

Staunton Spectator.

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 31st.

NATIONAL DEMOCRATIC TICKET.

ELECTION, TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 18, 1892.

FOR PRESIDENT:

GROVER CLEVELAND,

OF NEW YORK.

FOR VICE-PRESIDENT:

ADLAI E. STEVENSON,

OF ILLINOIS.

VIRGINIA ELECTORAL TICKET.

AT LARGE.

HOLMES CONYER of Winchester.

R. C. KENT, of Wythe.

10TH CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT.

FOR CONGRESS:

H. St. Geo. TUCKER.

We see the farmer listening to a delusionary story that fills his mind with visions of advantage, while his pocket is robbed by the stealthy hand of high protection.

Cleveland in his address of acceptance, July 30th.

Encouraging Prospects.

Hon. H. St. Geo. Tucker, who has been canvassing in the counties of the district East of the Blue Ridge, is very much encouraged by the prospects of the party in that portion of the State.

It is not believed that the Third party will be able to draw off many Democrats from the support of the true people's party—the Democratic party.

Why any Democrat should fail to support the Democratic nominees in this campaign, is one of the wonders of the times.

The action of the assumed leaders can be understood, for they are disappointed office-seekers who wish to break their revenge on the Democratic party; but what can be the inducement for others to follow them against their own best interests is what puzzles the minds of rational and liberty-loving people. It looks like insanity or worse.

Uniform Wages.

Under the above heading, the New York Journal of Commerce maintains that labor organizations ought to be abolished for the reason that they are a burden on the community.

The theory that all employed in a given trade or occupation ought to receive the same compensation lies at the very foundation of Trades-unions. It says, "the carpenter and some mason at work at \$2.50 a day, some at \$3 and \$3.50 and others at 4 a day. They argue that if a union was formed then one rate, much higher than the average, could be enforced for all. The organization is completed and a rate is fixed which employers must pay or a strike will follow. If the four dollars is the price selected then it is clear that some men must be paid more than they are worth or be left to idleness. If a lower rate is chosen then the best experts, who can earn a higher price, are limited in their pay below the legitimate compensation to which they are entitled.

Uniformity of pay is a premium on laziness and mediocrity. What encouragement has a bright youth who is learning a trade to perfect himself in it so that as a workman he stands head and shoulders above his fellows if he must be content with the same compensation given to the poorest craftsman working at his side? And if all work by the hour at a given price what should one who is quick and smart do his best for his employer when the slowest of the gang receives the same pay? It is said that in the long run such uniformity will secure places for the better class of workmen, leaving the others idle, then there arises another question of equal importance: Why should one not quit as gifted as the most expert, or who has lost a lifetime of his experience through advancing years, be kept from service on that account?

There is not any ground whatever for the maintenance of a uniform scale and the prohibition of service at a less rate. The man who is quick and smart can make his living as the more accomplished laborer who is cheap enough at \$4. If the average wage, man is well paid at 25 cents an hour then some in the service do not earn 20 cents, and the best are worth 30 cents an hour and cheap at the money. The equalization of prices, brought about by an established scale of wages to which all must conform under the threat of penalties which have been inflicted so often before the eyes of a patient and long-suffering people, is against the interest both of employer and workmen, and hostile to the well-being of society. For this reason if for no other the labor organizations ought to be abolished.

Candidate of the People's Party.

The Convention of the People's party, so-called, met at Amherst C. H., last Friday and nominated L. M. Robertson, of Appomattox county, for Congress for the 10th district.

The object is to defeat Hon. H. St. G. Tucker, who is one of the best Representatives this district has ever had, and who has done as much or more for the interests of the farmers than any other. This move is in the interest of the Republican party, whose policy is adverse to the interests of the farmers, and the farmers should rally to his support with great unanimity, for he is their friend can do more for them than any other man whatever.

CONVICTION FOR MURDER.

In the Circuit Court of Allegheny county last Friday Edward Burton, (colored), charged with the murder of Henry Maupin, (colored), last October, near Iron Mountain, was found guilty of murder in the second degree, and his term in the penitentiary was fixed at 18 years.

Very serious consequences may grow out of the hasty action by the President and Secretary of State Foster in issuing their retaliatory proclamation against the Canadian government.

