

# -Correspondence-

## PATRIOTISM VS. DISLOYALTY.

A true and genuine patriot is one who loves his country and the government under which he lives. And more than that, he is one who will even sacrifice his life, if necessary, in the defence of his government and country. And I am truly glad that we have some noble and splendid exemplifications in the lives of many men who have lived and died in our country. We can never forget the names of Washington, Adams, Franklin, Clay, Webster and Lincoln, and a thousand and one more who will continue to live upon the pages of history and in the hearts of their countrymen. But I am sorry to know that there are some men in our country who have a way of boasting of their patriotism, but a very poor way of showing it.

Now only a few weeks ago a man they call Col. R. R. Wright, made a memorial address in Barnesville, Ga., and in which he had the effrontery to assert in the presence of an intelligent audience that the Secessionist gained everything in the Civil War that they fought and contended for. But there are school boys in our country who know that the only objection that the South had to Abraham Lincoln was his position on the slavery question. And Mr. Lincoln was ever known to be a firm and honest man, and he let the whole world know where he stood, when he said before and after his election that he had no right to interfere with slavery where it existed, and had no desire to do so. And the truth is Mr. Lincoln was the soundest man on the slavery question that lived under the heavens. And not only was Mr. Lincoln and three-fourths of the people of the United States opposed to the further extension of slavery, but God the Great Ruler of the universe was opposed to the further extension of slavery, but God, the Great Ruler of the universe, was opposed to it, and that accounts for the result of the great struggle on that old vexed question.

And every intelligent man in our country knows that the secessionists fought and contended during the Civil War for state sovereignty and the extension of slavery. They were disappointed in everything they contended for. They lost 250,000 men and five billion dollars. And yet they claim to be the conservative party after waging a war for four years against their own government. O, consistency, thou art a jewel.

Now W. J. Bryan, who is regarded as the leader of the Democratic party, had bravely enough during the last Presidential campaign to criticize Alexander Hamilton because he was opposed to inserting in the Constitution an article giving each and every state the right to secede from the Union whenever they saw fit and proper to do so. Hamilton was a very able man, and stood upon the same political platform upon which Washington, Adams and Franklin stood, and he knew that it would be unwise in making or organizing a government to make provision for its own destruction.

And now in conclusion, I want to say that Mr. Bryan has always received the electoral votes of the eleven secession state. And it is an old adage, "Straws show which way the wind blows."

JONES BUSH.

## FROM ALABAMA.

John L. Burnett said in the House of Representatives, Washington: "Republican farmers in the South will no doubt throw up their hats in approval of the labors of this non-sectional committee, when they see that they have put cottonseed oil on the free list, and have left the bagging for their cotton with the same high tariff that existed under the Dingley law."

One of his Republican constituents sent him the following card:

"Belgreen, Ala., 7-7-'09.

"Yes, and don't you reckon that Alabama Republicans threw their hats high in the air when your Democratic party, by a fraudulent count, disfranchised half of them?"

T. D. WEST.

## FROM WEST VIRGINIA.

Editor Yaller Jackett,  
Dear sur:—If you will allow me space in yer Dad-gummed mustard plaster, I want ter ax you an yer readers a question. I sea that ther

kongrous has past a reserlution, as suggested by Mr. taft, to amend the Nashington Constertution so as ter make a income tax or suthin like that rite a cordin to ther law.

Now what in tarnashion is the yuse of any sich a procedin as this rite hear at this bizzy time o year? why in the name of ther saints don't they inforce the constertution they got instead of tryin to make more of it? Our constertution says, "ever mail citizen of sound mind etc. shall have a rite ter vote with out regard to race culer or previous condition of servitude and it further says that this rite is not ter be abridged by eny of ther states. Now what have you rebel eyed skunks down in yer prided Dixie done to thet contertution? you have trampled her under yer feet, and by your state laws and expreshions you are just as much in rebellion today as you was when you pinted your guns and fired on Fort sumter, and then try to cover up your cussed treason by yer onery technical "grand father" clauses calculated to deseave the ignorant and thotless. Now in view of yer axions in this matter, what wood be the yuse to pass this law erbout income tax Couldent you red eyed monstors by yer state constertutions nulify the federal constertution, as yer have done, and defy the government to collect a income tax in yer suthern stats as it was again yer state constertutions? What we need is men at ther head of the nation twill make you come to ther law we already got or beat your Dad gummed brains out.

Pleas tell me if ime rong.

Yours truly,

"NASTY BILL."

## OUR NEW QUADRUPED.

Editor Yellow Jacket:  
Some kind friend has had you send me a copy of your insect, but instead of its stinging me it has been rather a source of amusement to me as its stinger was on the wrong end. I have read it from its head clear down to its business end and I must confess that were one not posted in regard to the present political outlook one would be led by reading it, to think that the Demo-Rep party was really two distinct political parties.

