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**CLEVELAND MAN EXPERIENCES A CHANGE OF HEART.**

The situation in Cleveland county, the home of Mr. Gardner, where Mr. Parker shed tears of indignation over the "slaughter" of its distinguished son, is not so unfavorable as some have been led to believe. County leaders have been prompt to express their adherence to the party of Vance and Aycock, and in the last issue of The Star, one voter who was opposed to reevaluation, and who had declared his intention of voting against Mr. Morrison, admits a change of heart. He has been doing some studying lately, he said, and had been thinking "about what the Republicans did in this state and county the last time that they were in power. I have been now about twenty years since they were kicked out in this State by disfranchising the negro, but I can still remember the awfulness of those days. How they stole the peoples' money, misappropriated public funds, cut down our public schools, and did almost everything imaginable that was dishonest and disgraceful. I also remember how they appointed three hundred negro magistrates and several hundred negro school committeemen over white teachers and children in the State. All these things happened under Governor Russell's administration, who was the last Republican governor that we ever had in this State, and God forbid that we ever have another. They say that Parker is a fine fellow, but how can I work myself up to the position of voting for a man who is running on the ticket of a party with such a record in this State."

**A "GOOD LOSER."**

It has been customary for many years that when one party man is defeated by another in a contest for a nomination for the defeated brother to rise up at once, congratulate his late opponent, and pledge him his loyal support. But there have always been degrees of loyalty in the support thus given, and that degree of loyalty shows what manner of man the loser really is, not what he says he is. The test of losing has often shown such true merit in a loser that its manifestation right there laid the foundation deep and strong for future success. Hence, as the loser is usually in the public eye, we like to see how he stands up under his loss.

According to all the tests Mr. Gardner is not only a graceful loser but in the support of his late opponent he shows the right kind of loyalty, and none of the big men of the press who have served party and people, have shown more respectfully this fine spirit than Mr. Gardner is now doing since his opening speech here last Saturday.

His deliverance was convincing evidence to even those of a cynical mind that he is game to the core and a good loser. There was no discernible bitterness in either his speech or his demeanor. He manifested no hard feelings whatever towards those who were among his strongest opponents in the primary, and his respectful references to Mr. Morrison showed that he considers him a worthy victor. To him the past is a closed incident, and this virile North Carolinian faces the future without any rancor in his heart, and with unimpaired confidence.

Men who suffer defeat like Mr. Gardner are comparable to the Grecian heroes made immortal by epic poems; and the spirit that prompts him to aid his party is a heritage which he doubtless received from his Confederate father. Mr. Gardner has proved himself to be a loyal Democrat, a sportsman in the truest sense of the word, and a great North Carolinian.

**AS TO TRUTH AND FAIRNESS**

Solomon said that there were three things beyond his comprehension, namely, a ship upon the water, a bird upon the air, and the way of a man with a maid. Verily, there is a modern thing more wonderful than those which baffled the ancient king, and that is the way of the Republicans who deceive about taxes in North Carolina. They persist in spite of all reason or lack of reason.

The purpose of the reevaluation of the property was to make the tax books speak the truth, as Governor Bickett said. That purpose has been fairly accomplished and telling the truth was popular with 75 per cent

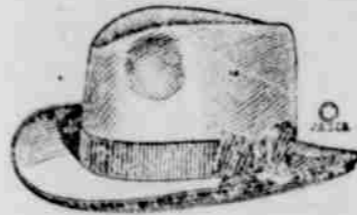
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of the tax payers, who were so accurate in giving in their property that their own valuations were accepted by the assessors.

But telling the truth about the measure seems to be an impossible thing with many persons, motivated by either ignorance or viciousness.

The opportunity to tell the truth, and the encouragement to do so, was welcomed by many a tax payer, especially holders of interest bearing property whose incomes would have been practically annihilated under the old rate, simply because other classes of property were so undervalued that a face-valuation of money and solvent credits would have resulted in giving these a tax-bearing burden four times greater than tangible property.

When the state and the people decided to carry out the laws as it has always existed, and as we were sworn to do, by putting all the property on at its value, solvent credits, in this county, for instance, jumped from \$1,176,000 in 1919 to \$3,450,000 in 1920. The same thing ran all over the state, as it was expected to do, the income in solvent credits alone in some counties being greater than the total of all real and personal property of every kind in the county the year before.

Telling the truth has been said to be the right thing in all other affairs of life. It is true also in this matter. What honest man can object to the telling of the truth? Since more and more money is needed for public improvements; since the money has got to be raised by taxation, why should anyone object to paying his rightful part, according to the true value of what he has? No sincerely honest man does. The people and tax payers generally are making no objection; they like truthfulness, honesty and a square deal for all.

**Not the George Who Does It.**  
(From the Youth's Companion.)

One of the amusing stories in Captain Evan's book, Keeping the Seas, is of an incident that occurred when twenty-five million dollars in gold was shipped across the English Channel. The ship carried as passengers Mr. Lloyd George, General Robertson and Sir Maurice Hankey, who occupied the cabin in which the gold was stored.

When the gold was landed, a Bank of England clerk complained that one bag was missing and asked anxiously if anyone had been in the cabin.

"Oh, yes," said the captain. "Three men were there."

"Well," replied the captain thoughtfully, "I know that one was called George."

Later it was discovered that the bags had been miscounted.

**NOTICE OF CHANGE OF PRECINCTS.**

The Union County Board of Elections will meet on September 30th for the purpose of changing voting precincts, wherever deemed necessary. All interested parties should present petitions or claims to the Board prior to above date. Everybody, regardless of party affiliation, will be given impartial hearing.

The only changes at present contemplated by the Board are 1st: The creation of a new precinct in Sandy Ridge township with the following boundaries: Beginning at the New Town road at the point where Monroe and Sandy Ridge townships point near Zion colored church; thence following the township line to Cleveland Moore's, including his place on the Davis mine road; thence in a southerly direction to and including J. L. Osborne's place; thence south to and including the Uriah Morris home place; thence to and including T. B. Moore's residence; thence following Little Twelve Mile creek to Big Twelve Mile creek; thence up the various courses of Twelve Mile creek to the New Town road; thence along the New Town road to the beginning. Leaving the territory in Sandy Ridge township south of Big Twelve Mile creek and the New Town road in the Mineral Springs district. The voting place to be at the cross roads near the Dr. W. H. Price late home place in the old Siler church building, and to be known as Siler precinct.

Second: The creation of a new precinct in North Monroe, to be known as North Monroe precinct No. 2, with the following boundaries: Beginning at the intersection of Main and Windsor streets in the City of Monroe, (Heath-Morrow Co. corner) with the same southern boundary to the west as the present North Monroe precinct, to the township line; thence North along the township line to a point where the township line crosses the Concord road; thence south along the Concord road to its intersection with Main street, in the City of Monroe; thence south along Main street to the beginning. The old North Monroe precinct to be known as North Monroe Precinct No. 1, to remain as heretofore, less the territory included in the new precinct. The polling place for precinct No. 1 will remain at the Court House, and the polling place for the new precinct will be designated at a later date.  
GEO. S. LEE, Jr., Chm.  
County Board of Elections.

**Both Had Experience.**

The motor car was driven by a determined looking woman who had knocked a man down without, however, injuring him much. She did not try to get away. Instead, she stopped the car, descended to the solid earth and faced him manfully, or rather womanfully.

"I'm sorry it happened," she said grudgingly, but it was all your fault. You must have been walking carelessly. I am an experienced driver, I've been driving a car for seven years."

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