

THE DEMOCRAT.
W. H. KITCHIN - - - - - EDITOR.
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Civil Service Reform.
We prefer a Democrat to a Republican of equal character.
No honest and true Republican asks to be retained, and none other should be retained. In the South, a sweep with a clean broom is demanded by all Democrats.

1888.

FOR PRESIDENT.
DAVID B. HILL,
OF NEW YORK.

FOR VICE PRESIDENT.
JOHN G. CARLISLE,
OF KENTUCKY.

Ben Gary, the cleverest man in the county and decidedly the handsomest except the editor of the DEMOCRAT, sent us a watermelon Tuesday that weighed forty-six pounds, the best we ever ate. Mr Gary had from one vine five melons which weighed two hundred and ten pounds. Beat that if you can, and make us the judge and we will mail to your order twenty copies of the DEMOCRAT free, postage paid. We will teach you the principles of Democracy and how to farm, and our friend Gary will show you how to make the largest and best watermelons and bonanza contempes ever made.

MOUNT HOLLY ENCAMPMENT.

The Mount Holly Encampment was a grand success. The exhibition was not equal to some fairs we have seen in the State except in grasses and small grain which surpassed anything we have ever seen in that line. But as a gathering of the farmers to commune together it has never been equalled in this State. Not less than six thousand people were in attendance on each day and on Thursday there must have been nearly ten thousand people on the grounds. Many very able, instructive speeches were made on farming and kindred subjects, which if remembered, studied and followed will save many million to the people. This encampment of the farmers was a grand movement in the right direction. Let the good work go on and keep professional politicians at a distance, and don't let the demagogues capture the order.

COLOR LINE.

Are you in favor of the color line? Yes, now henceforth and forever. Is that the distinctive difference between the two great political parties? No, it is not. But the Democratic party seems to be at sea without pilot, compass or anchor, and so far as the Southern wing of the Democracy is concerned we can all agree on that, when we cannot agree on other things. The white people of the South are not in accord with each other upon the principles claimed to be Democratic, but upon the color line we are all agreed and in harmony and will sink all other difference out of sight and stand by each other like a stone wall when you attempt to blot out the line God has drawn with His Divine power and wisdom. Blood is thicker than water and will always be. If God and nature as one has not made the white race entirely distinct from the colored race, we are greatly deceived and have lived and studied all our life to no purpose. The white race and the black race as they exist in America were made as separately and as distinctly as the monkey and squirrel and were designed by the hand of Jehovah to fill different spheres. If they ever mix and mingle as one people it will be against the decrees of God and the will of Heaven. It will be by the violation of His fixed and immutable laws and at the sacrifice and degradation of the white race. Yes, we are in favor of the color line being drawn as taut as a drum and made as firm as a rock. We are in favor of a tariff for revenue only. We are in favor of local self government. We are in favor of a bimetallic standard of value. We are against your River and Harbor bills. We are against your Blair bills. We are against buying the bonds in at a premium before they mature. We are against Federal interference in the States except to collect its revenues and run the mails. We are against the Interstate Commerce bill. We believe the railroads ought to be controlled by statutory laws of the States like any other individual, and don't believe the General Government has any constitutional power to regulate the freights between and through the States. We are opposed to Republicans holding office as a rule under a Democratic administration. We are opposed to ap-

pointing or electing negroes to make laws or rule over white people. And we are opposed to Grover Cleveland for a second term or any other man for a second term.

Bro. Kitchin, of the DEMOCRAT, has been charging that the chief clerk in the Charlotte postoffice is a negro. It turns out that the only negro in the postoffice is a sort of porter and janitor, and that his place has been time and again offered to white men and refused by them. Of course this slight difference between the actual facts and Bro. Kitchin's fiction will not alter his opposition to Cleveland, for Kitchin is bound to fight something and he seems of late to have forgotten how to fight Republicans and has turned to fighting Democrats.—Goldboro Argus.

