

CRONWELL, I CHARGE: IDEAS TO FLING AWAY AMBITIOUS!

This quotation from Shakespeare is suggested to us by the card of our... Mr. Cronwell, I charge: ideas to fling away ambitious!

The bottom is dropping out of the people's party, the good men who joined it, now see that if they continue in their efforts to disrupt the Democratic Party there can be but one result—and that is to put the State of North Carolina back in the hands of the republican party—this result they do not desire, hence they were coming back to their allegiance to the party of Jefferson, Madison, Jackson and others of the mighty past who fashioned our government, and spoke liberty into being.

Brothers, friends, countrymen of the people's party we beg you to come back and stand by the old flag; to keep it unfurled to the breezes of heaven—beneath its folds victory over radicalism can be won, and your State that you love more than party, officer seekers or politicians can be preserved from anarchy and mis-rule. If you stay away the time will come when North Carolina will hold up her gory, accusing hands to you and exclaim in the language of the ancient prophet: "Naham, Thou art the man who has betrayed us into the hands of my enemies."

A gentleman who is a close observer of public affairs in North Carolina and well acquainted with the trend of public sentiment, says that the present crusade by the Baptist against higher education will result in the opening of the doors of the University, the A & M. College and the Normal and Industrial School free of all charge for tuition to all the boys and girls of North Carolina. He says that the people will stop with nothing short of this if they once get hold of the idea that their children need higher education and are as much entitled to it as the children of the rich. He thinks, in short, that the Wake Forest people in opposing aid to education at the University, have started a boomerang. It would certainly be a lively campaign if President Melver, Prof. Alderman, President Winston, President Holladay, Prof. Massey, Prof. Hill, Dr. Kemp, P. Battle, Prof. Claxton, Prof. Moses and others should take the stump for the free education of the people in all our public schools from the log cabin to the University—N. O. C.

WORK OF THE DEMOCRATS.

What the Party has Done Since it Came Into Power—Mr. Pou's Speech of Acceptance Before the Judicial Convention.

It is with pleasure that we publish Mr. Pou's speech in full, that he made on accepting the re-nomination for Solicitor of our District as clipped from the North Carolinian.

Mr. Pou is a Democrat right and in his speech deals out some very plain facts. If the third party wants a better man for Solicitor of this District they will have to go out of the district to find him—yes out of the State.

In accepting the nomination, Mr. Pou said:

Fellow Citizens:—I thank you for the honor you have bestowed upon me. Naturally it is pleasing to me that after nearly four years of service as the prosecuting officer of the State the Democratic party should again designate me as its candidate for that position. I accept the trust, and acknowledge its gratuitous bestowal.

I wish to thank the people of the Fourth District for the abundant support they have all times accorded me as I attempt to discharge the difficult duties of the office.

I wish to thank the members of the bar, irrespective of party, for the generosity and courtesy which at all times have characterized their action towards me.

But you, my fellow-citizens, would charge upon me a lack of gratitude if I failed in this presence to render my first and highest homage to that county whose people first declared to the world that in some measure at least I was worthy the confidence of my fellow-citizens, that county whose people rather forgive than to find a fault, the home of sturdy manhood, the dwelling place of peace, conservatism, but at all times patriotic, whose first allegiance is to country, but whose next allegiance is to the Democratic party. I refer to the banner Democratic county of North Carolina, which I have the honor to call my home.

Nothing that I know of has occurred to cause us to falter in our allegiance to the Democratic party; much has occurred to increase our faith, to arouse our enthusiasm, to make us proud that we are Democrats.

Men should be patriots then partisans. In an hour when national life is threatened with attack, when foreign criminals fill the air with curses and threats against the lives of those in authority and with exultations over the murder of the great President of our sister Republic across the sea, when United States troops guard the passage of mails, protect private property and innocent life from the attack of the mob, when war is imminent, where is the American citizen, no matter what be his political party who does not thank God that moral courage, lofty patriotism and genuine manhood are to be found in the chair of the President of the United States. Let there be honest differences of opinion from the policy of the President, but let us not fail to accord to him that which his political enemies concede—an honesty of purpose in all things and a stern determination to do what seems to him right.

