

The Messenger.

WHITE RADICALS AND A CLEAR NOTE OF REVOLT.

The Messenger has referred before to the willingness of the negro voters to be used as cat's paw to pull the chess-men out of the fire for the white radical monks. For thirty odd years the submission has been complete. President Booker Washington, the able colored president of an Alabama college for his race, thinks he sees signs of a breaking away from the servility of his race from the old radical white gang that have used them through the decades for their own mean, selfish ends. We doubt the signs. The negroes in North Carolina have been extreme in their submission to the white bosses, and have hurried for the demagogues in every campaign, and never so much as when the bosses abused and vilified the white men who gave employment to the negro men and women. That they will show more independence in the future, more of manliness and character, and strive to magnify their privileges as freemen is to be seen. We would be glad to see them appreciating opportunities and the self-sacrificing benevolences of the democrats in their behalf, taxing themselves for thirty years, and in their poverty, to give educational advantages to the negro children. It would indeed be an auspicious event in the history of the negro race in the south if they should cease to follow the blind leadership of demagogues who are seeking office, and assert their manhood and independence by striving to develop their civic rights and to show their appreciation of privilege and responsibility by proving themselves worthy of the right of suffrage and civic duties. Let the negroes continue to be educated and improved if possible until they show by their works that they are worthy of American citizenship. No man of any color who is practically owned by a party boss is fit to exercise the right of the ballot. The educational test for all new voters must be introduced as soon as possible in every southern state. If the whites will not avail themselves of educational privileges and give their sons schooling, let the delinquents and ignoramuses be not clothed with the high duties and powers of electors. President Washington, possibly the foremost man of his race in the south, says that the "indications are favorable for an early breaking up on political lines. I do not believe that politics in the south will be divided on race lines much longer." We wish we could see good signs pointing this way. We would like to see the more intelligent colored voters manifesting something of the spirit and manliness of freemen clothed with the high power and responsibility of the franchise.

There is some sign here and there in North Carolina that the intelligent blacks are thinking of their servility to the white flourishers and the horn tooters of the white annex or contingent. There is nothing truer as to politics in North Carolina than the statement, that if there had been no franchise for the negroes there would have been no republican party in the state. The whites who "lined the radikils" in the north—the enemies of the south—would have stood by the southern whites in the dark days of pain and doubt, of robbery and oppression, and there would have been all through the years but one united, strong, invincible democratic party in all southland. But the "nigger was in the wood pile," and the hungry, avaricious, time-serving, unpatriotic white element saw their opportunity, that there was to be a wide distribution of official pap and a long pie counter to be filled by subservient fellows who loved grub better than character, and money better than race or state or party, and like a pack of pursuing dogs they opened the trail and went yelping pell-mell after spoils of the party that had ravaged and despoiled the south by a war built upon jealousy, hatred and havoc. This started the "radikil party" in this state and in the south.

We have never known but one man in thirty-two years who was a gentleman or real, decided character who ever united with the deserting, plundering whites who did not seek office and keep on seeking.

The negro voters have constituted the sole power that made it possible for these Dugald Dalgettys and moss-riders to get office without them, we repeat, there would have been no sign of a republican party in North Carolina. The negroes rallied to the black flag and were led captive at the will of the unworthy, predatory white deserters and enemies of the white people and of the south, for such they have proved themselves to be for three decades of sin and ruin.

That the negroes shall keep on as they have begun, and continue to vote as Russell and the other white deserters from their race command, is to be revealed hereafter. There is a sign, we repeat, here and there of a disposition to revolt from the selfish bossism, for it is nothing more, and an independent raises his voice now and then that he is sick at heart and weary of the long continued, disgraceful slavery.

In the Maxton Blade, a weekly edited by a colored man, Robert B. Russell, there is a communication that is headed "Red Hot." It is by an educated man of the black race, S. M. Hill, of Faison. He gives the bosses a fore-taste of what independent thinking by

self-respecting thinkers among the colored folks may bring about. We will make some quotations taken here and there, as it is too timely and pleasant to be overlooked. The writer says: "We vote our power away to the white republicans in conventions. I want to know why it is that we vote for them in conventions. We have the power; let us start now to use it. Now is the time for us to get together. Hereafter vote for negroes in your primaries to go to your county conventions, vote for negroes to go to your state and congressional conventions. Pledge the negroes to the state convention to vote for none but colored men for state officers. Pledge your delegates to the congressional convention to vote for none but a colored man for congress. The white republicans have fooled us I think about long enough. They are with you till after election and then it will not do to recommend a negro for this and that. A leading white republican wrote me, 'I cannot negroize eastern North Carolina; it would carry the state in 1898 democratic by 40,000. If our presence in office is detrimental to the republican party, then the sooner we get out the better. I shall not advocate getting out. I am for taking possession of it and reorganizing the old thing.'"

