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ONLY THE IGNORANT WILL BE DECEIVED.

Editor Daniels' statement that the "worst Democrat is better than the best Republican," is, no doubt, now regretted by him, had he the manliness to admit it. The condemnation of his rash, venomous and, we feel bound to say, thoroughly characteristic remark with which the State press and the better element of his own party greeted the remark, must have, to use a colloquism, made his ears burn.

It is a matter of congratulation that the era of mud-slinging, personal abuse and vilification is about over in this State. The Republican party, nationally the heavily dominant one, in this State embraces many of our best and truest men,—men who command the honest respect and even admiration of their political foes. Such men as those who make use of expressions like that of the editor of the News and Observer belong to another era long since passed. The few such as remain are tolerated only as a relic of by-gone days. No heed is paid them.

We do not doubt, as we said, that Daniels now regrets it. It has already destroyed much of the very little remaining strength held by him and his statements by even a small element in his own party. That it has hurt him, we know even he has the political sagacity to see, but that he will come out and express his regret in a manly manner that he has erred, is, we fear, too much to expect of him.

THE DEMOCRATIC POLL TAX TRICK.

The Durham correspondent of the Charlotte Observer, in a dispatch of May 6th, says that over 1,800 white voters in that county were disfranchised by the poll-tax proviso which requires one to pay his poll-tax before the first of May in order to be eligible to vote in November.

The vicious effect of this Democratic trick exists to a greater or less degree in every county in the State. Judging from the enormous number disfranchised in Durham County, it is safe to say that the number disfranchised in the State at large will reach something like the appalling number of a hundred thousand white voters.

What good purpose is to be served by such trick legislation as this? Should not every voter, who is otherwise qualified, be allowed to vote if he could show his poll-tax receipt on the day of election? Certainly, a requirement that his tax should be paid thirty days before the election long enough for any purpose to be served thereby.

Surely the time has come for the people to repudiate Democratic ring rule, trick rule, and general failure to enact and enforce wise, just and wholesome laws.

Local self-government must be restored, and the Republican party can do this if it will throw off the rule of the pie-counter bosses.

THE CONTRAST BETWEEN KING EDWARD AND KING GEORGE THE FIFTH.

The death of King Edward, of England, has not only been universally mourned by the people of his own country but by all the nations of the world. He was the type of man that the English people would have elected President if they had a Republican form of government; but the fact that his successor, George V., is not the kind of man, so far as he is known, that would to-day be elected President by Englishmen if they had an opportunity to vote on the question, must accentuate in the mind of every Englishman, outside of the hereditary class, the desirability of a Republican form of government.

It is true that the liberty-loving Englishman have constantly been clipping off the power and prerogative of their King until to-day the King of England has less power than the President of the United States. But the fact, that the man who comes nearer filling the ideal of the Englishman for head of his government cannot be selected is no doubt recognized as an obstacle to liberty and progress, and that the monarchical system must soon give way before the universal growth of the spirit of liberty over the world. The trip which Pres. Roosevelt is making through Europe, and the wonderful demonstrations from the masses of the people in every country, are an evidence of this growing spirit of liberty in every civilized country in the world.

A CUNNING APPEAL TO PREJUDICES.

A subscriber, who sends us in a club of new subscribers, in his letter says:

"Your editorial exposing the purposes of the machine bosses in raising the harmony cry is very good. I myself have heard this talk from that source a number of times.

"But there is another scheme that they have also resorted to in my section. They are busy saying that while they want recruits to come to the party and want to see the party grow, that the recruits should take a back seat and that the hands of the old line Republican leaders, who have stood the fire and the brunt of many battles, should be upheld. They are also saying that they should beware not to give too much prominence to a 'commercial Democrat, or to a 'near Democrat' who joins the party.

"Now it is clear to my mind that all this talk is being inspired by the machine bosses who want to be retained in power and who do not want the party to grow any bigger for fear that they may be retired. Under cover of this kind of talk, they are also trying to attack and discredit Congressman Morehead, and men like him, who have come to the party and who are able to bring many more recruits. Of course, the effect of this kind of talk will be to discourage recruits from coming wherever they hear and see this is the sentiment of the party leaders so-called.

"This kind of talk, so far as I have been able to see, has been made chiefly to old-line Republicans of the rank and file kind. It has not fooled me nor any one else in my section, however. I am an old-line Republican myself, and I know we can never carry the State until we get many more thousands of recruits, and I do not think it proper for us to refer to the recruits that we must have to win as 'commercial Democrats' and as 'near Democrats.' I am in favor of welcoming every recruit that will come, and am not doing it behind a door or in the dark, but do it in the open so as to encourage others to come.

