

The Commonwealth.

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THURSDAY, MARCH 6, 1902. "SHOULDER TO THE WHEEL."

Elsewhere in this issue may be found an article from the Norfolk Virginian-Pilot under the heading "Shoulder to the wheel." It is well worth the study of every reader of THE COMMONWEALTH whether he lives in Scotland Neck or whether he lives elsewhere. And while we do not hope to be able to add a word to the strong truths and convincing logic which are so well expressed by our city contemporary, we call attention to it in order to emphasize it.

"The man who refuses to put his shoulder to the wheel is an enemy to his race," declares the writer; and the pungent truth is worth studying carefully. Holy Writ itself declares that "no man liveth unto himself;" and it has been a thousand times demonstrated that men are everywhere mutually dependent upon each other for the highest and best results of life.

Selfishness is a spirit to be condemned and dispised in everyone. Helpfulness is the highest attribute of human life, and is that which comes nearest to the perfect fulfilment of the destiny which God has made possible for all.

Something like two hundred years ago Jonathan Swift made a certain personage in "Gulliver's Travels" say "that whoever could make two ears of corn or two blades of grass to grow on a spot where only one grew before would deserve better of mankind, and do more service to his country, than the whole race of politicians put together."

So may we say that he who puts his shoulder to the wheel and lays out his strength in helping bring about results that are fraught with the greatest good to the greatest number, stands on the same high pinnacle of excellence above him who refuses to do so, as did Jonathan Swift's double-bladed stand above the politicians of his time.

To be sure, by the very laws of right, by the eternal principles of justice, every man is called upon to care first of all for the interests which God has linked to his life over which each one holds the individual guardianship; but in every community there are interests whose peculiar claims are such that any and every man can give heed to the same without the least prejudice to those personal interests which are indissolubly connected with each man's personal duty. It is for the advancement of these common interests that our well-posed contemporary pleads, and its contention we sanction and heartily endorse. And it is the man who disregards these common interests that it calls "an enemy of his race."

Are there not interests in Scotland Neck, separate and distinct from all purely personal considerations, which demand that every one should put his "shoulder to the wheel" and weld his strength together with the strength of every other man in the community? If there are such interests here, this combination of individual strengths will mould such a trip-hammer of power that whatsoever ought to be done can be done, and whatsoever is rightly willed so can be brought to pass.

We heard a great and good man say once that what ought to be done can be done; and we verily believe it is true, and that few tasks are too hard with the shoulder of every one to the wheel.

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Think of the great quantity of cotton and peanuts shipped from Scotland Neck. Then think of the output of the three knitting mills and the one shirt mill here.

Why, with a railroad to Roanoke river so that we could get the advantage of cheaper freight rates by water, the amount of money saved to the business men of Scotland Neck in one year would be a good per cent. towards building a road.

Perhaps there may be some difference of opinion as to what point on the river such a road ought to touch. One says the only perfectly safe point would be Hamilton; another thinks it would be pretty safe to touch at Hill's ferry near Palmyra; while still another thinks that going to Edwards' ferry, a few miles from Scotland Neck, would be better than nothing. There is an argument for each point, but the main question to settle first is, will the people of Scotland Neck take up the matter at all? Have the business men carefully studied the situation? Do they realize what they might save? Are they willing to take the time to investigate the matter? All these questions settled and then the point at which to touch the river could be settled.

The last Legislature, as THE COMMONWEALTH understands it, granted a charter for such a road, and there seems to be nothing in the way but a little lack of determination. What about it? NO IMPROVEMENT.

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TILLMAN AND McLAURIN.

The whole nation feels more or less humiliated at the disgraceful scene in the United States Senate recently between the two Senators from South Carolina—Tillman and McLaurin.

It was intensely undignified and insulting to that august body of statesmen for two of its members, who ought to have been working harmoniously together, to so far forget themselves as to come to blows in the very presence of the Senate. Senator Tillman ought to have been more guarded in his charges against Senator McLaurin and the latter ought to have been more temperate in replying to them.

Such scenes tend to lower the regard of the public for the high position of a national law-maker. It is shocking to contemplate the possibilities of what Senator Tillman charged against his colleague, Senator McLaurin; namely, that the latter was influenced in his vote in the body by anything lower than honest and manly convictions of what was right. And it is equally shocking to contemplate the possibility of a member of that august and world-lamed body telling out in public speech on the floor a deliberate lie, as Senator McLaurin charged against Senator Tillman.