No President ever had a greater task before him than did Mr. Cleveland when he took the Presidential chair. His election made him the receiver of a bankrupt government, rendered bankrupt by the criminal extravagance of the Republican party. The surplus left by him in the Treasury amounting in actual figures to more than a hundred millions of dollars less than four years before was gone and there were actually no available funds which to meet the demands upon the government. What was he to do, permit the obligations of the government to go to protest? Forced by the reckless extravagance of his predecessor in office, the champion juggler of the world, Mr. Cleveland was forced to borrow enough money to meet the demands made upon the

government. Those bonds were only issued because there was not enough money of any kind in the Treasury of either gold or silver to meet the obligations of the government. What else would any sensible man, any business man have done under the circumstances? No one claims that a single dollar of the money has been improperly expended.

But the question is asked, what has the Democratic party done since it has been in power? Some of our Republican and Populist friends actually have the impudence to ask this question. They commenced asking it even before Congress convened; they have kept it up ever since; and the last husky whispér of the old dying Republican carcass will probably be, what has the Democratic party done? Well, what has it done? Is there one of us so ignorant who can not tell what it has done? It has discovered twenty-five millions of dollars of fraudulent Republican pensions and has cut them off; it does not lie about the condition of the Treasury; it has repealed the last remnant of a Federal election law; it has provided to raise thirty millions of dollars out of the plethoric incomes of the country (much to the sorrow of our Populist friends); it has passed a bill reducing an unjust war tariff twenty-five per cent; it has placed many of the necessities of life on the free list; it has provided to make farming implements cheaper; it has saved to the farmers of the South nearly half a million dollar on the item of cotton ties alone; it has treated with justice every part of the union; and it will provide for the coinage of both gold and silver as the money of the nation; this is what it has done in less than a year, what would it not accomplish for the people if it had as long as the Republican party? These hypocrites pretend that they expect us to undo in less than one year all the rascality that their ingenuity devised in thirty years.

And when they almost lose breath asking what the Democratic party has done they actually have the arrogance to accuse us of failing to provide for the free coinage of silver and failing to repeal the tax on the issue of State banks. Well, is that their business? Were they in favor of either of these measures? One of them asked me about this the other day. "You failed to pass a free coinage bill," said he. "Were you in favor of that measure?" said I. "Oh no," said he. "But you failed to repeal the State bank tax," said he. "Were you in favor of the repeal of that measure?" said I. "Oh no," said he. "Well then what have you got to do with it?"

But they say they want to get into power again to give us honest elections. They give us honest elections? They who more than once stole the house, once the Senate and once the Presidency, they give us honest elections who carried the ballot boxes in this very county to South Carolina to be counted? God forbid that our elections should ever again be given over to that set of men.

But they want to reduce taxes in North Carolina, who believes they could do it in the first place and in the next place, who believes they would do it if they could. The taxes are less in North Carolina than they ever have been, even less than they were when our great and philanthropic and economical Republican friends were in power, less than the taxes of any State that touches us and as little I dare say as the taxes of any civilized community on earth.

Again some gentleman has dived down into the depths of this sarcasm and resurrected the expression that the Democratic party is "a very good opposition party." We should thank him for this very frank admission. It has been a great success as an opposition party; for thirty years it opposed Republican extravagance, opposed every attempted violation of the constitution, opposed and defeated two force bills and finally itself became victor over all opposition. It has attended the funeral of all its opponents. There are old men here to day who will live to act as bearers at the burial of the Republican party.

who will live to see the name of that party become extinct.

Fellow citizens, let us address ourselves more earnestly than ever to the correcting of national wrongs, let us be true to our principles, let us choose leaders who will eagerly enact into law whatever seems to them good. A tariff for revenue only, a tariff bill more and more perfect until the exact revenue point is reached; the free coinage of both gold and silver, a safe elastic, currency beyond the control of any power on earth save the people, a just income tax, the government economically administered, let us be faithful to all these principles and success is ours.

Let no traitor write upon our banner any such hypocritical inscription as "protection to American industries" nor those other words of delusion and folly "rotection to American labor," but every where emblazoned all over with letters of living lights as it floats o'er the land and the sea and in every wind throughout the whole heavens, let us inscribe those other sentiments dear to every true American heart "Equal and exact justice to all men, equality before the law and equal opportunity to all citizens, States and sections." These, my fellow citizens will be the symbols of permanent union and everlasting political life.—North Carolinian.

WASHINGTON LETTER.

Senator Jarvis's Motion Carries the Tariff Bill Back to the House. N. Carolina Personals.

WASHINGTON, D. C. July 26th, 1894.

