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EDITORIAL BRIEFS.

Honestly, now, are not the facts presented in the double column article elsewhere in this issue enough to make the Democratic organization offensive in the nostrils of any decent, honest man?

For years the Democratic organization of this State has "traded" and "banked" on the honor and glory of the Confederate soldier. And yet it has remained for that machine organization to insult a brave Confederate soldier in the vilest manner possible. Great God! What is it that this Democratic gang is not capable of? And what may be expected of it if it ever again gets power to do anything?

What sort of a preacher is it that will go among the people whining for contributions for FOREIGN MISSIONS, and at the same time declare that the horrors of a barbarian government exist among the very people from whom they are begging for the heathen. And yet, if the Democratic machine papers are to be believed, this is just what some so-called preachers are doing.

How is it possible for the defamation of an honest State government, the slander of women, the vile insulting of one-armed soldiers, red shirt riding, the threats of violence and the inciting insurrection among a CHRISTIAN PEOPLE, and go unrebuked and undenounced by people who claim to be Christians. All this is going on to-day in North Carolina. The devil dances a daily hornpipe over such Christianity as that.

Reports come that some registration books have been stolen in Nash county by some heeler of the Democratic machine. Reports also come that some Democratic "voters" are advising Democratic heelers to nab and make way with ballot boxes on election day. THE CAUCASIAN is ready to take bets that no six Democratic heelers in North Carolina will have the courage to nab a ballot box anywhere where ONE Populist is on guard.

With this issue of THE CAUCASIAN are presented facts which must necessarily make any reasonably honest man feel a genuine contempt for the Democratic organization as now run by the Simmons machine in North Carolina. Nothing but facts are presented. There could be no sense in an effort to present anything else; and the man who refuses to acknowledge the contemptible hypocrisy of that organization in the face of such facts may be set down as a hopeless political imbecile.

What a miserably low character has been given the present political campaign in this State by the Democratic machine managers and its press; but such is the character of that machine. What a pity that it isposible, in a civilized State, among civilized people, for such a machine to have even a semblance of a foothold. Until the people shall learn sense enough to crush and utterly annihilate it, general decency will be impossible in North Carolina, and any effort to effect any reform in favor of the people will always meet a troublesome opposition. A people that will continue to permit the existence of such an organization among them will not deserve anything better than the plundering misrule it would force upon them if it could.

The policy of the Democratic machine is rule or ruin. They were kicked out of "rule" by the brave and honest people of this State about four years ago, and ever since that time they have done everything they possibly could by defamation and slander to "ruin" the State. It is no fault of theirs that the State is not disgraced. A few poor fools outside the State believe what these Democratic machine papers say. But men of sense and intelligence are investing their money right along in North Carolina. Two new railroads are being constructed right into Raleigh—the center of Democratic slander and defamation—by local and outside capitalists, and the Peoples Party Handbook shows that more business enterprizes are being chartered in the State than ever before. North Carolina can and does make gigantic progress when the plundering Democratic machine is out of power.

Democratic Red Shirt Ruffians are riding through the country along the South Carolna line. But a man of intelligence and unquestioned grit from that section who was in Raleigh last week says that they can ride and look as much as they please; that a dozen Peoples Party men are not afraid of a hundred Red Shirt Ruffians, and that the ruffians know it. The Democratic machine hoodlums can be powerful brave in the matter of "rotten egging" a one-armed Confederate soldier in the dark. They can do some big bulldozing talk and make some mighty big boasts and threats when in numbers and not interrupted, but it is noticeable that when confronted by a man—an honest man—in daylight their courage vanishes and they skulkingly sneak away from controversy or argument. Defamers of a State, slanderers of women and insulters of one-armed soldiers in the dark are always low and miserable cowards.

The negro is one of the best races of people on the face of the globe if let alone by devilish white men and whenever he does a rash act it is instigated by some low principled white man. Always.—Orient.

This is what THE CAUCASIAN has contended—and these same "low principled" "dev lish" white men are now in control of the Democratic party. The honest free silver Democrats are ashamed of their party bosses.