The above is simply a misrepresentation without one fact to rest on. We charged that a negro Republican was on duty in the Charlotte postoffice as a Democrat. We now charge absolutely and unconditionally that a negro was assistant at the time in the office, and that he discharged the duties of Post-Master as other post-masters, receiving and distributing letters, receiving and mailing letters and other duties of post-masters. We make this charge upon our own responsibility and from our own personal knowledge, and from letters and from conversations with the best citizens of Charlotte, and any man who will deny this is neither a gentleman nor a truthful man. It is no fiction of Kitchin's. It is the truth and Bro. Yates knows it, Charles R. Jones knows it, the post-master in Charlotte knows, the negro himself knows and every business man in Charlotte knows. A janitor indeed! A janitor is a door-keeper and sometimes a carrier of burdens. The post-office at Charlotte has no door-keeper. This negro may sweep out the post-office, open and close the doors, but he did the duties we charge and any declaration to the contrary is untrue. Any man with the comprehension above a monkey could have read the truth between Bro. Yates' lines, but instead of that the effort is being made to prove our charge untrue by his answer to the News and Observer. Brother Yates said the duties of this negro were so great in the office that no one had been found to undertake them at the price of \$25 per month, who was competent to discharge them. Great God what duties are connected with the door-keeper of the postoffice in Charlotte that are so burdensome and so delicate of performance that no Democrat in Mecklenburg county can be found at \$25 per month to undertake them? "Seems of late to have forgotten how to fight Republicans and has turned to fighting Democrats". This is rich rare and racy coming from a paper that opposed Cleveland's policy until recently, and time and again we have quoted from it to sustain our views. "Forgotten"? When did we ever fail to fight Republicans? Have we not struck one untried blow to your one and twice as hard? What undemocratic measure or principle did we ever advocate? What Republican measure or principle did we ever advocate? Better get the steam saw mill and boiler out of your own eyes, before you exhaust your energies picking at the nail in ours.

NEWS & OBSERVER.

We said some time since that we were in favor of a tariff for revenue only without the word incidental attached. The News and Observer says if it understands us rightly we are in favor of a tariff that will not incidentally protect. Now we are not in any way responsible for other people's stupidity and dullness of comprehension. We said no such thing, nor can we conceive how any one could have so understood us. Any tariff however high or low laid upon any article made or produced in this country will protect the home producer to that extent. It is impossible to be otherwise. A tariff on coffee will not protect any one in this country because no one in this country grows coffee, and consequently there could be no competition between American coffee growers and Cuban coffee growers in our markets. And then the News and Observer goes on to say something about a patent right for our plan of taxation and think it ought to make a fortune for the inventor. Now to say the least, this is not only very unkind, but very discourteous coming from a paper claiming to be the organ of the party in the State. In the first place the editor put a constrained construction on our language to arrive to such a conclusion; in the second place he must be very ignorant himself or give us credit for being very ignorant which is more likely. Now for the information of the News and Observer and that we may not be misunderstood any more on this subject, we will again say we are for a tariff for revenue only—the position all Democrats ought to hold. We are mis-

would give its exact language.

THE WILMINGTON STAR.

Our worthy contemporary, the Wilmington Star, answered our questions completely to our satisfaction from its standpoint. The Star it seems to us failed to comprehend the full scope and meaning of our questions. We never dreamed of or intended to ask the Star or any other Democrat or white man South, whether it would not be wrong to support Mr. Cleveland in case he should receive the nomination from the Democratic party in 1888. This question has never entered our mind and we have never alluded to it in our paper as regards ourselves. We have never failed to aid in extinguishing the flames when the house was on fire. The meaning of our question was this, ought not life long Democrats to do all in their power honorable to defeat the renomination of a man, who was not in accord with the principles of the party as they understood them, and whom they honestly believed would be defeated if nominated. Unlike the Star and other Democratic journal, we don't think it is fixed that Cleveland will be the nominee of the party. But if every body who is opposed to his renomination shall like the Star and other papers surrender and cease to work for his defeat of course he will be nominated. We think his undemocratic ways ought to be exposed by every Democrat from now until the next National Convention meets and up until the minute the nomination is made and if then with all the information and the lights before us he should receive the nomination of the organized Democracy of the country, none but traitors could refuse to support him. If two cups of hemlock are presented with the information that the one will be sure to kill and that the other may not, we should unhesitatingly take the one possessing the chances of life. But we were in hopes and are still in hopes that better resort will never come to pass. Hundred of Democratic papers and thousand of Democratic speakers all over the land have denounced Mr. Cleveland's civil service policy, his financial policy, his negro policy and his policy in managing the District of Columbia and the territories as severely as we have. Now what we can't understand, is this, why have they ceased their denunciations of his undemocratic ways and are now denouncing others for their opposition to these very same features of his administration. If we were convinced that the will to hold no part in changing the views of our national leaders we could have more respect for the new converts to his policy. But deny the fact as we may and as persistently as we may, we all know fifty or one hundred appointments put at the disposal of a member of Congress would have almost as much to do with formulating and expressing his opinions of the administration as a ten thousand dollar fee would have over the words, thoughts and opinions of a lawyer. If all conversions to Cleveland are honest and from convictions, then as you say his renomination seems a forgone conclusion, but if bought over, they may be bought again. We thank the Star for its honest faithful and able answer to our question and its readers. We shall discharge our duty as we understand it to the party and country until the battle is joined, and then our sabers will perform its usual functions.

