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ALIENT FEATURES OF THE REFORM MOVEMENT.

MEANING OF THE WAR ON THE STATE TREASURY—ATTITUDE OF THE GOVERNOR AND OF THE DEMOCRATS—THE SUITS AGAINST PARKER—A TALK WITH THE ACCUSED—REFORM IN COUNTY OFFICES—ENORMOUS APPOINTING POWER OF THE GOVERNOR—CONFLICTING VIEWS AS TO THE MOTIVES OF THE GOVERNOR—ALLEGED ULTIMOR PURPOSES OF THE REFORM MOVEMENT—ITS GENERAL GOOD RESULTS.

[FROM A STAFF CORRESPONDENT OF THE TRIBUNE.] COLUMBIA, S. C., May 25.—One of the most significant events of the last session of the Legislature was the long and bitter controversy over the State Treasurer, Cardozo. This controversy bore to Gov. Chamberlain and his administration relations which do not appear on the surface. Cardozo is a mulatto of fine appearance, smooth speech, easy manners, and with a man of reputed wealth. His record was not without stain, but whatever his offenses, they were covered with a veil of decency; if he had strayed in forbidden paths, his tracks were hidden so carefully that everybody admitted that Cardozo at least had some remains of a conscience. At all events, he was a most pronounced supporter of the Governor, siding with him openly in his attack on Whipper when a candidate for the Charleston judgeship. He was thought to have great influence with the Governor, and as he held the purse-strings, few of the old-time practices in the Treasury could be renewed while he and the Governor were united in their policy. Other irritating causes for an attack on him existed in what was supposed to be the rivalry of Cardozo and Speaker Elliott for future political honors. A combined attack was made ostensibly upon him, but in reality the object aimed at appears to have been the weakening of the influence of the Governor and the ultimate overthrow of his efforts for reform. It ought to be said, in justice, that some, and perhaps not a few of those who at first joined in the attack were honestly convinced of his improper conduct; but it seems to be clear that the chief influence was a purpose on the part of the corruptionists to place in the office of Treasurer an enemy of the Governor. Certainly Chamberlain and his friends so regarded it, and on the principle of choosing the less of two evils threw themselves into the fight for Cardozo with all their power. The Republicans were so divided that the decision of the contest remained with the Democrats. They had absolute power to effect the removal of Cardozo. An address to the Governor asking for his removal was prepared and put on its passage. The trial, with its preliminary discussions and investigations, occupied fully six weeks. Cardozo was defended by the ablest Democratic and Republican lawyers of the State, and in the end was acquitted. Policy had a good deal to do with the result, but the fact that the Democrats, with the exception, I think, of three votes in both Houses, and all of the Governor's friends, voted in favor of Cardozo, may be accepted as strong evidence that in this fight he represented the honest element. The general effect of this heated contest was to strengthen the cause of Reform, inasmuch as a pending suit against ex-Treasurer Parker has grown, and furthermore, the "cohesive power of public plunder" was not added to the weapons in the hands of the corruptionists.

EX-TREASURER PARKER IN JAIL. Parker is now in jail awaiting the issue of certain civil suits instituted against him by the Sinking Fund Commissioners. One of these cases was called a few days ago, but neither plaintiff nor defendant appeared to be very anxious for trial; yet the latter's counsel are decidedly opposed to having their client kept a prisoner during the hot summer months, and the Court manifested its appreciation of their position by agreeing to hold a special term early in June for the trial of the case. I visited Parker in jail, and found him in good health and spirits, but chafing under confinement, and dreading the effect upon his health. When I entered his cell he was in conversation with his son, who has recently returned from a tour in Europe. The prisoner declared that neither of the suits against him could be sustained for a moment in court; he had faithfully discharged his duties as Treasurer of the State, and claimed the confidence of the present Governor when the latter was Attorney-General; he had no fear of any evidence that might be raked up in New-York or elsewhere; he challenged the closest scrutiny of all his official acts; the bail exacted of him (\$100,000) was excessive, but he could probably raise it, were he not disposed to take the shortest road to a final hearing of the case; the charges against him were "trumped up" in the hope that he might be induced to tell something on somebody else, but he had no story to tell; he had made money while in office, but it was at a time when any body with his eyes open could speculate with profit, and he had never made a dollar dishonestly; the purpose was to make him a scapegoat for the sins of the Republican party in South Carolina, but the effort would result in failure. Other persons with whom I talked have not the same confidence in Parker's acquittal, but the opinion is that there is an air of persecution about his prosecution, while the names of so many known official robbers are carefully kept out of the courts. The feeling is the same that pervades the masses when any "good-hearted" liberal fellow, whatever he may be his office, falls into the clutches of the law.