MR. W. R. ALLEN REPLIES TO MR. W. J. SUTTON.

MR. EDITOR:—I have read the abusive and slanderous open letter of W. J. Sutton. I hope he will carry out his threat to issue ten thousand copies of the paper containing his letter, and will distribute them largely in the counties of Bladen and Wayne, because nothing can show more clearly his unfitness to represent a decent people, and it will show to my own people, that Sutton and men like him fear exposure. Who is Sutton, and why should he, from the far-away county of Bladen, undertake to enlighten the voters of Wayne county?

I do not think I have ever spoken to him, and I know nothing of him, except such information as is common to the people of the State. Why then should he attack me, and in language so vile? If his charges are true, is there no Republican or Populist in Wayne, who has the manhood to stand up before the people whose suffrages I am asking, and envoke these charges?

I repeat the inquiry, who is Sutton, and why should he attack me?

He is careful before concluding his letter "to suppose" that I will say Governor Russell wrote his letter, and to brand that as false in advance, for he says: "the Governor of North Carolina has never seen it and will not until it appears in print."

He does not say that Gov. Russell did not inspire the letter, nor does he say the Governor did not tell him to write. The letter shows that it was inspired by Governor Russell, although I think the writer overshot the mark. If this is not true, where did he get the names to the petition for the pardon of Freeman Davis? Where did he get the letters of Mess. Moore, Beasley Shine and Ford?

These were sent to the Governor, and when Mr. P. M. Pearson asked to see them at my request, he was informed that they were private papers and that he could not see them.

Now, as the Populist Handbook is fond of saying, note carefully, while all this was going on, this same Sutton was drawing a salary of $1,000 or $1,200 by appointment of Gov. Russell as Treasurer of the North Carolina Railroad.

Is not the connection obvious?

The statement in his article that I stole a seat in the legislature of 1893 is false.

The statement there was any attempt to lease the Atlantic & North Carolina Railroad for less than its value is false.

There was an attempt to lease it, and a large majority of the private stockholders favored the proposed lease.

I went to see Governor Russell after his election, and carried with me a copy of the proposed lease. He examined it, and at that time he was undecided as to the course he would take, but afterwards decided to approve the lease.

The statement that Mr. Simmons and I were to get half or more than half of the oyster claims is false.

I have never seen one of the claimants in the oyster cases, and have never had any connection with the cases except to argue them in the Supreme Court. I believe the claims to be just.

Since the names of Messrs. W. C Douglas and W. D. McIver have been mentioned, I call upon them to say if there is anything in the cases that reflects upon me, or any attorney connected with the case.

The statement that I went to see the Governor, claiming to be his friend, and begged him to advise the Treasurer to pay these claims is false.

The council of State was called together to consider these claims, and I am informed that two of the members voted to pay the claims.

I went to see Governor Russell twice I think. I explained the claims to him and he objected to the amount, stating that as there were so many writs to issue and serve, the officers ought to be satisfied with less than the usual fees. He then asked me if I thought we would accept $3,000 in settlement of the claims.

He did not make this as a proposition, but simply an inquiry, but said he was inclined to think he would advise the payment of that amount. He afterwards declined to pay it.

The Governor and Mr. Sutton seem to be careful about lawyers fees. I ask them if the sum of $400 was paid as a lawyers fee to J. C. L. Harris in in these same oyster cases, and what he did in return for this money?

Mr. Harris, name is not signed to the answer, nor to the brief in the case. He was present at the hearing before Judge Robinson, but took no part in the argument, and he was in Washington City when the case was heard in the Supreme Court at Raleigh.

I have heard two Judges of the Supreme Court say he was paid $400 for THIS service and that it was outrageous. I do not hesitate to mention it, because they said at the time that they wanted it known that they regarded it as an outrage.

In another column of the paper in which the letter of Sutton appeared you will find a letter from me which I say all I wish as to the Davis pardon, I have not made any threat to impeach Governor Russell.

