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If there is a better paper in the State than The Caucasian for one dollar, then take it—if not then take The Caucasian.

Hereafter we will publish regularly a first class continued story. See the first chapter of a fine story in next week's issue.

A great many papers cuss and abuse The Caucasian, but why don't some of them show that what we say is untrue?

Cleveland has appointed Mr. Henry Thurber of Detroit, Mich., as his private Secretary. Mr. Thurber is a law partner of Mr. Don Dickerson, who was in Cleveland's cabinet before.

"My Lady Tongue," an interesting continued story by the charming Amelia Rivers, will be commenced in the next issue of The Caucasian. See prospectus of story in another column.

A subscriber in Western Carolina writing us a letter a few days since said, "we reformers up here are very fortunate. If it is a boy we name it Marion, if it is a girl we name it Maryann."

Do you want a paper that strikes straight from the shoulder and tells the truth (that the majority of the papers would not dare to tell) which can not be contradicted? Of course you do. Then THE CAUCASIAN is the paper you want.

A lady writes to know if the editor gets up the "Woman's Sphere" and "Children's Corner." Well, it is hard to tell, sometimes it is done by the editor, then again it is done by "Miss Mary Ann." We are contemplating putting her in full charge.

We will send a bundle of sample copies to any Postmaster or subscriber who will send us a postal card asking for them. Let the people see THE CAUCASIAN and read one copy and they will take it. Everybody wants some newspaper. THE CAUCASIAN is willing to stand or fall on its merits.

We suppose now some of the partisans will be drawing their money from the Business Agency Fund. Well let them do it and a "gentle riddance" to them we say. They can't cripple the Business Agency, for every dollar they draw out will be supplied by another dollar, placed there by a true reformer.

We haven't the space or the time this week to give you an account of our Washington trip. In another column you will find a clipping from the Washington Post about the "Silver League." In our Washington Letter, from our regular correspondent, you will find something about the Reform Press Association etc.

Within the next few months rare developments will take place in the political world. THE CAUCASIAN will keep you posted. We will hit some hard licks, but they will be in the interest of truth and justice. If we are wrong let those who are dealing in abuse, expose us. We are willing to stand by the record.

Probably the most important member of Mr. Cleveland's cabinet is Mrs. Cleveland, whose official position will be "Queen of the White House." After next Saturday she will be "the first lady of the land" for four years, so we place her picture this week in the centre of the group of cabinet officers. But we have decided to suppress baby Ruth.

A bill has been introduced in the Legislature to amend the election law. If the bill prevents stealing votes, stuffing ballot boxes and throwing out votes by the whole township, then it is safe to say that this Legislature will not favor it. How could they do it consistently when many of them hold their seats procured by such methods?

A few weeks since, we said that The Caucasian must have five thousand subscribers. We got them and are now nearing ten thousand. For the last eight weeks we have put on our books from 100 to 200 new subscribers each week. Last week we broke the record. We put on over 300 new subscribers. Now listen! Before the end of the year we must have 20,000 subscribers. Let everybody help and it can be done.

The letters we have secured from the boys, girls, women and men for the last month saying how much they value and enjoy THE CAUCASIAN would fill more than four pages of the paper in solid type. We are striving to do our duty and to give the people a first class all round complete family newspaper, and it is highly gratifying to know that we are succeeding and meeting the approval of the people.

No other paper in North Carolina has ever increased in circulation as rapidly as The Caucasian has for the last four months. There is a cause for it. What is it? It is because the paper is uttering the truth and turning on the light. Because it is making a brave and bold fight for the people.

Reports of new Alliance lodges organized and of new members initiated in old lodges are coming in from many quarters. This is good, it is gratifying. Push the Alliance work everywhere. Let us show a blind partisan legislation that the organization will grow and prosper in spite of its cowardly attempt of assassination.

See in another column an account of the final action of the Legislature with reference to the Alliance charter. They were afraid to repeal the charter after we had offered to do all they asked, but the animus behind the matter was shown in the kind of amendments they passed to the present charter. The amendments are published in full in another column. The people will not endorse any one who is guilty of a mean act.

There is nothing little about THE CAUCASIAN. It will give the public the news straight as it is, without any dodging or warping, without regard to what party it helps or hurts. We tote fair with all parties and give them full credit for all they do that is right. We challenge any man or newspaper to show that any statement we make is not true. We are all liable to make mistakes, but if we make one, we have enough manhood and honesty to say so and correct it. We are simply fighting for truth and justice and will not compromise on less.

