws over the Southern States, where they had been simply suspended by the revolution. There was distinctly disavowed, both by proclamations of the President and by the laws passed by Congress, all right or intention to carry on the war for purposes of conquest or subjugation. They claimed that all laws or enactments of the Southern States, or of the Confederacy, were null and void, which interfered with the operation of the United States Constitution and laws, and that the purpose of the government was to employ all its powers, to the last extremity, to break down the revolution, to remove its shams and to establish the supremacy of the Constitution. We held that to this extent President Lincoln and the Congress were right, and did no more than their simple duty in carrying on the war for that purpose and no other. They contended, even down to the close of the war, that the States had not destroyed their organic functions, that they were still States and in the Union—the acts of secession passed by the States being totally null and void, as they had been from the day of their passage. We hold that this was correct doctrine and certainly consistent with the Constitution.

The same doctrines were asserted by President Lincoln and Mr. Seward to the Southern Commissioners at Fort Monroe. Mr. Lincoln plainly told those gentlemen that he "would not treat with rebels." "What then?" said one of the Commissioners. "Why," said Mr. Lincoln, "first lay down your arms, and then we will talk about terms." "Then what about reconstruction?" said another of the Commissioners. Mr. Seward interposed, saying, "The slaves will then be free." The Constitution and laws of the U. S. will at once go into force, and all obstructions being removed, the machinery of government will be set in motion at once." To which Mr. Lincoln assented, and referred to the exercise of clemency to the guilty parties, I shall be liberal." The idea of clemency or mitigation, submitting to the conqueror, was not mooted. Such an idea is an ill-conceived, hatched some time after the final battle.

When Gen. Lee surrendered, the foreign views of Congress and of the President were understood in the South. His army and Gen. Johnston's army, and the Southern people, all surrendered, with the distinct idea that the revolution, or "rebellion," or whatever else you call it, is a failure—the government has subdued us, conquered us, as two separated people, not as foreign subjects, but as revolutionaries or rebels, and we submit to the Government to be dealt with as such, not to the Northern

people or to a Northern party, or with the right to do with us as they please, but subjected to the Government, to be dealt with agreeably to the Constitution and the laws, and with clemency and mercy. Such were the views entertained by Gen. Lee and Gen. Johnston, the army and the entire people of the South. And such were the views of Mr. Lincoln, Mr. Seward, the Congress, Gen. Grant and Gen. Sherman. Gen. Lee's surrender for himself and army on parole, simply regarded their personal safety during their continued obedience to the laws of the United States.

Gen. Sherman, looking to a final settlement and surrender of the whole army and the entire concluding of the "rebellion" as a sufficient Statesman and General, keeping ready in view the constitutional views and the reported positions of Mr. Lincoln and the Congress, provided for the earliest rehabilitation of the States on the only clear constitutional basis possible, at the same time that he fixed the terms of surrender for the army. Unfortunately for the South and for the peace of the country, this was not done at the time the North was exasperated with passion, at the untimely and wicked, diabolical murder of President Lincoln, and before President Johnson and his Cabinet could sufficiently ponder the important questions involved. President Johnson rejected the Sherman-Johnston scheme of rehabilitation of the States. But one man of any public notoriety in this State at that time favored President Johnson's policy. He stated, however, and the statement was corroborated by the testimony of President Swain, in an interesting sketch of his connection and experience with the University, that the institution had seen days equally as dark as the present, from which, by means of earnest, practical effort, it had emerged. We hope that the action of the Trustees, at their late meeting, has been initiatory to such measures as promise as auspicious results in the immediate future.

The resignations of all the members of the Faculty, that are now on duty at Chapel Hill, were tendered—these gentlemen desiring to relieve the Board from all embarrassment and delicacy in its deliberations. A series of resolutions were adopted, providing for the appointment of a Committee of five Trustees to revise the entire system of instruction, and report such changes as may be deemed necessary, having an eye to the substitution of the University or elective plan; which Committee is to report at the annual meeting of the Board in December. Also, accepting the resignations of the President and the members of the Faculty, with a view to untrammeled selections hereafter, such resignations to take effect from and after said annual meeting; and expressing a high sense of their former services and usefulness.—Also, providing that proposals for filling the Professorships, &c., shall be invited until that time. And, finally, directing that active appeals shall at once be made to the alumni and friends of the University, in and out of the State, to come to its assistance.

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INHUMANITY. We hope that the unfortunate case made public by the order of Gen. Sickles, applying the sentence of the Military Court at Plymouth, which we publish to-day, will have a salutary influence both upon our white and colored population. The fact that this is the only class of the same class which has taken place, in our knowledge, speaks volumes in favor of the kind and forbearing feelings of both races toward each other. Never, in the history of the world, was anything like it under the same circumstances. And yet the Radical press at the North, without stopping to ponder the fact, will make a great deal over it, to the damage of our people.

In the county of Bertie, or Hertford, a black colored girl in a white family offered an insult or provocation to one of the white daughters of the family, we presume it was, and the white girl struck the servant. The servant at once returned the blow with interest. Now here were three wrongs under our present laws. It was wrong for the servant girl to insult or provoke the daughter of the family. The offence was, however, too much for human nature to bear, in view of the former relations of the two races; yet it was not the place, or the province of the *young lady* to chastise her for it. We have no doubt the same thing would have occurred, if the servant girl had been white, since the young girls of a family always feel their superiority over servant girls, whether white or black. And had both been white, the case probably would never have gone any further.

The conduct of both parties, however, was clearly wrong, and made them both amenable to law. The only proper punishment for insolence or abuse from a servant white or black, to any inmate of a family, is immediate and prompt discharge. No person has the right to inflict corporal punishment, under our present law, upon a servant, black or white, except the parents of the offending child, who need not submit a *young lady* attempt to chastise a servant, under any circumstances.

