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A ROTTEN APPLE.

"The State press seems to be pretty evenly lined up in the matter of the Raleigh row. The particular champions for Daniels and Bailey seem to be the Monroe Journal and Charity and Children, though the latter has no more to say than that whatever side Daniels and Bailey are on, must be the right side. The Monroe paper calls the opposition to Daniels and Bailey 'hoodlumism,' and says of the situation: 'We have here the obvious example of the worst form of politics that is cursing America.' The Chronicle's idea of it is that there is absolutely nothing on either side to the Wake County rucns that could call for commendation or defense. It is simply a rotten apple cut in halves."—Charlotte Chronicle (Democratic).

The Caucasian publishes the above in view of Mr. Bailey's remark in his speech Saturday that the Republican press would be glad to see the "ring" of the Wake Democrats win. This is not true, certainly not so far as this paper is concerned. As a Democratic politician once remarked: "There's no choice between split fish," so in this case, to use the figure of speech of the Chronicle, we do not care for rotten apples. Either half would taste bad as the other.

It is an ugly mess, at best, and so far as the Republicans are concerned, we have no hand in it. The justice of the attitude of the Republican party and its platform is being abundantly proven by the present row in the ranks of the Democracy, when one wing adopts the Republican plank favoring the placing of the county officials on a salary basis and the other wing being understood, through their organ, to favor local self-government, another Republican plank.

It is a situation calculated to make people sit up and take notice. If they want to eat the other half of the rotten apple that they have been munching on, well and good; but we confidently believe that they will prefer the good, sound pippin of Republicanism.

THE SOUTH AND THE TARIFF.

If the Democratic party proposes to use the tariff as a campaign issue this fall, they had better seek better fields than the South in the search for votes.

The South was never more prosperous than at the present time, and this under a tariff bill of Republican enactment. Prices for farm products were never higher, under normal conditions, than at the present. The farmer is at last back into his own position as the backbone of the nation, which under Democratic rule, and the fear of it, he was so long deprived. The people of the South, and indeed of the nation generally, have not forgotten the days when the Democratic party controlled both the legislative and executive branches of the government and before tariff legislation was enacted, the very fear of it filled the streets with men hunting for the free "soup houses" supporting thousands who were anxious for employment and the price of farm products, cotton in particular, lower than the cost of production, even in that era of low prices.

A favorite Democratic dogma, the fallacy of which has been so often disproved that it is a wonder they attempt to fool people with it time and again, is that a high tariff causes hard times. There is a high tariff in effect now, there has been one in effect for a number of years, and the voter has only to look around him and then let his memory go back to the days of the last Democratic administration.

With the tariff issue a vain appeal, the "negro domination" question totally eliminated, the Democratic party is in a bad way in the South. The voters are awakening; they see the fallacy of voting from blind prejudice or because they have been in the habit of it.

Truly there is the dawn of a bright and better era in the Southland.

Regarding Mr. Giles' appointment as postmaster at Durham, the Herald of that city says:

"Mr. Morehead has again demonstrated that he has the longest pole."

It was not so much the length of the pole, but the recognition of a Congressman to make recommendations in his own district and to disregard those of the "pie-counter" bosses who sought to again knife the Fifth District Congressman.

"LE ROI EST MORT; VIVE L'ROI!"

In accordance with the ancient custom the announcement of the death of the late King of England was coupled with the announcement of the accession of his successor. Thus the duly appointed heralds, at certain places, made announcement in the words at the head of this article, which in English means: "The king is dead; long live the king." The old ruler passes; the new ruler comes. There is no change in the affairs of the nation, simply the exchanging of the name of one person for another. That is all.

There is a striking similarity in the proposed change in Wake County politics. Here the announcement of the heralds is, "Down with the King; up with the combine." There is to be no change in the conduct of the affairs of the county, simply the change in personnel of the gang that is to rule. That is all.

How long the people of England propose to put up with the sham and mockery of such proceedings is no concern of ours. But how long the people of Wake County propose to put up with the sham and mockery confronting them is a vital matter with us. The set of bosses on the one side look as bad as the bosses on the other. They are all after the flesh pots.

The sham, the shame, the hypocrisy of it all! How long will the people endure it?