"The Good Book tells us that when people come to work in the vineyard of the Lord, that the Devil tried to stir up discord among the workers by prompting those who went to work first in the vineyard to claim more wages and more honors than those who came to work later. The Lord's reply was that he who comes at the eleventh hour shall be welcome and rewarded as greatly as he who came at the first hour. If this is the wise way to build up and advance the Christian religion, would it not be a wise way to build up and advance the Republican party?"

We have heard several times and from different sources that there was an effort on foot to appeal to the prejudices of the old-line Republicans along the lines indicated in the above letter, and we think our subscriber and correspondent has correctly sized up the motive behind it. We have heard also that they are trying to appeal to the prejudices of the honest old line Republicans of the rank and file by telling him that the new recruits who are coming to the party consider themselves more "respectable" than the old line Republicans, and that therefore they, the old line Republicans, will be expected to bow down and follow the leadership of a "near Democrat" or a "commercial Democrat."

All we have to say is, that we have too much respect for not only the intelligence, but also the manhood, courage and patriotism of the honest rank and file Republican to believe that they can be fooled by any such false and insidious efforts on the part of the pie-counter bosses, who have been living off of the party like a leech and whose efforts have been ever to keep recruits out of the party. Their scheme is cunning, but it can not win, for the people of North Carolina have ever been noted for that wisdom which we call common-sense.

THE GORED OX.

The Hickory Time-Mercury makes the following very pertinent inquiry: "If it is wrong to steal Democratic votes, is it not also wrong to steal Republican votes?"

To the Democratic party the inquiry is a very impertinent one. How dare the Times-Mercury ask such a question? Who ever dared to presume that it was wrong to steal Republican votes? Has not a leading Democrat been quoted as saying that "the Republicans might as well cast their ballots in the rural mail-boxes as in the ballot-box," and also, "that he would rather have the services of six Halifax poll-holders than six Simmons, Daniels, and such like?" Steal Republican votes! Did you ever hear the Democratic "Bible" condemn it?

But he who dare steal Democratic votes! Woe to him. He will be punished by a read-headed edition of the "Bible," calling his name right out in meeting. It makes a mighty sight of difference as to whose ox is gored.

WHY WAS HIS SALARY INCREASED?

Mr. M. L. Shipman, Commissioner of Labor and Printing, and Chairman of the Democratic Committee in the Tenth District, has returned to Raleigh after a very extended trip to Hendersonville and other points in the Tenth District and is quoted by the Democratic papers as saying that conditions are very satisfactory in his District and that the trend is toward Democracy.

The trend may be toward Democracy in that District, but it isn't headed toward the Democratic party, and if Mr. Shipman will attend a few more town elections in his District, Hon. John G. Grant will have an easy walk-over this fall. Hendersonville, the home of Congressman Grant and Commissioner Shipman, held a town election last week and the town went Republican, mayor and all, with the exception of one Democratic alderman. At one time the Democrats controlled all the city offices, but now have lost all save one lonely alderman—and still Mr. Shipman says that in his District the trend is toward Democracy.

While the above is all to the point, and is very apropos, still it is not exactly what we started out to say.

It will be remembered that the last Legislature increased the salary of the Commissioner of Labor and Printing because he was worked so hard and had so many more duties to perform now than was required of the Commissioner in former years. Now we hope it will not be considered impertinent when we ask if one of these duties was to run Democratic politics in the Tenth District at the expense of the tax-payers in North Carolina, 46 per cent of whom are Republicans? We don't recall that there is a cotton mill in the Tenth District outside of Asheville, and yet Mr. Shipman has been in the District, to spend some time, twice recently, and if he discovered anything of interest to the tax-payers, the only thing he had to give to the press on his return each time was that the trend was toward Democracy.

Now can any one tell why the salary of the Commissioner of Labor and Printing was increased by the last Legislature?

SOUTHERN DEMOCRACY ON THE WANE.

The Charlotte Observer prints the following, it being the opinion of the Democratic committeeman from Georgia, who is also the editor of the Atlanta Constitution, with comment by itself and the Chattanooga Times. All the papers mentioned are Democratic.

"Editor Clark Howell, of the Atlanta Constitution, National Committeeman from Georgia, declared the other day that if nominated in 1912, Roosevelt would carry at least five Southern States, including Georgia, beyond the slightest doubt. Whereupon the Chattanooga Times intimates that the condition of the Democratic party in several States is none too good, anyhow. 'People are no longer,' it says, 'regarding the Democratic party as at present mastered as the guardian and protector of their rights, but are coming to regard it more as a mere means designing ambitious employ to further their ends. Georgia has suffered; Alabama is just emerging from a cloud; Mississippi isn't at all happy. It would seem that there would have to be a new deal all around before we can be said to have any hope of a reunited and harmonious organization.' Of course, as the Times also knows, conditions in Tennessee simply beggar description."