In answer to our enquiry as to the correctness of Mr. Kitchin's statement that a negro man was the chief mailing clerk at Charlotte, Mr. Yates, of the Home-Democrat, says: "The chief mailing clerk, the chief clerk and the delivery clerk, in the Charlotte postoffice, are white men. There is a colored man in the office who acts as janitor and general assistant. He was there through former republican administrations, and when Gen. Young went in as postmaster he was the only man who was willing to remain and help the new postmaster in the discharge of his new duties. He is capable, polite and accommodating, and knows a great deal about the running of the mails—in fact, his services cannot easily be dispensed with, unless an intelligent white man would go in at the pay (\$25 per month) and quickly learn the duties." And to the same effect is the statement of the Charlotte Chronicle. The Scotland Neck DEMOCRAT asked who would deny its statement that a negro man was chief mailing clerk. The above being the facts, its statement is shown to be incorrect.—News & Observer. Not so. Our statement is not shown to be incorrect. But upon the contrary our statement is shown by the above from brother Yates to be more than true. Brother Yates says this negro is janitor and general assistant. He is not only what we said but he is much more. He is "general assistant," yes, general boss. "His services can not be easily dispensed with." Good; can't run the Charlotte postoffice, a city of 12,000 inhabitants, without the aid of a Republican negro? Who would

have thought it? Who would have believed it? This goes somewhat to prove the charges of the Republican, that the Democratic party did not have sense enough to run the government. Don't ask brother Yates for the truth, unless you want it. And in this case it cuts like a two edged sword.

PERSONAL POLITICAL POINTS.

Brother Kitchin, of the Scotland Neck DEMOCRAT, has come to the front—he never lets himself remain long in the rear—with a nomination for Governor. He presents the name of Col. William Saunders and urges it in his usual vigorous and emphatic manner. Several others of the different newspapers of the State have given the colored a good natured pat on the back since. We will state for the information of our readers, that a newspaper nomination for Governor is not quite equal to an election. Of course it is very near that, but not quite.—Wilson Advance.

Is that so? Thank you. We are so glad. We had thought all along for months that Cleveland was elected to a second term from what the newspapers said. We are so glad all the papers say is not always true. And we do feel so thankful and grateful for the information from headquarters that we are almost tempted to climb a tree and come down head foremost singing "Columbia, my home and my dear home." We are greatly rejoicing that one paper at least has spoken out in open meeting, and says a newspaper nomination is not equal to an election. Well, this is a good sign. It shows that there may be a shadow of a possibility that the people may have some hand in nominating and electing the next President and the next Governor of this State. And if this should turn out to be true, then D. B. Hill will be nominated and elected the next President of the United States and Col. William Saunders will be nominated and elected the next Governor of North Carolina. But remember we are so glad a newspaper nomination is not equal to an election. And also remember that the newspapers have not nominated Col. Saunders because the Wilson Advance, the Kingston Free Press, the State Chronicle, and the Tobacco Plant have neither nominated nor endorsed the nomination of Col. Saunders. One of our esteemed contemporaries says: "He is all right, if he only had legs. Now what use has a governor for legs. We have never before heard it suggested that legs formed any part of the qualifications of a governor. What use are legs to a governor and more than to other men? We prefer a head as big as Webster's and a heart as big as all out-let's full of patriotism to a pair of legs without these qualifications. Alexander Stephens for years occupied a seat in Congress without legs, and a better representation Georgia never had. We served in Congress with four members without legs, and never heard that alleged as a reason why they should not be honored and trusted in high places, but was always put down to their credit. We are for Col. Saunders' legs or no legs. He has heart, soul, brain power, patriotism, merit, honesty, virtue and genuine unadulterated Democracy enough to compensate for the loss of a thousand pairs of legs and to make one of the noblest, purest, and biggest governors the State ever had. And the man who speaks lightly of Col. Saunders must not know and appreciate the man, nor understand the temper of the people. The very fact that Col. Saunders is afflicted will add to his strength and make him what he is already to a great extent the favorite of the people. He is the strongest man in the State and the best man. "He never lets himself remain long in the rear." Well, we depise a laggard, and have but little sympathy with a fellow who remains behind. But will you please tell us when we ever pushed ourselves forward. You have given us one very important piece of information about newspaper nominations, now please be so kind as to tell us when, where, and upon what occasion we put ourselves forward. We really did not know we were committing a crime against the laws of the land and the constitution of the country in suggesting the name of a gentleman for governor. We thought we should be accorded the same privilege as other quill drivers, and especially would we thing so as we have been notified that our suggestion is not quite equal to an election. Maybe Col. Saunders is not a Mugwump. Maybe he is not a Cleveland civil service reformer. Maybe he is not in favor of blotting out the color line and appointing carpet bag negroes over white Democrats. Maybe he believes in home rule and local-self government in the States, the territories and the District of Columbia. Maybe he believes silver is as good as gold and in favor of paying the bonds in silver as well as gold according to contract. Maybe he is in favor of a

