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WHY YOUTH IS TIED TO TREE.

A Statement by Chairman Webb of Commission, Gives Full Details of Matter.

Asheville Gazette-News, 7th.

Charles A. Webb of Asheville who is chairman of the State hospital commission, which was created by the legislature of 1907, under what is known as the Bickett bill, and which has in its hands the expenditure of the $500,000 appropriated by the general assembly of 1907, for the enlargement of the State hospitals for the insane, with reference to an article appearing in the Asheville Citizen, the McDowell Democaat and the Lexington Dispatch concerning an idiot boy whose parents reside in McDowell county, near the line of the Southern Railway company, today gave out the following statement:

"I have known for some time about this boy, having myself observed him tied to the apple tree as I passed by on the train. The boy's father is named Andrew Bartlett, and he lives in a little cabin at Dendron, just beyond Round Knob in McDowell county. The boy is about seventeen years old, and is as stated an idiot, having been born so. His parents are, of course, poor people, but have managed to providh for the boy as best they could. On account of his afflicted condition he has been a great care to his mother and father and younger brothers and sisters. He is harmless, as I am informed except on certain occasions, and at times it becomes necessary to tie him, which is not generally done unless his father is away from home. He is tied more for his own protection than anything else; to keep him from wandering away and getting on the raslroad track.

"Up to the year 1907, the State had not undertaken to provide for idiots and other mental defectives, but under the Bickett bill, the State is now required to take care for all such. As soon as I had my attention called to this boy, I immediately took the matter up with the sheriff of McDowell county, also with the clerk of the court, the county attorney and a justice of the peace, Esquire Sandlin, who lives at Old Fort, for the purpose of getting this boy admitted into the hospital at Morganton. They took the matter up with the boy's father and mother, and the mother persistently refused to allow him to be taken from under her care and keeping. She stated that she had managed to take care of him all during his life, and that because of his pitiful condition, she was unwilling to let him go. She stated that on account of his affliction, and his utter inability to help himself, she could not bear the idea of placing him under the care and keeping of absolute strangers. It was on her account alone that the officials of McDowell county have not taken official steps to place this poor boy in the hospital, and while she is doing the best she can for him, the boy is not as well cared for as he would be at the hospital, yet her devotion to her child is commendable and everyone must sympathize with her in her desire to have with her, her afflicted son. The fact that the boy has to be occasionally tied in order to keep him from harming himself or getting into trouble, is not as bad as it appears to be; were he taken to the hospital, he would have to be confined, and be among strangers. However, I think it would be best for the boy were he taken to the hospital."

Mr. Webb also stated that the State Hospital commission, since its creation, had provided for 100 additional female patients at Morganton; 100 additional male patients at Raleigh, and 100 additional patients at Goldsboro. The commission is now erecting at Raleigh 10 new buildings, which will accomodate 400 other additional patients, and this building will be completed in 30 days. The commission is also erecting at Morganton three additional buildings, which will accomodate another hundred patients. These buildings will be complete in 60 days. When all these buildings are completed, the Hospital commission will have provided additional accomodations for 800 additional insane at the several different State institutions.

[We agree with Mr. Webb that it would be best for the boy were he taken to the hospital, and we believe it would be far better for the family too if he were there. It would relieve the parents of a great care and the boy would be given even better attention than his parents are able to provide for him. The case is pitiable, but we believe action should be taken by the officials to place the boy in the hospital as soon as possible.—THE DEMOCRAT.]

MITCHELL COUNTY TRAGEDY.

Will Woody Meets Death in Mica Mine —Other Items of Interest.

Mitchell County Kronicle, Bakersville. 11th.

Mr. Fate English, of Clarrissa, this county, and Mr. Will Woody, visited the Flat Rock mica mine last Monday, presumably to do some prospecting. This mine which is 10 miles from Bakersville, has not been regularly worked for a number of years, and it appears the men had not announced their intention of entering it. Failing to return to their homes that evening, some uneasiness was felt, but nothing much was thought of their absence. Not returning next day, however, the respective families became much concerned for the men's safety and a search was instituted. All day Tuesday and Tuesday night passed and still no word from the absent opes. No particular attention was paid to this abandoned mine, and it seems only by chance that a lad in his search Wednesday morning heard a sound, and upon closer investigation found that it emanated from the bottom of the shaft. Upon notifying others, the horrifying discovery was made that forty feet below the surface the missing men had been entombed alive by a cave in; but upon reaching them it was soon discovered that death had quickly claimed one and life had almost departed from the other. Mr. Woody was found completely covered by several feet of earth with his neck broken, and Mr. English barely escaped death, his side being pierced by a piece of [redacted] hastened for medical aid. Mr. Will Woody was the son of Wyatt Woody. We hear that Mr. English has just died.

The delay of four or five hours to the train due at Toecane 10:30 Tuesday morning, was occasioned by a landslide at Lost Cove, a very troublesome point on the C. C. & O. road.

Our young friend, Mr. John G. Nichols returned to his desk at the Mitchell County Bank last Monday after an absence of two weeks at Marion with his mother in her last illness and death.