When the tariff fight was at its height Senator Jarvis moved that the bill be referred back to the conferees without construction. The motion was accepted by the Democratic caucus, and yesterday afternoon the Senate officially returned it to the House. The Secretary of the Senate, Gen. W. R. Cox, was so much interested in the outcome that he took the bill over in person. Five minutes afterword it was locked up in the safe in the Ways and Means Committee Room. Monday the conferees will begin work again on the bill. All sorts of rumors are in the air, about "no bill this session." The hopeless antagonism of Gormanites and the Administration and such rubbish. Mr. Cicero W. Harris, who is one of the strongest and most unserving of the Cleveland men in this city, as well as one of the most experienced of newspaper men says the Charlotte Observer: "A reciprocity arrangement as to coal; the sugar duty to be 45 per cent. ad valorem instead of 40, the differential duty to be eliminated and the planters to receive twelve-twentieth of the present bounty of two cents per pound. Senator Smith is quoted on good authority as saying that the Sugar Trust will be satisfied with the above, although to-day's papers state the very reverse.

The situation has been gradually changing for several days. Senators in a compromise mood. Representative Woodward represents the general feeling when he states that it would be almost impossible to obtain much change in the Senate bill; that it will considerable reduce the rates of the McKinley law in woollens and many other articles, and placing cotton ties on the free list. He thinks Cleveland's letter has accomplished great political good, to this: If the letter has not been written it would have been claimed with more force by our enemies that the bill did not satisfy the demands of the platform and the party, whereas the letter developed the fact that the executive, the House, the press and the people wanted a somewhat more Democratic bill but could not get it because of four or five Senators. They and not the Democratic party are responsible for any short coming. There is some talk of a separate and later bill to put sugar on the free list to punish the Louisiana Senators for the erection they practiced, but if they are punished so ought also the Alabama Senators to be, for what they have secured on coal and iron.

This is the most reasonable solution of the situation I have ever seen. Mr. Harris is on the best of terms with Hon. Wm. L. Wilson, Speaker Crisp and a number of the other leaders in the Senate and House. His long and faithful service for the Democratic party in North Carolina, his intimate acquaintance with the politics and politicians of the State, and his unswerving advocacy in a number of the foremost Southern papers of tariff and civil reform as taught by Mr. Cleveland causes such friends as the gentlemen referred to, to speak more freely with him on these subjects than they would to the average correspondent.

I hear with great pleasure that Mr. Bower was renominated. He is a hard working affable and most efficient congressman with too much brains to have the swell head. Last week I met him on Pa. Ave. carrying an enormous bundle. I said what on earth are you toting around Washington on such a hot day? He laughed and said: Nothing but a map I've got for Judge Wilson of Winston. You are not ashamed to see one of your Congressmen working this way for a constituent are you? "Not a bit of it" I answered. "I like you better for it." You could not carry big bundles around for a better man than Wilson nor work for a better county than Forsyth.

Fred. Woodward is another Congressman whose head has not been turned by a brief term of official authority and position. I hope he will be re-elected. I have been praying for John Henderson's re-nomination by acclamation and re-election by a majority big enough to give any other man the swell head. That is a disease he can't take. His head was originally too full of hard, honest horse sense. If he gets his dues he will be elected speaker of the next House. Mr. Crawford from Asheville district is another man who has stayed here and worked faithfully and efficiently. I hear with pleasure that he will be re-nominated. He deserves it on his record alone. Mr. Branch has also done a good part by his constituents, and is said to be the strongest man in the district.

Messrs. Bunn and Alexander having withdrawn from the race are no longer factors in the campaign. There is a great deal of "boah going the rounds" that "Administration men, i. e. friends of Grover Cleveland have been marked for retirement in N. C. I take no stock in it. There is a great deal of gossip here about the fight between Ransom and Jarvis. It seems to me that the democratic masses ought to settle this thing now at the primaries, and be sure that the east has a senator and the west one. This heresy of suggesting two from the east is an injustice—no unbiased tar heel will olerate.

Just a Little Amusing.

It is a little amusing to see these little "bob-tailed" lawyers, (whom the Populists used to delight in abusing) running around trying to get the Pops to endorse them for various positions. The latest one hereabouts was a man named Farmer, and we believe he hails from Rocky Mount. He wants to be solicitor. This was too late here however, as the "Steering Committee" of the Pops of this county, had already endorsed Bernard, a Republican.—Louisburg Times.

NOTICE.

I am going out of business the first of January, and if you have any work to be done come at once. I AM GOING TO have some fine buggies for the fall trade which will be neat, good and substantial, and you will do well to call on me before purchasing elsewhere. Respectfully, J. A. JOHNSON.

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