

THE COMMONWEALTH.

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We hope for success in 1884, but we are not prepared to affirm that our hope is well founded. In fact it is not. Our leading papers have been spitting hairs on the Tariff question ever since our party has been in defeat. Our leading men or politicians have, for the same period, been trimming and hedging, marching forward sometimes with a manly step, sometimes to the right, sometimes to the left, and frequently turning their back on the constitution and their face against the doctrines of Jefferson; they go two steps backward for every one forward. One says Tariff for revenue is sound Democratic doctrine. Another says Tariff for revenue "only," is sound Democracy. Another says Tariff for revenue with "incidental protection." Another says a Tariff for revenue and protection combined is the true Democratic theory and the bed-rock upon which to build for success. Now how can we expect success with such diversions among ourselves? If we are not agreed as to what constitutes Democracy, and are quarrelling among ourselves, how can we expect the people to trust the dealing of this great country in our hands? It is high time we had put our house in order and settle our own differences if we expect to go to the people in confidence in 1884, for a lease of power. It is impossible that all these differences can be right. We are not all Democrats for these are not all Democratic doctrines. Tariff for revenue with "incidental protection," nor Tariff with any other adverbial phrase cannot be found in the constitution of the United States. The only warrant in the constitution, in substance, is this, "Congress shall provide for the necessary expenses of the Government. A Tariff for revenue wisely and judiciously planned so as not to burden any industry, oppress any class, or build up any industry or any class, or individual at the expense of any other industry, class or individual, is both constitutional and Democratic. A Tariff law that protects one State, section, industry, class or individual at the expense of any other State, section, industry, class or individual is both unconstitutional, undemocratic, and unrepugnant."

Against such a Tariff is the appointed mission, high privilege and pledged duty of the Democracy to fight. And if the party should cease its fight against the present unjust, oppressive, and obnoxious Tariff law, it would be as certain of defeat in 1884, as it would richly merit. The so-called fight in the last Congress was not even a respectable skirmish. The enemy's advance-guard was not even driven back. The Tariff Commission and the Republican committee's who framed and devised the present law, placed the per cent. on most articles twenty five per cent. higher than they even expected would ever pass a rough Congress. And they did this for the purpose of seeming to make concessions in behalf of the people and against protection. And the Democrats did not even force them up to this anticipated line of retreat. And to stop the contest now, would be more than folly. It will be far better for the Democratic party to remain in defeat, than for it to surrender the contest, and thereby get in power. If we can't get control of the Government on principle we had better never be in power.

It is the great Democratic party of this country is to be controlled by Sam Randall, of Pennsylvania, Randolph and McPherson, New Jersey, and other protective Tariff so-called Democrats, then we are not anxious to see the party in power, for we can see but little difference in that class of Democrats and the Republicans now in power.

Our purpose and object is not to install men in power simply because they are called Democrats and belong to the party, to place in power a party who believes in, and acts up to the Jeffersonian construction of the constitution. We are not for man, but for principle. One man is as good as another if principles are left out of the question. So we think it is time to ascertain whether there is any difference between the Republican party and the Democratic party as now organized and led, and if there is not let us stop the contest.

ROANOKE UNION.

The Roanoke Union of the Tar River Association met at Pactolus, Pitt county, on Friday 27th ult.

In the absence of Rev. C. A. Woodson of Enfield, who was appointed to preach the Introductory Sermon, Rev. R. E. Peele, of Pantego, preached. The meeting was presided over by the former moderator, Rev. Thos. Carrick of Greenville. Rev. W. F. Underwood of Hamilton gave an exposition of "The Law of Christian Love," as set forth in 13th chapter of 1 Corinthians. On Saturday after the appointment of the usual committees, Dr. Huffman discussed very ably the "Duty of churches to support their pastors." At 12 o'clock, Dr. Huffman preached quite a touching sermon on "The love of Christ." In the afternoon the committees reported, appointing the place for the next Union at Quankie, Halifax county, Friday before 5th Sunday in July. Rev. F. R. Underwood was appointed to preach the Introductory Sermon.

Following subjects are to be discussed: "Baptism.—What is it?"—F. R. Underwood. "Baptism.—Who are subjects for it?"—J. D. Huffman. "The Lord's Supper."—J. D. Huffman. "The needs of our home field and how to supply them."—R. E. Peele. "Lessons from the childhood of Jesus."—W. J. Hopkins. "Exposition of Acts 1:8."—C. A. Woodson.

