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VANCE'S GREAT SPEECH.

We give below copious extracts from Senator Vance's great speech in support of his bill to repeal the Civil Service Law.

While not stopping to discuss the improbability of passing it at this time, we are in full sympathy with Senator Vance, and believe that he voices the great heart of the Democratic masses. We heard him deliver the speech, and the Democrats listened attentively, as did the Republicans who were in their seats.—The Senator said:

Mr. President, at the close of the great civil war when the party then in power desired to reconstruct a portion of this Government on principles which would secure its domination, it so happened that a constitutional President stood in the way.—It was necessary to divest him of his prerogative before that party could accomplish its unconstitutional object, and a regular attack upon his rightful powers was begun by the passage of the tenure of office law.—But soon after Mr. Johnson's term of office had expired—his successor being one who was in sympathy with the party then in power—the necessity for that law was no longer felt; that is to say, the offices could be secured without it. That law, therefore, was modified. But the remnant of it was left on the statute book as a reminder of the iniquity, to be brought up again when necessary. That necessity, however, did not arise until after the presidential election of 1884, when a Democrat was chosen to fill that office. But being wise in their generation and fearing that for want of control of both Houses of Congress it might not be able to resurrect that law, the Republican party fell upon the plan of perpetuating the official existence of its friends by the enactment of a law "to regulate and improve the civil service of the country." I was a continuation of the old assault upon the rights of the Executive; and all of the present troubles between the Executive and the Senate are due and chargeable to that enactment.—And I propose to address myself to that law, a bill for the repeal of which I heretofore had the honor to introducing. But before addressing myself to either the unconstitutionality or the impolicy of that enactment, I wish to say that one of my chief objections to it and all other laws which restrict or intrench upon the established rights and prerogatives of any department of the Government is the tendency to defeat the will of the people as expressed at popular elections, and to that extent to impair and destroy the vigor and efficiency of political parties in this country.

Mr. President, in the broadest and most comprehensive sense of the term I avow myself a party man; not from natural pugnacity of temper, not because of prejudice against those who may differ with me, nor yet because I believe there are no evils inseperably connected with party organization, but because I do believe most earnestly that parties are indispensable to the existence of liberty and that a government by party is the only way in which there can be government by the people.

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The history of the world is replete with the lessons which confirm the truth of Mr. Madison's words that parties are indeed "the natural offspring of liberty." Freedom, truly, is the priceless gem which is crystallized in the fierce heats of party strife. That strife must continue forever, if it be that freedom is to live forever—there is no rest for the free.

The passage of the civil service law, as I have intimated, was an attack upon the rightful prerogative of the Executive and a blow aimed at the integrity of political parties. It will be felt in all that parties are intended to preserve—the institutions of our country. The corner stone of those institutions are:

First. The eligibility of all qualified freemen to hold office, and therefore the right to seek office at the source of power.

Second. A brief term of office.

Third. A direct and immediate responsibility of all elective officers to the people.

Fourth. A mediate and indirect responsibility of all appointed officers to the people through the direct and immediate responsibility of the appointing power.

All of these essential features of our constitution of government are contravened by this law known as the civil service act.

Every citizen of the United States is qualified by law to hold any office unless the disqualification appear in the Constitution itself. The only disqualifications found in that instrument are those contained in the fourteenth amendment thereto, for participation in rebellion; the requirement that the President of the United States shall be a native and thirty-five years old; that Senators shall have been nine years residents of the States for which they may be choses, and thirty years old, and that Representatives shall be twenty five years old, and seven years inhabitants of the States from which they may be chosen. With these exceptions every citizen of the United States is qualified by the Constitution and laws thereof to hold any office under the Government, and, therefore, entitled to seek any office, elective or appointive.

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There are two methods of obtaining office in our country, and two only: one is by election of the people, and the other by appointment by those on whom the people have conferred the appointing power. Now, if under the Constitution you can by this law forbid citizens from seeking office of the appointing power, you can also forbid them in the same way from seeking office of the people.—Who is prepared to say that the people shall only choose from a certain number who shall have been culled by an examining board? Who is prepared to restrict their choice?

