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NOTICE.

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Wm. S. H. Manning, and other distinguished speakers, will address the people of Sampson county on the political topics of the day, at the following places:

- Newton Grove, Saturday, October 7th.
- Hall's Precinct, Monday, October 9th.
- Honeycutt's, Tuesday, October 10th.
- Owensville, Wednesday, October 11th.
- McDaniel's Cross Roads, Thursday, October 12th.
- Labson, Friday, October 13th.
- Harrold's Store, Saturday, October 14th.

By order of the Republican Executive Committee.

CLIFFORD WARD, Chairman.

Public speaking in New Hanover County.

There will be Republican meetings at the following places, at which time the citizens of the respective townships will be addressed by the county candidates.

- Federal Point - Biddle's Store, October 24.
- Masonboro - Voting place, October 31.
- Harnett - Harnett's Store, October 4th.
- Cape Fear - Williams' old place, October 5th.

RE-FORM AND VANCE.

The following appointments have been made and agreed upon between Judge Settle and Gov. Vance:

- Clinton, Sampson county, Saturday, September 30.
- Meadow, Johnston county, Monday, October 2.
- Erpsboro, Johnston county, Wednesday, October 3.
- Johnson's Store, Wake co., Thursday, October 5.
- New Light, Wake county, Saturday, October 7.
- Oxford, Granville county, Monday, October 9.
- Rowboro, Person county, Tuesday, October 10.
- Hillsboro, Orange county, Thursday, October 12.
- Graham, Alamance county, Friday, October 13.

JUSTICE TO WHOM JUSTICE IS DUE.

In an article in the Post of September 5th in giving an account of the outrages committed on R. Beverly Frayser, Esq., at Point Caswell, Jones county, a few days before Justice was done to a certain magistrate who was then and there present. This gentleman was J. J. Fridge, Esq., who was present and told the crowd who was acting in such a hostile manner towards Mr. Frayser and making the most violent demonstrations against him. That unless they would desist he would stop them if they had to call out the whole force of the county. He furthermore stated to Mr. Frayser that he had done all that he could do to suppress the excitement, and extorted a promise from the rioters, that they would not renew the attack.

WE MAKE THIS CORRECTION IN JUSTICE TO CAPTAIN PRIDGEN.

On Tuesday of this week there was a joint discussion between Judge Settle and Gov. Vance at Lumberton, Robeson county. In the evening of that day Gov. Vance addressed a crowd from a building on Front Street in this city. One would suppose that our "Oldest Daily Newspaper in North Carolina" would have stated the fact if nothing more, especially when it had such a brilliant genius for a reporter as is Ben Moore, but strange to say, the Journal appeared the next morning with never a word about Settle or Vance or Lumberton or the serene and speech of Vance in Wilmington that night, or anything else in reference to the "days doing." The fact is Ben became most unaccountably dumb and did not get up his little article. That is, so they say. But then Ben was on a fact and the Journal just about closed and some allowances must be made.

THE JOURNAL AND SOCIAL EQUALITY.

An article in the Wilmington Journal of yesterday, headed "Canada on Civil Rights," says: "If Radicalism does not mean equal rights, and if it does not mean social equality, it will be difficult to say what it does mean. Do the white men of this District with a man to represent them in Congress, who puts himself upon equality with negroes, as Mr. Canada did?"

We had supposed that the Journal had learned some small amount of common sense about this "social equality" business. Time was when that sheet was distinguishedly dirty on that subject, and its managers were not in need of the Post forcing it into a line of more decent behavior, the same as a dog can be kicked and tutted into leaving off dirty habits. But like a dirty dog it will return to its vomit, no matter how many kicks and cuffs it receives. No decent dog would require so many kicks and cuffs. We have this to say about this matter. If the Journal and its Democratic supporters repeat these charges of social equality against Republicans, we propose to give "measure for measure" by publishing in the Post the names of some of the leading Democrats who practice "social equality."

We do not desire to do so, but we do not propose to be quiet and speechless when they and their organs indulge in this amusement. We have a long list already prepared for use, and we are the consequences what they may, if this thing is indulged in we propose to ventilate some specimens of high toned Democratic social equality, and we will begin at the Journal office, too, and tell a few things that we would rather not tell, and won't tell if the men who control it exercise common sense.