IMPROVED CHARACTER OF LOCAL OFFICERS.

While the Legislature has been the principal field of conflict between the friends of Reform and the supporters of corruption, some work of importance has been accomplished outside of the legislative halls. Gov. Chamberlain has endeavored to make a change for the better in the appointments to office throughout the State, and certainly reform was needed in this respect as much as in any other. The appointing power of the Governor of South Carolina is relatively enormous, and in the days of Scott and Moses it was wielded only for the furtherance of bad men. I learn from Gov. Chamberlain that he has within his gift not less than five hundred offices of considerable importance, including county treasurers, county auditors, trial justices, and census takers. Most of these officers are subject to the confirmation of the Senate, and the Governor had much difficulty from that cause. On one occasion he addressed a message to the Senate in Executive session, which was afterwards made public. In this document he boldly announced that he would not appoint men who in his judgment were not qualified, even if the offices remained vacant; and further, that when he could not find competent Republicans he would appoint Democrats. This policy has been carried out so far as I am informed, and the Controller-General, who has no cause for special friendliness toward the Governor, says that he has only to report an incompetent or dishonest official, who ever he may be, to secure his immediate removal. Much remains to be done, however, in this department of the Reform movement. Dishonest men are still in places of responsibility and power; ignorance is rather the rule than the exception in local offices. To turn such people out of office is a plain duty, indeed, but its execution is not so easy a matter here as it would be in a State where parties have been obliged to pay some regard to decency. The mass of the people who compose the party in power are ignorant and depraved, and the politician who takes the side of honesty must understand that by so doing he burns the bridges behind him. For the present his only reward will be a good conscience, and the slow approval of the best class of the people, while his motives may be questioned and misrepre-

ented at every step, even by those whose cooperation he commands.

One thing is apparent here already as the result of the movement the course of which I have traced, and that is that the Governor has now the confidence of a considerable proportion of the tax-payers and white citizens generally of the State. The Charleston News and Courier, the most able as well as the bitterest opponent of Chamberlain's election, is now earnest in his support, and declares its complete faith in his past and present conduct and character. The Democrats cooperate with him in all respects, and if we may accept the evidences which appear to an observer, there is a genuine movement toward good feeling and cooperation between honest Northern men and the class commonly known as old residents. The County of Edgefield is an example. Here in last December anarchy prevailed. The white rifle clubs and the colored militia were in armed collision. Gin-houses were burned by the score, and outrages of all kinds prevailed. Instead of distorting these troubles for political purposes, Gov. Chamberlain promptly disbanded the rifle clubs, and disarmed the militia, and peace now reigns throughout that county. In the hands of a Kellogg the Edgefield disturbances would have assumed the proportions of a new rebellion, and the supporters of force bills would have been supplied with a new and powerful argument for use upon the minds of those who can never be made to believe that the results of the war are beyond dispute, and that Secession is as much a thing of the past as the Missouri Compromise or Nullification.

