

Stanton Spectator

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 8, 1881.

State Conservative-Democratic Ticket.

FOR GOVERNOR: JOHN W. DANIEL, OF LYNCHBURG.

FOR LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR: JAMES BARBOUR, OF CULPEPER.

FOR ATTORNEY-GENERAL: PHILIP W. MCKINNEY, OF PRINCE EDWARD.

LEGISLATIVE TICKET.

FOR THE SENATE: ARSALON KOEHLER.

FOR THE HOUSE OF DELEGATES: MARSHALL HANCOCK, JAMES H. SKINNER.

Allow nothing to prevent you from voting to-day.

Remember that it is your duty to do so, however inconvenient.

If sick you can be taken to the polls in a carriage.

Remember that this is not an ordinary election.

Remember that the result of which depends on the wealth or poverty of your native State.

Virginia expects every true son to do his duty to-day.

The Time to Vote has Arrived.

On this day the voters are called upon to decide the fate of this State for weal or woe.

In the language of the Lynchburg Advance they are to decide whether they will give the State into the hands of corrupt, unscrupulous politicians, or whether it shall be controlled, and its laws administered by men who advocate honest principles.

If you vote for John W. Daniel you will support a man pledged to an honest and creditable settlement of the State debt.

Who has declared that he will be a debtor to all men alike, no matter what may have been their past conditions or party affiliations; a man pledged to support the free schools; and a most ardent friend of that system of public education.

Vote for Cameron, and if he is elected, Mahone will be, in effect, the next Governor of Virginia—a power behind the throne greater than the throne itself.

Cameron endorses the Biddleberger bill as a settlement of the State debt. This bill is the first step towards tyrannical legislation and will prove a bill of abolition and a curse to the State.

Cameron is also pledged to the repeal of the capitation tax as a prerequisite to voting which will deprive the schools of a considerable means of support.

He is also in favor of the abolishment of the whipping-post. This will fill our jails with petty thieves at a cost of thousands of dollars to the State annually.

This money comes out of the pockets of the honest and industrious. The Mahoneite candidate has also declared that he endorsed every act of Mahone in the United States Senate.

Democrats, remember that Mahone voted with the Republicans one hundred and forty-four times, and his every act since the commencement of his Senatorial career has been for the advancement of the Republican party.

He has aroused the worst men of honesty in Virginia, no matter whether found in the Democratic or Republican ranks. He has been guilty of political piracy, the like of which has never been known in this State.

Cameron has also declared that he would lead Africa against men of his own color, and his party has, since the opening of the present campaign, been arraying class against class, and race against race, in a manner which would be disgraceful to Korymbion or Nihilism.

All this they have done for the sake of office. Compare the records of the two candidates, Democrats, and say which your state honor demands that you should support.

Stanton should give 875 majority for the Daniel ticket, and the County one thousand or more. See that they do it. Let every Democratic vote be polled. These figures are not extravagant, and should be reached. Much is expected of Old Augusta. Let her friends not be disappointed. Vote and get your neighbors to vote.

The Mahone Ticket a Republican Ticket.

Let no one who will vote for the Mahone ticket any longer claim that he is opposed to the Republican party.

Actions speak louder than words, and a vote for the Mahone ticket is a vote for the Republican party.

This is now so plain that no intelligent and well-informed voter can fail to see it—the wavering man, though a fool, cannot err therein.

Any Democrat, if he be truly a Democrat, who will vote for the Mahone ticket, will live to regret it in "sweat and ashes." It will be too late to repair the injury after his vote is cast, and his repentance, however sincere, and his regret, however poignant, will be futile.

His plain duty is, to vote for the Democratic ticket, and then he will have no cause to reproach himself, however, the election may result.

We implore every man who is opposed to the Republican party, whatever may be his views of the debt question, to work earnestly and to vote for the Democratic ticket.

UNANIMOUS.—We see it stated by a Petersburg Correspondent that every member of the Presbyterian Synod of Virginia, which met in that city last week was in favor of the election of

This speaks trumpet-tongued in favor of that honorable body of clerical and lay gentlemen. They represent the true sentiment of the vast majority of the best citizens of this State.

Not to elect Daniel would be, not only a mistake, but a shame and a disgrace, for which, however, the majority of the best people would not be responsible.

The next Legislature will re-district the State, and if you do not wish to see them so fixed up that Republicans will be elected to Congress, vote for the Democratic nominees.

They have turned out Mr. Callahan, a gallant hard-working and most competent Irishman, from the Navy Yard at Portsmouth, because he would not bend his knee to Mahone. Hit them for that, sons of the Green Isle.

The first duty of this day is to vote for both the State and County Democratic tickets. Do not fail to perform it early.

The Valley Virginian in the editorial

of its issue of the 4th of August, referring to the desperate efforts of the Republican party to enlist the aid of the Republican party says—

"Republicans holding Federal positions in many instances are not allowed to exercise the right of free citizens in support of the policy and principles of their party except at the risk of degrading their party by the same service."

