

We print to-day two articles from the Washington Chronicle upon the situation of Virginia.

We concur in the main with both the spirit and statements of fact contained in these articles.

It is at the North, has yet to be taught to the people of Virginia.

Our party here is timid, apologetic, and passive, fearful of bold, sharp issues, compromising, and disposed to sell out for a small chance of immediate gains.

There it is bold, uncompromising, aggressive, and all-conquering, and can maintain itself, as was seen in Andrew Johnson's time, against the combined State and Federal patronage.

That faithful, devoted, organized effort, which changed the overwhelming majorities of the North by a change in the convictions of men, will work similar results here, whenever it is undertaken in the same spirit of self-sacrificing devotion, and prosecuted with the same method and vigor.

No party deserves or need expect success which postpones all party work till the few days prior to each election, and then leaves it to candidates for office.

At that period when party prejudices are thoroughly excited, when the public mind is least receptive, and the candidate comes before the people with the presumption of a selfish purpose strongly against him, the best work of a party like our own, cannot be done.

We can never attain a permanent triumph except by a change in the opinions of men who now vote against us.

To secure this result, the best means of persuasion and enlightenment must be used, and under circumstances most favorable to convince the judgment that our pretensions are well based, and our principles and measures right in themselves and essential to the prosperity and happiness of the people.

Any success obtained by compromises and trickery, by the mere personal popularity of candidates, will be but local and temporary, barren and unsubstantial.

But educate the people into those glorious doctrines of nationality, education and progressive civilization to which the Republican party stands committed, and they will never relapse to the old ways of unthinking servitude to party.

Tired of feeding on dry husks of State pride, and wallowing in the mire of clamish sectional politics, the hopeful and vigorous young men of the South will turn to us with hope.

Released from the dominion of caste, rising above the fear of proscription, strong in the strength of truth, and inspired by the breath of a new atmosphere, a great host of noble and brave Virginians will come to our side and battle with us for the good cause.

To attain this result, we have need of all our resources and of the active aid of every good man among us.

The Federal patronage is undoubtedly a most important element in this work.

The representatives of the government ought to be men who can successfully commend the administration to a people among whose ruling class to-day there is ill concealed hatred and distrust, not merely of it, but of the nation which it represents.

It is a fact that cannot be successfully denied, that a large number of the Federal appointees during Andrew Johnson's administration were corrupt and bad, conspiring to defraud the government and the people alike.

These wretches who are now mostly fugitives from justice, or in prisons, reaping the reward of their crimes, were not Republicans. They were selected with express reference to aid in destroying the Republican party and building up a coalition, at the head of which Johnson should ride into power for a second term.

Since the election of General Grant, these officers have generally been replaced by a far better class of men, and Johnson's plunderers have been closely pursued in the courts.

But, by an unfortunate combination of circumstances, these bad men and their crimes are imputed to Republicans. Through ignorance, and the misrepresentations of designing politicians, the people in many portions of this State look upon a Federal officer as an enemy who is plundering them in the interest of the Northern States.

The opposition press and many leading men of that party on the stump, sedulously taught this in the late canvass. Many of these speakers, before supposed to be moderate in their views, openly proclaimed sentiments of disloyalty, speaking of the National government as if they were foreigners, at war with it.

Through these evil influences the growth of loyalty among the people has been arrested, and to-day the malignant and reactionists have a more powerful hold upon the State than ever before.

Among a people who read little, they hold the only avenue of approach, and control the public sentiment as before the war, by plausible falsehoods, appeals to pride of race and birth-place, and that bitter proscription for opinion's sake, which disgraces and degrades any people.

We have now to recover this lost ground; lost to us by treason and corruption. The administration can aid us greatly. We have no sweeping charges to make against

THE FEDERAL OFFICERS.

We know both, native Virginians and those born in other States, who are noble representatives of the administration; who commend it in the purity of their lives, their patriotic devotion to duty, and their hearty good will towards the people of all parties.

Who, without neglecting official duty, lose no opportunity to extend Republican principles, remove unreasonable prejudices, and eradicate the false doctrines which led to rebellion, and still stand in the way of hearty reconciliation.

We know others, native as well as Northern born, who seem valueless as representatives of a party, and even in numerous cases hostile to us.

If the nation has anything important at stake in Republican ascendancy, the Administration is bound to use all means, not detrimental to the public service, to secure it.

We would make no distinction as to birth-place, but we think it right that as a rule the Government should be represented here, by citizens of our own State; and men who have interests in common with us, and who have therefore a powerful motive, not only to be good officers, but to aid the growth of a healthy public sentiment, and of institutions that will bless and elevate the people through all time.

The State is well supplied with such men, and a little careful sifting will enable us to discover them.

No doubt the Republican ship can be lightened of many Jonahs to advantage, and a working crew enlisted who will bring her, with all her precious freight, safely into port.

Every Republican officer-holder should be a missionary of loyalty and progress, active, zealous, uniting to commend the administration to the people, as the representative of the nation.

With such men as Federal officers, we should hope to win a permanent and substantial victory next November.

The late election, closely studied, is full of encouragement for us. Let us close up the ranks, dismiss all jealousies and heart burnings, and organize at once anew for the great contest.

LOOKOUT FOR NEXT YEAR'S GRASS NOW.

There is no element of good farming so important as the proper care of grass in soils adapted to its growth.

A large portion of Virginia is first-class grass land, naturally, but in too many cases has been farmed with deliberate intent to destroy every root of grass.

The fair carpet of soil, with which nature seeks to cover every inch of arable surface, when the forest has fallen, was not favorable to crops of tobacco and corn, and so it was extirpated to make room for these staples.

When they were abandoned, the fields where they were grown, exhausted and bleached of plant-food, would grow only unsightly weeds or broom sedge.

Now the first step in the recuperation of these lands is to bring them back to grass-growing lands. It can be done by a little care and application of fertilizers.

Once subdued by plowing and deep cultivation, with a liberal dressing of lime, marl, bone dust or stable manure, sow mixed grasses, harrow and roll thoroughly, and a single year will give well covered stand of grass.

We would sow timothy, blue grass, orchard grass, red top, white and red clover. These give a good hay, and furnish, what is still more important, a rich pasturage for milk, butter and cheese.

Having obtained this growth, now is the time to look out for its preservation. Whatever you intend to do with it, it is of the utmost importance to stimulate the roots in fall and early winter with top-dressing of some kind.

Let no hoof press it the first year, and afterwards never feed it close.

Build fences at any cost and change pastures, or shut up the cattle and feed, rather than allow them to up the grass too closely, or cut up the surface when softened by long rains in the fall.

If you can scatter over it stable manure, which is rotted, it will pay you to buy it at the market rates, as well as to raise truck, nearly. Manures drawn fresh from the stable and spread at once, will be more profitably used in this way than in any other on the farm.

Such manures shelter the roots from extremes of heat and cold, and slowly dissolve to feed the plants.

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The cultivation and care of grass is the great need of our agriculture.

The old State wants to be turned out to pasture for seven years, like old Nebuchadnezzar.

MEETINGS.

NOTICE—Chesapeake and Ohio Railroad Company, Cashier's Office, Richmond, Va., November 24, 1871.

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