The Chatham Record

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"WHEREAS THE LATE FRED. DOUGLASS DEPARTED THIS LIFE ON THE 20TH INST, AND WHEREAS, WE GREATLY DEPLORE THE SAME; NOW, THEREFORE,

"RESOLVED, THAT WHEN THIS HOUSE ADJOURN, IT ADJOURN IN RESPECT TO THE MEMORY OF THE DECEASED."

EVEN the *Caucasian* "has nothing to offer in defense of the Legislature for adjourning in honor of Fred Douglass" (to use its own words) and "thinks that the action was an unfortunate blunder."

THE Legislature will have adjourned before the RECORD again reaches its readers, although the day of adjournment has not yet been fixed. Bills are now being rushed through with lightning-like rapidity, and many a "job" is being quietly enacted. To illustrate how unfairly and tyrannically Speaker Walser is rushing measures through the House, we will cite an incident that we witnessed on last Tuesday, and which made our blood boil with indignation. He announced that the election bill had been returned from the Senate with amendments, and stating that the question was upon concurrence in the Senate amendments, immediately put the question to a vote and announced that it was carried, despite the fact that Mr. Ray, of Macon, the gallant democratic leader, was all the while calling upon the Speaker to have the amendments read. Not the slightest attention did Speaker Walser pay to Ray's repeated requests to have the amendments read for information, but in bold defiance of all parliamentary rules and in common fairness he refused so reasonable a request and rushed through amendments which had never been even read, no less discussed!

No honest and fair minded man can endorse such an outrage, though perpetrated even by a "reform" Legislature.

THE election of magistrates by the people, instead of their appointment by the Legislature, was one of the "reforms" promised by the republicans and populists in the last campaign, and accordingly a bill has been passed by this "Douglass" Legislature for that purpose. Yes, a bill has been passed for the election of three magistrates in every township at the next general election. The voters of every township can then elect their own magistrates. But who will then care to be a magistrate? And what will there be for a magistrate to do?

Our readers may inquire why we ask these questions, and our answer is, that this Legislature has taken away from the magistrates every power, right and authority they have heretofore exercised, except the trial of the petty cases that may come before them. Yes, these magistrates whom the people are allowed to elect are not deemed sufficiently trustworthy to have the same power and authority heretofore given the magistrates elected by the Legislature. These new magistrates are not to be allowed to meet with the county commissioners and concur in levying taxes, or building bridges, or doing anything whatever in connection with county finances or government!

Why is this? What sort of "reform" is this?

Why not give to the magistrates, who are elected by the people, as much power as was given to those elected by the Legislature?

THE decent white people of North Carolina, whether populists or democrats, indignantly denounce our legislators who voted to adjourn in respect to the memory of Fred. Douglass. They are justly incensed that such a distinguished and unusual honor should have been conferred on a runaway slave—on an accomplice and confederate of old John Brown—and on a defiant miscegenationist. And yet this action—this disgraceful and shameful action—is the natural result—is the climax—of the efforts made by the populists to control the colored vote!

Is it not time for decent and respectable populists to call a halt, and see whither they are drifting?

IF our "reform" legislators did not intend to endorse Fred. Douglass, why did they pass a resolution so highly honoring him, and which even the *Caucasian* says is "indefensible" and was "an unfortunate blunder"?

IF the fusion legislators were so anxious to court the negro vote, they might at least have honored the memory of a negro who had married one of his own race!

THE county government bill, as passed by the Senate, is not likely to be satisfactory to anybody or any party, democrat, populist or republican, and will be a "winning card" for the democrats in the next campaign. Yes, after repeated caucuses, after many meetings of the "steering committee" (or Big Five), and even after the "little fourteen" had exhausted its efforts, the result of all their deliberations and consultations is not satisfactory to anybody and meets with a cold reception from its own authors.

This was very apparent—indeed there was no attempt to conceal it—when the bill was under discussion in the Senate. The democrats all voted against it, of course, as did also two populist Senators (Forbes and Stevens) while others openly stated that it was not what they wanted, and even the republicans themselves cared but little for it after the populists forced the adoption of the amendment providing for the board of finance.

