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**This Date In History—June 23.**

1619—Union of Germany, Spain, the Netherlands, the Two Sicilies, Sardinia and the Spanish Indies under Charles V.  
 1677—Peter Paul Rubens, Flemish painter, born; died 1640.  
 1776—Charles Mathews, celebrated comedian, born; died June 26, 1855.  
 1806—Giuseppe Mazzini, Italian reorganizer, born at Genoa; died 1872.  
 1836—James Madison, fourth president, died at Montpelier, Va.; born 1751.  
 1886—Victoria crowned at Westminster to succeed her uncle, William IV, on the throne of England.  
 1895—Lord Raglan (James Henry Fitzroy Somerset), British commander in the Crimea, died; born 1788. Lord Raglan was a younger son of Henry, fifth duke of Beaufort, and was his own title on the field of Mars. In the peninsular campaign and at Waterloo he served on the staff of Wellington and came out of the last battle with an empty sleeve. He was raised to the peerage as Lord Raglan in 1832 and took command of the army when it marched to the Crimea. On the field Lord Raglan was a dashing leader. He died in camp in the midst of siege operations against Sevastopol.  
 1899—Rear Admiral William Greenwell Temple, U. S. N., a veteran of the Mexican and civil wars, died in Washington; born 1824.



The Durham Sun remarks: "Our dear old friend 'We Point With Pride' was missing from the Philadelphia convention. Is our aged comrade dead? And come to think of it, 'We View With Alarm' was also among the absent." Which leads the Charlotte Observer to say this: "You forget. 'We Repudiate With Scorn' was not there, either." And, by the way, what was the matter with 'We Hall With Pleasure the Reign of Prosperity'? Surely the keeper of the elephant, the Honorable J. Hanna, was asleep at the switch.

The New York Herald nominates Grover Cleveland for president on an anti-imperialist platform. Mr. Bryan's friends would better look out for a stampede.

Cheap wit at the expense of one of the state's best institutions, the Normal and Industrial college at Greensboro, may be the proper thing in the opinion of that most eminent statesman, Joshua T. Frank, but to men who think it is disgusting, Frank probably thinks that is the best way whereby to keep up the spirits of the truly fell.

**Read the Amendment.**

There is only one thing that keeps some men from advocating the amendment, and that is the fear that it might disfranchise some white man. The answer to this is, read the amendment yourself. It cannot disfranchise any white man. It guarantees that every white man shall be a perpetual voter. And it further says that if this guarantee section or any other part shall fail, and voting will then be as it is now.

Of course the opponents raise objections; that is their only hope of keeping the negro in politics. They would say black is white. You know it is not—it is a self-evident fact—but what arguments would you give to prove it is not? Just so about the Republican objections to the amendment—they disprove themselves.

Not only has politics ruined the negro in North Carolina, but the negro has also ruined politics. The adoption of the suffrage amendment will remedy both these troubles—it will be a blessing to the negro and a boon to politics.

**Then and Now.**

Some days ago The Citizen referred to the fact that it had been rumored that Maj. W. W. Rollins of Asheville, one of the leading figures in the fight against the white supremacy movement in North Carolina, had not always thought as he does now on the question of the negro's right to the ballot. We have waited several days, thinking that perhaps the Major would throw some light on the subject. He has not done so, however, and we now take occasion to make some quotations from an old document that cannot fail to be of interest at this juncture.

There has come into The Citizens' hands a document addressed "to the voters of the senatorial district composed of the counties of Transylvania, Henderson, Buncombe, Madison, Yancey and Mitchell." This document is nearly 25 years old, the exact date being "Asheville, Oct. 23, 1875," and bears the signature "W. Wallace Rollins." The Major, "at the urgent solicitation

of many friends in all parts of the district," took this method of announcing his candidacy for the state senate. He refers feelingly to the conditions in this section consequent upon the war between the states, expresses his "confidence in the recuperative energies of our people," and proceeds to declare his position on the questions of the day. We quote this paragraph:

"As to the negro question, which is one of vital importance to the country, and to answer the many inquiries made, What shall be done with the negro, now that he is free among us? I for one believe this to be a white man's government, and his only; and that it would be dangerous to the white race and the country, to elevate the freedman to be his political equal; and that the former slaves, as they now stand, are strangers and aliens to this government, and have no part in it. We cannot with any safety to the country enfranchise him in his ignorant and degraded condition. Our friends at the north have refused him this privilege. They give us the example. But still this does not settle the question. What must be done with the negro? The elephant has been drawn and nobody wants him."

The Major further remarks that "the best thing for the freedman and the whites, is to colonize him, or at least a part of the race, at the earliest opportunity." Proceeding, he sums up on this question thus:

"To tell you in short, fellow citizens, what I am for: I am for a free white government; I am in favor of the colonization of the freed blacks; I am in favor of passing such laws as will force the freedman to make good his contracts and agreements with the whites, and that will keep him from roving in idleness about the towns and villages."

Has the progress of the freedman since Major Rollins wrote this address been such as to justify his fighting a measure that proposes, legally, to eliminate a large proportion of the negro vote? If it has the people of North Carolina are not aware of it. The Major 35 years ago thought it "would be dangerous to the white race and the country to elevate the freedman to be his political equal." Verily, here he spoke as one having the gift of prophecy. Will he say now that when he wrote these words he knew naught of what he was speaking? Does he not know that what he then thought would prove dangerous has for years in North Carolina been a real menace?

Major Rollins, the man, is the same as the Major Rollins of 35 years ago, but Major Rollins, the politician, seems to see through different glasses. He should stand by his declaration of 35 years ago and join the procession that is moving forward for the ratification of the suffrage amendment. He could thus help to take the "elephant" out of politics.

**Two Insults.**

"The lesson is this: When you see a 'White Supremacy' badge on a supposed white man investigate his genealogy—he is probably a mulatto. A genuine white man doesn't need to be labeled."—From the Asheville Gazette June 19, 1900.

"Dowling was a leading light in the white union club and at the election (1898) was a Democratic registrar, which in our opinion were much worse offenses than robbing a drunk man."—From the Asheville Gazette March 16, 1900.

**EASY TRANSPORTATION.**

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