I have lately asked many of your party to tell me the difference between the principles of the two wings of the Demo-Rep party and out of 51 I have received but one answer. So I send his answer to The Yellow Jacket:

"One is in favor of a fair-off for revenue, the other is for a revenue for fair-off."

Will you kindly inform us through the business end of your insect which you favor and also inform us who is to get the "fair-off." The amusing part of your paper and a sheet published by the other wing of your party you call the Texas Quill, is the way you tell the truth on each other.

You request my patronage, but I hardly think it advisable unless I also subscribe for the "Quill," so that each paper would act as an antidote to the effects of the other for should I take either of them alone for one year I fear I would have to undergo an operation for the appendicitis.

It appears that you boys have not yet been informed of the fact that the Dem-jackass has been crossed with the Rep-elephant and the cross has brought forth a—What is it? As the monstrosity has but one horn or rather a proboscis I suggest the name "The Great North American Unicorn."

Yes, party lines are wiped out in Washington, and we see the Reps and Dems in each others fond embrace. Think of Aldrich and "Pitchfork" Tillman saluting each other with a holy kiss! Think of Baily of Texas, "clasping hands across the bloody chasm" with Reps around a U. S. protected saw log while we out here in Kansas are paying \$30.00 a thousand for lumber. Think of the "insurgent" Reps voting with Dems for a low fair-off—yes, think of the new Senate of Illinois going to the U. S. Senate by a combined vote of 55 Reps and 53 Dems.

He will be like the little darkey whose ma said to him, "You little brack rascal, what for you got your spenders crossed a hine an a fore? People wont know whether you be goen or comen."

Then why should the elephant calves and the jackass colts keep up such a bellowing and braying? Can they not see that their fond parents

are joined together in holy wedlock? Of course the jackass is the paternal part of this nuptial union. So does it not ill become you to so vilify and berate your political step-father? And does not the editor of the Quill show bad breeding by abusing his step-mother? Of course I do not blame the Quill and The Yellow Jacket for keeping up their buzz as there is money in it for them, but the rest of the children should come meekly and caress their fond parents and then embrace each other as the high-muck-a-mucks of the once divided but now united families are now doing in Washington.

Behold how good and how pleasant it is for brothers and sisters to dwell together in Unicorn.

B. F. MORLAND.

Haven, Kans.

## HEALTH OF MR. DEMOCRATIC PARTY.

Mr. Democratic Party,  
His health ran pretty low;  
He got so wobbly jointed,  
He simply couldn't go.

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His malady to treat;  
The Doctor felt his pulse and said:  
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Till D. P. got to gagging  
And hollered out, "enuff!"

And now he's got the colic—  
An awful belly-ache;  
He's lying back a groaning;  
"O Lord! what shall I take?"

With Bryanine disgusted,  
He's getting awful sick;  
His belly-band is busted,  
If he ain't physiced quick  
He never will get well,  
He'll die in spite of h—

WALTER L. DANIELS.

Blount Creek, N. C.

## JUST A HOLE IN THE GROUND.

By E. A. Childs.

I've just bin South, down on Mobile Sound,  
Down on the old battle fields, lookin' around;  
There's nothun there now, not even a mound,  
Nothun, nothun at all, just a hole in the ground.

The plantation houses with cabins around,  
There's nothun there to-day, just a hole in the ground.  
For a thousand miles I've bin travlin, around,  
Just to have a look at a hole in the ground.

When I see brother Ben, how queer it will sound,  
When I tell him our old battle fields are just a hole in the ground.  
More'n forty years since carnage there did abound,  
Now the scenes of those days are just a hole in the ground.

The cotton now thrives where the cannon did sound;  
For the forts are now just a hole in the ground.  
Old Glory floats on the oceans the world around;  
Our enemies are just a hole in the ground.

The Democratic party who fired the first round,  
To-day are nothun, just a hole in the ground.  
The old rebel leaders, once so renowned,  
Are all laid away in a hole in the ground.