This amendment almost caused an irreparable rupture between the populists and republicans, and its secret history is quite interesting, as told this writer by a prominent populist who knew all about it. He informed us that, the night before the bill was passed by the Senate, the populist Senators held a caucus and determined not to support the bill as it had been reported to the Senate, unless some amendment was adopted which would protect property owners in the negro ridden counties, and this amendment creating a board of finance was agreed on and was written by ex-Judge Spier Whitaker, who has been acting as the attorney or legal adviser of the populists. He also prepared another county government bill providing for cumulative suffrage, which was to be introduced and passed if the republicans oppose this amendment. The republicans, however, "smelt a rat"—learned what the populists had planned—and accordingly did not oppose their amendment, which greatly restricts the power of the county commissioners. It provides that, on the petition of a certain number of citizens in any county, the judge of the district shall appoint as a board of finance two men of a different political party from the commissioners, who shall act with the commissioners on all matters of finance, and at least one of whom shall concur with the commissioners before the latter's action is valid.

In other words, by this amendment, while the people of every county are given the right to elect their commissioners, yet these commissioners thus elected by them can do absolutely nothing about the finances of the county without the consent of a man of another party appointed by a judge residing in another county. That is, if by chance the populists or republicans in this (Chatham) county should elect, next year, our commissioners, the latter would have no power whatever without the concurrence of a good democrat to be appointed by our democratic judge, A. W. Graham!

This would be quite an anomalous proceeding, would'nt it?

Giving the people the right to elect their county commissioners, and then afraid to trust them with the county's finances!

And such is the grand result of the "fusion" movement in North Carolina to change our present system of county government!

THE hypocrisy of our "reform" legislators in their professions, or pretensions, for reform and retrenchment has been most forcibly illustrated and exposed in their outrageous action in the matter of the public printing. One of the first bills passed by these so-called "reformers" when they met at Raleigh was one to repeal the law, passed by the preceding democratic Legislature, requiring the public printing to be given to the lowest responsible bidder, regardless of his politics. But being informed by their leaders that in repealing so just and proper a law they had made a blunder, our legislators reluctantly passed another bill directing their committee on public printing to let it to the lowest bidder. This committee accordingly advertised for bidders, and after several bids were put in they decided to award the contract to the Messrs. Stewart Brothers, of Winston, who of course are republicans. Messrs. Edwards & Broughton, of Raleigh, had put in a bid which they contended was lower than that of the Stewarts, and to prove this they got three expert printers to examine thoroughly both bids and decide which was the lower. These expert printers were Hon. John Nichols (with forty five years experience), Mr. J. H. Alford, the foreman of the *Biddard Recorder* and Mr. J. C. Birdsong, who is the State examiner of public printing and of course thoroughly familiar with the business. These three experts, two of whom are republicans, after a full and careful calculation and examination testified to the committee that by giving the contract to Edwards & Broughton, instead of to the Stewarts, the State would *save* $2581 88.

And yet these "reform" legislators refused to save the State this sum, and in defiance of their professions and common fairness they wilfully and deliberately falsified themselves and persisted in giving the public printing to the Stewart Brothers!

Truly may we exclaim "Oh! Hypocrisy, thy name is Reform!"

THAT was quite a dramatic scene and exciting occasion when the Senate, on last Friday, passed by a vote of 21 to 20 the bill to appropriate $10,000 for the completion of the Confederate monument at Raleigh. So much censure had been heaped upon the Senate for refusing to pass a similar bill, the week before, and in order to make some amends for the Douglass resolution, it was decided to make this appropriation, and accordingly a new bill was introduced by Senator Grant, of Goldsboro, who had been a Union soldier during the war. This bill came up for its third and final reading in the Senate, on last Friday, when we happened to be present and we shall never forget the exciting occasion. After the roll call had begun it appeared that the vote would be very close, and immediately messengers were hurriedly sent for two absent senators who were favorable to the bill, and in order to "kill time"—to delay the announcement of the vote until they could arrive—several senators made short speeches "explaining their votes". Wellington at Waterloo did not more anxiously await the arrival of Blucher than did the friends of this bill await the arrival of these two absent senators. Finally one arrived and then just as the other rushed in and voted "aye", the vote was announced 21 ayes to 20 nays. Immediately the long suppressed excitement broke forth into loud cheers and applause. One populist senator was so enthused that he threw up his arms and shouted "Glory to God and the Confederate dead", while another rushed down the aisle and amid tumultuous applause grasped the hand of Senator Grant, the ex-Union soldier who had introduced the bill. It was an occasion when politics was ignored and forgotten, for democrats, republicans and populists united cordially together in this measure to honor our Confederate dead. What a pity they could not, or do not, unite together in the same manner for the common good of our dear old State in all measures!

