

The Messenger.

A GLANCE AT THE BLACK AND TAN SHOW.

The files of The Messenger show that it steadfastly through the months insisted that the black radicals and the populists would unite. Again and again when there was much talk of an attempt to unite the white men—the grand old democracy—with the populists, it was insisted upon that the dicker between the traders of 1896 and 1894 would be repeated in 1898. And so it will come to pass—so it is daily coming to pass. It is a plain bargain and sale for the mackerel tub and the feed trough. Principles to the winds, let Bluff and Blackleg get together and "beat the democrats" and "elect everything from constable to bishop," as that trading black republican, one Linney, howled it out as if at a corn-shucking. And that is all there is in this miserable fallen party, that once even in North Carolina had force and ability and some pretence of principles. Now it is barter and blow and brag and all for the "fixings." The one sentiment now among the radical bushwhackers is a blending of the two parties that hold nothing in common save the great, controlling principle of greed and grab. That was an aggressive stink, political and personal, that filled Raleigh's infected atmosphere, when as John Dryden wrote it, "clouds of savory stench involve the sky." Let North Carolina hold its nose, and scatter over the whole state in great profusion carbolic acid, cinchona, salt and other political antiseptics that may preserve the state from decay and paralyzing, death-dealing stench.

The saddest of all pictures ever taken by kodak or painted by artist is the Dan Russell picture in the black and tan pow wow. Read this and if you "have tears prepare to shed them now."

Governor Russell entered the hall amid dead silence and sat half an hour with the New Hanover delegation.

Not a shout, not a word of welcome, not the slightest notice taken of the governor, a member of the pie counter brigade. "Solitary and alone" he sat amid the ruins of his own fame and there was not a lingering "black cuss" nor one of the motleys who "was so poor as to do him reverence." A sad picture of decay and death. Let melancholy claim him as its own, and let jeremiads be poured out in profusion to his manes. Poor Russell! "A blackaday! And must Trelawney die?" Alas! as the once puissant, robust Dan carries himself with a potsherd he feels that the night with all of its terrors and gloom is upon him. He realizes the perishableness of human glory and the ingratitude of men and he recalls that—

"It's a very good world we live in. To lend or to spend or to give in; But to beg or to borrow or to ask for your own, Its the very worst world that ever was known."

He even asked to be heard in the black radical show, but even that simple request passed unheeded. Then read those resolutions indorsing the Russell gang in the great wisdom, justice, honesty, economy of its dealings and doings and then keep your risibles if you can. It might remind one of a gathering in hell of the devil and his imps, (see Milton for description) and the adoption of resolutions indorsing the tricks and performances of Lucifer and the economy with which he uses fuel as well as the justice and equality of his general government.

You tinkle my elbow with a straw and I will scratch your back. Nice flattery and fine unmeaning Buncombe as read by that political Mephistophiles from Buncombe. This is the first act in the show.

Let it be borne in mind that this black and tan convention had the brazen effrontery in North Carolina to indorse the present unconstitutional, oppressive and unequal robber tax that is a dead failure in producing revenue. What a set of humbugs and pretenders! Froth and demagogues.

THE WAY TO VICTORY

For twenty years the custom or plan in North Carolina on the part of the democrats has been to save the state in each election by speech-making and general pow-wowing. There are very true and intelligent democrats who have aforesaid to us that they doubted if any democratic candidate had been elected governor since Vance was elected. That probably over-states the loss, and gives too much credit to cheating. But it is well known to all men except the would-be leaders, that the life playing and horn-kooting and brass bands and beating of drums and tom-toms, and torch-light parades and so on are all something of a failure, and no substitutes

for rigid, intelligent, thorough organization in townships. The old Jarvis plan is worth all this empty sounding way of beating up recruits. Butler's house-to-house visiting is worth all the campaign heroics and jawbations that can be held in a lustrum. The democrats do not know its efficiency and completeness because they have never tried it. We believe there is but one way to carry North Carolina against the "nigs," their motley allies and the Butler gang of populist traders. It is by organizing in every township in every county in North Carolina.

We believe that with plenty of work and money and zeal and heart that North Carolina can be redeemed this year.

