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Mr. Pearson Has Spoken.

In our issue of the 21st inst., under the heading, "Speak out, Mr. Pearson," we made the following editorial inquiry:

Hon. Richmond Pearson has not yet vouchsafed an answer to The Citizen's query as to whether, contemporaneously with his appeal to the ministry, he invoked the self-interest of the saloon-keepers in opposition to the constitutional amendment.

This is a question we have a right to ask, and one which we believe Mr. Pearson cannot justify himself in refusing to answer.

He has appealed to the ministry for help to enlighten "the conscience of the individual voter," to impress upon him the sanctions of "his oath to Almighty God" and "the doctrines of revealed religion," and the ministry has a right to know, and the "individual voter," for whose moral and spiritual welfare Mr. Pearson is so deeply concerned, has a right to know whether Mr. Pearson was also appealing to the liquor dealers on the ground that the constitutional amendment, if ratified, would hurt the saloon business.

The man who deems himself possessed of such moral worth as entitles him to invade the pulpit with pleas for God and conscience and revealed religion surely has the moral courage to stand up and say what other fora he has been pleading in and what manner of pleas he has made therein.

"Speak out, Mr. Pearson! You cannot run away from this question!"

In his reply, published in yesterday's Citizen, Mr. Pearson uses the following language:

"Your issue of the 21st inst. has been handed to me, and while you are not entitled to any courtesies at my hands, I answer your question categorically, yes."

We have never had a high opinion of the Honorable Richmond Pearson, either as a man of ability or of character. We have known of him as a camp-follower of both the great political parties, and as a skulker between the lines, with his politics under his hat. We have known him as the father of hostile politics in western North Carolina. We have known his reputation for lacking the personal courage to back up his pretensions as a man of honor. We have known him as the conscienceless political fakir who wept in one campaign over the wings of the silver dollar—the money of the fathers; and in the next denunciation that same dollar as dishonest money. We have known him as the active instigator and the eager beneficiary of the most atrocious act of political daylight robbery of which we have any knowledge.

Knowing all these and many other of the Honorable Richmond's weaknesses as a politician and a man, we felt that we were tolerably secure against surprise at any of his performances.

We confess, however, that we were hardly prepared for the categorical "yes" with which he meets our question. We cannot readily say that we denoted him in spite of the despicable hypocrisy which he confesses, but we were surprised by the bland effrontery of his confession.

It was eminently characteristic of the Honorable Richmond to attempt to enlist the pulpit and the saloon under the same unworthy banner by beseeching the former with meek political pieties and simulated religious zeal, while he whispered to the latter that his fight was in the interest of the liquor traffic. It was entirely consistent with his record to appeal to the ministry to take up the cudgel against the amendment on the ground that it could not be ratified without a violation of the "doctrines of revealed religion," and at the same time, go to the liquor interests on the ground that its ratification would imperil the saloon business.

This sort of conduct by the Honorable Richmond is merely indicative of moral degeneracy and therefore causes no surprise.

His brazen and almost beautiful confession, however, presents a most difficult analysis. We confess we are at a loss whether to refer it to native political idiosyncrasy or to that mastery of evil habit which, having long walked in dreamways, one may come to daylight in its course for the very sake of idleness.

The Honorable Richmond gives further evidence of the same mental and moral obliquity when he attempts to discredit The Citizen as now owned and managed by the one whose language used in the opening of his reply to our civil but polite inquiry.

"I have read to be a subscriber for your paper and have never noticed it since it was officially traced as a liar by the unanimous voice of the board of aldermen of your city and your own party."

No one knows better than Mr. Pearson that the brand to which he refers was not affixed to any one now connected with or who has the slightest interest in The Citizen, and he knows, as everybody else does, that this paper now wears no stigma on account of that unfortunate occurrence; and Pearson's attempt to affix such a stigma is as silly as it is false and dishonest. It is of a piece with the Ananias-like hypocrisy of his dealing with the pulpit. It is altogether worthy of the man who, in one breath, uses the language of the

church in his strivings with the ministry, and, in the next, makes the basest appeal to the self-interest of the saloon-keeper; both appeals being made in the same cause and both, with equal false pretence, sounding in the name of the public weal, rather than in his own selfish interest, which, alone, on Sir Richmond Pearson to activity.

The strongest indictment of negro suffrage is that it breeds such political vermin as Richmond Pearson. Negro rule is as real and as baleful in western as in eastern Carolina, when politicians of the Pearson stripe are in places of power. The breath of their nostrils is in the muck and mire of an ignorant and corrupt electorate, and when the strong white light of the amendment shall penetrate the dark corners, the brood of Pearson must flee away and be known in North Carolina no more forever.

"PANGS OF DISSOLUTION" HAVE LITTLE EXISTENCE

TESTIMONY OF MEN WHO HAVE BEEN ON THE BRINK.