Miss Lorena Pannell and Mr. Leiter Slagle, both of near Bakersville, were united in marriage by Rev. W. G. Bowman, last Saturday. The happy couple left here Sunday morning for Marion, N. C., where they will make their future home.

An election was held last Saturday in School District No. 2 to decide for or against levying a special tax to lengthen the term for holding the free schools. The vote resulted in a majority of 5 in favor of a longer term, 24 votes being polled.

Five hours' delay to the Bakersville mail from Johnson City and no mail whatever from Marion on Tuesday, owing to an interruption to the morning train South of Toecane, again emphasizes the necessity and convenience of two trains a day each way over the C. C. & O. Railroad.

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FUTURE OF THE DEMOCRATIC PARTY.

Baltimore Sun.

Our cynical New York contemporary, the Sun, pictures the national Democracy as a "derelict ship laboring in the trough of the sea, with her spars gone, her hold afloat and her flag in strips." Yet, adds this cynic, in a burst of candor, "the old hulk never sinks," although "the solid South is breaking up and Democratic principles are become a jest and a byword."

But is the solid South breaking up? It is undeniable that Southern opinion respecting the tariff has undergone a certain modification. Sixteen Democratic Senators from the South voted recently for a duty on lumber. About 60 Democratic members of the House of Representatives voted against free lumber. On other schedules of the Aldrich-Payne Tariff bill affecting Southern industries and products Democrats from the South in both branches of Congress have not presented a solid front against the protecting policy of their Republican opponents. On the question of free raw materials for the benefit of New England manufacturers there is an acute difference of opinion among Southern Democrats. There are also radical differences in the Republican party on the scope which revision of the Dingly act should take in the interest of the consumer.

The Republican Senators voted on Saturday against the cotton goods schedule of the Aldrich-Payne bill. There are Republican States in the West which, judging from the attitude of their representatives in the Senate, are wholly out of accord with the Republican leaders in the Eastern and Middle States on the measure of protection to be granted to the manufacturing interests of the country. Every candid and far-minded man recognizes that there is a cleavage in both great parties on the tariff issue.

Nevertheless, whatever may be the outcome of this division in both parties in 1912, when tariff revision may again be a live issue in a Presidential campaign, there is no occasion for pessimism on the part of Democrats. The solid South is not going to be disintegrated simply because certain of its representatives in Congress voted for protective duties for Southern industries and products. The South has a problem in comparison with which the tariff is a matter of secondary importance, in the Southern view. There is not the remotest probability, judging from the temper of the Southern people, that they will make any change in their political affiliations as long as they feel that they can maintain good government at home only through the agency of the Democratic party. On this issue there is not the slightest indication of any break in the solidity of the South.

It would be a bad day for the nation if the Democratic party should disappear from national politics and the country should be at the mercy of the Republican party, with only a scattered and feeble opposition to withstand it. Thoughtful men of all parties realize the vital importance to the country of a strong opposition to the party in power now, and to any other party which may come into power in the future. There are issues yet to be settled—issues upon which the Democratic party, under sagacious leadership, may appeal with success to the masses of the people for support. There are monopolistic influences to be resisted. The Democratic party can continue to act as the champion of the masses. The tariff is an issue which, it is to be hoped, will be adjusted scientifically and equitably in time, and to the best interest of consumers, of manufacturers and of American labor. And even with a tariff which may seem to many Americans to be oppressive, unfair in its discriminations and sectional, the country may continue to prosper for a few years, just as it has prospered in the past, despite inequitable legislation, because all the elements of prosperity were at hand.

The Democratic party will not be shipwrecked on the tariff issue if the people realize the imperative necessity of maintaining a vigorous opposition party to curb the extravagance of the party in power. The people are actually interested in carrying through reforms which are essential to their welfare. The Democratic party must prove to be the instrumentality by which the interests of the people are subserved, protection from evils which the Republican party may prove unable to control.

We have [illegible] at Raleigh. [illegible] course in Agriculture [illegible] evening, a full list of the Alumni of the College. A glance at them will show that the young men educated at the College are closely following the professions for which they were trained. These men are becoming a power in the State in practical life. Perhaps hereafter copies of the Catalogue may be had from Registrar's office, West Raleigh, N. C.

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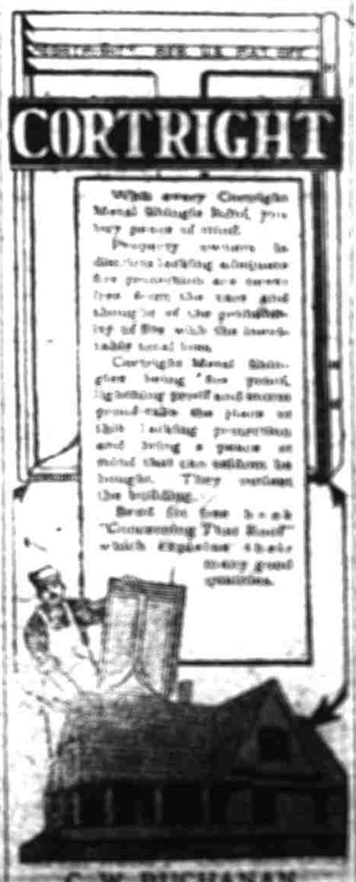

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