tariff for revenue only, and is a Democrat from the crown of his head to the soles of his feet. If so, then we can understand.

TARIFF.

Protection means to rob the poor for the benefit of the rich under cover of the laws and the constitution. It means nine-tenths of the people are poor and keep them poor and one-tenth are rich and keep them rich. It means that one-fourth of the labor of nine-tenths of the people must be taken without compensation and handed over to the one-tenth as a clear bonus. Because they are a prosperous money making class. We are opposed to any such a law, any such a policy or any such a principle. A party that believes in and advocates such a policy or such a principle ought to be driven from power and never allowed by the votes of the American people to assume control of the destinies and glories of this country. The Republican party is the author of that protective tariff system. They are directly responsible for all the evils entailed upon the country by means of this system of taxation. Taxation is a necessary evil at best, and ought never to be resorted to for any purpose whatever except the purposes designated in the State and Federal constitutions. To use the taxing power for any other purposes save those specified in the constitution is not only contrary to the letter and spirit of the supreme law of the land, but is the exercise of the power of confiscation, destruction and annihilation; a power never contemplated or thought of by the framers of the Federal constitution. This power has been exercised by the Republican party for more than twenty five years, and has cost the people, the consumers of the country during that time, more than the amount of the national debt in dollars and cents without one dollar's return. The exercise of this power has built up the colossal fortunes of the North and North-west, at the expense of the masses of the people. Once it was a rare instance to hear of a man worth ten hundred thousand dollars, now we have them by the thousands worth from one to two hundred million dollars. In addition to these wrongs and outrages perpetrated upon the people by the Republican party, nine-tenths of this wealth are exempt from taxation, because they have invested their money in bonds and railroad, which as a rule pay no taxes.

TO THE FARMERS.

Well, we promise in our last to talk with the farmers again in this issue. But before we begin we must tell of some of our negligence. We passed in a late through a friend's yard, lot and field the other day, and before we left the premises, we saw four wedding boxes, two grab bags, one shovel, one pitchfork, two sets of trace chains and backbands, one pair of harness, four swingle-trees, two clevis irons, one cotton and one turning plow, one pair of leading lines, two bridle bits, one buggy bridle, one harrow, one cart, one buggy, one axe, two pairs of old wheels and many other little things all scattered about the yard, lot and field taken the rains and the hot sun, and looked as though they had been in this condition for some time and would still remain in the same condition until needed for use. The owner of this farm and these tools is one of the biggest grubblers, growlers and complainers in all the land. We examined the records yesterday and this same man has given two mortgages within the last twelve months, and we expect will give another before he houses his crop. This same man said to us some time since he could not understand it. He worked hard and lived poor hoping to make money and get out of debt, and referred to B. D. Gray, Danford Edmondson and J. G. Shields whom he said made money farming. Yes, said I they put all their carts, wagons and all farming materials under shelters and locks the day they quit using them and you and I leave them where we used them last. They pick up every nail, bolt, tap, hoe, clevis iron they see and you and I walk over them unless we want it at the moment we see it. Now if such people expect to get rich or out of debt, or to even live decently and comfortably, they are doomed to disappointment. The slothful, the laggard, the drone never did and never will prosper. He is ordained and predestined to live hard, suffer much, die poor, leave a family in destitute circumstances, and his body only fit for worm food. The reward belongs to the active, the vigilant, and the brave. Poverty, hard times, trouble, want, misfortune, adversity, and all the evils life is heir to are the rightful and legiti-

mate inheritances of the indolent, the lazy, the careless, the thoughtless, the drone, the laggard, the dronard, the mortgagor and the debtor.