The Odious Force Bill.

The inquiry, says the Norfolk Landmark, is made now by many who have forgotten the details of the outrageous measure devised by John I. Davenport for the Federal control of elections in the South.

"What does the Force bill provide for, and what are its terms and its language?"

"This is an interesting question, and it is one which every citizen of the United States, and especially every Democrat, should be able to answer for himself and for his inquirers. The bill itself, which was passed by the House of Representatives of the Fifty-first Congress in its first session, was House bill No. 11,045, and was introduced July 7th, 1890, by the Hon. H. C. Lodge, of Massachusetts.

Its title, "An Act to Amend and Supplement the Election Laws of the United States, and to Provide for the More Efficient Enforcement of Such Laws, and for Other Purposes." It was for this purpose, chiefly, how, that this measure was introduced, as everybody now knows, and those other purposes were such as had been conceived by the Republican party managers for throttling the Southern States in Federal elections, to the end that only Republican representatives, or a great majority of Republican representatives might be returned to Congress, and to secure a perpetual Republican administration at Washington.

The bill is a long one; there are seventy-six pages of it, printed in the ordinary type and printed and employed in Congress in preparing measures which are introduced by members of that body.

Here is a synopsis or summary of the measure made by Judge Crisp, the Speaker of the House of Representatives, in a letter written by him to his constituents in Georgia but a short time ago. Let every citizen of Virginia read it, and then resolve to cast a vote against the party which would inflict such a law upon a liberty-loving people for the sake of political domination.

"It gives to the judges of the United States Circuit Court the power of appointing election officers in the States. It gives to the power to designate an unlimited number of deputy marshals, who may be employed a number of days prior to an election, to the extent of a thousand or more might be appointed in each Congressional district in Georgia.

"It authorizes the use of the armies of the United States to preserve the peace at the polls.

"It gives to the judges of the United States Circuit Court the power of appointing a canvassing or returning board for each State, who shall certify which people have elected to Congress.

"It requires the Clerk of the House of Representatives to place on the roll of members-elect the names of the persons holding such certificates, so that they may participate as members in the organization of the House.

"It authorizes officers of the United States to supervise and control the canvassing of the vote.

"It authorizes such officers to make a house to house canvass, to ascertain the legality of any registration, and to provide for the payment of all of these officers out of the Federal Treasury, and authorizes the employment of as many more as such as eight days before an election.

"And finally it makes permanent appropriations of your money for the execution of the law.

"This enumeration of the provisions of the bill, meagre though it is, must make it plain to all men that if it were enacted it would result in the loss of all voice in the selection of control of the officers who manage and certify the result of their election."

This is briefly what is proposed by the Lodge bill, and the Republican party is irrevocably committed to the work of this manning the political hands of Southern white men. That party must be defeated.

A True History of the War.

To those who know how unjust the histories of the war, written by Northern men, are to the South, will be gratified to learn that the Southern Confederates have set a plan on foot for the preparation of a history which will do impartial justice to the South.

To this end it is announced that General John B. Gordon, general commanding Confederate Veterans, has appointed the following committee, in accordance with the unanimous vote of the convention of delegates assembled at New Orleans on April 9th, 1892, as a historical committee and on Southern school history "to formulate a plan to secure a true and reliable history of the late civil war, and to select a proper and faithful history of the United States to recommend for use in the public and private schools of the South: Lieutenant-General E. Kirby Smith, chairman, Sewanee, Tenn.; Professor J. W. Stubbs, Woods Cross Roads, Gloucester county, Va.; Professor Alonzo Hill, Tusculoo, Ala.; Lieutenant-General S. D. Lee, Starkeville, Miss.; Major-General Elison Capers, Columbia, S. C.; Colonel H. T. Bentley, Abilene, Tex.; Professor J. W. Nicholson, Baton Rouge, La.

Ex-Congressman T. H. Bayley Brown died on Saturday night at 9.45 o'clock, at Hollywood Farm, the residence of his brother, Capt. Orvis A. Brown, near Cape Charles. Mr. Brown has been suffering from months from cancer of the face, and physicians could give him no relief.