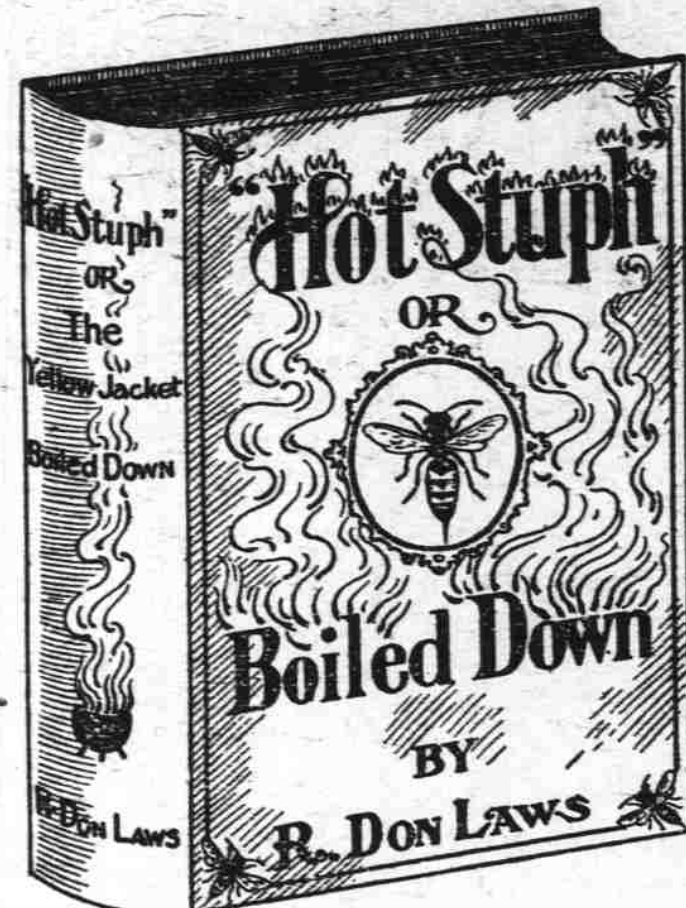
And I'm close onto eighty, nearly un-wound,  
Waiting, just waiting for a hole in the ground.  
And soon, dear comrades, the bugle will sound,  
And we'll be placed in a hole in the ground.

An item in an Alabama paper states that labor is so scarce at Bessemer that public work can't be executed up to the expectations of the promoters. One man who needed twelve men had been scouring the country and had secured only two. Is it possible that all those idle people which the calamity press has been telling us about have all drifted into the Socialist party and are hiking around for subs to the Appeal to Treason?

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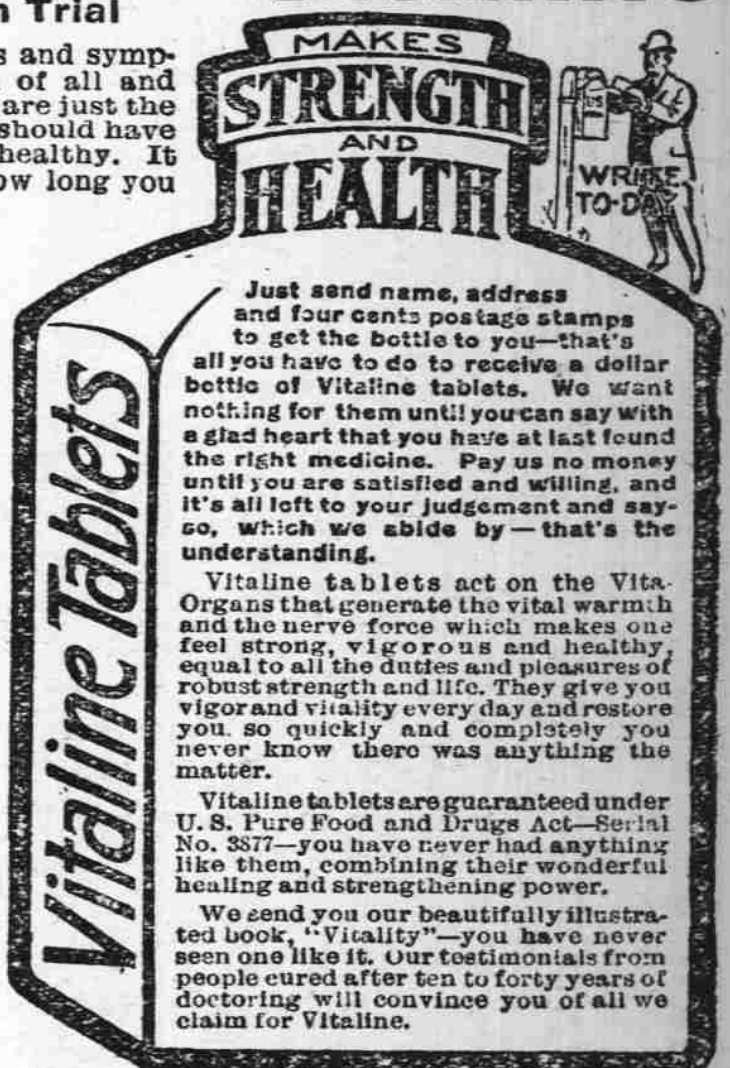
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