It would be much better for all concerned if, instead of disfranchising men in this indirect way, there should be a positive law, fixed in definite terms, excluding them. Instead of that, however, a tribunal is established, by whom men are to be deprived of birthrights at its own sweet arbitrary discretion.

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In truth, the express objects of the Constitution in all its grants of power are intended mainly to preserve and enlarge rather than to destroy or abridge the rights of citizens. Having no right then by law to abridge the rights of citizens of the United States, it necessarily follows that Congress can pass no law which permits any one else to do so. It can not, of course, delegate a power which it does not possess.

I maintain that the civil service law and the regulations prescribed thereunder manifestly do abridge the rights of citizens of the United to apply for and receive office. In the offices the word "vantage" is defined to mean "the contract to dispose." Now let us see if my humble rights have been contracted or diminished by this law and the regulations made under its authority.

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Another serious objection to the law is that it creates unusual offenses and attaches unusual penalties for their commission. It also takes away the President's power and duty to execute the laws, and renders them unconstitutionally upon the board of commissioners. They are given supervision and control over everybody, including the President, in all matters pertaining to the enforcement of this law. It is the duty of this board of commissioners to see that all persons subject to the law abstain absolutely from all political service, and especially that they do not lie upon each other. No Senator, Representative, or other officer of the Government shall recommend anybody for office or violate the provisions of this act in any way; but that all shall dwell together in millennial peace and harmony, and forever remain virtuous and happy. Why it omitted to enact the whole civil service of the country into a national Sunday school—a grand consolidated American Dorcaster—with these commissioners as teachers and exhorters, subject to the visitation of Mugwump presbyters, is something that the truly good and pious political saints must ever regret. If any malicious, evil-disposed persons whomsoever, not having the fear of God before their eyes, but being moved and seduced by the instigation of the devil, should in any way hinder, deceive, or impede an applicant for initiation into the priesthood tribe of Levi, or fall in the upon him in regard to his character or qualifications, or even give any special or secret information about him, though never so true, they shall yet be guilty of a misdemeanor, and on conviction shall be punished by a fine not to exceed $1,000, or by imprisonment not to exceed one year, or by both fine and imprisonment.

So much for even attempting to help a good man get in office or furnishing information to keep a bad one out! So much for attempting to even handle these official eggs while under the motherly incubation of these national hens, the Civil Service Commissioners! As for all other American citizens who would like to have office in the usual way under a Democratic administration because it is their right and because they helped to create that administration, you may lie upon, hinder and deceive, and furnish against them all sorts of information, special and general, the more the better, and their only remedy is an action or slander, a hickory stick, or a shot gun. How much these legal terrors may assist the Government in procuring correct information in regard to the aspirants for place is a question not solvable in any preparation of logic. How it may look in the eyes of civilized nations, especially the "effete dynasties" of Europe, to have near the close of the nineteenth century established in this great Republic a board of censors of public morals, to watch the President of the United States and make him walk a chalk line, to keep a sharp lookout on Senators and Representatives and to see to it that they are up to no mischief, and to supervise the Supreme Court, and to take care that its frolicsome youngsters shall commit no crime, this deponent saith not. But of such is the kingdom of civil service reform!

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If the Chief Magistrate can hold his office for four years only, why should a clerk hold his for life? If the President after four years of diligent and patriotic service must submit himself and his deeds again to the judgement of his fellow citizens, why should his subordinates be granted exemption from like submission and be endowed with official immortality? It works well, they say; the longer the clerk serves the more competent he is to serve well. Is not the same true of a Senator, a Representative, and all other officers? If the system works well with the minor officer, will it not work equally well with the majority? And if that be true, will we not soon begin to extend it? Indeed it was announced in the discussion of the bill that it was tentative, and it was intended to be extended, as experience justified, to the whole civil service of the Government. In fact, has not the President of the United States pledged himself, with certain reservations, in obedience to a supposed public opinion to extend the spirit of the law beyond its legal effect to all the higher appointments which pertain to him? If that be so, is not that the waxing of the principles of Alexander Hamilton and the waning of those of Thomas Jefferson?