If considered merely as a question of party expediency I am inclined to think I would oppose it, as two more years of him as Governor would complete the destruction of the Republican party, but my oath of office as a legislator may compel me to act otherwise.

One thing Sutton and others of his kind understands full well, and that is, that as a legislator I will investigate, and where there has been found incompetency and extravigance I will expose it. The people of this county understands this, and they know this is the reason these attacks are made upon me.

You will observe that this communication is addressed to the editor and not to Sutton.

I thought to pronounce as false some of his statements, but I would not honor him by addressing to him a reply. His letter is too low and infamous to place it within the pales of controversy.

Very truly,

W. R. ALLEN.

RING DEMOCRATIC FIRE BURNING OUT.

It Has Not the Warmth for Populists to be Molded into Democrats.

ST. LEWIS, N. C., Oct. 15th 1898.

Say Mr. Editor, how is politics around about Raleigh? Everything was as quiet as you please down here until some fellows gathered up a few old chunks of negro and shoved them together and started a small campaign fire, but that fire won't burn long, because the great agricultoral and laboring masses of the farm, who have been forced and driven by the evil deeds of these same fellows to feed and clothe the people of the world on half the number of dollars and cents that they did previous to Grover Cleveland's inauguration, are in too straitened and destitute circumstances to stand by that fire; it does not matter how cold and chilly they get they say there is no relief in that fire

By the way, I am a J. P., Mr. Editor, and I have issued a search warrant and am determined to find out who these fellows are that are keeping up such a racket from the beginning to the end of the campaign, howling that there is such a dreadful overproduction of negroes and as soon as the campaign closes hasten to the legislative halls with the plea that there is such a dreadful and fearful scarcity of negroes and prays to the legislators to pass a law of $96,000 license tax or $480,000 fine on any agent coming in and carrying a negro from each county in the State to another State without first obtaining said license. Oh, what a slap in the face to white supremecy and an insult and imposition on the white laborer of North Carolina.

Hold on, Mr. Mr. Editor; somebody knocks at the door, come in, quick trip, warrant returned and parties found. Now sir I will bet you $500 in Sherman, Cleveland goldstandard, democratic money, not good only in Europe, that you can't guess in one month of Sundays who these fellows are; no, no, no; I knew that you would not guess; why it isn't nobody in this world but those fellows, Simmons, Cleveland goldbug machine Democrats of this State who voted for Palmer and Buckner or McKinley direct in order to defeat Mr. Bryan and elect Mr. McKinley, so he could fill the Post offices in North Carolina with negro Postmasters. Why the machine Democrats of Wilson county put a negro in office on the Central Board of Education and they put him in because they preferred him to a white man and the only reasonable excuse that they can give for so doing is that they thought the negro could serve their mission in the gold standard bond issuing company, better than a white Populist.

J. I LEWIS.

WILL MR. AYCOCK PLEASE EXPLAIN

How 47,000 Voters Can Leave the Democratic Party and Still Give it the Usual Majority of 20,000.

MR. EDITOR:—Will you give me space in your colnmns to ask Mr. C. B. Aycock, of Goldsboro, N. C., a question or two. I have heard that Mr. Aycock says on the stump that the grandest political spectacle ever seen in North Carolin was when forty-seven thousand men march out of the Democratic party in '92 rather than support Mr. Cleveland for the Presidency. Now, Mr. Aycock, did you say this? If you did, I would like to know where the votes that elected you and the other Cleveland electors for the state came from. You ought to know. Again, did the Democratic party ever have a majority in the State of forty thousand at any election prior to that time. I think not, but I have not the figures by me; possibly you have. Now it is a little strange and perplexing to me when I think that the Democratic party generally carried the State by twenty or twenty five thousand majority and could lose forty-seven thousand votes and still carry the State by the usual majority. I ask again, where did the votes come from—not from the Republican party, for the Republican electors received about their usual vote.

Now, Mr. Aycock, if you can't explain this little discrepancy I, for one, will be forced to conclude that you went to Raleigh as an elector and cast your vote for Grover Cleveland for president of these United States when there was grave doubts of you having been elected and that the whole thing was a fraud from beginning to end. I have written this seeking for information and hope I may get it.

