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Will They Vote for a Republican?

Mr. Cleveland's free coinage letter has created a tremendous stir among the politicians. It has subjected him to a great deal of adverse and unfair criticism. The very persons who were demanding that he speak now say he had no business to intrude his views as a private citizen. Senator Vance is reported as saying that "Mr. Cleveland's position on the silver question is a defiance of his party. His whole attitude on this subject is one of defiance," but the senator fails to explain how a man not in public life can defy a party of whom he has asked nothing and whose only offense is that of having stated his opinions when called upon to do so.

Perhaps Senator Vance prefers Hill. Hill was called upon at the same time Cleveland was, and for the same occasion, to give his views on the subject of free coinage. The Chicago Herald says:

"New York, Feb. 12.—A second missing letter, as important, in some ways as the letter from Henry Watterston that Governor Hill denied having received, has apparently been devoured by the office cat. It seems an invitation was sent to Governor Hill to be present at and to address the anti-silver meeting at Cooper Union last night. Nothing was heard from him."

In other words, Cleveland has the courage of his convictions and Hill has an office cat!

Now, the people love a courageous man and Cleveland is plainly that, and not a time server or a policy trimmer. Possibly a majority of the democrats want free coinage, but when it comes to considering a candidate for the presidency in 1892 the democrats will select the man who can probably be elected. If that man be Cleveland and he is nominated, will free coinage democrats vote for a republican?

What is there about the federal election bill that democratic politicians dread so much? It may not be perfect in all particulars, but it certainly could not harm any honest citizen. It should become a law, we at Highlands, would have nothing to do with it.—Highlands Star.

Democrats dread to have their affairs unnecessarily meddled with, and so do some republicans. Senator Wolcott, of Colorado, opposed the force bill and gave as one of his reasons that something like it was tried in Colorado, and that, though the officials were by no means over-zealous, their very presence became intolerable. They were, by implication at least, a charge against the intelligence of Colorado citizens, an assertion that they could not vote as they should without supervision and direction from the outside.

Born Parnell and Dillon announce a complete failure of the attempt to secure peace between the two factions of the Irish party. And yet, had Parnell consented to retire when the O'Shea verdict was first announced, he might by this time be tolerated behind the scenes, where he could direct all the actors in the great drama that portrays Ireland's struggle for a national existence, and a few months later might have been again the openly avowed champion of a year ago. It is strange, passing strange, that the figure in a great scandal should struggle to keep it before a civilized nation as an issue.

The Durham Globe, which is anxious to fret a good deal, criticises very sharply the actions of a lot of fool girls who sent flowers to Irving Latimer, a man on trial for murdering his mother-in-law, as the Globe says, "Michigan the other day." The Globe has somehow got to the bottom of its waste basket and obtained information about the vintage of 1888-9. Latimer has been at hard labor in the penitentiary of Michigan these two or three years and flowers come not to him.

The thing isn't all one way. The following address to Mr. Cleveland is being circulated by leading democrats at Burlington, Iowa:

"Hon. Grover Cleveland, New York.—The undersigned, democrats of Burlington, leg to assure you of our continued confidence in you as a true and courageous representative of democratic principles, and of our hearty approval of your recent letter upon the subject of free coinage of silver." At last accounts the address was being signed by a great many democrats.

The Winston Sentinel learns that "the Hammond Manufacturing company, of Archdale, N. C., large contractors and builders, desire to move their plant to a live town in order to secure railroad facilities. The firm does a large business, are good citizens, and employ about 75 or 100 hands. The company don't ask any money donation; they only want a good site." Can Asheville move for this?

We very much regret our inability to present even a tolerable account of the fine speeches made in the house yesterday on the Soldier's home bill.—Raleigh News and Observer.

If North Carolina had, as it should have, a daily record printed of the proceedings of the legislature we should know something about it and the men who make it up.

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LETTERS FROM THE PEOPLE.

Mr. Atkinson and the Graded School. Error THE CITIZEN:—I thank you kindly for your defence of the part I took in the Bingham school matter, and feel pretty certain that if Mr. T. W. Patton had been at home and had known the facts and circumstances of the case he would not censure me for getting the legislature to give us the power to vote on the Bingham school proposition.

As to the amendment he mentions, made by himself, Mr. Rankin and Col. Lusk or the one drawn up by Judge Merrimon, I well remember that the amendments he refers to were matters of which the people knew but little at the time they were passed, and no little censure was expressed with regard to them.

Mr. Patton says that I followed the precedent set by Mr. Blanton in the amendment he had made with regard to the recharter. Neither I nor anyone else, so far as I can find, had the slightest intimation that Mr. Blanton had gone to Raleigh to have such an amendment as he had added to our charter, and I no more approve of his course in the matter than Mr. Patton himself does.