"When the News and Observer says that any man who took part in the disgraceful affair at Raleigh Saturday is better than any Republican it weakens its case," says the Durham Herald. It does worse, brother, and without any desire to lower ourselves to the level of the News and Observer, we can say that honest people generally, of all parties, brand the statement as false and mendacious. We do not consider it as an insult; the editor of the News and Observer cannot insult the membership of a great party, which controls the nation to-day, and which in this State has among its membership many of the best men the State has produced.

It is not to be believed for one minute that the great bulk of the Democratic party endorse any such thought. Indeed, we rejoice to see that it is denounced as bitterly by the Democratic press, the mouthpiece of the people, as by the members of the other party. We rejoice further, that this style of journalism is cordially disliked, even despised, by the Democratic party.

The editor of the News and Observer may yet find that such abuse and insult will meet with a proper and justifiable rebuke.

Remember, we want some good agents in every county in the State where we are not already represented. If you have a few spare moments you can devote to the work, write us for terms. The paper is to be enlarged and will be a hummer.

A TERRIBLE INDICTMENT.

The Raleigh News and Observer in an editorial in its issue of May 3rd, has this to say of Democratic "good government" in Wake County:

"There comes a time every now and then when there must be a party house-cleaning. That time has come in Wake County. The Democratic machine that governs the county has no thought except to keep in power. It cares for roads only to please favorites and make votes. It has never taken any interest in education. It is chiefly responsible for debauching the suffrage. In a score of petty ways it outrages the rights of the people for the small coterie it favors. People will not vote bonds or larger tax for roads because they know that politics will dictate the expenditure by which much will be wasted. Nobody ever heard of any of the machine favoring schools, and yet they wish to dominate the school boards. Politics—selfish and small politics—is permitted to sacrifice the real interests of the people. Long lease of power has made them arrogant and they make appeal chiefly to vice and cupidity."

We welcome into the journalistic field of the State the advent of the News, published at Southport. The newspaper announces that it stands independent on political matters. The paper is edited by Mr. C. Ed. Taylor, who has several times most capably represented Brunswick County in the Legislature, and has also had previous newspaper experience.

Three Break Washington Jail, But Liberty is Short-Lived.

Washington, N. C., May 8.—A very sensational jail delivery was effected at the city jail about 7 o'clock this morning when C. L. Norris, Will Skipper, and Henry McFarland, three white prisoners, succeeded in overpowering the jailer and making their escape.

The men were located hiding behind an undertaking establishment on Second Street and were arrested by the jailer, assisted by J. F. Buchanan, Jr., and T. B. Garney, and again locked in jail.

This makes the second time these men have escaped from the jail within one month's time.

ABOUT TO BURY LIVE NEGRO.

Came To Just as He Was About to Be Placed in Coffin—Negroes Present Frightened and Fled.

Carthage, N. C., May 4.—On Saturday Virgil Jones, an aged negro, who was thought to be dead, was prepared for burial. Just as he was about to be put into a coffin, he came to and asked for a drink of water. The large crowd of negroes who were present became terribly frightened and all save four fled. He is still living.

Corporation Tax Receipts Exceed Estimate.

Washington, D. C., May 8.—Receipts from the corporation tax will exceed by nearly a million dollars Secretary MacVeagh's estimate of \$25,000,000 made early in December.

When business closed last week \$25,319,715 had been assessed. Half a million more is expected. The figures given are subject to revision but the changes will not be material.

Negroes Rewarded for Heroism.

Wadesboro, N. C., May 8.—Announcement is received here that Harley Tomlinson and Frank Farrest, two negro residents of this place, will receive Carnegie medals for heroism. In an attempt to save the life of a wealthy Tennessee man and his family in the flooded Deep, Tomlinson was drowned and Farrest nearly lost his life. In addition to the medals Tomlinson's widow receives \$15 a month for life and Farrest \$500 cash.

Five Years for Bivens.

Oxford, N. C., May 5.—The case of State vs. Richard Bivens, on trial for the murder of Vassar Fowler, was closed to-day. The case did not go to the jury. The defendant submitted to manslaughter and the State accepted the same. The court pronounced sentence of five years in the penitentiary.

The verdict met with entire approval on all sides.

Kate Bender Dead.

San Francisco, Cal., May 5.—Kate Bender, the famous ex woman of the notorious Bender family, of Cherryville, Kas., and the only member of that murderous sextette to escape the vengeance that their numberless crimes inspired, was found dead in her home at Rio Vista, Cal., early Tuesday morning. She had lived under another name and her true identity was revealed by death.

Two Young Men Killed.

