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A SOUTHERN REPUBLICAN PROTEST.

The Greensboro North State, the leading Republican paper of the State, is manly enough and patriotic enough to thus protest to the infamous and slanderous speech of Speaker Reed, recently delivered at Pittsburg:

"Speaker Reed was the guest of a political club at Pittsburg, Pa., last Saturday night. To a Republican who lives quietly in the South, the remarks made by the Speaker suggest thoughts involving an idea that Northern Republicans never can live long enough to get a practical idea of the South.

"Why don't they come down here, stay awhile, and learn something about the political status? Many of the statements made by the Speaker in relation to Southern politics are misleading. Speaker Reed is a man formed by nature in a generous mould. He cannot be prejudiced or narrow minded. He is bold, brilliant and audacious. There is nothing small about him physically or mentally. His political notions and impressions about the South are borrowed, and probably come from those who are interested in keeping the two sections estranged."

We cannot see how a man "formed in a generous mould" and who "cannot be prejudiced or narrow-minded," and who has associated with Southern gentlemen so long as he, can deliberately utter that which he knows are disgraceful falsehoods. It is not our idea of a gentleman. The other remarks of the North State are creditable to it, and the more so that it seems to be an exception among Republicans of the South. To be a latter-day Republican, however, seems to indicate a surrender of all that is either manly or honorable.

TIME FOR REALIZATION.

The New York Times hits the farmers of the country the following hard rap on the subject of taxation:

"The farmers have a good deal to learn on the subject of taxation. While they are complaining of State and local taxes and the crushing weight of their mortgages, they forget the national taxes and the blessings of the protective policy for which they are paying. It is in reality the national taxes that are crushing them. They sell the products of their land at prices fixed by competition in the markets of the world. They pay for what they buy at prices fixed by a tariff that enables monopolies and combinations of manufacturers to draw enormous profits from the consumer of their products. That is just where the farmers' burdens come from."

This is truly what is crushing the life out of the agricultural interests. Everything that farmers use is taxed under a protective tariff, thus compelling farmers to pay tribute to manufacturers and monopolists. Everything the farmers sell except wool, is sold in competition with the markets of the world. Can not farmers begin to realize why they are crushed?

EDITORIAL PARAGRAPHS.

Mr. Carlisle, it is thought, will be the successor in the Senate of Senator Beck.

Richard Vaux has been nominated by the Democrats to succeed Samuel J. Randall in the House.

An ex-Confederate, ex-Democrat, ex-Republican Store Keeper, who lives in this county, has announced his complete disgust

at Republican methods and declares that he desires once more to enter the Democratic fold.—Greensboro Patriot.

Ex-President Cleveland will attend the dedication of the Garfield memorial at Cleveland, Ohio, on the 30th.

At the Republican caucus the question of the adjournment of Congress was talked over, and the opinion was predominant that an adjournment could be taken about the middle of July.

The Southern Baptist Convention is in session at Fort Worth, Texas; the Southern Methodist Conference is sitting in St. Louis, and the Southern Presbyterian Assembly is in session at Asheville.

Col. Shephard, of the New York Mail and Express, wants the name of the Arlington Hotel at Washington changed because it is suggestive of "Lee and rebellion." Shephard should have his name changed to Jac Kass, which would also be suggestive.—Greensboro Patriot.

The New York World's Toppelka, Kansas, special says: It is predicted here by members of the supreme bench that the United States supreme court decision in the Iowa package case will nullify the license laws of every State. One judge predicts a third party and a national issue on the question.

The news that the negroes are not to be "counted" in the census enumeration has spread among that race with wonderful rapidity. The negroes are very suspicious of the white Republicans now and are prepared to believe them capable of doing anything. This is certainly the feeling in North Carolina.

The seaports of the South are forging ahead of those of the East. New Orleans is now, according to the reports of the Treasury Department for the nine months ending with the present year, next to New York in the value of imports and exports, which amounted to \$108,000,000. The increase in the exportation of grain and lumber was marked and far in excess of that of any other year.