OUR LIBEL SUIT.

The criminal action brought against Hon. W. P. Canada, and the Editor of the Post for a libel alleged to have been published in the Post last summer against the Commissioners of Robeson county, came on for a hearing before his Hon. Judge McKoy, at Robeson Superior Court now in session at Lumberton, on Wednesday last. The defendants filed the necessary affidavits for a removal of the cause from the county of Robeson, and his Honor ordered it to be sent to Columbus county.

About all of which we have this to say: Where the necessary affidavits are made, causes may be removed to an adjoining county for trial. This is provided for by law. It has been a rule enforced by Judge McKoy that in all cases of removal, they are sent forward on the circuit, to the end that a speedy trial may be had. We do not think that Judge McKoy has ever before deviated from this rule. Superior Court was held for Columbus county immediately preceding the court now being held in Robeson. The court for Bladen county follows immediately after that of Robeson, and according to the rule heretofore enforced by his Honor, unless there should be some good reason for not doing so, the case should have been sent to that county. The next term of court in Columbus will not occur until next March or April—six months hence. Before that time courts will be held in all the other counties of this Judicial District, except Robeson, from which this case has been removed, and Bladen. On consultation between the State's Solicitor and the attorney for the defendants, it was discovered that they could not agree as to the county to which the case should be sent, the Solicitor urging that it should be sent to Columbus, and the defendants attorney that it should be sent to any other county in the district or in the State than to Columbus. This was made known to his Honor, who most strangely, and we think unjustly sent the case to the county selected by the Solicitor, but to which the other side objected.

Courts are supposed to be established for the administration of justice. The law provides that where it appears that justice cannot be had in a county where a case is pending, that it shall be removed to another county. It would be good and sufficient reason for a Judge to refuse to remove a case to a county where such county had been selected by a defendant as the one to which his case was to be sent. For the same reason we think it an encroachment on and a disregarding of the rights of the defendant for a Judge to send a case to a county selected by the Solicitor. It is a good rule and should work both ways. If courts are open only where they may convict, then they are but a farce.

It is a little singular that this case against us should be urged with such unrelenting pertinacity, under the circumstances. The action is brought because of a certain article published in the Post reflecting on the Commissioners of Robeson county in the matter of their giving certificates of election to men who were not elected, which article it is claimed to be libellous. This is in strong contrast with the failure of the Solicitor to draw bills of indictment against certain Democratic newspapers, notably the Wilmington Journal, when that paper has for years passed, teemed day after day with the most libellous articles against Republicans. When Judge McKoy and Solicitor Norment opened Court for the first time in Robeson county after their election to office, they found on the criminal docket of that Court an indictment against Joseph A. Engelhard for libel. Precisely the same offense as is charged against us. Maj. Engelhard is a Democrat and is a candidate for a high office, and was at the time editor of the Wilmington Journal. Judge McKoy and Solicitor Norment are Democrats. The case against this Democrat, Engelhard, was not pressed by this Democratic Solicitor, by the order of this Democratic Judge. It was all in the happy Democratic family. Our case is very different. We are a Republican, the editor of a Republican newspaper, and Mr. Canada is a Republican and is a candidate for a high office, and if the law can be made use of by Democratic officers of the law to defeat a Republican and injure the Republican party, of course the people want to know it. This subject is not yet exhausted.

A. M. WADDELL AS A REFORMER IN 1874—AND WHAT THE DEMOCRATIC LEGISLATURE THOUGHT OF HIS GREAT REFORMATORY VOTE.

The "salary grab," as it was called, of the Forty-Second Congress, is no doubt well remembered by the people, as well as the universal indignation with which the people of the nation denounced the action, and hurled from their seats in Congress, at the next election, nearly every member who were parties to the dishonorable and disgraceful transactions, who did not return the money. In unison with other sister State Legislatures, and in response to the unanimous voice of the people, the Legislature of North Carolina passed the following resolutions:

- Resolved, 1. That the action of the Forty-Second Congress in its closing hours, by which the pay of Senators and Representatives was increased twenty-five hundred dollars per annum, and said increase made retroactive to the first day of the term of said Congress, was indefensible on principle and tended to bring our government into disrepute.
2. That the Executive of the Nation in approving the measure made himself a party to the wrong.
3. That the most fitting reparation which can be made by Congress, for the injury and wrong complained of is a prompt recognition of it as injury and wrong, and the immediate repeal of the law.