Yours very respectfully

MORD TAYLOR.

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"A DARN SET OF FOOLS."

So Say "Buck" Kitchen for Not Taking Away the Poor People's Right to Vote—What Gen. Cox Said and Its Authenticity—Read and Take Warning.

Gen. W. R. Cox, Secretary of the United States Senate, in an interview published in the Washington Post, September 2nd, 1898, gives away the secret of the Democratic policy in North Carolina in the following words:

"With a return of the Democrats in "North Carolina, I think it safe to "predict that measures will be adopt-"ed as they have been in South Car-"olina, Louisana, and Mississippi "looking to an elimination of a "large per cent of the ignorant and "purchasable vote."

☞ Gen. Cox is the author of the celebrated telegram: "Hold Robeson and save the State."

And when General Cox comes with his denial of this, ten days thereafter, under the pressure of the Democratic State Committee, who would believe him, when he is contradicted by E. B. Smith, a Democrat and reporter for the Washington Post, who took he interview, and upon being informed of Cox's denial, wrote and signed the following letter:

Letter of E. B. Smith, Democrat, Reporter Washington Post.

WASHINGTON, POST,
Washington, D. C. Sept. 13, '98

"DEAR SIR.—In an interview published "with General W. R. Cox appearing in the "Washington Post September 2nd, written "by me, he is quoted as saying that if the "Democrats return to power in North Car-"olina it is safe to predict that measures "will be adopted, as they have been in other "States, looking to a restriction of the fran-"chisels by eliminating a large per cent of "the ignorant and purchasable vote. I "will say about this that while I do not "declare that they were the exact words of "Gen Cox, yet I am absolutely certain senti-"ment they accurately represented his con-"versation with me, and I was greatly "surprised at his denial of their authentic-"ity

"Very truly,

[Signed] E. B. SMITH.

What "Buck" Kitchen Said.

After the publication of these facts "Buck" Kitchen spoke in Greensboro on the 21st day of September and used the following language:

"Where would the Democratic party be if it took away the right of the poor white man to vote. You might come to Greensboro and get two hundred, it may be five hundred in all, but when you spread out in Guilford county you would find three-fourths of the people could not vote, but the lie is given to the whole thing from the fact that the Democratic party had control for more than twenty years and instead of taking rights away from the colored men, they were giving them to him every day. Could we not have disfranchised him? Did not Mississippi do it? Did not South Carolina do it? We are a darn set of fools for not doing it?"

If they were fools for twenty years will they let another opportunity pass?

THE NEED OF GOOD ROADS.

A Valuable and Interesting Address by Professor J. A. Holmes—Good Roads Are Absolutely Necessary for the Progress of the state.

News and Observer.]

The vital importance of good roads for North Carolina is so manifest that the leading public men are giving the matter a great deal of thought and attention.

The Wautauga Club of this city is an organization that is a moving spirit in this direction, and last week, at their invitation, Prof. Holmes, of the State University, delivered an address at the Park Hotel on the subject of "Good Public Roads." Quite a number of the members of the club and prominent men of the city were present.

Prof. Holmes spoke of the difficulty to get the average North Carolina citizens interested in the question of good roads. They want good roads, but they are not willing to tax themselves to build them. The tax question is the great trouble. He spoke of the Mecklenburg county roads and the great opposition to the tax when the system was inaugurated, but now since the people have seen the great benefit to the county, resulting from the good roads, they all favor the system.

He spoke of the necessity of having the road funds and work under the supervision of trained men, and how he was pained to see our limited funds wasted in some instances by ignorant, untrained county officials.

The people are beginning to give thought to good roads, and though there is much groping in the dark, good results must be expected. Good roads are costly, but bad roads cost more.

He said the turnpike roads were good roads, but that they were a thing of the past. The macadamized road built and kept up by public taxation was the road needed.

STATE NEWS.