THE prejudice against lawyers has been more bitter among the populists than among any other people, and yet, strange to say, this "Douglass" Legislature of theirs is "run" or controlled entirely by lawyers, and some of these lawyers are making a "good thing" out of it and are nicely feathering their nests—and they are not democratic lawyers either!

When the true history of this Legislature is written—when its "jobs" are exposed—the honest people of North Carolina will be appalled.

EVERY man, woman and child in North Carolina ought to read the letter, published in another column, purporting to have been written by a populist legislator's daughter in the *News and Observer*. It contains some wholesome truths and suggestions, plainly told, that must forcibly impress every reader. Read it yourself and hand to your neighbor. Next week we will publish the reply to "Mary's" letter, written by her repentant father, which ought to be read by everybody.

WON'T it be a sight "to make men and angels weep" at the next Commencement at the State University to see seated on the rostrum, among the distinguished trustees of that honored institution, a convicted criminal like Gideonite S. Otho Wilson? What a desecration!

WHO would have imagined that a "reform" legislator would travel on a free railroad pass? And yet that is just what the *Caucasian* says some of our populist legislators have done.

Wilmington Review: Mr. Andrew Hurst, who lived at White Oak, in Jones county, near the Onslow line, died some eight years ago and was duly buried. A few weeks ago it became necessary to remove the remains and in doing so the coffin was opened when to the surprise of all present the body was found to be thoroughly petrified. Mr. Henderson accounts for this by the fact that Mr. Hurst was a good man who had never, in the course of his long life, voted any ticket other than the Democratic ticket.

A Disgraced Daughter's Letter.

From the Raleigh News and Observer.

The following letter has been sent to the News and Observer with the request to publish it. It was either written by the daughter of a legislator to her father, or ought to have been written by a loving daughter who is so unfortunate as to have a father as a member of the Fusion branch of this General Assembly:

X ROADS, N. C., Feb 26, 1895.

DEAR PA: Knowing, as you did, that Ma was quite unwell, and having written to her that you would be sure to come home to see us last Saturday night and knowing as we did, that you had a free pass on the railroad, and that it would cost you nothing to come, you cannot imagine how greatly we were disappointed at your not coming. But Ma, who is always disposed to look on the bright side of things, said it might be that you were detained by some important legislative business, and that when the mail should come on Monday all would be explained. So we sat down to supper and tried to be as cheerful as we could, under the circumstances. But every now and then ma would sigh and say: "I do feel just like some great trouble is coming upon us. I don't know why it is," she went on to say, "but I just feel miserable."

After supper Mr. Smith came over, thinking you were at home, to get the news from Raleigh, and to hear how the Legislature was getting on. I was real glad that he did come, for I thought he would cheer ma up and keep her from having the blues. But he had not been in the room five minutes before he told us about the House adopting a motion, made by a negro, to adjourn in honor of the memory of Fred Douglass, who married some fool of a white woman, and forever disgraced her race. I saw ma's face turn red and then ashy pale, and she looked as if she would fall from her chair, and then I heard her say in a sort of undertone: "Oh, my Lord. I do wonder if he voted for that?" And she got right up and left the room. I followed her out, and found her on the back porch wringing her hands and sayings: "Oh, my Lord, I do wonder if my husband voted for that?"

No, ma, I say, I won know pa did not vote to adjourn in honor of a negro who married in and practiced miscegenation. Remember, pa has daughters of his own, and you know he wouldn't vote to honor the memory of a negro who tried to pull down the barrier between the whites and the blacks and open the parlor doors of the white to allow negro men to visit their daughters. Pa wouldn't do such a thing as that. Besides, I have heard pa say, a thousand times, that he had rather die than to see the day when negro men should be allowed to marry white women, and you know, ma," and I, "that after pa was elected he said, a number of times, that he was just as much a Democrat and as much opposed to negro supremacy in the State as he ever was. So you may just know that pa did not vote for that motion.