Show this paper to your neighbor, no matter what his politics is. If he is a Democrat or Republican all the more important is it for him to see it. If we are telling the truth, then he is wrong and ought to know the truth; if we are wrong then he ought to see what we say, so he can tell us where and how we are wrong. You and your neighbor ought to agree and vote together, for your interests are the same. When we see the monopolists pulling together and legislating in their own interests, how and it is to see those of us, who are bled by them, pulling against each other. It is a scheme to make angels weep. Come let us reason together.

"The best paper in the State." "The best paper I ever saw." "THE CAUCASIAN is a hummer." You are publishing a paper of which any man or any State might feel proud. The best reform paper in the South. Such are some of the expressions in the hundreds of letters we have received during the last few weeks. We greatly appreciate these kind words. No other paper has ever had more kind things said about it by its friends, and more mean things by its enemies. But praise will not turn our head any more than will abuse dampen our ardor or discourage us. We shall keep in the middle of the road, and do what we think is our duty to God and man, and let the consequences be what they may. We deserve no credit for doing what we think to be our duty and all the depths of wrath and abuse cannot drive us from the path of duty as we see it. We are in the fight for justice and for humanity and we will never give up the fight or turn back till victory is won. Let every man do his duty and justice shall prevail.

ARE YOU A subscriber? If not then this copy is a free gift to you. Read it. See the matter that it contains and the truths that it tells. If you want to be an intelligent voter, you cannot do without it. The Caucasian belongs to no clique or faction. It swings a free lance. It turns on the light and tells the truth, no matter if it hits the biggest man or the least. Send us one dollar and read it for a year, and at the end of that time if you will write us and say that you have not gotten more than a dollar's worth of truths and facts we will return your money.

THE ARE ALL DEAD.

(Cor. Hickory Mercury.)

Are there no good men, or wise, except dead men? I have read in Democratic papers for twenty years that Blaine was one of the meanest men that ever lived. From the obituary notices in all the papers, I infer he was, in reality, a good and great statesman, one of the most brilliant men of the century.

[We notice that several of the Democratic papers say that he should have been President of the United States, yet these same papers vilified and abused him as corrupt, dishonest and unworthy of confidence when he was a candidate. En.]

## THE REFORM PRESS

ASSOCIATION EXPOSES SHERMAN'S BOND SCHEME BILL NOW BEFORE CONGRESS.

Our readers will remember that a few weeks since Senator Sherman introduced a bill to repeal the present silver law. He did this at the request of Grover Cleveland. Senator Stewart and other silver senators fought this bill which would have contracted the currency and brought the country down to a gold basis. We published Sherman's speech in full. The bill was defeated. But the gold bugs scheme on foot and got Sherman to champion it also. When the appropriation bill was up before the senate last week, Sherman offered "a little amendment in the interest of economy and hoped there would be no objection to it." The amendment passed the senate before anyone knew what it meant. It slipped through like a bill to demote silver in 1873. The National Reform Press Association was in session in Washington at the time and immediately appointed a committee to investigate the nature and effect of the amendment. The following is the COMMITTEE'S REPORT.

Your committee, to whom was referred the matter of the further issue of bonds, beg leave to report the following:

WHEREAS, The following amendment to the sundry civil appropriation bill has passed the Senate, to enable the Secretary of the Treasury to provide for and to maintain the redemption of United States notes according to the provisions of the act approved January 15, 1875, entitled "An act to provide for the redemption of specie payments," \$50,000, and at the discretion of the Secretary he is authorized to issue, sell, and dispose of, at not less than par in coin, either of the description or bonds authorized in said act; or bonds of the United States bearing not to exceed 3 per cent. interest, payable semi-annually and redeemable at the pleasure of the United States after five years from their date, with like qualities, privileges, and exemptions provided in said act for the bonds therein authorized, to the extent necessary to carry said redemption into effect.

And whereas this amendment is not only ambiguous and subject to a forced construction in addition to the plain proposition of a further issue of bonds and a consequent increase in the burdens of taxation.

And whereas there is in the Treasury of the United States at the present time \$108,000,000 in gold and about \$190,000,000 of silver, the entire aggregate of which can be lawfully and justly applied to the redemption of United States notes.

And whereas this position is sustained by the following eminent authority, to wit:

Hon. Edwards Pierpont, Attorney General of the United States and minister to England, in a letter to the New York Times of April 18, 1884 says:

"There is not an outstanding bond coupon or greenback issued by the United States which may not be lawfully paid in silver. Not one of them on its face or back, or in the statute authorizing the issue, or in declaration, or in resolution of Congress, has any provision that they shall be paid in gold. And the act of February 28, 1885, directing the coinage of silver dollars, declared that such dollars shall be a legal tender at their nominal value for all debts and dues, public and private, except where otherwise expressly stipulated in the contract."