Those of them who cowardly submit to the lash of the bosses, are permitted to work for the destruction of the party through whose agency they have been favored. This, we are sure, is not an emanation from Washington. It is the result of the desperate struggle of the coalitionists, who know that if a free, unembarrassed expression of Republican sentiment is permitted, the integrity of the party will be destroyed, and an indignant and scornful protest against all corrupt propositions of desertion and treachery, be administered.

Why do they incur the risk of deprecation we now, humbly and deferentially ask. Who has the power to "decapitate" Republicans holding Federal positions outside of Washington. Then how can you be "sure" that it is not an emanation from Washington.

Mr. Kelley, in a well ordered and dignified speech here some weeks ago, intimated that the "Virginian" in this editorial positively declared, "and he met the 'scornful and indignant protest' of the Virginian. Mr. Kelley possibly brought, the matter near home—but what is the difference? The Virginian is in "the same line of service" as those whom it denounces, and yet it stated in its critique of Mr. Kelley's speech, that in saying office-holders here were intimidated and driven into the support of Mahone and his party, his declaration was "as unmanly as it was untrue."

It has been impossible during this year to be an advocate of any Democratic paper or speaker to refer to Federal patronage in the mildest way without incurring every zealous Republican to the wildest degree, and throwing them into spasms of virtuous indignation and insulting retort.

Now, we take it that the people of the Valley of Virginia are not so far disposed of memory, or so bilious to the baldest public occurrences for the year, as to be unaware of the contents of the previous history, not only of the "coalitionists," but of the *coalition*, and there is enough at least in the history of both to justify a reasonable misgiving as to their entire disinterestedness and freedom from the charms of Federal reward-bread. The bullying and insolent reply of the Swabberber is, at least, out of place, and the *Virginian*, we assume, was entirely too "sudden and quiet" in its remarks with Mr. Kelley, than in reading the editorial over again, it must be forced to acknowledge that the idea of federal officeholders being driven into the support of Federalism originated with itself. Federal officeholders in one place are like federal officeholders in another, and if an invitation to join the ranks of Mahone deserved an "indignant protest" in Lynchburg in August last, we leave it to the *Virginian* to explain why it is found in the ranks of that party to-day, this notable 8th of November.

A Corrupt Proposition Indignantly Spurred.

The secret of Mahone's influence in the State consists in the fact that he professes office to so many people, and that so many cannot resist the prospect of getting under his auspices. We were shown on yesterday a letter to another gentleman from a worthy Physician in this county in which he stated to him in the confidence of personal, friendly correspondence that he had been offered the position of Superintendent and Physician of the Western Lunatic Asylum if he would support Cameron for Governor, but that he had indignantly spurned the proposition, and would, like an honest man, vote for Daniel.

Now, this Physician lives in a distant portion of this county, and has never applied to any official position, and certainly not to that of Superintendent and Physician of the Western Lunatic Asylum. Why was he approached with this corrupt proposition? The inference is, that this position has been offered to many Physicians in this, and probably other, counties, with the view of securing their influence for the Cameron ticket. Does this account for the strange fact that so many of our Physicians are the supporters of that ticket? Does this account for the milk in the cocoon? Will this explain what has been a matter of astonishment to a number of our citizens? Has each of our Physicians been promised this tempting position? Has Mahone and his party made fools of them? We do not aver it. We merely give the suspicion that haunts the minds of some, and makes them feel uncomfortable. The Physician we referred to was incorruptible, and, with virtuous indignation, spurned the proposition, and announced his purpose to vote for Daniel. We honor him for it. We have known him since he was a boy, and are pleased to find that he is worthy of the confidence we have reposed in his incorruptible integrity. He spurns the Mahone bribe, as every honest man should, and will do his duty to-day by voting for Daniel.

There is and can be no difference between the Republicans of the North and the Republicans of the South as it affects the principles of the party. These principles do not change with locality. How would it suit the Republicans of Ohio, at this time, to have placed on the ticket with Governor Foster, a candidate for Attorney General who favored the re-adjustment of the public debt by the same rule that it is proposed to apply to the debt of Virginia,—that is, repudiate one-third of it? The Biddleberger bill repudiates one-third of the recognized debt of Virginia, and repudiates one-half of the interest on the other two-thirds; yet Republicans of the North advise the Republican Virginia to support this faction and this platform! Let us have consistency if it kills us. *Virginian*, Aug. 4th.

And to-day the *Virginian* supports Cameron, and Blair.

Give us consistency, but not of the Valley *Virginian* kind. This virtuous howl in August for consistency and inviolability of the public credit as a maxim of republicanism and yet in November swallowing Lewis, Riddleberger's bill and all these sudden changes of political complexion, like a revolving light on a sea coast, must be only for the grand entertainment of the people. What else could produce them.