The proposition to increase the silver currency of the country has had the effect already not only to enhance the value of silver, but to stimulate trade. If such good results follow even the proposition, what may we not expect to follow the actual legislation? The country needs more money, and if this Congress will not provide for it, as it has the power to do, the next will. The people will not longer submit to the tyranny of the money sharks and monopolists.

There are said to be 40,000 negroes in Oklahoma, the large majority of people in the new territory. The negroes naturally want to make an experiment there in the way of self government. They urged upon the administration the appointment of a colored man of Kansas named McCabe, at one time Auditor of that State, and said to be a man of character and ability. But the President could not see it that way. He has made his appointments for Oklahoma and no colored man is on the list.

The oil industry in this country is threatened with formidable competition in Mexico. The recently discovered deposits near Chihuahua are about to be worked by a strong syndicate formed of both Mexican and American capitalists, who have expressed their intention of spending \$500,000 on machinery before they begin to take out

petroleum in any quantity. Apart from the profit to be made by those immediately interested, the enterprise, if it comes up to expectations, should benefit the Mexican Central Railway, on which line the wells are situated.

QUICK AS LIGHTNING.

Telegrams Sent Through the Air Without Wires.

An official dispatch received at the Signal Office from Gen. Greely at Fort Bayard, N. M., was transmitted from Fort Bayard to Prescott, Ariz., a distance of 600 miles, by the heliograph system of flashing of sunlight. This system was used successfully by Gen. Miles in the Apache campaign, and it is now in operation over a line of a thousand miles in Arizona and New Mexico. It is used quite extensively in the British army and by some other foreign powers. Beside filling a long felt want in army movements on the plains, it will probably be adopted for transmitting election returns from back counties.

The Kentucky Senatorship.

A Frankfort (Ky.) dispatch states that ex-Speaker Carlisle arrived in that city Thursday evening and announced to his friends that he is a candidate for the United States Senatorship as the successor of the late Hon. James B. Beck. Congressman McCreary, ex-Gov. J. Proctor Knott, Judge Lindsay, and Hon. James A. McKenzie are also announced as candidates. It is believed Mr. Carlisle will lead on the first ballot, with Mr. McCreary a close second. In the event of a prolonged contest it is understood the friends of Gov. Buckner will bring him forward as a compromise candidate. In the meantime it is very apparent that the Republicans are afraid that the choice will fall upon Carlisle.

It Wasn't Hers.

In a street car bound downtown the other day there was as pretty, dainty little lady as one would wish to see. She was followed into the car by a white aproned and capped colored girl with a year old baby, all pink and white plumpness, that kept its eyes fastened on the lady. It was the early part of the afternoon, and baby was clearly out for an airing. The lady looked twenty-two or twenty-three years old. She was dressed in cool gray, and the glossy plait of her brown hair was twisted into a heavy coil at the back of her gracefully poised head, topped by a chic hat. The nurse with the baby in her arms sat next to the lady, and they made a pretty picture. The plump, bright eyed baby and the smart looking girl, who had not lost her girlish freshness and grace in matronly cares. Every one in the car admired them, and traced resemblances in the two faces, one that of a perfect baby, the other as a perfect woman.

The man with a brown beard on the other side of the car looked wistfully as he thought of the baby he had lost, the carpenter who carried a big bundle of tools smiled as he thought of a little one just as dear, even if it did not wear so much lace and embroidery, and even the reporter thought of a black-eyed baby who would welcome his home coming. Even the conductor was so lost in admiration that he forgot the street indicator until he was four squares behind. When he collected the fares the brown-haired lady gave him a ten-cent piece, and he rang up two fares.

"I gave you ten cents," she said.
"Oh, why isn't it your—I beg your pardon," stammered the conductor. And after giving the baby a nickel he went back on the platform and laughed. As the young lady realized the mistake everybody had been making she blushed a most entrancingly rosy blush and fanned herself with a bright yellow fan almost hard enough to break it. The colored girl grinned, everybody smiled, and the cooing baby reached out its chubby hand for the fan.—Washington Post.

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Coupon Clipping for "Fat."