And whereas, this position is further strengthened by the following resolution passed by the United States Senate, January 25, 1878, and the House of Representatives, January 28, 1878, by a vote of 42 to 20 in the Senate and 189 to 79 in the House:

"That all the bonds of the United States issued or authorized to be issued under the said acts of Congress heretofore recited are payable, principal and interest, at the option of the Government of the United States, in silver dollars of the coinage of the United States, containing 412 1/2 grains each, of standard silver; and that to restore to its coinage such silver coins as a legal tender in payment of said bonds, principal and interest, is not in violation of the public faith nor in derogation of the rights of the public creditor."

And whereas the amount of bonds authorized by the refunding act have been exhausted and there is no law authorizing a further issue;

Therefore resolved, by the Reform Press Association—

1st. That we consider this amendment as a covert attempt to obtain authority under the false plea of economy.

2nd. That we look upon the passage of this amendment as a crime against the people of this country, an attempt to fasten the shackles of industrial slavery more firmly, and an open challenge of money against manhood.

3rd. That we urgently request our Senators and Representatives in Congress to do all in their power and resort to every means known to legislative obstruction to defeat the enactment into law of this monstrous piece of financial villainy.

4th. That a copy of this report be sent to each Congressman and Senator.

## POSTSCRIPTS

Poor campaign tariff, where art thou!

With tariff laid on the back shelf what issues divides the two old parties?

Wonder how the Democrats now like the man who is bigger than his party?

The Alliance corpse has been a terrible nightmare to the present legislature.

If the people rule, then the rulers of this country are poorer than their servants.

Will somebody name a legislature that has been a bigger farce than the present one?

Persecution will not kill the Alliance. It will prosper in spite of discriminating legislation.

Where is the "disinterested, visiting statesman?" Has he fallen into "innocuous desuetude?"

Q. In what country are the "servants" richer and more influential than the rulers? A. United States.

When Cleveland gets his new, mungump, goldbug party formed, where will the southern and western Democrats beat?

How much better is the infamous national banking system when you simply change the name and call it a State banking system?

Will any of North Carolina's congressmen desert free silver and bow their necks to Cleveland to get the distribution of patronage?

Mr. Cleveland should remember that while he holds the patronage of this administration that the people hold the ballots for the next.

The Legislature found that the Alliance was a live corpse that refused to be buried. The corpse will now bury the would-be undertaker.

What have the politicians done with that "good country road" racket? Has it served its purpose and fallen into "innocuous desuetude" already?

When Cleveland and Harrison ride down Pennsylvania Avenue together on next Saturday, Wall street will be even prouder of the latter than the former.

It may be interesting to the machine politicians to know that "the law of supply and demand" is governing the rapidly increasing circulation of THE CAUCASIAN.

The Legislature has tried to destroy the Alliance by passing some mean and cowardly amendments to its charter. On which side of this question did Gov. Railroad Carr stand?

The honest campaign speaker, who swore that Cleveland was for free coinage, and who has enough sense to now see that he was fooled, should lose no time in purging himself.

Not a free silver man in Cleveland's Cabinet. Where are the Democratic speakers who talked to you about free silver in the late campaign? Were they fooled or were they lying?

What is "me too" Carr doing for the people in whom he claimed to be interested, when President of the State Alliance? The railroads should not have all of his tender attentions, has he forgotten the motto "equal justice to all" &c.

The subscription price of The Caucasian is very low, but it may be news to the partisan democrat to know that it is not caused either by "overproduction" or "underconsumption." But strange to say the supply is hardly equal to the demand.

The Legislature should not adjourn till it has amended the charter of every railroad and corporation by providing that their charters shall be forfeited if any officer fails to do his duty. If this is wrong, then it is right; if this is right, then it is right.

The House boldly slapped the Alliance in the face thinking it was dead. This was the act of a bully and a coward. The Senate finding out that it was not dead slipped up under cover and gave it a stab in the back. This was the act of a demagogue and a sneak.

The machine Democratic papers are too hard on Mr. Cleveland. We are sure he would have selected a Democrat for Secretary of State if he could have found a man in the party who was honest and competent. A President ought to get the best men for important offices if he has to go out of the "Dear Old Party" to do it. Cleveland must have felt sure that Gresham did not help steal votes at the late election.