DIVIDED OPINION AS TO THE GOVERNOR'S MOTIVES. What I have said as to the support given the Governor by the Conservatives must not be construed as implying that all of them have implicit confidence in the integrity of his motives, although it is true perhaps that a majority give him credit for honesty of purpose. The divided opinion on this subject was succinctly stated by a Democratic editor of whom I asked the question, "What do you think of Chamberlain?" "I think, Sir," said he, "that he is either a very good man or that he is playing a very deep game." Exactly what that deep game is, his critics are unable to say. Is he looking for the seat of Senator Robertson in the United States Senate? Is he paving the way for a renomination for Governor by the conglomerate party which he defeated last November? Does he entertain the idea that the man who can bring South Carolina out of the Slough of Despond will reflect such credit upon his party that he may secure a place on the Republican National ticket in 1876? All these questions, with others involving the idea of a deep-laid plan for the gratification of political ambition, are asked, but must long remain unanswered. The attitude of the colored people toward the Governor and his policy is an important element in the problem, and to that inquiry have been particularly directed. There is no doubt that many of the colored leaders, such as Nash, Elliott, Small, and Purvis are more or less disaffected toward Chamberlain. On the other hand he has the cordial support of Cardozo, Ransier, Wright, and Hayne, all of whom are men of influence. Of the great mass of colored voters it is impossible now to speak with certainty. With most of them honesty is no great recommendation to public confidence; it is a thing to be applauded in speeches, but may be carried too far in official life. Your honest man, they reason, is too apt to be poor and stingy. Give them rather the full purse and the open hand of the dashing fellow who knows how to make the best of his opportunity, and who by a single stroke may see scribbling his name shall amount to enough money to buy a fine horse and carriage and pay the expenses of the party in the next county election. It must be admitted, however, and never before could it be said with truth, that the blacks are less in bondage to their old leaders, who use them to enrich themselves, than formerly. This was shown in the respectable number of Republican votes given to Green last Fall. Whether a vigorous application of the party lash will bring them back to their old allegiance cannot now be predicted. All I have said goes to show that the effect of the recent changes here in the Republican party, in this State, is most uncertain. I have met some prominent Republicans who say that Chamberlain will be abandoned by his party two years hence. I conclude that while this is not inevitable, there is strong probability that such may be the result. Judicious observers, who ought to understand the situation, if anybody does, say that no man who really does his duty as Governor can hope for further support. Others again, with good reason, predict a general collapse of the present organization of the party, and a "new departure," with one wing led by Patterson and Elliott, and one by Chamberlain and Cardozo, with the balance of power in the hands of the Democrats. With the Republicans thus divided, South Carolina will have her best opportunity to obtain good government. The course of every honest man will be plain, and the honest men being numerous enough to be conciliated in such a contingency, it will be easy to elect an honest Legislature as well as an honest Governor, and the work of filling the bench with honest judges, which has been begun already, will insure the complete success of the cause of Reform. Altogether, the prospect is most encouraging; the bright hopes of the people are reflected in their faces; agriculture promises a rich reward for industry; manufactures are springing up as capital acquires confidence in the integrity of the State; the people find that, after all their losses through misgovernment and malfeasance, they are not without valuable resources; nothing but the perverseness of fate can prevent South Carolina from entering upon a career more prosperous than she has ever before enjoyed.

FRAUDULENT WAR CLAIMS.

REPORT OF THE ADJUTANT-GENERAL OF MISSOURI ON THE WAR CLAIMS ISSUED BY THAT STATE—FRAUDULENT CERTIFICATES, AMOUNTING TO OVER \$1,000,000, ISSUED. St. Louis, June 7.—It will be remembered that it was announced some time since, on the authority of special dispatches from Jefferson City to The Globe, that a great fraud in war claims was being perpetrated upon this State and the United States. The whole matter has now assumed a definite and official shape, and Adjutant-General George C. Bingham will to-day lay before the Constitutional Convention, in response to a resolution adopted by that body, a report of his investigation of the affair. A special dispatch to The Globe-Democrat says that the report of Adjutant-General Bingham shows that war claim certificates have been issued and issued to the amount of \$1,124,000 for military services alleged to have been rendered by the 17th Regiment of enrolled militia, organized in St. Louis, although that regiment was never in active service, and according to the rolls filed in the Adjutant-General's office, was never entitled to any pay whatever; that these certificates were issued against the rolls and regulations of the pay department, and in violation of the laws relating to the war claims; that the stub-books from which the certificates issued on account of this regiment were taken had disappeared from the Adjutant-General's office; and that duplicate copies of the muster and pay-rolls of this regiment were fabricated as vouchers for the fraudulent claims on which the issue of these certificates was based. Gen. Bingham's investigation has only extended as yet to the 17th Regiment, but he is able to report that the amount of war claim certificates issued therefor by the Paymaster-General, is \$1,124,000, while the amount due the enrolled militia for services during the war, as appears on the record of unpaid claims, is only \$365,800, leaving a remainder of over \$1,000,000, which seems to be fraudulent. The dispatch further says that ex-Gov. Woodson is expected to go to Jefferson City in a few days to assist in a further exposure of this alleged swindle. It is also said that great efforts have been made to catch the party in power, and that the party in power have been offered by interested persons to suppress the investigation, but he has paid no heed to them.

RECOVERY OF STOLEN BONDS.

