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"DEMOCRACY IS IMMORTAL!" "THE WORD DEMOCRAT STANDS FOR HUMAN LIBERTY AND HUMAN FREEDOM AND CANNOT DIE."

The people are willing to pay their poll tax, which goes to the schools, but are unwilling to pay the garbage tax, which goes to the city.

Two hundred Democrats and eight hundred Republicans carry Asheville Monday week, will it be Democratic Reform or Republican victory? This is worth serious thought.

The poll tax is abolished! The public schools will be the loser. Is there a man in Asheville unwilling to pay a poll tax when it goes to keep up our splendid system of public schools?

When the Democratic party is made a clean party by good men leaving it, then will have come to pass the saying: Yea, and the mighty man shall lift himself in these days by his own boot straps!

The election of J. C. Martin means a capable administration, a clean administration, and a Democratic administration. If any Democrat can show that the election of T. W. Patton will mean as much, he will have justified himself in voting for him. Otherwise not.

To relieve the harrowing suspense that exists in some quarters THE CITIZEN wishes to state that Mr. C. D. Blanton is out of town. Those reformers who have been under the bed on account of this logic can now come out and breathe again. We'll notify them when to go back.

Some few Democrats are trying to excuse themselves for voting this so-called Reform ticket by saying that if Martin is elected the Blanton crowd will claim it as their victory and will control. If Patton is elected will not the Republicans claim it as their victory and will control? Heh!

They are coming! J. C. Martin is growing stronger each day. Democrats are seeing that they cannot vote against him without helping the Republicans, and that that cannot be Reform for Democrats. Let Democrats close up their eyes and shut their mouths, and there can be no doubt as to the result.

THE CITIZEN attempted yesterday to say that the proposition to issue bonds to fund the floating debt was a money raising plan, but, through an error, the sentence read "a money raising plan." It should be remembered that this proposed bond issue does not make a new debt, it simply provides for the taking care of an old debt at less expense.

THE CITIZEN, with many others in Asheville who remember so pleasantly the genial humor of Frank Hutton, editor of the Washington, D. C., Post, as toastmaster at the Gridiron banquet here last winter, regrets exceedingly the stroke of paralysis that prostrated him at his desk on Tuesday. A brilliant writer, fluent and witty talker, it is sad to feel that according to all precedent he will never be himself again.

In an authorized article in the New York Sun on the immense Astor estate one remarkable fact is stated. That is that, to collect the enormous rents of John Jacob Astor only two men are necessary. There is more than one business in Asheville today not one hundredth part as large as the Astor's that requires the services of more than one collector, and he is probably not always as successful as his employers could wish.

It is impossible to purify the Democratic party by leaving it. If the good men leave it the chance for reform is gone. The way to have a clean party is to vote for good men when they are put up. If any man can put his finger on an act of J. C. Martin, or any of the Aldermen associated with him, that has not been a clean act, let him speak out. "My party right or wrong, if wrong, to be set right," should be the motto of every true Democrat.

A JUST MOVE. The announcement that the Democratic party, if successful at the municipal election Monday week, will have Asheville kept in a perfect condition of sanitation at the expense of the city, instead of taxing the poor people, who have no sewerage facilities, for removing the refuse from their premises, is not only simple justice, but is the only way the city can be kept absolutely clean.

There is no question that the present system of charging the poor people from 25 to 75 cents for removing this garbage from their premises is wrong in principle and unjust in practice. It is a tax that they can not, in very many instances, afford to pay, and in order to avoid the burden thus imposed, this offensive matter is frequently imperfectly buried on the premises, and when the rains come and the sun shines upon it, disease germs are produced and the town suffers.

The injustice of this tax is shown in this, that the man whose house is connected with the sewer system has his sewerage removed almost free of cost to him, and, in many instances doubtless, at great waste of the city water.

It is made the duty of the city to remove it at its own expense, each property owner will notify the authorities, if it is allowed to accumulate, whereas, under the present order of things these poor people are forced to quietly submit to an unhealthy and dangerous condition of things because of their inability to pay.

The city should be kept clean at its own expense, and the sanitary authorities should be held to a strict account.

LETTERS FROM THE PEOPLE.

A Trip to Take.

EDITOR THE CITIZEN.—This is the time to make an excursion to Hickory Nut Gap. The rhododendrons are there in full bloom and the forest and fruit trees in full leaf. It is impossible to realize, without seeing it, what a change the short distance of 20 miles from Asheville makes in the appearance of nature.

This is Facetious.

EDITOR THE CITIZEN.—Do yourself no harm. Under this caption a writer in your issue of the 23rd gives part of an historical incident urging the Democratic Reformers to return to the local fold. He said:

"In the midst of a decisive battle, a corps of Roman soldiers fought and turned their backs on their foes to fight their own countrymen. A brave general, seeing the imminent danger, rushed to the front of the army and shouted, 'Romans, turn your backs against your enemies, and not your friends.' The column halted, patriotism regained the ascendancy, the mutiny was Roman soldiers again and the battle was won."

