



There was in the City one Sosis, infamous for his insolence and villainy, who thought the perfection of Liberty was licentiousness of Speech.—PLUTARCH.

FRIDAY, JAN. 24th, 1873.

An Infamous Proposition.

The most damnable and infamous proposition that has ever been brought before any legislative body in a christian or even semi-barbarous country is now pending before the General Assembly of this State. The member who introduced the bill, and any one who may have the brazen effrontery to say one word in its favor, much less vote for it, ought forever hereafter hang his head in shame, and will deserve the execration and denunciation of every man, woman, and child, on the American continent. He will receive the curses, long and loud, of an outraged community. He may also bid farewell, an everlasting farewell, to every public position or office of honor in North Carolina.—The infamous proposition is to grant an absolute and unqualified pardon to all the members of that devilish organization indiscriminately known as Ku Klux, Invisible Empire, White Brotherhood, Constitutional Union Guard, &c., &c., and turn them loose upon the community with the blood of the dead Stephens and Outlaw, and many others whom they assassinated, and also with the blood of hundreds of other living victims, whose flesh was torn by the cruel lash, reeking red upon their hands.

But the sneaking purpose of those who propose to pass this unholy law is attempted to be covered up, and the cloven foot of the devil incarnate to be hid, under the pretext that this bill is offered in a spirit of peace and christian charity and forgiveness, by embracing within its provisions a proposition to pardon members of the Union League, Heroes of America, Red Strings, &c., &c. Out upon such hypocrisy. DOWN WITH THE "DAMNED" PHARISAICAL PROPOSITION.

No Union Leaguer, or Hero of America or Red String asks for the passage of any such law. They do not want any such law enacted. They have done nothing to ask pardon from this Legislature for. None of them have fled from the State, or are lying out in the woods, or lurking in hiding places to escape the penalties of any law. None of them deny their connection with those organizations. Arrest them if you dare, try them if you choose, convict them if you can. They have no fears, nor nothing to fear. No, this bill is not for their relief; never would it have been introduced or even thought of, had it not been that many cowardly Ku Klux were to be rescued from the avenging hand of an outraged law. There are no fears that any Republican will cast his vote for this bear-eyed infamy. No Republican will dare to do any such reckless act. His honesty, his patriotism, his principles, his religion, and self-respect, all forbid it. Then let them show their appreciation of this hollow-hearted and hypocritical proposition by moving and voting to strike from the MONSTROSITY all that part of it which professes to grant amnesty and pardon to those organizations which were gotten up by members of the Republican party; and let them stand united and like a wall of fire against the passage of the bill in any shape or form—let them enter into no unholy compromise on this subject, no matter how much it may be sugar-coated and sweetened up by the Ku Klux doctors, who are manipulating it. Let the name of every member of the General Assembly who utters a word in its favor or supports it by his vote, be published in double-headed capitals and kept standing in every Republican newspaper in the State until the next election, so that all may know what members of this General Assembly are or have been members of this Ku Klux Klan. No other than a Ku Klux can or will support any such inspiration of the Devil. If however it does become a law by the votes of Democratic members, as in all probability it

will, then let the Republican members enter their solemn protest on the Journals against it and hold a caucus forthwith, and write in a petition to the Congress of the United States to pass no further amnesty act; or act removing disabilities; and supplicate the President not to pardon another man who has been convicted under the enforcement act. Let the people, (the honest and upright ones) of the whole State of both parties hold indignation meetings and denounce in appropriate terms the faithless representative who, by voting for this bill, confesses to the world that he himself is afraid of a visitation of the offended law upon his guilty head, for he is assured that he has such fear, notwithstanding he may asseverate that he is no Ku Klux, has no sympathy for them and never belonged to any secret organization. Everybody understands that kind of talk.

That Amnesty Bill in the Senate.

The principle of amnesty is always right. It is practical mercy. But in an indiscriminate application of mercy there is great danger of abuse to the pardoning power—a misapplication of mercy.

There are certain Ku Klux offences in North Carolina that might very well be amended; but this wholesale proposition to pardon MURDERERS is alarming and monstrous.

Where parties of wild young men have gone out and merely committed some trifling breach of the peace, prosecutions in the Courts might very well stop, under all the circumstances. And, those men already convicted and undergoing sentence of the Federal Courts ought to be relieved from any further trouble in the State Courts.