A Republican of Detroit has just received from Chairman M. S. Quay a letter telling how much the grand old party needs funds to carry on the tariff fight, and inclosing a handsome certificate, with \$10 coupons attached, resembling a railroad bond or other valuable security. The Detroit man is asked to "fill up the coupons with full name and address, cut them off and return them to us with \$10 for each." This, it is suggested, will give him a "pull" if he ever wants a post office or a tariff rate. For "a record will be kept," Mr. Quay adds, "of all the subscribers, who will be known as registered contributors to the Republican National Committee." This is practical politics. To be a "registered contributor" is a necessary qualification for the civil service under the present regime.

The Deserters to Get Pensions.

The House has passed a bill to "remove the charge of desertion" from the record of a Union veteran, so that he might get on the pension list. The deserter in question joined the Confederate army and then joined the Union army again. He was joining things generally in those days that tried men's souls. When the deserters are exhausted the Confederates may next have a chance, if they will join the grand old party.—Baltimore Sun.

North Carolina Railroads.

The following, from the Charlotte Chronicle, is a list of the railways in the State and the number of miles of track of each in North Carolina:

Aberdeen and West End,	13.25
Albemarle and Raleigh,	32.49
Albemarle and Pantego,	18.00
Atlanta and Charlotte Air-Line,	42.49
Atlantic and North Carolina,	99.50
Atlantic, Tennessee and Ohio,	45.30
Asheville and Spartanburg,	42.50
Cape Fear and Yadkin Valley,	249.80
Carolina Central,	264.32
Carthage,	10.25
Cashie and Chowan Railroad and Lumber Co.,	35.00
Cashie and Roanoke,	28.50
Charleston, Cincinnati & Chicago,	40.60
Charlotte, Columbia and Augusta,	11.40
Chester and Lenoir Narrow Gauge,	64.20
Danville, Mocksville and South-western,	8.00
Durham and Northern,	42.34
Georgia, Carolina and Northern,	14.30
Hamilton R. R. and Lumber Co.,	23.50
Jamesville and Washington,	23.00
Louisburg,	10.00
Marietta and North Georgia,	11.75
Midland North Carolina,	21.70
Milton and Southerlin,	1.00
New Hanover Transit Co.,	3.00
Norfolk and Carolina,	14.80
Norfolk Southern,	52.37
North Carolina,	226.02
Northwestern North Carolina,	39.15
Ocean View,	1.50
Oxford and Clarksville,	50.49
Oxford and Henderson,	13.00
Palmetto,	7.00
Piedmont,	47.60
Pittsboro,	12.00
Raleigh and Augusta Air-Line,	106.50
Roanoke and Tar River,	34.12
Roanoke and Southern,	18.00
Roanoke R. R. and Lumber Co.,	6.00
Statesville and Western,	20.80
Suffolk and Carolina,	25.50
Suffolk Lumber Co.,	12.00
University,	10.33
Warrenton,	3.12
Western North Carolina,	294.13
Wilmington, Chadborn and Conway,	14.50
Wilmington, Columbia & Augusta,	72.54
Wilmington Railway Bridge Co.,	2.40
Wilmington and Sea Coast,	10.00
Maxton, Alma and Rowland,	13.50
Cheraw and Salisbury,	14.00
Raleigh and Gaston,	97.00
Seaboard and Roanoke,	18.00
Wilmington and Weldon and branches,	321.14
Total miles,	2,713.00

To this should be added three miles of the Vanderbilt railroad.

Pennsylvanians Buy an Iredell Granite Quarry.

It has been practically demonstrated that the granite of Iredell county is of a quality not to be surpassed by that of any quarry yet developed in the South. For some time past Iredell granite has been worked by marble men, and its superior quality quickly attracted attention. The result is what might have been expected. A party of capitalists from the North have bought a quarry and are arranging to do a great wholesale business in granite. The works will be in Iredell county, and the headquarters in Charlotte.

The party buying the quarry consists of Wm. McGregor, John K. Gee and Wm. Gee, of Monongahela City, Pa. They bought a quarry on the Hargrave place, three miles from Mooresville, where a splendid quality of granite is to be found. They intend to quarry the granite on an extensive scale, and their enterprise will be a genuine boom for this section.—Charlotte News.

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