Ratified this 10th day of December, 1873.

INTIMIDATION.

The Democratic papers of this city have been seeking to make political capital out of proceedings alleged to have been had at a Republican meeting held in the Fifth ward last Friday night. We are told by these papers that a colored man named Jim Winfield had given utterance to some very unwise sentiments, calculated to produce a breach of the peace, which statement, was sustained by the affidavits of one John Sidbury, a white man who says that he was present and saw and heard the proceedings which he reported to his Democratic masters, and to the truth of which he has most solemnly sworn.

We have investigated this matter and have had conversations with about a dozen persons who were also present at the meeting, the bare statements of either and all of whom are entitled to fully as much credit as the sworn statement of Mr. Sidbury. From these gentlemen we learn that the affidavit of Mr. Sidbury is incorrect in every important particular. We have the assurance of Mr. Peterson, a white man and the chairman of the meeting, also of James B. Allen, also a white man, also of Alfred Jordan, Secretary of the meeting, and H. Leonard, J. Bryant, Alex. Stewart, Edward Bird and others, all of whom were present, that the speaker Winfield did not draw any color lines that he did not say that "any colored man who would vote the Democratic ticket ought to have his naked body stuck full of lightwood splinters and burnt," nor any words that could by any possible means be construed to say or mean anything of the sort—that he did not move a resolution that any negro who would vote the Democratic ticket should be hunted up and killed—that neither this nor any other similar resolution was put or carried—that there were no cries of "kill him kill him kill him" or "traitors!" nor any other expressions except cheering when remarks were made that pleased the hearers, or when they heard the names of leading Republicans mentioned—nor was there anything said or done by any one at the meeting to which any objection could possibly be urged.

With those exceptions Mr. Sidbury's statement is remarkably correct, considering the source from which it comes. Mr. Sidbury is one of those overzealous men who, when they become proselyted, are ten fold more venomous than those to whose service they sell themselves. It was but a short time since when Mr. Sidbury was, according to his own unsupported affidavit, made before a Notary Public, a staunch Republican. He has not increased his reputation for veracity by his course, and we advise him to go and pay up his washwoman her little unsettled bill before he makes incorrect affidavits and shouts himself hoarse for "reform" at the bidding of his Ku klux masters.

OSLOW COUNTY.—Sueed's Ferry saw a splendid time on the 18th inst., in the organization of a Hayes, Settle and Canaday Campaign Club. The club was organized by the election of Mr. F. S. Henderson, as President, and John E. Everett, Secretary. Hon. Alfred Lloyd made a stirring speech of an hour's duration, and other gentlemen addressed the club.

Resolutions were passed declaring that W. P. CANADAY should receive their hearty and undivided support for Congress, and that the Wilmington Post was the recognized mouthpiece of the Republicans of Oslow county. The occasion was graced by the presence of a large number of ladies who took great interest in the proceedings and declared that their sweethearts should all vote for CANADAY.

WAYNE COUNTY.—We are informed of the organization of a Hayes and Settle campaign club at Bixie's Chapel, Wayne county on the 18th inst. H. Moses, President, H. Fisher, Secretary, Wallace Perkins, Reporting Secretary, and J. C. Carroll, Corresponding Secretary. Resolutions were passed endorsing the Wilmington Post as being the exponent of their style of Republicanism. These Wayne county boys are the ones to run up a rising majority for the Republican candidates in November.

Will Waddell have the honesty and manhood, in his public addresses, when he informs the people of the enormous amount of taxes collected for the past fifteen years; when he illustrates the same with his wagon train six hundred miles long loaded with silver dollars, to inform the people that he owns at least one of the wagon loads of silver in that mighty train, which he obtained by an act which was "indefensible on principle and disgraceful to the government." Can any honest Conservative assent in the election of such a man, and expect to see purity and honor exhibited either in the Halls of Congress or in the various departments of the government. Let each answer for himself.