I took the position the other night in my remarks that the "precedent" set by the city in loaning its credit to the Bingham school where it got a first mortgage in real estate for twice the amount it simply endorsed for, was a good one, and I would be glad to see it do so on this terms to the extent of \$2,000,000.

Mr. Patton says "thoughtful people" do not think this way. Here he and I differ again. It is the people who do not and will not think that agree with him, and I don't if there are a dozen men in Asheville who will be found with like views. The only trouble is in corporations endorsing and aiding private enterprises without scrutiny. Then the precedent is bad, but where the security is ample and beyond all question—twice the amount endorsed for—where is the harm?

Now Mr. Patton will agree that a dozen large factories, employing say five thousand hands, would be a good thing for Asheville or any other town. Suppose a dozen gentlemen or companies should come to Asheville and say to the city that they would put up \$100,000 each to establish twelve large factories of different kinds, the whole of them employing five thousand hands, and that the city would endorse their bonds, to run thirty years, for an equal amount to be secured by a first mortgage lien on real estate to twice the amount of the endorsement, the factories to be kept insured, so as to fully indemnify the city in any contingency—does Mr. Patton think that would be a bad thing to do? Suppose one or more of them should fail to pay the interest on the bonds and the city should become liable, there is always twice the amount of property we are liable for to secure us, and there would be no trouble in getting any one to relieve off our hands at one half the cost, thereby leaving us freed from loss, and the factories still running here with all the benefits and blessings incident thereto.

Now "thoughtful" men as this would sound in Asheville a big city. My motto is "onward and upward, higher and higher" provided I can feel that my foundation is secure. When I can know that I hold a two dollar mortgage for every dollar I am investing, then I am willing to make "precedents" and to point the balance of mankind to them as examples, to burn the bridges behind me, and take all chances for what follows. Some people are always afraid something will happen. Mr. Patton, I believe, was opposed to our public schools, and we had a very hard struggle to carry the measure, because of the opposing influence of such men, but look at them now! The greatest blessing that the city has, where the poor man's child can have equal advantages with the rich man's child.

The Bingham school will be a great advantage and we could afford to pay for it. But now we get it without costing the city anything, without even requiring the city's endorsement, and we have to thank the gentlemen who have agreed to buy Mayor Bingham's bonds without having the city do it. Their investment is a good one and they know it.

Allow me further to say that in the heat of debate I doubtless said things to wound the feelings of gentlemen who opposed me. I now regret this, and trust I will be forgiven by any and all who may feel offended at my imprudence. NATE ATKINSON.

The Mayorality. Editor THE CITIZEN:—I wish to suggest the name of Col. Hatch for our mayor in the approaching election. Say what you may, it is the mayor of a city who controls its progress. We need a man for this position who has a broad and general experience, and a man of broad, intelligent and liberal views. We need a man who has seen other cities and knows the causes which lead to their development. We need a man who panders to no set of influences, nor bows to the suggestions of any ring. Col. Hatch is a business man, a thorough gentleman of polish and education. The voters of Asheville would gladly rally to Col. Hatch. CONSERVATIVE.

Senator Vance has written a letter to Representative Holman urging the passage of the bill providing for a geological survey.

An incendiary fire at Gilson Station destroyed the barn and stables of Edward Gilson, together with seventeen horses and a large number of agricultural implements.

Mr. Archibald McGowan was accidentally killed near Greenville. He had started to town on horseback. His horse stumbled and fell and broke Mr. McGowan's neck.

Weaver's college at Weaverville, N. C., is more prosperous than usual this session. A fine new Methodist church is going up at Weaverville. The new district parsonage for Asheville district is located at Weaverville—Marion Free Lance.

Mr. J. A. Bonitz left \$20,000 of insurance to his family. The friends of Mrs. Bonitz favor her continuing publication of the Messenger. There are two parties, one from Chicago, the other from New York, who wish to buy it and convert it into an eight column folio afternoon paper.—Raleigh Visitor.

On the recent failure of the National Bank of Fayetteville, the republican administration could not find a republican in all the state of North Carolina to fill the place, and had to import a receiver from away out in the state of Michigan. Who would belong to such a party?—Charlotte Times.

Some months ago a sensation was created by the attempted elopement of Miss Lillie Rogers, of Oxford, who was attending the Salem academy, and young Wiley Gilson, of Winston. In Baltimore on Tuesday the nuptials were celebrated and the newly wedded were welcomed in Winston Wednesday night by a number of their friends.—Durham Sun.

An Inconsistency. The North Carolina legislature has fixed the interest rate at 6 per cent.—Atlanta Constitution, 3d. The Constitution is the most inaccurate paper in the south. The amount of news it publishes that isn't so is astonishing.—Asheville Citizen. And yet hundreds of people in North Carolina persist in patronizing the Constitution in preference to home papers, and at the same time condemn publications that prevent facts.—Greensboro North Star. Pimples, blotches and sores, and their cause is removed by Simmons Liver Regulator.

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