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THURSDAY, SEP. 15 1910.

Democratic Ticket. For Congress. Hon. JOHN LAMB, of Richmond

The First Great Revolt.

"Can any good thing come out of Nazareth?" That question has rung down the ages, and the answer has been given ten thousand, thousand times from the hearts of men. Out of the slime and the filth of filthy ward politics, the manhood of the Democrats of the grand old Second District has been aroused, and from this new Nazareth has come the thunderous voice of outraged men.

It was meet and proper that this rebuke to the Chief should come from the very locality in which he sang so sweetly of the glories of ring rule and political despotism. "I am glad you have a ring here in Norfolk, and that I have its support." Ah, the Chief was not reckoning then face to face with the masses, he was but tuning his lyre to men of his kind, "who knew themselves to sing and build the lofty rhyme" when the people were not around.

Those Democrats, who hold no public office, but who do love their state and their party, have stood firm against this silent, hidden hand that has overwhelmed them while the beneficiaries of the "System", or the ring, or the machine, as you may choose to designate it, have said, "Fie, fie, there is no ring, what seems so is organization." And a fine organization it is, one that seeks not to defeat the other party, but to put into place and position men who will stand for whoever the "man up higher" stands, and for whatever the Chief wants done.

For eight years this "organization," born eighteen years ago when the sage of Albemarle stepped out of the underbrush long enough to thwart the will of the people and elect himself to office, the story of which is fresh in the minds of Virginia Democrats from whose eyes the veil of mystery has never been lifted, has been in flower. It may never come to fruition for the first frost has fallen. The organization is not large, being confined to a chosen few that it may be more easily handled. It has created what is dangerous and ruinous to any state, an office-holding class.

Revolution never goes backward. This revolt of the honest men of Norfolk will find an echo in the heart of every true Virginian and of every loyal Democrat. It is the beginning of the end of political serf-

dom, and the lifting up of the best that is in the Democracy of this state. It means more to the party at home than the great Democratic victory just recorded in Maine, because it means that merit and not the endorsement of the organization will be the thing required of candidates for office in the years that are to come.

We regret exceedingly that Virginia's senior senator was hissed and jeered at in one of the chief cities of his state. But we regret more that he has been so long and apparently so justly held under suspicion of being the head of a gang of political bosses that such a method of disapproval ever entered the minds of a large body of his constituents. Senator Martin is only an incident. Democracy is a living spirit. The one will pass away like chaff while the other will live wherever men are free.

The ring has been drunk with power, but the events that have taken place and the things likely to develop will sober it, and Democracy will cease waging war upon its kind to turn its face to the foes of good government in Virginia. Democracy is indeed a living spirit that still goes marching on.

Suppose the knitting mill has closed. Why should we mope and cry hard lines when there are thousands of acres of fine soil all around us that can be made productive? We have said it a hundred times, and reiterate it now: The hope and salvation of Williamsburg lies in these thousands of acres of undeveloped soil. If we will turn our attention to encouraging farmers and farming, if the business men will lend a hand in helping the farmers upon their feet, we, as a town, can snap our fingers in the face of failing enterprises and still be prosperous. We fall over ourselves to secure an artificial industry of doubtful stability, with never a dollar to develop the veritable gold mine in our very doors. The Peninsula is purely agricultural and the hope of Williamsburg lies in the development of the wealth now going to waste or unused. Let us help to develop the farms, the other things we need will come in due sequence. With a fine farming section our future is secure, without it we have no future that is not dark and forbidding.

The State Democratic Committee has ordered a thorough investigation of the recent Second District primary, and a sub-committee is to report its findings at a meeting of the full committee on Oct. 4th.

Doubtless those Williamsburg Democrats, said to be allied with the machine, are silently digesting the news from Norfolk. And it "shore ain't no breakias' food."

Did Tart's visit to Maine last summer have anything to do with the Republican frost Monday?

Will somebody please cable the news to Montague?

With Senator Martin it seems to be a case of too much father-in-law.

Vawter for Congress.

The Republican convention in Richmond this week nominated Mr. R. W. Vawter, of Hanover, to oppose Capt. Lamb for Congress. The meeting was attended by Postmaster Peachy, Deputy Collector J. S. Charles and J. C. Darlington, of this city. Mr. Darlington was elected a member of the state committee.

There seems to be very little enthusiasm thus far over the nominee, and Capt. Lamb's friends are not uneasy.

A social was given Monday night by the ladies of the Lutheran church at Mr. Scheie's home, the Elm Lane farm. Rev. Ed. Breckhus, the pastor, read the scriptures and led in prayer. Vocal music was given by Bethany Lutheran church choir, Norge, and violin solo by Miss Eleanor Breckhus, with organ accompaniment by Mrs. Ed. Breckhus. Recitation was given by Miss Inger Scheie on church criticism, and it made a hit.