Henry W. Wood, of Richmond, who was badly burned four weeks ago by coming in contact with a street electric wire, died from his injuries Tuesday of last week.

The Democrats of our State have nominated their candidates for Congress in seven of the ten districts, namely: the First, Fifth, Sixth, Seventh, Eighth, Ninth and Tenth. The Second, Third and Fourth will hold their conventions next week.

Deafness Can't be Cured.

By local applications, as they can't reach the diseased portion of the ear. There is only one way to cure Deafness, and that is by constitutional remedies. Deafness is caused by an inflamed condition of the mucous lining of the Eustachian Tube. When this tube gets inflamed, the hearing cannot be taken out and this tube restored to its normal condition, hearing will be destroyed forever; nine cases out of ten are caused by catarrh, which is nothing but an inflamed condition of the mucous surfaces.

We will give you Hundred Dollars for any case of Deafness (caused by Catarrh) that we can not cure, except by taking Hall's Catarrh Cure. Send for circulars, free.

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Gen. Stevenson and the Force Bill.

In his great speech at Bloomington, Ill., last Saturday, Gen. Stevenson, Democratic candidate for Vice-President, after discussing the financial condition of the government and the tariff, concluded by referring to the Force bill as follows:

"Another issue of great moment in the pending contest is the force bill. The magnitude of this issue cannot be overstated. It may mean the control of the election of Representatives in Congress by the bayonet.

The Republican party, by its acts in the Fifty-first Congress, and by its late national convention, stands pledged to the passage of the force bill. That it will pass this bill when it is brought before the Congress. To all the people—who desire the peace and prosperity of our common country—this question is important. It is one of transcendent importance. Shall they still have peace and the protection of the law; or shall they be subjected to the bayonet and the sword of the South? The menaced find their counterpart only in those of the darkest hours of the reconstruction period!"

Mixed Races and a Dictatorship.

Fred Douglas wants the races mixed and wants also a dictatorship, and says he is working with the Republican party because it is the best instrument to secure these ends. From a recent letter of his published in the N. Y. Herald, we copy the following:

"I believe that this is to be ultimately a composite nation. There is not a certain to come. I am inclined to think that there will eventually come in this country a dictatorship. There is a growing demand for a strong government that will be able to protect all of its citizens—rich and poor, white and black alike.

"I am working with the Republican party because I believe that it is the best instrument to secure this condition of justice to all. In fact, there is nothing better for us."

Southside Alliance Pledged to Cleveland.

At a regular meeting of the Southside Farmers' Alliance at Scottsville, Saturday week, the following resolutions were presented and adopted:

"Resolved, That we pledge ourselves to vote for Cleveland and Stevenson, the nominees of the Democratic party at Chicago, resolved, 3d, That we pledge ourselves to support the State Alliance officers, in their recent meeting in Richmond, to give aid and comfort to the Third party move, as we consider the only result of their party can be to draw votes from the Democratic party, thereby helping the Republicans to saddle the Force bill on the South."

Expect us to Work for Them.

The Baltimore American, a Republican paper, says in a late issue, speaking of the situation in Virginia:

"The Republicans are standing together watching the disensions, and making ready to take advantage of the results of the quarrel. If they can win the fight by having their opponents do it for them, it is clearly a saving of powder."

That's it exactly. Gen. Field has asserted most positively that Virginia's vote will go to Harrison. He calculates that the Third party vote will do that by taking away from the Democratic vote. This is what the American means by its assertion that if the Republicans can win the fight by having their opponents do it for them, it is clearly a saving of powder."

A Brave Hero.

"You may be on the right side, God knows, but you are a brave man, and we will fight you whenever you press us. You may crush this force like an egg shell, if you can, and you will, but you will be a brave man."

These were the brave words of Keller Anderson, in command of the men guarding that convict stockade in the State penitentiary at Farmville, when he answered to the demand for surrender made by that desperate band of miners who threatened to annihilate everything that stood before them. To a late, desperate, when resistance seemed hopeless, his reply was "Never."

Fielding who had been seized by the madmen force and a gun was leveled at his head with the threat of death unless he ordered the surrender of the stockade. He was a brave man, and he answered to the demand for surrender made by that desperate band of miners who threatened to annihilate everything that stood before them. To a late, desperate, when resistance seemed hopeless, his reply was "Never."