From "The Gospel According to Darwin" by Dr. Woods Hutchinson.

There need be no shrinking dread of the "pangs of dissolution," the "final agony," for such things have little existence save in disordered imaginations. Ask any physician whose head is silvered over with gray, and he will tell you that while disease is often painful, death itself is gentle, painless, natural, like the fading of a flower, or the falling of a leaf. It is literally true that there is a time to die as well as to live, and when that time comes the event becomes not only tolerable, but, like all other natural processes, desirable; every fibre of our tired, worn-out being demands it.

The overwhelming majority of such records of authentic "last words" as we possess re-echo the saying of Charles II. on his deathbed: "If this be dying, nothing could be easier."

Even in such an extreme case as death under the fangs of wild beasts, all those who have gone very near the Valley of the Shadow from this cause unite in testifying, incredible as it may seem, that after the first shock of the attack there is absolutely no sensation of pain.

For instance, Livingstone, upon one occasion, was pounced upon by a lion, which felled him to the ground; and, making his teeth meet in his shoulder, dragged him a considerable distance into the jungle before his followers could come to his assistance. Livingstone asserts most positively that he was perfectly conscious of what was happening when he was being carried, could hear the cries of his friends, and wondered how long it would take them to reach him, but that he felt no pain or fear whatever, nothing but a strange drowsy, dreamy sensation. And yet his shoulder was so severely injured that he never fully recovered the use of it, and his body was identified after death by the scars.

Sir Samuel Baker reports a similar experience with a bear which had wounded. The great brute felled him by a stunning blow from its paw, and he was aroused to consciousness by its crushing the bones of his hand; it continued the process up his arm and had almost reached the shoulder, before the rescuing party could reach him, and yet Sir Samuel declares that he felt no pain whatever, and that his sensation was one of intense resentment against the beast for seeming to enjoy the taste of him so much. Nor are these by any means exceptional instances, as many other such reports could be collected, and it is almost a axiom with surgeons that the severest injury the less the pain. Many a man has received his death wound, and never known it until his strength began to fail.

ANOTHER COUNCIL OF THE JR. O. U. A. M.

NEW LODGE STARTS OUT WITH 45 MEMBERS

French Broad council No. 97, Jr. O. U. A. M., was last evening installed by Deputy J. W. Erwin, assisted by the officers and members of Asheville council No. 8. The new council starts out with about 45 members. The following officers were elected: Junior Past Councilor, J. S. Fugh; Councilor, L. R. Pulliam; Vice-councilor, J. W. Dillon; Recording secretary, O. V. Parker; Assistant recording secretary, N. M. McElroy.

Financial secretary, C. M. Andrews; Treasurer, Owen Smith; Conducting officer, Oscar White; Warden, J. D. Lancaster.

Inside sentinel, John Kuykendall; Outside sentinel, C. E. Bradsher; Chaplain, Fred Smith; Trustees, six months, C. S. Fugh, six months, Ben Matthews, six months, Farable Erwin.

Mr. Erwin, the organizer, wishes to thank the officers and members, most fully for their assistance in the ceremonies.

DEALS IN DIRT.

The following deeds have been filed in Register Mackey's office: Sarah S. Coffin and others to Henry B. Pugh, property on Haywood street, \$ 5000.

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"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.

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"THE TAILORS"

Notice.

The Buncombe county board of elections, at a meeting held on Monday, July 2, 1900, made the following order: It is ordered by the board that the line of precinct No. 2, Biltmore ward, be changed by striking out, in the description of said line, the words "to a point where the lower end of John Cheesborough's place joins with the line of the Joseph Reed farm," inserting in lieu thereof the words "to John Cheesborough's northeast corner, and thence with his line to his southeast corner, and thence with his line westwardly to his southwest corner."

J. C. MARTIN, Ch'm Co. Board Elections. JNO. P. KERR, Sec'y. 7-3d20t.

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BARLEY MALT

We desire to call your attention to the appended result of a chemical analysis recently made of CHASE'S BARLEY MALT WHISKY, by the recognized highest authority in the United States upon analytical chemistry, HERBERT E. SMITH, M. D., dean of the medical faculty of Yale University and state chemist of Connecticut.

YALE UNIVERSITY. DEPARTMENT OF MEDICINE. New Haven, Conn.

Messrs. E. H. Chase & Co., Louisville, Gentlemen:—Inclosed you will find the results of my analysis of the sample of Chase's Barley Malt Whisky which you recently sent to me.

These results show it to be a whisky of good alcoholic strength, free from fusel-oil and containing no trace of the metals, copper, lead and zinc. In my opinion Chase's Barley Malt Whisky is, on account of its absolute purity, an excellent article for medicinal use.

Yours truly, HERBERT E. SMITH, M. D. Conn. State Chemist.

Chemical Laboratory, July 21, 1890.

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