FOR INSTANCE:—Captain R. A. Shotwell was convicted of a crime in the Federal Court that would hang him in a State Court, and had Judge Bond carried out his instructions from the Department of Justice at Washington he must have sentenced Shotwell to the gallows. Now, as the law stands, when Shotwell returns from Albany he is liable to indictment and trial in the Superior Court of Rutherford county. It is more than probable that President Grant will release Shotwell and the other North Carolina prisoners now confined in the Albany penitentiary at the commencement of his new term. Therefore, a bill ought to pass the General Assembly of North Carolina giving full and complete amnesty to all persons tried and convicted of Ku Klux offences in the Federal Courts. Justice and mercy not only demand this, but it is necessary in order to avoid a conflict with the General Government; for it is hardly to be supposed that the President would submit to have the State Courts punish those whom the Federal Courts had tried and punished for the same offence. Therefore, let there be amnesty in the State for the men whom the Federal Courts have tried and punished.

But the capital offences of Murder, Rape, Arson and Burglary—heinous crimes against God and civilization—perpetrated by the Ku Klux deliberately and in cold blood, should never be condoned by the Legislature of North Carolina.

The men who have drawn, presented and advocated the bill now before the Senate of North Carolina have assumed a most extraordinary position. They have identified themselves with these Ku Klux murderers, and chosen their part with them. They have, in effect, declared themselves the friends and champions of the Ku Klux, if they have not absolutely made Ku Klux of themselves.

This matter has come up in a very extraordinary manner. Seventeen persons have been indicted in Alamance county for the murder of Wyatt Outlaw. One of the lawyers employed for the defence comes to Raleigh, draws a bill to amnesty his clients, prevails on a Senator to introduce it and secures the support of the Democrats for his measure. It will be remembered, that, during the last Legislature, fifty or sixty persons indicted under the statute against going in disguise were amnestied in the same way, and through the management of the same attorney. It was the introduction and advocacy of this amnesty bill that so effectually killed Senator Graham, of Orange.

The introduction of the bill by Senator Allen, of Duplin, yesterday, being an effort to relieve the murderers of Wyatt Outlaw, already indicted, and the murderers of Senator Stephens, of Caswell, whom the officers of the law are at last on the track of, will bury Senator Allen and those of his Democratic brethren who stand with him in

advocacy of the passage of the bill. Of course no Republican will support the measure, but they will ask that the names of such organizations as are supposed to include Republicans be stricken from the bill.

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SECTION 2. That all processes, recognizances, and other legal proceedings in civil and criminal actions which have already been issued, or may hereafter be issued, and returnable to the Spring Term as now established by law, the same shall be deemed and held returnable to the Term of said Courts now fixed by this act; and all persons who have been recognized or bound or summoned to appear at the Spring Term of said Court for the year eighteen hundred and seventy-three, are hereby required to appear at the Term thereof as prescribed by this act, and the Secretary of State shall, within one month from its ratification, cause this act to be published, and furnish the Sheriff and the Clerk of the Superior Court of Cabarrus County with a copy.

SECTION 3. It shall be the duty of the Clerk of the Superior Court of Cabarrus County to advertise at two or more public places in each township in said county on or before the first day of April, 1873, notifying suitors and witnesses of the change of the Spring Term of the Superior Court as prescribed in this act.

SECTION 4. This act shall be in force from and after its ratification. In General Assembly read three times and ratified this 15th day of December, A. D. 1872.

J. L. ROBINSON, Speaker of the House. J. T. MORSEHEAD, JR., President of the Senate.

OFFICE SECRETARY OF STATE, Raleigh, Jan. 10, 1873. I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true copy of the original act on file in this office.

WM. H. HOWERTON, Secretary State, 123—law4t Jan 10

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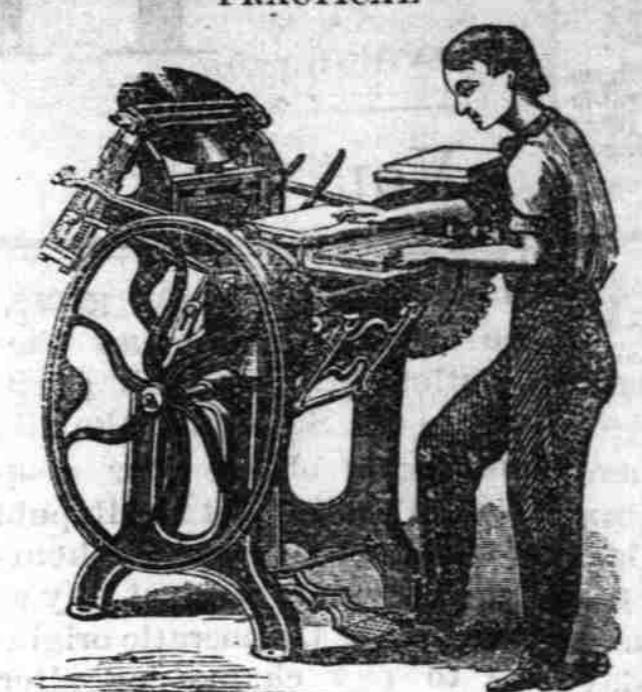
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