REMOVER COUNTY.

We have the cheering intelligence that Beaufort county, in the First Congressional District, will certainly give 300 majority for Col. Lindsey for Congress. In 1874 this county gave Vance 460 majority, but all that is being changed you know, and the people don't want the distinguished "kn klux" any more. We expect to give some facts in our next concerning Mr. Yates which will put him in a very unenviable position—meanwhile the Republican cause is gaining strength day by day.

OUR RAH-HOYS! AT THE UNIVERSITY.

We have information to the effect that Republican speakers who attempt to address their fellow-citizens at Chapel Hill, are invariably insulted by "our rah hoys" who are supposed to be at the State University for the purpose of obtaining an education and to learn good manners. Our information is that not only the "boys" but the tutors also are working day and night, exerting their influences in the interest of the Democratic party. It was but recently that a gentleman who was making a speech in the interest of the Republican party at Chapel Hill, was repeatedly interrupted and insulted by the students in the presence of the faculty, and it seems to be invariably the case that Republican speakers in that ku klux rendezvous are insulted whenever they make their appearance.

The Post hopes that this matter will be looked into and the facts fully ventilated by the Republican newspapers of the State. The Democratic legislature with which this State has been cursed, hesitated not to tax the poor men of the State to raise a large amount of money with which to set this hot bed of treason and disloyalty in operation. Of course only the sons of rich men, the aristocrats of the land, send their sons to the University at Chapel Hill. Poor men cannot send their sons there to be educated, for the simple reason that they cannot afford it. But they are required to support the establishment nevertheless, and this too, that the sons of rich men may be educated without cost to their parents.

And when these young Democratic rosters go to the University and are being educated at the expense of poor white men, they indulge in all manner of unseemly and unmanly conduct, and foolishly think that they are making lions of themselves by insulting and annoying Republican gentlemen, while in fact they are making consummate asses of themselves by their conduct.

The conduct of these Democratic pups and their teachers is most reprehensible, and if faculty and pupils cannot be convinced that better manners are absolutely necessary in their intercourse with gentlemen who differ with them politically, the concern had better be laid out and the buildings used for a better purpose.

MARION, N. C., SEP. 27, 1876.

J. J. CASSEIDY, Esq., Editor Post-Intelligencer, is charging in his speech that the present city government of Wilmington collect and expend no less than ninety thousand dollars annually in the government of that city. Will the Post give us some information on this subject, as the charge is made every day.

And will the Post please give its readers an account of the high standing and honesty of this would be Secretary of State, who while exhorting around in the Piedmont section of Western North Carolina, rants, brags, prances, sports and stunts about honesty and reform? We have heard it stated that while he was on the ground of your city he would not pay his printers; certainly this cannot be true, and such being the case it is wrong to reflect upon such a gentleman with all his imaginary piety, learning, oratory and greatness.

In reply to our correspondent we would say that Joe Engelhard, in stating that the present government of the city of Wilmington "collected and expended ninety thousand dollars annually" stated what he knew to be false. The entire amount of money collected by the city of Wilmington last year was only about \$30,000, while out of this amount there was paid on the coupons of the city debt, about \$10,000. The debt that requires so much money to pay the interest of is incurred by Democrats when they had control of the city government, and was funded by them, and were it not that this large amount of interest money has to be raised, there would not be one cent of what is now collected from the people by taxation.

It was through the instrumentality of this same man Engelhard and his son/er that the legislature passed what is known as the City Charter Bill, the outrageous and unjust enactment of which was resisted by the present city authorities, and upon the case being taken to the Supreme Court, was declared unconstitutional, null and void.

Our correspondent is correctly informed about the failure of the gallant Major to pay his printers when he was editor of the Journal. But who ever heard of old Joe Engelhard paying a debt. But we will tell more about him at another time.

W. D. SIMPSON SEEN AT A WIDE STRAP MEETING IN SOUTH CAROLINA.

The Republican party has never been an emancipation party, and has only made use of the negro to ride into office. The negro owes his freedom to God. Exactly, and to God we owe a God-send; but the United States army made a heap of fighting to make the negro a free man, and to keep Southern Democrats from dissolving the Union. Providence works in a mysterious way.