The simple-minded folk back at home, in the cities, towns and rural districts, have been wont to look upon the high office of Senator and Representative with great regard; but if they are to so far forget their own dignity as to engage in a fistfight in open session of the body, how can they hope for the masses to continue to think so highly of the honored office?

But there is a balm to our wounded pride in remembering that such scenes have not often occurred and when they have, the participants have promised to be good and not do so again, and have asked pardon for their grave mistakes and ugly manners.

The Senate passed resolutions of contempt which were held over them for several days. The effect of this was that neither of the South Carolina Senators were allowed to speak on the floor. The resolutions of contempt have been raised and the restriction removed; but neither of the Senators will again have the influence he had before their encounter.

Senator Rawlins of Utah, who is a member of the Philippines committee, and has been in constant attendance at the hearings of that Committee gave me yesterday some of the impressions and views which he has formed on the Philippine question. "The policy of the administration," he said, "is made evident by the investigation and testimony before the committee and the policy of the republicans so far as they have announced it, is contrary, not only to democratic principles but to every precedent in the government of this country and the only outcome must be, if these plans are carried into execution, the virtual surrender of the islands to large capitalists and the attendant enslavement of the people. As you know, there is a scheme now on foot to purchase the land held by the friars. That is all right as far as it goes but now the Taft Commission represents that it will be impractical to dispose of these lands, as has been the custom with government lands in this country to the small owners and settlers. Great capital, they say, is needed to develop the islands; and according to them would sell or lease immense tracts of land to large corporations. It will then be their policy to admit Chinese immigration. At the present time the labor in the islands is employed, in so far as it is willing to be, but they wish to import Chinese labor for the 'development of the islands,' again, which will work for from \$5 to \$10 per month and find itself. This labor will be employed in the production of sugar and other profitable crops and will result in a menace to American industries."

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WILL THEY INVESTIGATE?

Correspondence to The Commonwealth. WASHINGTON, D. C., March 3rd, 1902

By its staunch adherence to the constitution and its logical exposition of the law, as voiced by Senator Bailey of Texas, the democratic minority in the Senate scored a signal victory last week and forced President pro tem Frye to recede from the autocratic position which he had assumed.

Following the personal encounter between Senators Tillman and McLaurin which had occurred last Saturday, and to which only the unjustifiable action of Senator Frye leads me to refer, the President pro tem caused to be erased from the rolls of the Senate the names of the two senators from South Carolina. For the reason named, when the Philippine bill was passed on Monday afternoon neither senator was given an opportunity to vote. Senator Bailey, however, so ably presented the unconstitutionality of the action of the Chair that their names were restored on the following day and the republicans caused an immediate adjournment of Tuesday's and Wednesday's sessions because they feared to act in the matter until the Committee on Privileges and Elections had reported. Thursday the Senate met in joint session with the House to participate in the memorial services held for President McKinley and on Friday the above committee reported, censuring both senators for having violated the dignity of the Senate and removing from them the stigma of contempt which had been placed upon them by the whole Senate in executive session.

There is a further report due from the above named committee. It has been instructed to investigate the charges of Senator Tillman that Mr. McLaurin was bribed with the promise of the federal patronage of the state, to vote for the ratification of the treaty of Paris. As is well known, the junior Senator from South Carolina had made a speech in the Senate denouncing the treaty, and later, after a call at the White House, he voted for its ratification. He has since been adopted by the republican caucus and has dictated the federal appointments in his state. The democratic senators declare that the republicans dare not pursue the investigation of Mr. Tillman's charges and say that no further report will be brought in.

On Friday the Senate passed the permanent census bill. It was passed by the House on the same day and the President will have now an opportunity of demonstrating how sincere he is in his protestations of regard for civil service reform, as the bill is the severest blow to the reform and the aims of the Commission which has been struck by Congress in years. By its provisions it gives precedent in the line of appointment, to about 1500 employees of the census office who were appointed by the "spoils system" over a nearly equal number who have passed civil service examinations and are eligible to appointment as soon as vacancies occur.

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This 12th day of February, 1902. LULA COOKE, Administratrix M. C. Cooke. 3-13-02.

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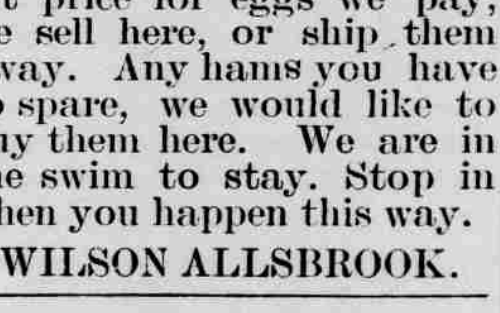
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