The meeting adjourned to time and place appointed. At night Rev. R. F. Underwood preached to an attentive audience on "The spirit of Christ."

The church at Pactolus has just been completed, and on Sunday morning, after a short exercise in the interest of Sunday Schools, Dr. Huffman proceeded to organize a Baptist church by reading the Church Covenant, Articles of faith, and solemnizing in the church those who wished to join. There were only a few, but their determined position on their work bespeaks for them an increase in number soon. Dr. Huffman then preached the Dedication Sermon from St. John 3:7 and 8. It was appointed that Rev. F. R. Underwood would preach in the afternoon, and just here the writer left. While the Baptist cause is just beginning to gather strength, the outlook is somewhat encouraging. Those who have been a work for the new church at Pactolus have reasons to congratulate themselves. They have a handsome house, and it is itself a monument to that good brother, R. M. Speir, who has contributed a quarter liberally in the work. Bro. Speir is a farmer, and he can say what few farmers of his age can. He has everything at home that a farmer ought to have. He has never bought a pound of meat, a bushel of corn, nor a ounce of fodder. Success is all any one need expect and he has certainly been successful, and is appropriating his means to a noble cause.

We would like like to say more about Pactolus and vicinity. Bro. Carrick and his people at Greenville, but the want of space forbids. We had quite a pleasant trip; we were treated kindly everywhere, and returned glad we went and intending to go again.

HERE AND THERE.

Wilson's Stings: The press may say what they please about friend Joe Daniels, of the Advance not being able to ride his steed with the proper grace, at the Rocky Mount Fair, but we will go our oldest hat that none of them can make a better appearance as far as good looks will go. We heard a young lady say, only a few days ago, that he would actually look perfectly "cute" on a horse.

Warrenton Home Journal: Rev. L. J. Holdeu left last Saturday for Greenville, N. C., where he is aiding Rev. S. V. Hoyle, in a protracted meeting. Rev. Dr. Mundy returned home last Saturday, after a three weeks stay in Tarboro. He reports the meeting in that place as having been very successful; about twenty professed faith in Christ, and the meeting is still in progress.

Rocky Mount Reporter: We learn from the Toisnot Sunny Home that about eighteen have professed faith and connected themselves with the Methodist church at that place during a revival meeting, which is still in progress. Also in Tarboro, as we are informed by the Guide, twenty persons have joined the Missionary Baptist church at that place during a recent protracted meeting.

New Berne Journal: At her residence in this city, on Friday morning, the 20th inst., in the 66th year of her age, Mrs. Mary Spraight Shepard, relic of the late Hon. Charles B. Shepard, nearly four hundred boxes of peas were shipped by steamer Shenandoah on Tuesday, and a large number of packages of turnips and cabbages. Mr. Rheim shipped one hundred and forty barrels of cabbages, thirty-five of turnips and thirteen boxes of peas.

Greensboro Patriot: A man with a good eye to business says Greensboro is the most eligible place in the State for manufacturing. Two intelligent farmers said to-day that the fence law saved them from absolute ruin. With the backward spring and the losses by the freshest fence repairing would be impossible, and hence they could not make a crop. But they have no fence to repair and as soon as the water dries out of the ground they will be ready to plant.

Albemarle Gleaner: The first brick were laid on the Sidney Mills last Saturday. Mr. L. mud Rippy has garden peas 18 inches high and in full bloom. This is not much behind our brethren of the east.

Raleigh Visitor: A friend placed on our table this morning a young peach the size of a full grown acorn, and he says there are plenty more of the same size on the tree from which it was taken. Maj. Winder has offered one hundred dollars reward for the apprehension of the person who placed the obstruction on the track of the Raleigh & Augusta Railroad on Tuesday night last, just above Apex.

Fayetteville Observer: The spring rainfall has been very heavy, and the present condition of the low grounds is enough to make the average farmer weep. The Cape Fear River rose 25 feet last Monday night, and is still very high. We learn that Anderson Torry who was shot by the negro McEacern, an account of which appeared in the Observer of the 12th inst., has since died from the effect of his wound. Hon. Geo. M. Rose has been invited by the Professors of LaGrange Military School, Lenoir county to deliver the literary address at the commencement in May; and by the Professors of Jonesboro High School to deliver the literary address at the commencement there next month.