It is the stay aways that have given over the dear old state into the hands of niggers and "white trash," plotters, schemers, traders and grabbers.

In 1896 McKinley received in North Carolina 155,222; Bryan 174,488, Palmer 578, Levering 635—total vote polled was 330,953. We look in vain for a book we have used with the numbers of electors in North Carolina in 1890, according to last census. That will show the number of stay-aways, the class to be brought out. Making an allowance for increase in eight years of both electors and total voting population there are not less than 40,000, we feel quite sure, who do not vote in North Carolina. So soon as we secure the number of white and black electors in 1890, according to the census, we will give it.

It is very sure that if the democrats rely this year upon canvassing and organizing by "picnics" the end will be a very much of "a picnic" for the combine. Campaigning by picnicking is a very grand and toothsome ideal! It is a splendid invention for the enemy. Go to work actively, resolutely, in an intelligent, practical, business-like, common-sense way and organize all the townships. "Picnicking" will not do it any more than speech-making will carry North Carolina. "Them's our sentiments."

THE CRIME AND THE REMEDY

The Messenger year by year has sincerely deplored the great prevalence of crime in the south, and particularly among the negroes. It has deeply regretted the many lynchings that have occurred through the years and it has sorrowed over the causes of the lynchings. The insufficiency of the courts, the desperation and savagery of the brutes who assault white women and little girls, the steady growth of the most infernal crime were all condemned, and it was felt that lynchings would never cease until the black devils were all hanged or their brutalities ended. Every week almost some white woman of character is most cruelly, inhumanly assaulted by some roaming beast, and frequently an incensed people become a law unto themselves and stamp out the villain and marauder as they would stamp out pestilence and fire. Last week, in Virginia, a negro was lynched for a most infernal crime. The white men avenged the deed. The religious papers, the pulpit, the press generally may denounce lynch law and call it mob law, and the reign of violence and what not; they may call for more stringent legislation to suppress hangings by mobs, and brand all as half-civilized who do not cry out against lynchings for rapes, but until the villains cease their damning and cruel and awful work the life of the rascals will not be safe if they are caught. The ably edited Norfolk Virginian-Pilot has a vigorous editorial on "Lynching is Its Law and Justice." It has much that will be read with satisfaction by tens of thousands of the best people in the south. They know the nature and prevalence of the crime and the need of a prompt, terrible remedy with which to meet it. We quote from our Norfolk contemporary:

"Should a rattlesnake, or a mad dog, be tried before killing? Should a murderer, incendiary, or highwayman, caught in the act, be allowed to complete it and to appeal to all the delays and chances of law? If you, or your people, or your property, be feloniously attacked, will you await the laws, or will you act at once in self-defense? If a mad man be on the streets, marauding and slaying all he meets, must we take out a warrant for him, arrest and try him, before we disable him and stop his wild career?"

"The negro who has just been lynched at Charlottesville was far worse than any rattlesnake or mad dog, far worse than any mad man or criminal and by his nature and course had outlawed himself utterly. To recognize in him any right to the protections and processes of law would be to mitigate his offence, aggravate the outrage upon the lady, and to add to the shame and horror already inflicted upon her.

"No decent white man, endowed with reason and the proper respect of manhood, should or could restrain himself in the presence of so foul a crime. It would disgrace justice and defile the courts to treat him as an innocent man."

BREVITIES.

It is said to be a fact that one-fourth of the regular United States army is composed of foreign born men. In the navy the foreign element is 52 per cent. of seamen. So much of the excellent fighting is done by faithful, brave men born outside. Of the men lost on the Marion 40 per cent. were foreign.

The United States exceed Germany in population by 22,000,000. Emperor William should take note. This country is not France.

In 1890 there were 4,000,000 women and 18,000,000 men engaged in this country in gainful pursuits. In 1860, there were but 10,000,000 workers in all, and of these but 500,000 were women. A great change. Women are in the labor problem now with strong array. They bring down wages and give the men a harder time, and many are very lazy and general loafers.