PHILADELPHIA, Penn., June 7.—Jennie C. Rainey, charged with receiving stolen United States Government bonds, had a final hearing to-day, and was held to bail for trial. Mr. Isaac Ottlinger of Raleigh, N. C., appeared and identified the bonds, and stated that they were stolen from him while riding on a Third-Street car in New-York in March last.

THE DELINQUENT TREASURERS.

GOOD RESULTS OF PUBLISHING THE LIST. THE STATE TAKES NEVER PAID UP SO READILY AS SINCE THE PUBLICATION OF THE DELINQUENT LIST—FULL ACCOUNTS OF SEVERAL ADDITIONAL COUNTIES SETTLED—SATISFACTORY EXPLANATIONS FROM THE TREASURERS OF OSWEGO AND WESTCHESTER COUNTIES. [BY TELEGRAPH TO THE TRIBUNE.] ALBANY, June 7.—The County Treasurers still continue to present themselves at the Controller's office with the overdue balances in hand. The Treasurers of Tompkins, Otsego, and Montgomery Counties paid in their full amounts to-day, each with the \$25 additional penalty for the costs of serving the summons and complaint on the Oswego County Treasurer, who not paying the balance charged against him, had the Controller's office with satisfactory evidence that he had paid the same. The funds he had received from the collectors, and consequently suit against him has been discontinued for the present. Mr. Odell, Treasurer of Westchester County, has been here nearly all day in conference with the Controller and the Attorney-General. He was greatly astonished at the appearance of his name in the list, and claims that he has paid up everything due from him, and that the amount charged in the delinquent list exceeds by the amount due from the district nearly six months ago. The Controller, in pursuance of law, directed the taxes to be laid on the valuation fixed by the State Board of Equalization, which included the three towns annexed to the County of New-York. The Board of Supervisors laid the taxes on the remaining towns; hence the discrepancy. New-York City is no doubt liable for the balance now apparently due from Westchester County, except a small balance which the County Treasurer offers to pay. The suit against Mr. Odell will be discontinued, and if he had made a statement of the above facts to the Controller before the issue of the delinquent list, the Controller states to-night that the State taxes have never been paid up so readily as since the publication of the list of delinquents in THE TRIBUNE. He hopes that legislation will now be directed to compelling the same payments at the same time by the Cities of Albany and Buffalo, which are allowed by special acts, until September, to pay up; and New-York and Brooklyn, which are permitted indefinite extensions of time by reason of the peculiar machinery of their charters. The delinquent list was returned about \$1,000,000 of taxes six months after every other city and county has been forced to pay up.

WEST POINT.

GOSSIP OF EXAMINATION DAYS AT THE ACADEMY—REMINISCENCES OF A GRADUATE OF '31—WHOLESALE SUPERVISION OF THE BOARD OF VISITORS—APPOINTMENTS FOR THE FORTH CLASS—REUNION OF THE ALUMNI ON THE 17TH. [FROM A STAFF CORRESPONDENT OF THE TRIBUNE.] WEST POINT, June 7.—The first week of the West Point examinations was marked by a succession of pleasant and, for the most part, cool days. Today, however, it is stormy. In consequence of the threatening weather the number of visitors has not increased, and the dullness of the season is not enlivened by the presence of the usual crowd of ladies to which the cadets, in their close confinement, have looked forward during the months of their stay at the academy. The usual change of the ordinary routine of cadet life occurred to those who are natives of Iowa. They were invited by Secretary DeLapack to the parlors of the hotel, where they passed a few hours in social company, a privilege not often given to the cadets. Gen. Baker of Iowa, who is the wit of the Board of Visitors, was present, and related a number of amusing anecdotes to the great delight of all the company. Although the changes which have been made in the growth of the academy are not so rapid as the former graduates are always glad to return and find new things which remind them of the days they spent here as cadets. Among the older graduates now here are Gen. Ammen of the Board of Visitors, who graduated in 1831; Gen. W. N. Grier, who graduated forty years ago, and Gen. T. W. Sherman. The former regained a cadet at West Point. Within four years nearly all of the present buildings have been erected. The trees which are now tall and numerous in front of the barracks and the library were once saplings of a few years' growth. The course of study is a rigid one, and the cadets are always glad to return and find new things which remind them of the days they spent here as cadets. Among the older graduates now here are Gen. 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