Gentlemen, turn over a new leaf, look upon the bright side, wake up, move forward, get new life, new hope, new inspiration. There is a reward for the honest, faithful, industrious farmer, and that in the near future.

TARIFF.

There is no use in denying the truth. Men will lean on the side of self interest and preconceived notions and former impressions. As our people embark in manufacturing industries, their minds naturally turn to the channels that lead to their own pockets, and the Henry Clay doctrine mounts up permost in their minds. In fact we believe it an impossibility for a man to have been raised a Federalist under the teaching of Hamilton and his disciples and afterwards become a thorough Democrat. It is an old adage that you can't learn old dogs new tricks; and we don't believe you can learn old men new principles, at least not until their old principles are dead and buried out of sight. We heard three old line Clay Whigs talking a few days since, one a Republican, the other two Democrats. The Republican remarked to the two Democrats, Kitchin is an honest Democrat, he was raised in that party and he doesn't know any better, but you, gentlemen, are not honest, you know you are not Democrats, never were and never can be. Both gentlemen declared themselves good Democrats, but at the same time declared that they agreed and the position of the Republican party towards the South alone made them Democrats. Now both these gentlemen are very prominent Democrats and are as honest and light hearted gentlemen as live in or out of the State. But they are not our old fashioned Democrats at heart, never was and never can be. They are Democrats from necessity. Democrats because they can be nothing else in the South. We have given the little incident above to show that we are not all agreed on the tariff. One Democrat says he is in favor of a tariff so arranged as to protect our manufacturing interest, but that he is not a protectionist. Another Democrat says that he is in favor of so arranging the tariff as to afford incidental protection as though any tariff did not necessarily protect to the amount of the tariff levied. Another will say he is against high protective tariff but believes in moderate protection and so on we will find fifty different grades or sizes of protectionists in the party. And this arises from two causes. One cause is because we have men in the party who are not Democrats at heart and whose interests naturally lead them on the side of protectionists. The other reason grew out of the first. The party in order to satisfy all these different grades of protectionists have dodged, trimmed and split hairs on the tariff in its platforms, until it has educated the people to almost believe in protection. There is another class of Democrats who believe in a tariff for revenue only. To this class the Democrats belong.

This kind of a tariff deceives, misleads and blinds no one. It is a constitutional Democratic tariff, but always protects to the amount of the tariff levied and collected. A tariff for revenue only furnishes the poor people a market in which to sell their surplus at good prices, and also a market in which to buy such things as they need and can not produce as low as possible. If being in favor of a tariff for revenue only constitutes us a free trader, then put us down as such.

HILL AND HOCHAN.

A Democratic Ticket with Two Democrats.

It is folly to talk of again placing Mr. Cleveland upon the ticket. We have had enough of his civil service lumbago folly, as interpreted by him. Grover Cleveland could not possibly carry Indiana with either Blaine or Sherman against him. The indications are that he could not secure the electoral vote of a Northern State, and would probably lose several Southern States.

What has he done to harmonize or bring back the large Democratic vote that he lost in New York in 1884? Nothing! What has he done to satisfy or enthrone Democrats anywhere? Nothing. Without New York no Democratic President can be elected. Indiana is also a very important factor, and her fifteen electoral votes equals more than New Jersey and Connecticut, and yet here in this stronghold of Democracy, the battlefield and home of our dead Hendricks, he is weak, absolutely distasteful to a large

number of solid Democratic voters. Assemble together one hundred Democrats in any part of this State and there will be found from twenty to twenty-five in that number who would not support him if he was up on the ticket.

What we want is a man who can enthrone the Democratic masses, and then get their votes. A man who, when elected, would give the edges to the victors. A man who could carry New York, Indiana, New Jersey, Connecticut, California, and the solid South. That man is David B. Hill of New York, who with William S. Holman as Vice-President, would give us a Democratic Administration without the Blaine wing.—The Greenfield Journal.

Just so. Here in North Carolina Cleveland is not the chief of question one Democrat in ten, but if nominated will get nine-tenths of the Democratic vote.

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