We believe, and we believe that the thinking, honest element in the Democratic party agree with us, that the true remedy is to cast out the whole crew. By a mighty purging the Democratic party may regain some degree of confidence and respect, but not until then. Let the Republican party get together, nominate good men, strong men, men in whom the people have confidence, and they will cleanse the court-house of the present brood that rest there and prevent the gang that seeks to gain control by a misleading policy from getting control of the county's affairs.

OUR VISITING NEIGHBOR, THE COMET.

Halley's comet, which last visited us seventy-six years ago, paid us rather a close return call on yesterday. It is estimated that the head of the comet came within two million miles of the earth, and that, beginning at 11 o'clock on last night, and for the next six or seven hours, it brushed its tail all over and around the earth. Astronomers had predicted that there would have been quite a halo of light or another appearance of the falling of the stars, as people saw in 1835, had not the moon been shining brilliantly at the time.

The fears of many people had been aroused that the comet might run squarely into the earth, and that life and vegetation might be killed, or at least damaged by deadly gases and odors in the tail of the comet. Besides, some astronomers have made predictions that there might be some possible danger of such a calamity; but that is now all in the past. In this connection, however, we call attention to the fact that since this celestial body last made us a visit, in 1835, that many important occurrences in the world's history have transpired.

The World's Work, in an editorial in this month's issue, on this subject, says:

"When the sky was last ablaze with the amazing glory of Halley's comet, Africa was an unknown continent, Asia was a land of mystery, Japan a hermit nation. There was no German Empire, no Kingdom of Italy. Texas and California belonged to Mexico. There was no a mile of railroad on the continent of Europe. The world had not heard the name of Morse, or of Darwin. Yet the people of 1835 knew that the comet was coming just as well as we know it. But on its visit next before that, it came unexpected except by the few who accepted the strange prediction of Edmund Halley."

Some months ago one of our subscribers in Lenoir County paid up his subscription to about the middle of May and requested us to stop the paper when the time was out as he did not have time to read it.

We had made a note of his request with the intention of stopping the paper, but before it was time to take his name off the list he sent us his renewal and requested that we send the paper on, as he couldn't do without it. A number of our subscribers, when renewing recently, have told us that we have the best paper in the State.

We are very grateful for such kind expressions from our subscribers, and we assure them that we are trying to get out the best paper possible. We are also trying to increase our subscription list to 10,000, and we hope that all the friends of the paper will do all they can to help us reach that number. Ask your friends

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."

ANTI-RING TICKET.

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appointment of a committee on resolutions. This was done by the selection of one from each township, headed by Mr. Clarence Poe, of Raleigh. One delegate then proposed the selection of five representatives from each township to name candidates, but Mr. Daniels opposed this and it was not done. Nominations were then begun for officers to be elected at the June primary. O. K. Holden, of Wake Forest, placed in nomination Dr. E. W. Sikes, a professor at Wake Forest College, for State Senator. This was seconded by Mr. N. B. Broughton, who declared in his speech that while Dr. Sikes was at present unknown, before election he would be known from "Cherrytree to Cherries," evidently intending to use the familiar figure of speech "from Currituck to Cherokee." At any rate, it amused the meeting, and on motion, Dr. Sikes was nominated as the choice of the meeting for Senator, by acclamation. He was called to the platform and responded in grateful tones for the honor. He said that he had never taken an active part in political affairs, but that he proposed to do so now. He said that the Democrats who had been running the county deserved to be turned out of office. He was given a hearty hand-clapping by the audience, few of whom seemed to know who he was.

Nominations for the legislative ticket being in order, Mr. Daniels placed in nomination Mr. E. R. Pace, Walter Clark, Jr., city attorney of Raleigh, Millard Mial, O. L. Ray and others were placed before the meeting for Representatives. At this time Mr. Poe announced that the platform committee was ready to report, and it was received.

(1) They assert their right to assemble in mass meeting and denounce the "ring" for breaking up the former meeting held on April 30th.

(2) Declares that the spirit of insurgency and revolt against "boss" rule is alive in both parties.

(3) Practically an adoption of the third plank in the Republican platform of two years ago, declaring for a salary basis for county officials.

(4) Favoring the selection of more county officers and members of the legislature from the county.

(5) Declaring for a square deal in road matters.

(6) Declaring that county officials who are faithful are entitled to a second term.

(7) That no county officer should be a member of the executive committee.