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When the people elect a President, avowing a different policy from his predecessor, they thereby declare not only for a change of policy but for a change in the *personnel* of the Government as well. This has been the universal custom to the present day. The people expect the man of their choice, whom they have elected to remove those in office and appoint every man whom he may deem necessary to the effectual carrying out, not of his, but of their will. And especially was this true of the last Presidential election, which was influenced more by the desire for a thoroughly radical change in the *personnel* of the late administration than for any other consideration whatever. The proof of this was the universal cry, the party slogan, "turn the rascals out."

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Recently the members of the commission appeared before the Civil Service Reform Committee in the House of Representatives, and, while they acknowledged the gross injustice that had been done one section of the country, advised strongly against trying to remedy it, for the reason that it would make the law unpopular in the North, where its chief supporters were. That is to say, they advised that injustice must be perpetuated because justice would offend the stronger party! That is to say, that the South must submit to being denied an equal participation in the government of their country because the North, perhaps would not like it! That is to say, that the States thus deprived, being Democratic States, the Democratic party and a Democratic administration might be the instruments to sustain a law for the benefit of the Republican party, lest the Republican party should not like it!

By an examination of the "Blue Book" or "Official Register" just prior to the date of the passage of the civil service law it will be seen that in the Departments at Washington there were 7,275 employes, of whom but 1,535 were from the South. The State of North Carolina of this number was credited with 71, and of these 71 quite a number were persons who had perhaps never seen State, certainly had no residence there. They were distributed in the various Departments as follows: Department of the Interior, 17; Department of State, 1; Department of the Navy, none; Department of War, 1; Department of the Treasury, 45; Post-Office Department, 8; Department of Justice, 1. Now, considering that North Carolina is one of the thirty-eight States and has a population of 1,500,000 and is entitled, therefore, to at least five times that number of positions and the Government if she had her rights under the law, and that the Board of Civil Service Commissioners refused to remedy this injustice, it can not be wondered at that there is discontent in that State and in all others similarly situated.

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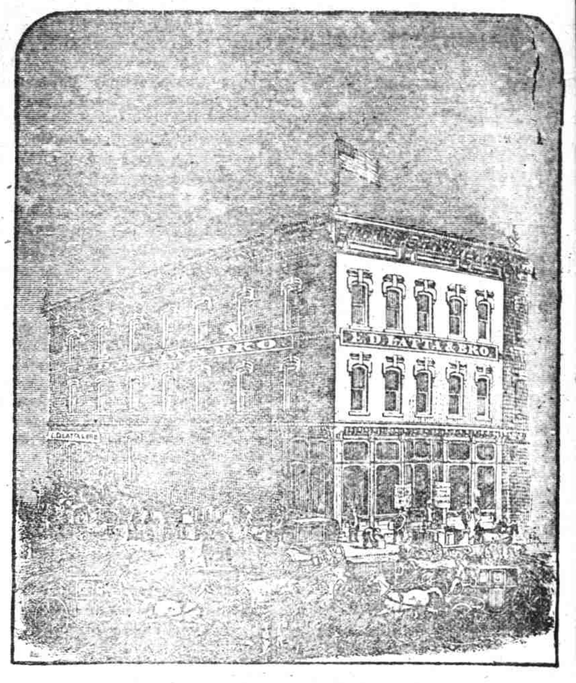

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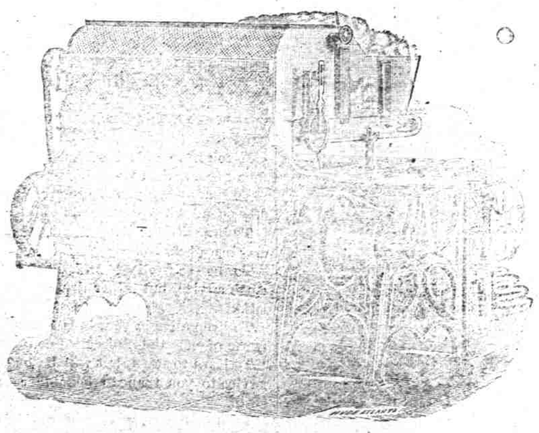

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