A DEMOCRATIC REFORMER.

We learn that Rufus Galloway, Democratic Sheriff of Brunswick county, is a defaulter for a large amount, variously estimated at from \$1,500, to \$3,500. This is "reform" with a vengeance. And this same man was re-nominated the other day by the "reform" party for the office which he now holds. We rather think he will have to step down and out on this occasion. "Let no guilty man escape."

JUDGE SETTLE.

Our distinguished candidate for Governor of North Carolina, Judge Settle, had a joint discussion with Governor Vance at Lumberton, Robeson county, on Tuesday and at Elizabethtown, Bladen county, on Wednesday of this week. We are informed by gentlemen who were present at both places, that Judge Settle was in splendid condition and gave the utmost satisfaction to his friends by the overpowering arguments that he brought to bear upon his antagonist. Our informants tell us that in conversations had with many of the citizens of those counties, the expression was very frequently used that Settle had made many friends and that a great many men who have heretofore voted the Democratic ticket would cast their suffrages at the next election for Settle.

This news is indeed cheering, and any one who saw the chophallen and down-cast looks that Vance wore when in this city Tuesday night, can but be convinced of the truthfulness of the reports that we have alluded to.

ROWDYISM.

On the train that went from this city to Lumberton on Saturday last, carrying a crowd of excursionists to hear the discussions between Settle and Vance at the latter place, was a white man who has heretofore voted the Democratic ticket. Lately he has changed his views and has said that he intended to vote for the Republican candidates. He is a gentleman, the peer of any man on that train. But he is not an aristocrat, nor does he associate with the whiskey drinkers that are usually to be found in Democratic haunts. He is a gentleman of reserved habits and gentle demeanor, and he occupied a seat on the excursion train, for which he paid his money, and was molesting no one, when several of the lightened rowdies of our city who were on the train, took occasion to moss grossly insult and abuse him because of his political opinions, while a crowd of so-called gentlemen sat and stood near and laughed heartily at the affair.

But he was only a poor white man.

DUPLIN COUNTY.

We learn from a letter received from Warsaw that a few days ago a robbery was attempted to be made of a store in that town. It seems that during the day a white man who was appearing to be under the influence of liquor, broke the glass in the window of the store here alluded to. After nightfall this man returned to the store and began removing the broken glass, evidently with the intention of effecting an entrance, and upon being detected by a colored man who happened to be passing, moved off rapidly. The colored man made an alarm which was responded to by a white man who at once started to catch the thief. He overtook the fellow when some conversation ensued between them, and he was allowed to go his way without molestation.

Good reasons exist for the belief that both these white men are members of the same ku klux klan. In contrast with the above, several days ago a colored man entered this same town of Warsaw, bringing with him in a cart a bag of cotton which he offered to sell. He was immediately accused of having stolen the cotton, and a strict surveillance placed over him while several messengers were sent in different directions to make enquiries if any person had had any cotton stolen from them. After detaining the man until almost night, and no claimant having appeared for the cotton, the man was allowed to go his way.

These facts speak for themselves. In one instance we find a white man caught in the very act of burglarizing, and although he is overtaken and stopped, he is in some mysterious manner allowed to go free, while on the other hand a colored man brings his own produce to market and is at once arrested, illegally, and held until the whole neighborhood is accused to find a claimant for his cotton.

Here it is in his speech the other day, said Mr. Kansas, of Iowa: "I do not gentlemen to lay their hands upon a defunct dollar in the possession of Samuel J. Tilden."

Here it might have said this truthfully during the war, for it was found quite impossible for any one to "lay their hands" upon a dollar of Tilden's money, honest or dishonest, for war or sanitary purposes.—Allison Journal.