Warrenton Gazette: The rainfall here Sunday night in eight hours was 3 1/2 inches, the heaviest that has been in three years. As far as we can hear some four or five hundred bridges were destroyed in this county last Monday, but fortunately they were mostly plantation bridges and can be readily replaced. At the railroad meeting Friday night the directors reported to a meeting of the citizens that for the present they deemed a horse railway expedient. The report was accepted and the Mayor requested to forthwith advertise notice of the election to see whether or not the citizens will raise a town subscription of \$10,000 for the building and equipping of the road. If, after the road is built, the freights and travel justify it, steam will be substituted for horse power.

To-morrow.—To-morrow is loaded down with the things we intend to do and to have. There is no faculty of the soul so over worked as this faculty of expectation. If all shall come of the future which we are pouring into it, we shall have a marvelous world before long. The tame sad acts of these days will soon give place to islands of milk and honey and to palaces of of Aladdin. When a young man lives in expectation of a fortune to come to him in middle age, how, for the most part, it utterly ruins his youth. When a man in middle life dreams of good deeds to be done sometime, loading the morrow with his intentions, how often his rosy future culminates in darkness and storms, and nothing remains but the dusty shavings of which dreams are made. "By the street called Hy-and-by you reach a house called Never."—Ez.

Goldboro Messenger: The first shipment of peas from this place this season was made last Tuesday by Messrs. Holmes, Easo, Crech and Collins. There was quite a hail storm here on Tuesday evening, and had it come with a little more force the truck farms in this vicinity would have undoubtedly been ruined, but fortunately the stones were rather soft, though of considerable size, and the speed of their fall moderate, hence it is hoped that not much damage is done. Laura, the 3 year old daughter of Mr. H. Warrick, in the Providence section, in this county, during an unguarded moment, one day of last week, pulled the contents of a kettle of boiling hot liquor over her body, scalding here-if so badly that she died the following day. The closing exercises of Sparta Institute will commence May 6th. May 16th, 17th, commencement exercises; literary address, by J. M. Leach, Esq., Lexington, N. C.; concert 7 o'clock, p. m. Music by the Wilson Cornet Band.

Albemarle Enquirer: The fishing engine used at the fishery of Mr. Edward Wood burst her boiler last week. On Wednesday night last, in the Baptist church, Miss Anne M. Williams and Capt. James M. Lackland, of the Norfolk Southern Railroad, were married by Rev. R. Vandeventer. The Schooner, Ned Wood, property of Messrs. Jones and Woodward, of this place, was struck by a whirlwind on Albermarle Sound on Friday last and had her mast carried away, and was capsized. Fortunately the steamer E. N. Fairchild's came to her rescue, and raised her and towed her in port. On Monday morning last Mr. E. W. Burton was absent in Baltimore. About 4 o'clock, Mrs. Burton heard a noise in the house and upon going out of her bedroom, discovered a man making his exit out of an open window. She gave the alarm, but too late to catch the would be thief. It is supposed he was there to rob for money. Nothing was missed, and no definite clue to the thief.

INTERESTING TO FARMERS. At a meeting of the executive committee of the Board of Agriculture, held last week, the Commissioner, Mr. McGeehe, was authorized to confer with a committee from the North Carolina State Agricultural Society, and agree upon the apportionment of the \$500, appropriated by said board for premiums, to be offered on field crops at the State fair this fall. The committee, Messrs. W. G. Up-

church, E. R. Stamps and T. C. Williams, held a conference with the Commissioner yesterday morning, and the premiums were fixed as follows: \$50 for the largest yield of cotton from fifteen acres of land; \$30 for the second, and \$20 for the third. Fifty dollars for the largest yield of wheat from five acres each of oats, rye, rice, field peas and ground peas. Twenty-five dollars for the largest yield of hay from one acre of either clover, orchard grass, heard's grass or Timothy. Fifty dollars for the largest yield in value of bright leaf tobacco, and \$50 for the largest yield in value of heavy shipping tobacco, from one acre each. Accurate measurement of land and crops, and a detailed statement of the mode and cost of cultivation and manuring will be required of each exhibitor.

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