Rev. Dr. Sam A. Steel, one of the most gifted of the Southern Methodists of his age—say about 40—is editor of the Epworth League Journal, we believe. He and "brother" Stahlman are having a tussle. Steel wishes to wipe out that money scandal and Stahlman wants Steel to pay him some borrowed money. Steel says he wishes to raise the big lobby money paid to "brother" S, in order to "redeem the honor of the church which is as dear to me as my life." Stahlman is reported to be a member of the Methodist church and he is referred to as "Judge."

The Atlanta Constitution says General Fitz Lee has been side-tracked at Jacksonville. If he were to gain laurels in Cuba he might be in McKinley's way in 1900.

In Charleston there are sixty cases of typhoid fever out of ninety cases that are serious among the soldiers sent there from Chattanooga.

Hunger did the work for the Spaniards at Santiago. Rice was the only food they had left. To storm the city it is now said would have cost thousands of lives. We are glad the Spanish stomach was so empty.

HOME FOLKS

Russell called the negroes "savages," and he holds to that brand. Harry Skinner said in Pitt county in 1896, that "the negro is not fit to hold office." Of course not, but Skinner is trying hard to hold office by and through Sambo. Sambo is ready to help and forgive. They have kissed and made up. In Beaufort county the negroes are reported as something sick of Harry as a boss. In the late negro convention more of the black bosses were not present says the Washington Messenger. The negroes are talking "sarce" and blowing for independence. We think it probable that the big talk will end in vapor. Even white republicans were absent. A negro tells the Washington Messenger that this means that the "negro has got his fill of fusion, and Harry Skinner in particular, and he no longer is to be herded like dumb-driven cattle, and now proposes to run his own boat, and to sink or swim." In Wilmington the motleys and blacks are thick as twigs and as loving as maidenhood. The blacks get a full share, and the few motleys who get the best pickings generally are all happy and united and snooze nightly in loving embrace in the little political truckle-beds "happy as lords." This is a fine example of enlightened progress and the higher civilization!

A snow in Yancey county was reported for Monday last. Come this way and warm yourself. What a state—an iceberg and a frying pan.

The resolutions adopted by the little and big "nigs" in New Hanover, under the sway of the forceful motleys, attract attention all about. They were marvellous to behold. Think of any gang not just escaped from the lunatic asylum essaying to indorse and eulogize Russell, the played out. The Raleigh Post notes:

"As we understand it, a colored citizen whom the governor fired out of his office a little more than a year ago, was an active partisan of His Excellency in the convention that adopted the resolutions quoted. But the negro does not mind a small matter like that any more than he does being called a savage, so long as the governor (and here is the milk in the cocoanut) appoints negroes to office."

We see it mentioned in the newspapers that ex-Senator Jarvis, of Greenville, and ex-editor Captain Samuel A. Ashe, of Raleigh, are to prepare a democratic campaign book for 1898. A most important idea, and the gentlemen to do the work are the very best possible to be found in the state. We are indeed gratified that they will undertake to perform this service for the White Man's party in a White Man's campaign for the redemption of the good old state.

The republican party taxes the people and protects the trusts. The people should annihilate both the republican party and the trusts.—Winston Sentinel.

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STATE PRESS

The populist of the sixth district have either become "gold bugs" or they consider it more important to carry an election than to maintain any show of consistency. Another queer thing about the doings of the populists down in the sixth is, that Dr. Norment, the representative of the Russell faction, which has been supposed to be on good terms with the populists, booted the republican convention and came out as an independent candidate, yet he did not get a vote in the populist convention.—Newton Enterprise.

That there was no question of principle, but only by policy, in the populist proposition to cooperate with the democratic party this year is evident from the rate at which fusion between populists and republicans is being consummated. The populists of the sixth district have nominated a republican for congress who was previously nominated by the republicans on a platform endorsing McKinley and Russell. In the seventh district they turned down their representative who had been previously elected twice in succession, to make place for a candidate who had the approval of the republican machine managers of the district.—Raleigh Post.