(8) Demanding that the present meeting and the organization growing out of it be represented at the polls in the primary.

Mr. J. William Bailey then nominated Hon. R. H. Battle for the House. A motion was then made to nominate one man at a time, prevailed, and Mr. Pace, the nominee of Mr. Daniels, was then unanimously chosen. Mr. Bailey then placed Mr. Battle's name again before the meeting, and he was chosen. A ballot for the third place resulted in no choice, a second ballot resulting in the selection of Dr. J. T. Judd, a brother of county superintendent of schools, Judd. Others receiving votes were, J. H. Keith, Mr. Tom Harrison, and Mr. L. B. Woodall.

Millard Mial was then endorsed for Clerk of the Court, to succeed Wm. M. Russ, there being no opposition to Mr. Mial's name. In the midst of the voting a delegate from Middle Creek called to the chairman that "Middle Creek was a-votin' but she didn't know what she was a-votin' for." He was informed. Mr. Mial was called to the front and responded in words of thanks.

Mr. H. D. Rand was placed in nomination for Sheriff, but there were yells all over the house of ringster, and calls to "trot out another horse." Mr. Walter Clark, Jr., denied that Mr. Rand was a "ringster" but was a "reformer." Mr. Henry Holden's name was then suggested, but was withdrawn by his brother, Mr. W. L. Page, a son of the late sheriff, "Mack" Page, was suggested, but there were cries of "no, no." Mr. Rand was called upon to state his "stand on this ring business," and did so, declaring that he stood on the platform whether he was nominated or not. The balloting began and ran smoothly until Raleigh gave Rand four out of her sixty-six. This brought out a kick from Mr. Woodall who said he did not see why Raleigh wanted to come in now after refusing to come in on the vote for member of the House. Mr. A. A. Thompson explained this by saying that Raleigh had two members and did not wish to take them all, as she could have done. The vote proceeded, and the result was Rand 94, Sorrell 59, and page 22. The chairman then declared Mr. Rand the choice of the meeting.

Mr. C. H. Anderson, a brother of Dr. Albert Anderson, a city physician, was placed before the meeting for Register of Deeds, as was also Mr. A. E. S. Lindsay, whose name was later withdrawn. Mr. Anderson was then endorsed.

Mr. Ireland then suggested that Raleigh name the candidate for Treasurer, but Mr. F. W. Habel, speaking for the city, declared that there was "no slate" and declined the extended privilege. Mr. Geo. Hunter being suggested, declined, and nominated Mr. George T. Norwood, a brother of former Chief of Police Norwood. A delegate then pleaded for Mr. Brown Pegram, saying that he had only been in office one term, that the platform of the meeting approved of second terms and that Mr. Pegram had responded to the call upon him for a statement of his fees. His appeal fell on hard hearts, for the meeting was set upon a "clean sweep," and the members did not hesitate to let the fact be known. Foy Mitchell, J. W. Simpson, Capt. B. P. Williamson, and several others were suggested, but the balloting resulted in the overwhelming choice of Mr. Norwood, the others hardly being in the running.

Mr. Josephus Daniels arose and suggested that the east, west, and south, suggest candidates for county commissioners. This was done, and it resulted in the choice of Dr. J. M. Bell, of Wakefield; B. S. Franklin, of Swift Creek, and J. H. Lyne, of Oak Grove, though there was considerable wrangling, particularly as to what was meant by the "east."

It was almost 5 o'clock when the meeting, thoroughly tired out, adjourned. While it was a representative body of men and everybody had a little say-so, it was plainly evident that the plans of the leaders worked out well. They thoroughly dominated the meeting. The names suggested must now go before the Democratic primaries, to be held June 25, and the struggle between the two wings of the Democratic party as to who shall hold the offices and eat of the pie, if elected, promises to be a bitter one. Personal feeling has run to fever heat and some of the things each side has said about the other can hardly be forgotten.

The consensus of opinion was that the county's affairs in Democratic hands, have suffered. The "reform" element promise better things, but the "ring" claim that it is simply the outs trying to get in. They claim that it is the same crowd that captured the city last spring and who have on hand a lot of unredeemed promises that they failed to make good.

A very significant thing is that the reformers have selected a plank in the Republican platform, which they helped the "ring" to defeat two years ago, that of placing the county officials on a salary basis. That has now been adopted by the reform wing to defeat the "ring wing."