Mr. Kansas, who was renominated by the Democrats in the Lower (Gen. Butler's) district the other day, made some remarks which would not suit the Democrats of this latitude. He said, "at any rate no rebel debt will ever be paid no rebel soldier pensioned, and no war claims adjusted. The common sense of the country will prevent any party from daring to do anything of the kind." Mr. Tarbox has evidently yet to learn that the "common sense of the country" does not extend to the Democratic ranks in the South, and he seems to forget that there are Southern "war claims" enough now before Congress to amount to more than the present national debt. He forgets that there is not a Southern Democratic candidate for Congress who would dare, if he desired to, to say on the stump that he would not vote for those claims. These Southern "reformers" have already enough claims before Congress to bankrupt the national government, if they were allowed. It would not do for Mr. Tarbox to stomp this district for Wadwell. The Democrats would think he was making Republican speeches. Mr. Frothingham, another Democratic candidate in Massachusetts, said in his speech of acceptance that he approved the "thirteenth, fourteenth and fifteenth amendments."

CAMP MEETING AT TEACHEY'S.—As we stated last week, a Camp meeting will be held at Teachey's, Duplin county, commencing to-morrow. Trains will leave Wilmington each morning of the meeting at 7:35 o'clock, and on Saturday evening at 7:35 o'clock.

"SELF MADE; OR OUT OF THE DEPTHS," by Mrs. Emma D. E. N. Southworth, is proving to be one of the most popular works ever written. It is published complete and unabridged, in two volumes, under the names of "Ishmael" and "Self-Made," both of which have passed into the eighth edition. We advise all in search of good books, to get these at once and read them.

THE CANVASS IN DUPLIN. The canvass of the Republican sub-electors of Duplin county, will begin their canvass at Chinoquin on October 3. They will also address their fellow citizens at Hallsville, October 4. Kenansville, October 5. Blanche's Store, October 6. Faison's, October 7. Distinguished speakers will be present.

By order of the County Committee.

R. H. W. LEAKE, Chairman.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS.

During the session of the Board Thursday, September 21st, the following Registrars and Poll-holders were appointed for the ensuing election in November:

- First Ward (Upper Division) — C. H. Strode, Registrar; H. Brewington, Wm. Phinney, M. M. Johnson, Inspectors. Polling place, Thornton's Cart House.
- First Ward (Lower Division) — Harry L. Thomas, Registrar; James Heaton, George Robinson, Robert C. Orrell, John H. Strauss, Inspectors. Voting place, Court House.
- Second Ward — J. J. Cassidy, Registrar; Wm. M. Hankins, Marcus Bear, G. H. Jackson, Jos. H. Neff, Inspectors. Voting place, Court House.
- Third Ward — Allen Evans, Registrar; Charles Biscenger, J. H. Allen, Alfred Hargrave, Alex. Hostler, Inspectors. Voting place, Gibbs Lodge.
- Fourth Ward — James Green, Registrar; Wiley A. Ogilish, W. H. H. Banks, Inspectors. Voting place, Ann Street Engine House.
- Fifth Ward — A. Howe, Jr., Registrar; Watson Hall, W. G. Fowler, Jr., W. A. Jordan, Henry W. Penny, Inspectors.
- Oppe Fear — H. L. Scott, Registrar; Wm. Moore, James Mosely, Claus Schriver, John Cassin, Inspectors. Voting place, Williams'.
- Hornett — J. A. Hewlett, Registrar; Jordan Nixon, James Grant, Jerry Hewlett, W. B. Giles, Inspectors.
- Masonboro — Wm. Pratt, Registrar; Joseph Smith, Alonzo Hewlett, Joseph Farrow, John A. Farrow, Inspectors. Voting place, Head of Whiskey Creek.
- Federal Point — Stephen Keyes, Registrar; Henry G. Davis, B. Wade, H. L. Horpe, John F. Biddle, Inspectors. Voting place, Biddle's Store.

The New York Evening Post wants Mr. Charles Francis Adams to tell for the benefit of those who believe in him why it is, that he, having professed Republicanism, now finds in the Democratic party a more praiseworthy policy. That is a question easily answered if Mr. Adams will be frank enough to do it; and it would be after this fashion: "Gentlemen, I am an Adams; since the foundation of this Republic the family have been exalted to high places. For a while the Republicans inherited the wisdom of earlier generations and I continued the edifying record of our great name. When they gave me by and the Democrats agreed to give me my proper precedence, no any intelligent man doubts that the destinies of the country are safer in Democratic than Republican hands. Certainly not."