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MEDICINAL.

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A SOUTHERNER'S SCHOOL HISTORY.

In reply to an adverse criticism of his "School History of the United States" by Dr. Wayland, of Philadelphia, in the N. Y. Independent, Dr. J. William Jones, of Virginia, writes the following letter to the same newspaper:

1. As to whether the formation of the present Union was a secession from the old Confederation, it seems a sufficient reply to Dr. Wayland's quotation from the act of Congress approving of a convention "for the preservation of the Union," to remind him that the convention of 1787 was not called by Congress, but by the States, was composed of delegates elected by the States, and would not have held whether Congress approved or not—that the new constitution was submitted for approval, not to Congress but to the States, and was binding on only such States as should ratify it—and that as each State ratified the constitution it was a virtual secession from the old Confederation whose constitution had been styled by its framers, "Articles of Confederation and Perpetual Union Between the States."

2. Dr. Wayland challenges the correctness of my statement that "in 1844, and again on the 22d of February, 1845, the Legislature of Massachusetts passed resolutions avowing the right of secession, and threatening to secede if Texas was admitted into the Union," and triumphantly quotes certain anti-slavery resolutions passed by the Massachusetts Legislature in 1845, and which, while they certainly squint toward secession, do not fully establish my point.

Now, I had no reference whatever to these resolutions; but if Dr. Wayland's friend, Colonel Olin, the secretary of Massachusetts (who ought to be better posted on the records of his State), will turn to "Acts and resolutions passed by the Legislature of Massachusetts in 1844," page 319, he will find the following:

1. Resolved, That the power to unite an independent foreign State with the United States is not among the powers delegated to the General Government by the Constitution of the United States.

"2. Resolved, * * * That the project of the annexation of Texas, unless arrested on the threshold, may drive these States into a dissolution of the Union."

Then follow two other resolutions providing for the transmission of this action to the governors of the other States, the Senators and Representatives of Massachusetts in Congress, and the President of the United States.

On the 22d of February, 1845, (see pages 593 599, same volume) the Legislature of Massachusetts celebrated the birthday of the father of his country by passing the following, which was also transmitted to the same parties:

"Resolved, * * * and as the powers never delegated the power to admit into the Union States or Territories without or beyond the original territory of the States and Territories belonging to the Union at the adoption of the Constitution of the United States.

"Resolved, * 1 * and as the powers of legislation granted in the constitution of the United States to Congress do not embrace the case of the admission of a foreign State, or foreign territory, by legislation into the Union, such an act of admission would have no binding force whatever on the people of Massachusetts."

If these resolutions do not avow the right of secession, or of nullification, and threaten that Massachusetts would exercise that right in case of the annexation of Texas, I confess that I am unable to interpret their meaning.

I will not ask space here to pursue the subject further, but hold myself prepared to maintain that from 1790 to 1860 Massachusetts has an almost unbroken record in favor of secession and nullification.

3. Dr. Wayland quotes the conclusion of a sentence in my book (page 358), in which I say:

"* * * The official reports of the federal Secretary of War, E. M. Stanton, and the federal Surgeon General, Barnes, show that nearly 4 per cent. more Confederates died in northern prisons than of Federals in southern prisons."

My distinguished critic parades against me a letter from the present surgeon general, in which he says that he "is not aware of" any such reports, and refers to the "medical and surgical history of the war," published in 1888, and gives "the death-rate among the Confedrate prisoners in northern prisons," and that "among the Union prisoners at Andersonville."

Now, I instituted no comparison between the mortality at Andersonville and that in all of the northern prisons—indeed, I went into no details—but simply stated the deduction from official figures given by Secretary Stanton and Surgeon-General Barnes.

These figures were first collated by the National Intelligencer, Washington, and have within the past thirty years been frequently published, and never successfully controverted. I regret that Surgeon General George Sternburg is ignorant of their existence, and has misled Dr. Wayland into denying their authority.

In his report for July 19, 1866, Secretary Stanton states that of the Federal prisoners in Confederate hands, only 22,576 died, while of the Confederate prisoners in Federal hands 26,436 died. In a subsequent report Surgeon General Barnes states that, in round numbers, the Federalds held in prison 220,000 Confederates, and the Confederates held 270,000 Federals.

Now, comparing the figures of these two reports, it is perfectly clear that more than 12 per cent. of Confederates in Federal prisons died, while less than 9 per cent. of Federals died in Confederate prisons; and I was entirely accurate, therefore, in the statement made in my book.

If the accuracy of these figures could be subcessfully impeached, that would not impeach my statement as to what they show.

But they have stood the severest tests and cannot be successfully impeached. In the great debate in the House of Representatives in January, 1876, between the Hon. James G. Blaine, of Maine, and the Hon. B. H. Hill, of Georgia, Mr. Hill quoted these figures, asked Mr. Blaine to verify them, and used them with tremendous force and triumphant effect.

In his reply to Mr. Hill, with ample time for preparation, all of the authorities at hand, and all of the officials of the departments at his call, Mr. Blaine did not dare to deny the accuracy of these official figures, but admitted them and adroitly attempted to break their force by insisting that "during the latter part of the war rebel prisoners came into our hands very much exhausted, ill-clad, ill-fed, diseased, so that they died in our prisons of disease that they brought with them."

This admission, of course, tore up by the roots his whole argument; for if the Confederates could provide no better for their own soldiers, they could not be expected to do better for their prisoners; and it is also a very serious reflection on Gen. Grant and his great armies of superbly equipped soldiers that vastly inferior numbers of these emaciated skeletons could withstand so long his mighty combinations.

I respectfully submit that I have fully met the points raised, and that, instead of the author of "Jones's School History of the United States," it is my able and distinguished critic, Dr. H. L. Wayland, who "should make an effort, with a mind discharged of bias, once more to consider the facts upon which he proposes to comment."

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