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Deputy Did Take a Hand.

In this paper last week it was reported that a deputy-sheriff and a constable walked away from a fight at the depot on the night of Labor Day. It was printed in this paper just as it was reported to us. The deputy-sheriff denies that he walked away from the fight and says he separated the combatants and thought all trouble had passed before he left. We have not gone into the matter at all, because it is no business of this paper. It was our business to publish the seeming neglect of duty. The officer says he did his duty as he saw it, and that he is not in the habit of doing otherwise. The Gazette has made no charge, but reported an account of the affair just as it was given us, as much as a matter of duty as news.

Roxbury.

Roxbury, Va., September 10—The picnic and Children's Day exercises held at Emmau's church Thursday was a successful and enjoyable affair. Mrs. W. A. Parkinson deserves great credit for the work she did in training the children for the occasion. The programme consisted of recitations, dialogues, songs, etc. An elegant dinner was served, which consisted of everything to tempt the appetite. The following was the programme:

Morning session—Welcome songs by the school; prayer by the pastor, Rev. George Harris; welcome address by Mr. W. P. Tunstall, Sr.; recitation by four boys, the "Sunday School Scholar"; recitation by three girls, "A Smile"; song, "There is Sunshine in my Soul"; recitations by two little girls, "Violets"; recitation by Robt. Thompson; recitation by Milly Atchison, "Bible Stories"; song by three little girls, "The Words they Say"; recitation by three girls, "This is Children's Day, beautiful Children's Day"; recitation by three girls, "Wave Little Leaves"; recitation by James Ashton; recitation by three boys, "The Hand for Me"; recitation and song by girls, "The Sunbeam Band"; speech by the pastor; recess.

Afternoon session—Speech by W. P. Tunstall, Sr., "The Sunday School and its Good Effects", was one of the best ever delivered by this gifted orator and was enjoyed by every one.

The declamation by Miss Dunn was the feature of the occasion.

The address by the Division Superintendent of Schools, Mr. W. B. Quence filled with inspiration for the young. This closed the happy event and all returned to their homes delighted with the pleasures of the day.

Lightfoot News.

Lightfoot, Va., Sept. 14.—A party of young people from this place went to Ocean View Sunday, consisting of Misses Clara and Amanda Olsen, Valborg and Clara Christopherson and Messrs. Alfred Benson, Sterner Haugrude, Albert Olsen and Richard Harris the popular express man on train No. 19 came up from Hampton and joined the party here.

Mr. and Mrs. T. A. Marston went back to Newport News Sunday after a visit to his brother E. Marston of this place.

The public school No. 7 near here opened last Monday. Teacher Miss Ruth Hansford.

Messrs. William and Harry Elton of Toano, were visiting their parents here last week.

Mr. Benson and Mr. A. J. Leverson, of this place, spent Friday night in Williamsburg. A good time is reported.

Mr. Warburton, of Hotwater, was in town Saturday.

Mr. L. T. Hankins returned last Friday after a three days visit to his brother in Charlottesville.

Mr. Edward Edwards was visiting at Olsens last Sunday.

Miss Mary Schenck, of Oaktree has been visiting Miss Alice Brand here this week.

Miss Clara Levenson was visiting Miss Mable Christopherson Sunday.

Mr. Frank James returned to Newport News Saturday after being the guest of L. T. Hankins the past week.

Mr. T. E. Fenne was in Richmond on business Tuesday.

Mr. Joe Connoughton and Mr. Lyle Walton came home Friday from Westover wharf, on James river, where they have been working some time. Mr. Connoughton

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returned Sunday night, while Mr. Walton will remain at home.

Mrs. B. Gulden is recovering after an illness of about ten weeks.

Mr. Lotman, of Norge, called on Mr. M. O. Elton on business last Friday.

Mr. N. Gulden, on Greenspring farm near James river, was here on business last Friday.

Mr. R. L. Winbrow has shipped twenty-four carloads of mine props from here since August the first.

Mr. and Mrs. Edenloff, of Norge, were here on business Tuesday.

Misses Valborg and Mable Christopherson and Mr. A. Benson called on Misses Clara and Amanda Olsen Tuesday night.

Friday night next Mrs. Henley M Sweeney, Jr., will give a lawn party at her home on the hospital farm for the benefit of the Methodist Sunday School building. A wagon will make half hourly trips from the postoffice to the farm for a fare of 5c. round trip. The public is cordially invited.

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Dated: Newport News, Virginia, Sept 7, 1910.

JOHN B. LOCKE, Referee in Bankruptcy. WILLIAMS & MULLEN, Counsel for Bankrupt.

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