W. A. Bailey Declines to Run for Congress Against Linney

Ex-Sheriff, W. A. Bailey, of Davie county, who accepted the nomination for Congress by the insurgent Republicans, has changed his mind and announces that he will not run.

The Populists of Clines township have organized two clubs and all are at work in earnest. A club was organized at Bowman's school house Saturday night, with J. A. Hefner as President. That means no good for the opposition. —Hickory Times-Mercury.

It Did the Work.

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A correspondent from Cleveland Mills writes THE CAUCASIAN that even the Democrats are becoming disgusted with the vile and low cartoons that are now being extensively circulated in Cleveland county. Populists are hopeful and victory seems certain.

Another subscriber from Columbus county writes that there has been four wagon loads of Democratic literature distributed in that county, but they fail to frighten the good people into voting the Democratic ticket.

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DEMOCRATIC "ARGUMENT."

The Machine is Resorting to Its Old Methods---Its Thug-Like Character Illustrated by Rotten Egging One-Armed Confederate Soldiers.---The Landslide from the Hypocritical Democracy Continues.

Senator Butler and other Peoples Party speakers are everlastingly burning up the machine Democrats under their shirts. They are simply squalling and cussing and tearing. They cant do anything else under the searching exposition of the Democratic machine's methods and purposes. The Democrats are desperately and vainly trying to meet these exposures and the thundering arguments which are made by the Peoples Party speakers by "picturesque language," abuse, epithets, rotten eggs, "bull dozing" &c. The miserable rascals can't do anything else. There is nothing else for them to do.

Everybody who has heard the Peoples Party speakers know that they discuss issues and principles first. Then they expose to some extent the corruption and incompetence of the last Democratic administration. Then after first making an apology, as every gentleman must for doing so, they descend for awhile to the level of the Democratic "issue" of "nigger," and show up the hypocrisy of the Democratic machine on the issue of its own making.

Below we give some sample Democratic "arguments."

From the Raleigh Post.

Oct. 4th, the following appeared in the Post:

"Senator Marion Butler made a speech here to-day that was characterized from beginning to end with statements which were intended to mislead and fool the people. The entire trend of his argument was leveled at the Democrats for refusing to accept the proposition tendered by the Populist party last May, and against the Democratic press of the State for failing to publish the open letter written by W. J. Bryan to the New York Journal. He heaped the disgraces and false pretenses of the last two legislatures upon the shoulders of the Democratic party."

This was a little opening gun. When it appeared, it is said that Democratic chairman Simmons went to the Post editor and roasted him for talking about Butler in this way; and that it must stop, for the only chance the Democrats had of winning was by getting the "Butler Pops" to vote with the Democrats. It is noticeable that the abuse from this source has, for the time, ceased.

But the "word" does not seem to have been passed all the way down. For here are some choice "arguments" from the Statesville Landmark—goldbug.

"We hope that the Democrats who were slobbing over Senator Butler last winter and spring in their anxiety to fuse with him and turn the Democratic party over to him—we hope, we say, if any of this class of Democrats heard his speech yesterday that they thoroughly enjoyed it. The Landmark is eating no dirt. It maintains and expresses the same opinion about Butler now that it has always entertained and expressed."

After this the Landmark warms up to its work in reporting the speech. See this!

"This is as connected and decent a report as could be made of the rambling, vituperative, slanderous, shameless, three and a half hour flow of billingsgate that a reputable paper could publish. The blasphemy, infamy, false statements and false charges of a purely personal character have been eliminated."

With the spawing of "these few remarks" the Landmark feels the force of the lashing its crowd has received, and instead of calling on reason, tries to even by this:

"After hearing Butler's speech here yesterday afternoon Democrats are fully prepared to believe that he said at Rocky Mount a year ago, as he was charged with saying at the time, that Democrats would hire negroes to assault white women in order to make political capital. He tried to lie out of it when charged with the remark, but there need no longer be any doubt that he said it. His entire address here showed that he is mean enough to say anything."

