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LINCOLNTON, N. C., OCT. 9, 1891. WHERE THE TROUBLE LIES.

We give below some real food for thought. It is an extract from a speech made in Ohio by Mills of Texas.

A JUST DISTRIBUTION OF MONEY NEEDED.

It is not the small circulation, it is the small distribution that plagues us. The Director of the Mint tells us that on the first day of October, 1870, there were \$70,312,000 in circulation in the United States, and we know that 1870 was one of the most prosperous years the country has ever had.

The amount of circulation per head is shown by the whole amount of money in the country and dividing it by the whole number of the people. This shows that each person has in his pocket \$23.96, but millions have got none, other millions have not half of it.

It is excessive taxation, remorseless, confiscating taxation, indirect, concealed, hypocritical, exhaustive and blighting taxation. Not your State taxation that is levied on wealth and requires from you less than \$1 on every \$100 on your property, not your county or other local taxation that is levied in the sight of your eyes, and is imposed, too, on wealth.

which men, women and children are compelled to buy in order to live; that taxation that concentrates and increases the power of wealth, reduces the wages of labor, shuts the laborer out from employment, paralyzes production, restricts consumption, and plunges the country into the depths of distress—this is the cause of all our troubles, and to this we should direct all our thought and use all the power with which we are invested to remove it.

DO NOT BE LED ASTRAY.

From one who was present and heard Gen. Weaver's and Col. Polk's speeches at the Newton Fair the other week, we learn that they were full of bragadocio, wholesale abuse of those who disagreed with them, and ridicule and sneer at the Democratic party.

And yet they know all the while that this is an ignominious falsehood. They know, too, that the Democratic party has always been for reform from Republican misrule. They know that, from time immemorial, it has been in favor of abolition of national banks, of free coinage of silver, of state's rights, of home rule, and, last but not least, of tariff reform.

Teach The Agitators a Salutary Lesson. At the Catawba Fair Col. Polk is reported, by a correspondent of the State Chronicle, to have said: "That if the leaders of the two parties had not betrayed their promises, had not violated their pledges, had not deceived us before, there would have been no question about a third party."

HIS HONOR'S CHARGE TO THE GRAND JURY.

Judge Graves is not unknown to our people. He has ridden this circuit before and has gained for himself the reputation of an impartial and just Judge.

Judge Graves' charge to the grand jury was able, interesting and impressive. He went into details and minutely and clearly defined the principles of law.

WHAT KIND OF A FLOWER IS THE DEMOCRATIC CANDIDATE FOR GOVERNOR OF NEW YORK?

WHAT KIND OF A FLOWER IS THE Democratic candidate for Governor of New York? He is a son-Flower. SOLICITOR OSBORNE prosecuted with his usual vigor in the Lincoln court this week.

THE ALLIANCE agitators are making a great hobby of the fact that the only difference between the Republican tariff and the Democratic tariff bill was the difference between 47 per cent, and 42 per cent.

Can there be any doubt of a friendly and honorable adjustment of a mere difference of opinion between men whose interests are the same, and who have heretofore thought and voted alike?

A Girl's First Offer.

BY A GRANDMOTHER.

There are two deplorable extremes, into one of which a young girl usually falls on receiving her "first offer."

The worse and more frequent of these is that of fancying herself in love, when, in reality, she doesn't care a fig for her lover. The other consists in a coquettish pride which leads her, against the dictates of her heart, to reject a suitor, however worthy.

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It would be far more manly in him to openly declare in favor of a third party, than to attempt to conceal such a declaration by assigning a false reason for one.

If he wants a third party and is ambitious to lead it, let him put on its armor and raise its standard in open day, and have no false pretenses about it.

Col. Polk knows that the Democratic party has never betrayed a promise, never violated a pledge, never deceived anyone.

He well knows that the Democratic party has been powerless in Federal legislation since the war; that at no time since the war has it been able to legislate for the people on the line of reform advocated in its platforms; that every move in that direction has been defeated by the Republican party which has, during all that period, dominated Federal legislation.

Why does he not tell the people this simple truth? He knows it, and yet he withholds it from the people. He does more. He is not satisfied with bringing charges against the Democratic party that cannot be substantiated, but he would hold it equally responsible, with the Republican party for all the bad legislation with which the country has been afflicted during the past twenty-five years, when it is known to all who will tell the truth that the Republican party alone is the author of it.

Col. Polk makes the mistake in assuming that Alliancemen of North Carolina are ready to accept his dictum as infallible, that he is never mistaken and can do no wrong.

We invite attention to the administration of the affairs of his own State by the Democratic party. Can he find here any betrayal of promises, any violation of pledges, any deception? And the National Democratic party, when it obtains control of the Federal government, will purify it by wholesome and just legislation as did the State Democracy when it drove the Republicans from power in North Carolina, and inaugurated honest government.

Go the Racket for your fall and winter goods, where you can get the most for the least money. Clothing Department. The Racket has the largest stock of men's and boys' pants that is in the place, and a nice line of full suits in men's, boys' and children's, 85c and up; men's suits \$4.25 and up.

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Respectfully, J. L. KISTLER, Propr. Sept. 18, 1891

her estimation of the man.

But take a young girl whose imagination is colored with the hues of a summer's sun-rising; whose dove-like soul is waiting on quivering wing for love's first message; whose gentle heart pulsates in anticipation of love's ecstasy.

No! Intoxicated with the perfume and bewildered with the beauty, she stands in the radiant of her rising sun, and sees her lover beneath in the golden light.

Many a woman has blighted her own life and that of the man she loved, by indulging a passion for coquetry. Having charms of which she is fully conscious; endowed, perhaps, with the advantages of wealth, position and accomplishment, she proudly measures her power and says to herself:

"I am equal to great conquests; and shall I, thus early, submit to be conquered? I have cords with which to lead many captive; and shall I yield my hands to be manacled? I have power to bring the proud head low—to melt the heart of stone—to wing the nerve of steel; and shall I put my head on the block—my own heart in the crucible—my own nerves in the vise? No! When I have had a surfeit of these delights—then—"

But the time referred to in the long futurity of the little word "then" seldom comes to the coquette. It will always be "then." "The accepted time" is never near when once we have let the opportunity pass.

Assuredly, to be loved implies some degree of loveliness, and she may be pardoned for feeling gratified with this highest of all compliments—this subtlest of all flattery. But why should she unhesitatingly throw herself into arms that may be extended only to ensnare her? On the other hand, why does she turn proudly from the embrace of one who may be fitted to meet every want of her womanhood?

Young girl, answer these questions to your own heart, and when you receive your "first offer," be not so flattered or self-deceived as either to accept or reject without careful deliberation.

Don't imagine that this is the last "chance" you will ever have; neither, for the sake of flirting, throw it away.

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