This great fight will decide one vitally important question: Shall William Mahone, the man who sits with the revilers of the South, be made the political tongue of the South, and that as good as a little stiffness is overcome he will be as well as ever.

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A Simple Test.

This is the last issue of our paper, says the Richmond Conservative-Democrat, that will reach some of our remotest subscribers before the day of election; it is, therefore, the last opportunity we shall have to address many of those whom for two months past we have sought to arouse to a just sense of their duty to their State, their fellow-citizens, and to posterity.

The frequency with which the importance of political canvases is exaggerated is apt to induce men to hear with incredulity the cry of danger; but he must indeed be dim of sight and dull of apprehension who cannot perceive in the contest which impends, matter for the greatest apprehension.

Aside from the financial question involved, and immeasurably transcending it in importance, is the question whether the reign of virtue, intelligence and character shall come to an end in Virginia.

With a brief and melancholy interval of exception, this State has enjoyed throughout her history the blessings of well ordered, wisely framed and justly administered government. The orgies of corruption which disgraced the Southern Commonwealths, the ruthless robberies by rings and bosses which marked many Northern States have been alike unknown to her.

She has with steady hand and guided through a century of varied fortunes, in her hour. Shall this be changed? Shall the reign of the best come to an end in Virginia, and the name of the State, her place and her power be turned into the custody of the worst of her people?

This is the substantial and first question no fair man can question. We submit it to a test which will admit to be absolutely fair. It is this: summon the men who in every community are recognized as the best men of their various walks of life—mechanics, ministers of the Gospel, men in the trades, men in the professions, men of property, men of honest daily labor, men noted as having the confidence and respect of their fellow-men, and we challenge each reader's personal experience whether, at least, nine-tenths of them are not avowed supporters of our party.

No other test ought to be needed.—Such an array of witnesses settles the question where lies the true interest of the Virginia people.

On the other hand, it is notorious, and not any where concealed, that the great bulk of the support of our foes in this strife is in the ranks of the colored people. So patent was this from the first, that the candidate of Coalitionists announced in opening his canvases that his contest with the best people was "war," and that he meant to carry Africa into that war.

If they win, it will be a triumph of the African race over the white race in Virginia, and it is so understood outside of this State. With negro supremacy the reign of the Chamberlains, Scotts, Kelloggs, Warnouths and Spencers will begin in Virginia; and the Republican party seeing this is bending every energy to drag our State down into the humiliation that she may thus easily be made their prey.

Were this every, and the only issue, in this canvass, the peril, the shame, the unspeakable disgrace of success ought to arouse every self-respecting citizen to action. There is no room for speculation as to the consequences. We have all seen it in nine Southern States. The triumph of this experiment is precisely the same as the triumph of the like attempt with them. And upon this, therefore, we are willing to rest this case.

To-day, Virginia calls upon every one of her sons to do his whole duty. Do not fail to do yours. Vote for the State and County Democratic tickets.

MARRIAGE OF A DAUGHTER OF JUDGE JOSEPH CHRISTIAN.—Miss Mary Christian, the handsome and accomplished daughter of Judge Joseph Christian, of the Court of Appeals, was married last Thursday morning at the residence of her father in Richmond to Professor A. P. Montague, of Columbia University, Washington, D. C. Governor Holliday and a small company of the intimate friends of the family witnessed the ceremony. Rev. Dr. A. J. Huntington, of Washington, a friend of Professor Montague, officiated. After breakfast the happy couple took a tour to the North. No invitations were issued.

DEATH OF A WELL-KNOWN VIRGINIAN.—Mr. Philip P. Dandridge, Sr., of Winchester, Va., died Friday week, after a long sickness. Mr. Dandridge was the Physician in "Bower," in Jefferson county. After graduating at Princeton, for many years he lived upon his farm, on the Opegon. He then became engaged in various coal and iron interests in West Virginia until 1856, when he established his home in Winchester. He was the father of Philip P. and Wm. F. Dandridge, well-known civil engineers, and his last wife, who survives him, is the daughter of the late President Gen. Zachary Taylor, and widow of Colonel Bliss, who also distinguished himself.

Do not fail to vote to-day, however unfavorable the weather may be.

GEN. FREELY IN 1881: "I have openly and freely expressed my sympathy with Gen. Mahone and the Rednecker."

Certainly he has. And so has Colfax, and Cunkling, and Hoar, and Raum, and Arthur, and Gutless, the murderer of Garfield. They are all for Mahone, Cameron and the coalition, and in the same boat. "Birds of a feather will flock together."

Do not postpone it, but vote as early as possible for both the State and County Democratic tickets.

DIFFICULT TO BR A RADICAL WITH-OUT BRING A FOOL.—President Garfield was of the opinion that it was difficult to be a radical without being a fool in a private letter of 1867 he writes: "I am trying to do two things—dare to be a Radical and not to be a fool, which if I may judge by the exhibition around, is a matter of no small difficulty."

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