Then the full effects of the castigation given the Democratic hypocrites in the matter of burning the hide off of them made the Landmark squall out thusly:

"And we will further inform Mr. Butler that the Landmark's main reason for opposing fusion was that it did not propose to enter into any combination with which so infernal a scoundrel as it believes Marion Butler to be had anything to do. The Guiteau-faced devil can take that and wear it."

My, me! But ain't she burnt, and aint she mad?

Another Goldbug Sheet "Proves" it.

The Charlotte Observer is a "me too" document in this case. It does not resort to dignified logic or argument to show where the Peoples Party speakers are false, but reproduces the language of the Landmark with the following comment:

"The Statesville Landmark of Tuesday has a double-leaded editorial addressed to Marion Butler, Senator, based upon his speech in Statesville Monday, in which he made a wholesale assault upon the Democratic press, and in particular upon the Landmark and Observer, because they did not publish the letters of Bryan and Jones, advocating Democratic-Populist fusion. The editorial concludes with this language: * * * This, if not picturesque nor rhetorical, is at least direct and unmistakable in its meaning."

But Just Wait a Minute.

The Beaufort Morehead City Herald-Dispatch sets a pace that is volcanically rapid. It may be allowed to speak for itself. How about this:

"We congratulate brother King in the above expressed sentiment and add in the language of Brann.

"That if such "cattle" as Hill E. King and Ramsey "were sired by Satan, dammed by Sycorax and born in hell they would dishonor their parents and disgrace their country."

If the above named "gentlemen" were scheduled for a foul cussing match, it is clear that they would win out against anything that would enter the ring against them. The Wilmington Messenger and the Elizabeth City Economist have actually been outdone—a feat that has heretofore been thought impossible.

How is This For a "White Man's Party" Democratic Utterance?

The Morning Post of Raleigh, (Oct. 15th) rants thusly:

"Dancy spoke for two hours. It must be said that this colored man, who is one of the smartest men of his race, made a more respectable and a more decent speech than did United States Senator Butler, when he was here a week ago. Dancy's speech was free from the slander, the abuse, the hypocrisy and the falsity of the speech Butler delivered at the Academy of Music. It was a better speech and a better delivered one than that of Butler."

Democrats "Rotten Egg" a One-Armed Confederate Soldier.

It cannot be possible that all men who affiliate with the Democratic party are mean and disreputable, but evidence bears out the statement that the meanest men in North Carolina are that party. Does this not prove it?

WILLIAMSTON, N. C., Oct. 13th, 1898.

HON. CYRUS THOMPSON, Raleigh, N. C.

DEAR SIR:—Upon the arrival of the train last night which brought the Rev. Mr. Burns to Robinsonville, the Democrats of that place received him with a shower of rotten eggs. Quite a crowd of our people have gone out their to-day.

Yours &c..

W. A. JOHNSON,
Chairman Republican Ex. Com.

The dirty, scoundrelly, cowardly act toward a brave one armed Confederate soldier! Can anything equal it for pure, unadulterated, devilish meanness? Mr. Burns is a minister of the gospel and is known, by everybody acquainted with him, to be a genial, mild-tempered, patient Christian gentleman.

But this is not the worst. Mr. Burns attended church service, and when going to the church, was accompanied by Mr. J. H. Rawls and his daughter. The presence of the little lady did not restrain ruffians in their rascality. They huddled themselves at a point by which they knew Mr. Burns and Mr. Rawls and daughter would pass, and when this point was reached, they threw a volley of rocks, stale eggs &c. A rock struck Mr. Rawls giving him considerable pain and causing much inconvenience.

Nor is this all.

These gentlemen reached the church and attended service. When this was over the congregation, including a number of ladies and children, came out as usual, and then the hoodlums began their indescribably low meanness again. They threw more eggs and more rocks, hitting the church, frightening the horses and mules which members of the congregation had driven to service, spattered some of the ladies with stale eggs and creating consternation and terror among them. This occurred at night—in the dark—a corner street lamp having been put out for the purpose of making it dark so that the cowardly perpetrators could not be seen. No language

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