This prelude her somewhat, and after awhile she went into the house and went to bed, but I heard her groaning and moaning all night long, and I wished a thousand times that night as I lay there and listened to her that you never had heard of the Farmers Alliance and of the Peoples Party, but that you were just like you used to be before you got to mixing with the Radicals and the negroes.

Sunday was a gloomy day to us, notwithstanding it was so bright outdoors. Ma had a bad headache and remained in bed most of the day, which I thought would do her good. She rested better Sunday night, and Monday morning she really seemed a little cheerful and I thought she was getting along right well. The mail came over at 12 o'clock and being sure that she would get a letter from you, explaining why you did not come Saturday night, Ma met the mail boy at the door, and took a hurried glance at the man but found no letter. Just then brother Tom opened the *News and Observer* and seeing a picture up in one corner, he said, "Hello, what's this?" ma and all of us turned to look at the picture, and before I had made out what it was, ma screamed and fell to the floor as if dead. We did not know what was the matter for neither of us children had seen the picture well enough to see what it was. We carried ma into her room and laid her on the bed and sent for Dr. Jones at once.

When he came we were telling him how the attack came on, referring to the fact that we were looking at a picture which brother Tom found in the paper, when she suddenly screamed out and fell senseless to the floor. The Doctor said that picture must have had something to do with bringing on the attack, and asked for the paper. After looking at it for a moment he nodded his head and said: "Here it is," at the same time pointing to the picture representing the members of the Legislature weeping over Fred Douglass, the negro miscegenist. "Here," said he, "is the cause of her sudden illness," pointing with his pencil to one of the men who stood weeping by the coffin. "Do you know him, Mary?" asked he. "Of course I do," said I; "that is my father. My father weeping over a negro whom I have heard him say many a time he heartily despised." And that was all I could say, for I felt like I could sink through the floor.

Mother is still in bed and the Doctor is apprehensive that the worst has not yet come. She is entirely beside herself, and ever and anon I hear her moaning: "Disgraced! disgraced! Oh Pa, I do believe it will kill her." Your disgraced daughter,

MARY.

A boy in Kinston, on Thursday, carelessly threw a cigarette stump down in Bryan Field's stables. The result was that the two main business blocks of the town are in ashes. The loss is estimated at $250,000.

Cleveland and Bimetalism.

WASHINGTON, March 1.—The President told Representative Bartholdt and Representatives elect Clark, Taylor and Burton, of Missouri, yesterday that he was greatly encouraged by the recent action of the British House of Commons in regard to bimetallism and another monetary conference.

"It looks like business," remarked the President. "The instructions given the British delegates to the last monetary conference were only around the edges. They did not mean anything. Now it looks as if the English delegates to the next conference may be expected to come with the intention of accomplishing something tangible. They put me down as stubborn on this financial question," continued the President, "but I am not stubborn at all. I have some positive views on finance, and I cannot get rid of them."

He added, however, that he would willingly yield his views if anything better were offered, and he thought that the financial question ought to be taken out of politics and considered from a business and patriotic standpoint only.

Referring to a widely quoted remark which he recently made to two members elect, the President said: "Three members of the next House were in to see me several days ago, and I asked them how they would like to spend the summer in Washington. The remark got into the newspapers, and was taken to mean an extra session, but I did not intend it to be taken seriously. I have no idea of an extra session in my mind, and spoke only in a jocular manner."

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A Fatal Explosion.

Special to the News and Observer.

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Feb. 28, 1895.

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Overdrafts,	479.81	Surplus Fund,	
$25,000 N C 4 per ct. Bonds	24,182.50	Undivided Profits,	21,623.11
Banking House, Furniture and Fixtures,	13,702.41	Due to Banks,	11,325.63
Current Expenses and Taxes paid,	1,191.91	Deposits Subject to Check,	341,495.96
Cash Due from Banks,	119,147.75		
Cash in Vaults,	15,087.81		
	$474,417.[illegible]		$474,444.72

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W. H. WHITE

Feb. 21, 1895.