FRIENDS OF THE CAUCASIAN CONTRIBUTE.

WAKE COUNTY.

J. J. Penny \$1.00

ROCKINGHAM COUNTY.

Town Creek Alliance. \$4.00.

Subscribe to The Caucasian \$1.00 per year.

## MEAN AND COWARDLY

THE SENATE FOUND ITSELF IN A HOLE AND DID NOT DARE TO REPEAK CHARTER.

IT REFUSES TO ACCEPT OUR AMENDMENTS TO PRESENT CHARTER.

BUT PASSES SOME OF ITS OWN THAT SHOW THE MEAN AND COWARDLY ANIMUS BEHIND THE WHOLE AFFAIR.

The Farmers Single Out—Caucasian and Special Legislation Directed at Their Interests.

We published last week the bill which the House passed repealing the charter of the State Alliance. We also published the two amendments to the old charter, which we offered the Senate, that covered every complaint that had been made, even by the unknown cowards who are behind this attack upon the Alliance. This put the Senate in a hole. It did not dare to repeal the charter after we had offered to do all that was asked. But our amendments were not accepted. Why? Because it was not justice that was sought, but a mean and partisan desire to stab the Alliance was the motive power behind the whole business. So, after a weeks delay, the Senate, on last Saturday, passed the following amendments to the present charter:

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO AMEND CHAPTER 105, PRIVATE LAWS OF 1889, ENTITLED AN ACT TO INCORPORATE THE FARMERS' STATE ALLIANCE OF NORTH CAROLINA AND SUB-ALLIANCES.

The General Assembly of North Carolina do enact:

Sec. 1. That chapter 105, private laws 1889, be amended by adding at the end thereof of said act, the following: "Provided, that no individual stockholder in the Business Agency Fund of the Farmers' State Alliance of North Carolina or in any other business enterprises conducted or in any way controlled by the said State Alliance or by any County or Sub-Alliance, or no member of such Alliance or Alliances, who is not a stockholder in said fund or enterprise shall be individually liable for any debt or obligation contracted by the Alliance or Alliances, or by any officer, manager, agent or employee thereof."

Sec. 2. That section 3 of said act of 1889 be amended by adding to the end thereof, the following: "Provided, that the amount of salary paid to any officer or employee of the Farmers' State Alliance or any County or Sub-Alliance shall not at any time be increased from and after the ratification of this act; and any amendment to an Alliance constitution or by-law passed hereafter for the purpose of increasing any such salary shall be void and of no effect."

Sec. 3. That section 4 of said act of 1889 be amended by adding to the end thereof the following: "Provided, that from and after the ratification of this act any person who shall hereafter contribute one dollar to the State Alliance, County Alliance or Sub-Alliance passing the same."

Sec. 4. That section 5 of said act of 1889 be amended by adding to the end thereof the following: "Provided, that from and after the ratification of this act any person who shall hereafter contribute one dollar to the State Alliance, County Alliance or Sub-Alliance passing the same."

Sec. 5. That section 6 of said act of 1889 be amended by adding to the end thereof the following: "Provided, that from and after the ratification of this act any person who shall hereafter contribute one dollar to the State Alliance, County Alliance or Sub-Alliance passing the same."

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## THE TRUE PREACHER

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He was rash enough to believe in the broad basis of a fraternity spirit and of heart, and did not shock him to sit on the platform with ordinary Presbyterians or Baptists or Methodist preachers. He did not worry about apostolic succession. He believed in that wider, truer church universal. His soul was a truly great soul, and for that reason he was capable of small thoughts, small notions of man with man, of church against church, of ecclesiastical machine against those who are outside of the machine. For that reason small men never liked him. Small men, whose souls felt secure simply within forms, never agreed with his policies or his principles or with his methods of enforcing his thought or his life work.

THE TRULY GREAT SOUL.

Great souls are never capable of small thoughts. You remember when Jenny Lind gave an entertainment in Leipzig. On one occasion Mendelssohn was present, and they were given a great ovation. The great crowd thundered its applause and continued until Mendelssohn said to Jenny Lind that she must go and say something to the people. She said she would if he would go and make the speech. So in arm these two great musicians came before the people. When the tempo of applause which greeted their appearance had subsided, Mendelssohn in the most graceful way paid the highest and most delicate compliment to the great singer and proposed that the cheers of all Leipzig should be given to her. Then, while the building echoed with one of Mendelssohn's songs, they went back to the room behind the rostrum. There was no jealousy between the two such souls. A great many small musicians that play the second fiddle, that just know how to scrape a little, are mighty in jealousy, but great souls are never jealous.