But the conduct of the parties who took up the cause of the servants, and unmercifully punished them, is wholly indefensible. They were, however, agents of English ladies, and had no right to punish her or any. She was, however, at the highest commandments of the Road, that of the Misses Edgerton, at Spring Term, 1867, James B. Shepard, and John D. Shepard, commissioners, Mary S. Shepard, Ann M. Donnell, Thomas M. Donnell, and C. B. Allen, Agent, Keweenaw, defendant, preparing for the sale of a tract of land in said County, known as the plantation of John B. Donnell, situated on Matamauket Lake, bounded on the lake on the North, by the property of Harrison, Murphy, and others on the East, by the James River, on the South, and by the land belonging to the heirs of Thomas J. Gibbs on the West, containing about 5,000 acres, because an actual partition had been made within injury to the claimants, and the same was sold to the Misses Edgerton, as M. Kewell and wife, Charles Knight, Agent, side out of the State. It was ordered that the compensation be made in the following language for the same:

"The sum of \$1,000,000."

THE UNIVERSITY. Board of Trustees of the University of North Carolina met at the Executive Office, in this City, on Thursday, and remained in session until yesterday afternoon. The following Trustees were in attendance, viz.: His Excellency, Gov. Worth, President, ex-Accio, Hon. D. L. Swain, Thomas Ruffin, Sr., William A. Graham, Thomas Bragg, Charles Manly, W. H. Battle, D. M. Barringer, S. F. Phillips and Thomas Settle, and P. C. Cameron, R. P. Battle, W. L. Steele, M. McGhee, F. C. Shuler and Seston Gales, Esqrs.

A copy of Major General Sickles' order No. 75, dated 1st August, 1867, has been received in Washington, by which it appears that certain prisoners of war from North Carolina, were sent before the Post of Plymouth, is that State, on the charge:—First, of riotous conduct, one application and charge. The following is a copy of the specifications, common to all the cases, except that of Sauter:—In this, that the said defendant did, in accordance with the decision of an unlawful assemblage of persons, at or near Harmon's cross roads, take one Phillip Ruffin, colored, from a schoolhouse to some woods near by, where one hundred and forty yards, more or less, were inflicted upon him, person, and boy, and said defendant did inflict a portion of said blows or lashes. The defendant Sauter was found guilty of assault and battery in whipping negro girl and boy, and sentenced to be confined at hard labor for one month and pay a fine of \$20. The remaining accused were found guilty by the court, and sentenced respectively as follows:—Abraham Jenkins, Justice of the Peace, guilty of the specification of the second charge, and guilty of aiding and abetting the assault and battery, was sentenced to be removed from his office as magistrate, confined at hard labor for one month, and pay a fine of \$25. Six other parties concerned in the same transaction were severally sentenced to one or three months confinement at hard labor and pay a fine of \$15 or \$25. The order concluded as follows:

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THE Register is in high dudgeon because we charged it with being "disingenuous." It is possible that the Editor's sensitiveness springs from a consciousness that he has offended in this particular. Such is, generally, the way of the world; nothing hurts

By the way, the Editor asks: "We have no wish to press the matter; but since we have been charged with unfairness by the *Register* and its correspondent, we call upon that journal to say whether anything unpleasant occurred between Professor Hepburn and certain students in consequence of his Wilmington speech!"

To which we reply: Never, that we have heard.

For the Raleigh Sentinel.

THE RALEIGH AND GASTON RAIL ROAD.

MESSRS. EDGERTON.—For twenty years or more, the Raleigh and Gaston Rail Road has unquestionably been one of the best conducted Roads in the State.

It has had fewer serious accidents than any Road within my knowledge. Its employees of all grades have been uniformly the most sober, energetic, prompt and well adapted men to their particular positions, that can be found anywhere. Its President, Dr. W. J. Hawkins, has not his superior as a Rail Road man in the South, and Messrs. Vass, Secretary and Treasurer, J. M. Pool, Chief Clerk, and C. B. Allen, Chief Agent, all of whom have been connected with the Road from the beginning, are scarcely equalled in their departments. Its gentlemanly conductors I have not found exceeded upon any Road I have travelled. Every effort is made to accommodate travellers, and they spare no pains in doing it. Ladies are as safe and as carefully attended to, by the conductors of this Road, as if accompanied by their fathers, husbands or brothers.

Every connection with the Road is carefully supervised, promptly, by vigilant officers. The Road is kept in fine running condition, and is always up to time. No Interceptors are retained on the Road.

As a freight carrier, no Road in the land is preferable. Its running stock, engines and efficient engineers, are equal to any emergency or demand. Freight is not allowed to lie over and to be injured by exposure at the Depot. The word is *forward*. The proceedings and findings are approved, and in view of the delay which would result from revision, the sentences are approved and the common jail at Plymouth is designated as the place of confinement.

The commander of the post of Plymouth will see that the sentences are executed.

STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA. Court of Equity for said County.—WHEREAS, a bill of complaint was filed in said Court by General C. E. Lee, in order to examine the prison there in which the Confederate soldiers were confined, with a view to the amelioration of their condition, and that he was there on the 13th, 14th, and 15th of April. Judge Fisher ruled on this evidence on the trial; but Mr. Bradley was not arranged it that it cannot be ruled out if Sauter was bought to trial again.—Wash. letter in *Cincinnati Enquirer*.

Respectfully, John B. Donnell, Agent.

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A FRIEND TO ENTERPRISE.

WHIPPING CASE NEAR PLYMOUTH. N. C.—A NEGRO GIRL BEATEN BY A COMMITTEE OF CITIZENS.—SENCEURS OF THE MILITARY COURT ON THE RINGLEADERS.

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