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FOUR WEEKS FROM TODAY.

"It is but four weeks from today until the election and the Democratic party of North Carolina should enquire of itself how nearly ready it is for the coming of that day. We ought not have to feel solicitude, touching this matter, concerning the Democratic party alone. The matter of good home government should be one above party, and an appeal for it is one which should be addressed with confidence to all good and patriotic citizens. The people of the State have seen some of the consequences of having retired the Democratic party from power two years ago and they may well ask themselves if these consequences have been satisfactory and wholesome. We are in immediate contact with the new election and county government laws, and it cannot be said that they are agreeable to contemplate. They are nothing, however, compared with what will be witnessed if the fusionists control the next Legislature as they did the last, and if, in addition, we have Russell to rule over us as Governor. It is not worth while

to discuss Maj. Guthrie in this connection, for nobody expects him to be elected. Those honest men who are supporting him should turn their strength to Watson and thus aid in saving the State from Russellism and all that it implies.

But, under the laws of parties, it is necessary to make the special appeal in this instance to Democrats. They should lay aside all questions of difference, and unite with the resolute purpose to save the State and the government in their counties. These are the governments that are of supreme importance after all; they touch the people every day, and it is necessary to the public peace that they be honest, equitable, just, and administered by clean and capable men. Such government and such men the Democratic party offers the voters, and it backs its claim to support by the record of the past.

Meantime its workers and voters should beatir themselves. Four weeks is not a very long time; it is certainly no longer time than is necessary for the doing of the work that needs to be done. Every possible effort should be exerted to avert the dangers which threaten the State, and to this end every one of her true sons should do his duty. — Statesville Landmark.

LENIENCE AND SEVERITY.

If some disinterested bystander is watching the trend of many of the editors and stump speakers in this campaign he will be apt to conclude that it must have been whispered down the line—be right easy and gentle toward the other parties, don't offend them, but just let yourself loose on the administration and all Democrats who do not believe that free coinage is going to raise all the valleys and lower all the hills. Don't allow such to submit with gracefulness and stick loyally to the Democratic ticket, but nag and pierce them with mean, unfair assertions till you drive them into disgust or into being a crank like yourself.

It was said of President Hayes that his trait was forgiveness of enemies and oblivion of friends. It's a pity we can't have oblivion of Democracy's tried and true friends if we can't do them the kindness of justice.

The relations between the Carlises and Senator Blackburn seem now so strained that a duel is spoken of between the Senator and Logan Carlisle.

Watson Still Mad—He Whacks Butler.

An Atlanta Dispatch, of the 2nd, contains an editorial attack by Thos. E. Watson on Chairman Marion Butler, which has excited much comment there and is considered significant in view of the rumors abroad that Mr. Watson may retire from the ticket. The editorial in question is as follows:

"Attempts have been made to show that Mr. Watson favored fusion in the State of Indiana.

This is not correct. Mr. Watson took the position at the beginning of the campaign that no Populist could consistently vote for a single Sewall elector any more than he could vote for a Hobart elector.

We filed with Chairman Butler a written protest against Mr. Butler's fusion policy. Mr. Butler has ignored Mr. Watson's protest and gone steadily forward on his own line.

Mr. Watson's position is now what it was when the Georgia State convention met. He is for a straight

middle-of-the-road ticket. In no other way can the Democratic managers be forced to abide by the St. Louis contract.

Mr. Watson's position has been humiliating embarrassing, and he has been compelled to submit to policies he did not approve."

It Was True.

Late in the evening a report spread through the train that we had a fellow passenger, a man worth \$20,000,000, who had gotten on a Buffalo 1 made inquiry of the porter of my car, and he replied:

"Dat's what dey say, sah, but yo' can't allus tell. He's in de next car, but I can't dun say if he's rich till mawnin'."

Next morning the porter beckoned me into the smoking compartment and said:

"Dat story was all true, sah."

"Then he's worth \$20,000,000, eh?"

"All of dat, sah, an' mebbe mo'."

"How did you find out?"

"From de older po'tah, sah. De geman' has just gin him 10 cents white everybody else has cum down wid a quarter."—St. Louis Post-Dispatch.



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