The question of local self-government was not touched upon, though many supposed that this plank of the Republican party would also be taken. The "ring" wing is supposed to favor this.

NOTES AND COMMENT ON THE WAKE MASS MEETING.

It is reported that Mr. J. J. Bernard, Register of Deeds, claims that he is not a ring man. Well, since the combine forces have endorsed some one else for Register of Deeds, where does Mr. Bernard really stand?

Mr. Bailey says that his forces will hold up the white banner of Democracy. Then the Wake ring is supposed to hold up the "black and tan" wing, is it?

Bailey wants five active men in each township to help him and Daniels form a ring of their own.

Professor Sikes, the anti-ring candidate for the State Senate, says he has never taken any part in politics and knows nothing of the game. Well, the Professor is now in a position to learn a whole lot he never knew before.

Professor Sikes says he is not a "Bell Weather of Democracy." But, he may wish he was when he goes up against some of the bell weathers on the ring side.

J. Willie Bailey will flood Wake County for forty days and forty nights. He will then probably send out a dove to look for the olive branch.

Mr. Bailey referred to the ring as the "discredited and broken-down Democratic machine." If it is as poorly as that it would seem a shame to fight it.

And again, Bailey said it would not hurt the Democratic party to shed its skin. Mr. Bailey is quite right, and the Republicans will put Wake Democracy in the hole in November and give it plenty of time to shed its skin and otherwise purify itself.

When the speakers mentioned defeating the Wake County ring there was always loud applause, but when a reference was finally made to defeating the Republicans in November the applause was very weak. They either had their doubts about their ability to defeat the Republicans, or thought it would not be so bad for the Republicans to win anyway.

One of the leading speakers in the mass meeting said several Democrats had bid him that it had been mighty hard for them to vote the Democratic ticket for several years. Our only surprise is, that they have allowed themselves to vote that way when their conscience told them better.

It is understood that the Wake "ring" is busy getting up biographies of the candidates named by the "anti-ring" mass meeting.

If the combine's forces haven't any one to buy and steal votes for them, how can they hope to win out against the ring if their charges against the ring are true?

Truth will slip out. When some one mentioned Millard Mial's name for the legislature a thoughtful delegate yelled, "Hold on, we've got him slated for something else."

A blasphemous solicitor, a creature who is "not a man" in the State senate, county officers who conduct affairs for their private gain, a member of the executive committee who boasts of both buying and stealing votes:—that is only a part of Democratic misrule as stated by a Democratic authority.

In making his speech of acceptance before the Wake mass meeting Saturday Prof. Sikes told his supporters that they were as much responsible for the condition of affairs in Wake County as was the ring which they were fighting. And the professor ought to know.

DEMOCRATIC MASS MEETING AND THE COMET.

Residents of Buie's Creek Want to Know if the Democratic Meeting Saturday Caused the Split in the Comet.

Buie's Creek, N. C., May 16, 1910.

Gentlemen:—The citizens of this town on looking at the comet this morning found that its tail was split open and on the arrival of the eleven o'clock mail train to-day they were informed that the split was caused by striking the Democratic mass meeting in your town on the 14th instant. Did you have a mass meeting, and if so, was the comet's tail damaged by collision with the mass meeting? We are in terrible suspense to know. As soon as you can answer this we will feel relieved.

Yours, Z. T. KIVETT.

The mass meeting was held all

Verdict of Acquittal.

Clinton, N. C., May 13.—After being out a short while to-day, the jury acquitted H. T. Maynard and Tom Maynard, of killing Mayherd Denning. The case, which has been hard fought, was begun last Saturday and carried over into the civil term of this week.

Durham Officer Shot and Killed a Negro.

Durham, N. C., May 14.—Officer W. A. Cobb to-night shot and instantly killed Tom Hawkins, a negro, in a duel in the colored settlement here. Sergeant Pendergrass and Cobb were raiding a crap game. Hawkins grew extremely insolent and swore at the officers, taking a shot-gun and covering Cobb, who dodged. Pendergrass ran to the other end of the house and Hawkins fired on him, missing him, but burning the hair of his head. Hawkins then rushed at Cobb, who drew a pistol and fired into the negro's breast.

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