There are evidences of growth and prosperity on every hand in North Carolina. Probably one of the clearest evidences to those of the state, is the increasing number of educational institutions, the greater average percentage of attendance, and the interest manifested in the cause of education in the state. * * * University is educating more of the masses of the people of the Old North State than ever before; the Baptists will soon have finished their new university for women at Raleigh and the State Normal and Industrial college is not behind in its noble work of educating the girls of the state, many of whom like the boys, are struggling up out of ignorance and poverty and isolation.

* * * A careful examination of facts, however, would show that there is a larger number of colleges and preparatory schools in North Carolina to the population than any other state in the south, and, as a general rule, these institutions are liberally patronized. It is the public schools that we need to thoroughly overhaul and improve.—Sanford Express.

NORTH CAROLINA

Windsor Orient: Mr. Jesse Hoggard, of Helena, tells us that in his section the populists have nearly all gotten right. That they are not doing any great amount of talking, but they are only disgusted with the party.

High Point Enterprise: Just two miles from here on the road to Thomasville, Sam Swain has a blacksmith shop. He makes horse shoes for the trade. Since he has been at the business he has made with his own hands 100,000 horse shoes.

Asheville Citizen: Linney's convention bolted him in the Eighth and Shuford was defeated outright in the Sixth. These gentlemen should take lessons from the astute representative of the Ninth. When opposition appears, give in an office.

Durham Sun: S. I. Gooch received a telegram from Oxford which stated that during the storm Sunday afternoon two of his nephews, sons of his brother, Dudley, were killed by lightning. The telegram did not state any of the particulars, except that it occurred about 4 o'clock.

Washington Messenger: The many friends of the Rev. Dr. Payne will regret to hear that the condition of his eye is such that he was compelled to return to Richmond Monday and another operation may be necessary. Dr. Payne has been suffering for sometime from necrosis of the bones adjoining his eye and has been operated upon twice in Richmond.

Charlotte Observer: Mr. Sam McMurray, of Cleveland county, fell in a well Friday, near the Cleveland Mills, and was killed.—A lady changed cars yesterday at Statesville from the Western road to the Atlantic, Tennessee & Ohio. It was discovered that the lady's clothes were on fire. She didn't know it until apprised of the fact by a gentleman in rear of her. Mr. Atwell, of Mooresville, extinguished the blaze with his hands, getting them rightly badly burned.—A negro by the name of George Horne was killed by a train at China Grove last night, his head and one foot being cut off.

Mocksville Times: Much has been published one way and another concerning the road from this place to Mooresville and in order to set the matter right we will try and give the facts. The track has been put down and the train can run to the river, within six miles of town, where a temporary trestle is being erected so that a material train can pass over and the track be completed to this place. It will take something over a week to complete the trestle and at least two weeks longer to complete the track. Regular trains can hardly be expected before September 1st.

Clinton Democrat: The Democrat has received a letter from Mr. Walter C. Gore, a Sampson boy, who was in the battle in front of Santiago, July 3rd. He escaped without injury and has since been promoted to the office of sergeant. His term of enlistment expires in a few weeks and he expects then to visit his old home in this county.—Mr. James M. Powell, of Taylor's Bridge had the misfortune to lose two horses and a mule last week. Two of them were fine animals and the loss falls quite heavy upon Mr. Powell.

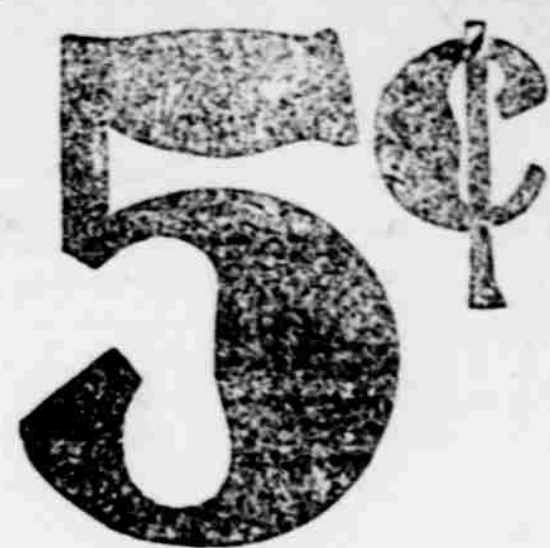
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