Had he told the whole story, of how the Roman general was so pleased with the return of his prodigals, that he gave each of them three weeks' lurch and a bicycle to ride home on, he would have brought all of us back.

With a few such incidents well told, even the march on Washington might be arrested. Let us all read history, and get good.

A Plea For Col. Cox

EDITOR THE CITIZEN.—At the times change and different conditions present themselves in the affairs of life the demand for suited leaders changes, and a leader suited to the demands of the day must be chosen.

All thinking men realize the truth of this statement and no man, perhaps, sees or realizes it quicker than the farmer who earns his bread by the sweat of his face. It is upon the farmer's shoulders that the burden of supporting the country falls with as heavy weight as upon that of any other man.

I, being one of this class, and a true Democrat as well, beg the liberty of suggesting the name of Col. Frank Cox for congress from the 11th district this year. Col. Cox is a business man of the ablest sort. He is one of the largest farmers in North Carolina. He owns considerable city property, and is interested in mining and manufacturing. He is, in the first place, a man of sterling business ability; secondly, he is well acquainted with the wants of our people; in the third place, he could not and would not favor one interest of the country to the neglect of the others. Every interest would be safe with him.

Col. Cox is an open and strong advocate of silver money—the farmer's dollar. His strong personal influence is known and acknowledged among a mass of men, by far the most for these times of business troubles and scarcity of money. The farmers who are complaining, could rally to Cox as a brother in the truest sense of the word. nominate Frank Cox, and we will win on the field and what is still better, we will have a true and able Congressman. Speak out, brother farmers.

A Farmer. Leicester, N. C., April 11, 1894.

Some Statements and a Correction

EDITOR THE CITIZEN.—Some questions and answers: The voter in this municipal contest is confronted with the following questions:

What tickets are in the field? Answer: A Citizens' ticket and a so-called Democratic ticket. Why is the Democratic ticket merely a so-called Democratic ticket? Answer: Because it is not the ticket put forth by the regular Democratic organization, which put out no ticket whatever.

Why so? Answer: Because the executive committee of the Democratic party for the city of Asheville was composed of 12 members, only four of whom called a convention of the party to nominate a mayor and aldermen. A majority did not, and a minority only, holds the party. If a minority could act, one man might dictate to all.

Did such a convention meet pursuant to that call? Ans. Yes, within 36 hours after said meeting and nominated C. D. Blanton for mayor. Was that nomination generally accepted by the Democratic party? Ans. No; for the newspaper which claims to be the organ of that party bolted the nomination the day after it was made, and soon after a large meeting of most reputable citizens nominated T. W. Patton.

Is Blanton still the nominee of that convention? Answer: No; he withdrew as soon as the organ of his party bolted. How was his place filled? Answer: By a set of men who claimed to be the executive committee of the party, but who had no more right to represent the party than any other private citizens.

A Convict's Note.

We are generally content to let the "Reformer" communications run on in their own wild way, but one correction of the above seems pertinent. THE CITIZEN has not bolted any nomination recently, or at any time, made by Democrats.—Ed. CITIZEN.]

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TO MEET THE PEOPLE.

The Great Desire of Vance's Heart at The Law.

From the Charlotte Observer. Mr. T. J. Allison called to say goodbye. After an hour's conversation he rose to leave, extended his hand and said good bye. "No," said Senator Vance, "not good bye, Tom, say good night, and come back tomorrow and say good bye." Returning to the residence some two o'clock in the afternoon Saturday he found him unconscious.

The conversation on the preceding evening had reference to his public services and to early and late long friendships. His big heart seemed full of tender recollections and he spoke pathetically and affectionately of his family and friends and charitably of all who had wronged and misunderstood him. He felt keenly the helplessness that kept him from his public duties. Speaking of this he said: "It is my decided inclination to resign. I think about it seriously. It is a duty I owe the people, but it is a question of bread and meat; it is a question of livelihood. I don't think my worst enemy would say I am dishonest, but if I had my life to live over again I would lay something aside for old age and my children."

Constantly during his conversation he alluded to his State and to his great wish to go one more time among the people. "I may never live," he said, "but get to North Carolina, but the great desire of my heart is to meet the people and tell them how anxiously I am ready to serve them. I think," he said, "of a man on his head and feet, that I could tell them some things that others might not like to talk about. All that I am, all that I ever had, I owe to the people of North Carolina. They know I am happy to believe, how deeply I appreciate their confidence and how grateful I feel to them. Come what may I have faith in their love and devotion and believe they will never see me suffer."

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