Rocky Mount, N. C., May 9.—Stepping directly in front of an express train, whose approach they did not see, A. C. Devault and W. B. Gayer were instantly killed Saturday night. Both were young men, without families, and were employed in the cotton mill here. They came here from Clinton and their bodies will be shipped to Clinton for interment.

We don't think that a thief should be allowed to hold any kind of an office, but it seems that the Wake County Democrats have a self-confessed ballot box thief as a member of their Board of Election. Guess that's the way they saved Wake County to the Democracy in 1908—buying and stealing votes.—Clinton News Dispatch.

WANTS MOREHEAD CHAIRMAN.

Republican Leader of Mecklenburg County Says That Representative John M. Morehead Should Take the Party in North Carolina in Hand—New and Active Leaders Needed.

Charlotte Observer.]

"Congressman John M. Morehead, Representative in Congress of the fifth district, should be the next State chairman," declared a well-known Republican of Charlotte to an Observer representative yesterday. "I am not speaking for Mr. Morehead, nor does he know that I am saying what I do. I think, however, that I am expressing the unvoiced wish of a large per cent of the staunch old-line Republican voters of the State. Mr. Morehead is the exponent of that sort of Republicanism, if any distinction can be made, that is to sweep North Carolina, if North Carolina is to be won to the Republican cause. He is essentially a business man, one of principle, not pie, who holds that the cause of the party is paramount to the welfare of any individual or set of individuals, and above all is straightforward, sincere, outspoken American, of the type that is the pride of the State.

"The issue has come in North Carolina when it is to be determined whether the machine politicians are to direct the affairs of the great party or whether the leaders of the cause are to be those who are really concerned in the success of the organization. In times past it has been frequently said about a man running for office on the Republican ticket, 'He cannot be elected because the 'powers-that-be' are against him and have passed down the word to their henchmen in the several precincts to 'knife' him.' This has accounted for more than one defeat. The organization could not control the man in question and direct his patronage and hence they have preferred that the Republican cause go down in defeat. Such a state of affairs has existed a long time and only recently have there appeared breaks in the political clouds. What is needed to-day in Republican circles is a reformation, a thorough house-cleaning.

"I am of the opinion that Representative Morehead will achieve this if only he is elected to head the organization. There is no reason in the world why North Carolina should not be carried to the Republican cause if only the right man stand at the helm of the ship. The charge heretofore made that the party was nothing better than a pie-dispensing organization has been too true in too many instances. This fact, combined with the reconstruction blight, and the negro has made it impossible to carry the State. The prejudice is fast passing away. It now remains for the party to get rid of the 'money changers' and all will be well.

"Representative Morehead will do this and therefore I am for him. He is a good business man, a worker of wonderful ability and force of character and has the way of inspiring others that would go far towards achieving wonders with the State organization.

"I believe that Mr. Morehead would accept the nomination if offered him. He has declared his unwillingness to consider the congressional post again and is admirably fitted for the place. His hand at the helm of the ship would do more for the organization than anything else imaginable."

Something Peculiar.

Mebane Leader.]

It was a pretty political pot, pouri they had at Raleigh last week when the outs got mad and wanted to fix things to get in. It's a machine they claim they are fighting against, but where was ever entrenched officials that did not have a machine to work with? The very crowd who are clamoring to demolish the machine are professional machine politicians, and when ever they can serve their selfish ends they are equally as mercenary in its use.

The augen stable of Wake County evidently needs cleaning, but is the crowd who want the job fit for the task? There may be patriotism behind some of the movers in the opposition, but when sifted and sorted, it will, no doubt, be found to be very much of a personal character.

There must be something peculiar in Wake County politics if there is no other way to fight alleged corruption than by getting in the mire with the other fellows and throwing mud.

Turning Their Guns on Each Other.

Clinton News-Dispatch.]

Democratic 'chickens' are coming home to roost. It has not been so many moons since some prominent Democratic papers and politicians were instructing and advising men in their own party to steal votes from Republicans and commit black crimes, even murder, in order to rob, cheat and steal votes which had been honestly cast for Republicans. They dressed their heels up in red shirts and gave them Winchester rifles, taught them to cheat, steal, and kill if necessary, in order to defeat Republicans and put Democrats in office. They are turning their guns upon each other, telling them plainly what votes they can not buy they will steal.

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"I can't account for it," said one of the Democratic leaders. "With that money he should have won. How did you lay it out, Ezekiel?"

"Well," said Ezekiel, slowly pulling his whiskers, "yer see, that office only pays \$250 a year salary, and I didn't see no sense in payin' \$900 out to get the office, so I just bought me a little truck farm instead."

A Democratic Opinion.

The conduct of the Democrats in Wake County was a disgrace to the whole State.—Catawba County News.

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