So of this preacher. Small thoughts were impossible to him. He saw the good in all churches, and he saw good outside all churches. He was a high priest of the race. He saw good even in these low, evangelical churches that, from the high church point of view, are very low. Phil Brooks even held old fashioned revivals in Trinity church. He preached about a church outside the church, and the most eloquent, most powerful presentation of that church outside I ever heard from mortal man came from his great heart. He was the bishop of this church, and he was the bishop of the world. Third—Not alone to his catholicity, but also because of his prophetic power, his success is due.

The true preacher of God is a prophet, not a priest. It was his peculiar function to prophesy. I do not mean to predict future events. The work of the prophet is to give the signs of God and of truth. The Aaronic priests of old, with the Christ, and from the Christ went forth the line of those who should prophesy, and who in his name should unfold new views of God and of truth. New theology? Yes, his theology was not only new; it was the newest theology. And to get from him a sermon was to get from God's own life, from the new revelation, a new view of truth.

HE FORESAW THE BETTER TIME.

He was a prophet in the true and high sense of the word, and therefore he was progressive. He did not stand still or bow down to dogmas. He would not let himself be carried away by the passions of councils or of great men in the past. With his great heart fixed upon the spiritual realities of truth, he pressed forward, onward ever, from day to day, never pausing in that upward march toward the summit of truth, toward the new revelation of God. If you want to know what a preacher in the century will preach, study the life of such a man.

Fourth—His success rested on another thing—his tremendous earnestness. No body went to sleep while he preached. His intensity of soul was such that it swept him along outside of himself. The crowd could not not utter what his heart felt fast enough.

I have sat before him and watched the play of divine passion cross his face, flushed with the tumult of great thoughts struggling for utterance. Words could not be born fast enough. And through those great eyes, as through the windows of a soul, I could see the beating of angels' wings against the prison bars of language!

He was in dead earnest, and only that kind of man can move the world. Martin Luther was a man of tremendous earnestness. Ignatius Loyola, who led the Church of Rome against Luther, was a man of tremendous earnestness, and such earnestness is even on Catholicism that Jesus Christ last absorbed Rome and himself. Savonarola swept Florence with resistless power because of that magnetic, indefinable power that displayed itself in his earnestness. Beecher was a man of power, an epoch making man, a man who made and unmade theologies, because of that divine great character. Earnest men in politics, in religion, in history, are the men who make history. In a man like Blaine, who could impress himself upon his generation and have so enthusiastic a following through the years, there slumbered the inherent powers of a great personal earnestness.

Fifth—Philips Brooks' success, too, rested on another thing—namely, that he had faith in and love for his fellow man.

THE BROTHERHOOD OF MAN.

He loved his fellow man, and any man that loves his fellow man is following the true law of God. There never was a sweeter soul than Brooks'—tender, earnest, kind, loving. Yet how many little ecclesiastics in all this big world hate the sound of his name and would go positively into ecstasies if his name were not so intensely loved by his fellow man that, whether it clashed with ecclesiasticism or not, he spoke out of the great love of his heart what God had put there. Think of a man of that character, that temper, being hounded by heretics! Well, it is true. For years before he died the church had out of him within his "liberal" church, a great, thorough, honest hunting through every nook and corner—nosing here, there, yonder, getting together everything that might peep or not peep out of the corner of its eye, and then they were walking along the way that their fathers walked in the past.

He not only loved his fellow man, but he believed in man, made in the image of God. That was one of the cardinal principles of his life. In the lowest man, the beggar in the street, the prisoner in the jail, he saw the image of his Master; he saw a child from his Father's house.

Sixth—Another reason why his success and power were so great was that he had a vital grasp of spiritual truth. With him "God is spirit."

That was the theme that he voiced, and therefore he found the inmost depths of the human soul. The secret of his preaching was that he seemed to tell you with a spiritual intuition the things you had been thinking about. He believed in the world of spirit as against the matter, which is its mere shadow. He was a conductor of the divine spirit on high to men. Truett is authority for the statement that they were given a remarkable fact in the first chapter of a building destroyed by fire. A music and a hall it might be some performance of music from that piano into the audience might hear it. A hole through each of the took a wooden rod and the from the rostrum in the hall above, there was given a magnificent music on the piano below. The above could hear the music that by that piece of wood. But the violin on top of that piece of instantly that holy caught the perfectly, so that the great every note. They also saw the same results.

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