Confederate Reunion.

There was a largely-attended reunion of Confederate veterans at Fisher's Hill, Shenandoah county, Saturday last. The morning was spent in dancing, swimming and boating, and old stories were told and old songs were sung. Then an abundant dinner was followed by addresses which were delivered by Major Robert W. Hunter and Capt. John J. Williams, of Winchester.

Helping the Republicans.

The Lynchburg Virginian says:—"The Third-party people in Virginia are helping the Republicans—knowing that the only way to get rid of Harrison is to try the State it won't be their fault.

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Presidential Futilities.

It will be interesting to know that Cleveland's plurality over Blaine in 1884 was 62,883, and over Harrison in 1888 was 1,000,000 more than Blaine's plurality over Tilden in 1880 was only 7,018, while Tilden piled up a plurality over Hayes in 1876 of 236,853, and yet the Republicans committed the monumental theft of the century by stealing the Presidency from him. If they get the Force Bill they will do it all the time.—Lynchburg Virginian.

Certainly they will, for that is the ruling without it, they would not want it against the Democratic party. Their spokesmen handle the Republicans very gently, while abusing the Democrats roundly and charging them with the responsibility for the present Republicanism and with the faults and shortcomings of the present Republican administration, three years of which have been a trial to the country. In the corresponding three years of Mr. Cleveland's administration. And in the adjoining State of North Carolina they have gone so far as to have a Republicanism as to nominate a negro Republican for the legislature. They have not reached that point in Virginia yet, but they are not far from it. The utterances of the speakers and the evident understanding that exists between the Republican spokesmen and the Republican managers, that there is a little or nothing to be gained by a complete coalition. That will doubtless come later on."

There is a Third party campaign paper called the Virginia Star, really run by the interest and combined with the money of the Republican party, which is circulating free among the farmers of the State, and is addressed to both parties, but even a casual glance at it shows that it is intended to injure the Democratic cause. It is designed to poison the minds of the Alliance people and silver Democrats. It seeks in every sinister and sly way to make Democrats dissatisfied, and to lead them to believe that the Union cause is in danger, and that the Union cause is in danger, and that the Union cause is in danger.

It is more than gratifying to be able to lay before our readers the following pointed letter from Mr. Robertson. He was lately President of Fauquier Alliance and speaks from personal knowledge. We believe his frank utterances will be productive of good.

BROAD RUN STA., August 15th, 1892.

To The True Index—Dear Sir:

It seems due to a large majority of the farmers of our County and State to join the Farmers' Alliance, and that something should be said to defend them from any—the least—taint of Third Partyism. Having at one time been a member of the Alliance myself, I know the professions made to farmers and the inducements held out to them by the Farmers' Alliance. Before taking upon themselves the obligations of the order they were solemnly assured that there was nothing in it but a "good thing," and that it would in any wise conflict with their "Political Views." Without this positive assurance there would have been very few farmers in this good old Democratic county of Fauquier who could have been induced to unite with the Alliance.

It is only just and right here to say that this profession and promise was not kept by those originators of the order who were holding over in the foreground, but by the "true" Farmers' Alliance. The strongest evidence of the fact that faith was not kept and that farmers were deceived is to be found in the further fact that the "Farmers' Alliance" if it lives at all in the State of Virginia to-day does so only in name. The True Party has destroyed it.

The Farmers' Alliance in its origin under its former constitution, by-laws, professions and pledge, was an institution well calculated to accomplish much good and working out many beneficial reforms; but alas! for it, it is no more, because that conservative element who were the backbone portion of the order has been forced to withdraw from it. The Alliance should not be held responsible for appointments made and published in its name that are in absolute opposition to its principles and chartered rights. The Alliance of the present are as widely distinct as the Democratic and Republican parties. Had the Alliance ever claimed to be a political body or failed to repudiate such a charge when brought against it, the conservative element who were the backbone portion of the order has been forced to withdraw from it. The Alliance should not be held responsible for appointments made and published in its name that are in absolute opposition to its principles and chartered rights. 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