Now, that will be, perhaps, deemed untimely and saucy by some of the pale-faced test-suckers. It has a bold, self-contained ring about it. We would like to watch the faces of some of the entrenched bosses and whip-servers as they read that Hill declaration of independence. He is by the way, no bowing down admirer of the great governor-Judge in his roll of tsar. He says: "I can pick out more than a score of negroes that would make as good a governor as Russell. Unless there is a great and sudden change I vote for none but colored men for congress. We have been forced to it, and now in the majesty of our power vested in us by the American constitution let us show the white bosses something next year. Every colored man in the state is with me, and I know it by intuition. If we undertake to leave our own we are fools; that would suit the office seeking gang. The riot act is read, pass it down the line. No white man is to be present at any convention or nominated for congress or any other office where we have the right kind of men."

There is a bugle sound in that which may awake the echoes. It would be interesting to know how many intelligent negroes have the boldness of Hill and will join in this declaration of war.

There is nothing to prevent anyone concocting a mixture and calling it "sarsaparilla," and there it nothing to prevent anyone spending good money testing the stuff; but prudent people, who wish to be sure of their remedy, take only Ayer's Sarsaparilla, and so get cured.

SHARPS AND FLATS.

The Charleston News and Courier has been discussing the health condition and statistics of its city. It is a good, needed thing to turn on the light. Shutting the eyes to wrong doing is as unwise as shutting the nose to stinks, as if either would cure or remove the evils. The subject agitating Charleston is the typhoid statistics. According to an authority there is one death in the 1,000 inhabitants from this disease. There were 44 deaths in 1896, from that disease, and this, it is said, has been about the average for the last twenty years. The News and Courier says: "This rate, as has been shown, is far in excess of that of other cities and represents an enormous amount of needless suffering and wasted money in ten years."

The Georgians, as is their right; are still standing for the claim of the late Dr. Crawford W. Long, a native of that state, who was beyond fair question the discoverer of introducing sulphuric ether as an anaesthetic. More than once The Messenger has noticed the well grounded claim of Georgian physician. The discovery is claimed by Dr. Charles T. Jackson, of Massachusetts, Dr. T. G. Morton and Dr. Horace Wells, both of Connecticut and both surgeons. This is not the first time that southern inventors and discoverers have been perjured by northern men and the credit of original discovery given to them. The five-shooting pistol, the beginning of the signal system, perhaps others are in evidence on this line. Dr. Long deserves the medal for he led all others by some two years. The Atlanta Journal, relying upon Dr. Jacobs, says:

"There cannot be any doubt that Dr. Long on the 30th of March, 1842, at Jefferson, Ga., extirpated a tumor from a patient whom he had placed under the influence of sulphuric ether. Dr. Wells never claimed to have used sulphuric ether as an anaesthetic before December 11, 1844. It was not until September 30, 1846, that Dr. Jackson suggested the use of anaesthesia, and on that day Dr. Morton gave ether to a patient and extracted one of his teeth. These dates are correct, and Dr. Jacobs showed them to be so by incontestible proofs."

A most horrible account of hazing at the university of California is telegraphed. It is exhibition of extreme cruelty without parallel. Are the students young Indians and cowboys. Benjamin Kurtz, a freshman, had his jaw broken, his face a bleeding mass, is disfigured for life by being stamped in the face. An account says:

"An examination showed that a piece of flesh had been torn from one nostril. The upper lip hung only by a shred and the ragged nature of the scar made the injury all the more serious. The front teeth were gone. Four teeth had been knocked out of the lower jawbone, in which they had been embedded, and part of the bone was broken out with them."

NORTH CAROLINA.

The Southern railway has given notice of an advance in freight rates on cotton exports along the Western North Carolina railroad. The advance is about an average of 5 cents per bale.

The Aurora says the citizens of Shelby were not a little surprised Tuesday morning when it was announced that the doors of the Fulewider Company were closed and the business in the hands of a receiver.

Columbus News: The many friends of Judge Melve were pleased to see him so much improved since his paralytic troubles of some months ago. He conducts the business of the court with his usual dispatch and painstaking fairness.

Extract from Charlotte letter in Newton Observer: Some of our ladies and gentlemen have just returned from different summer resorts, and some have been to the well known El Springs at the city hall, but are not recuperated physically or financially.

Elizabeth City News: While on his way to this city from Currituck on the sloop Pearl with fish a young man named Wadsworth died of cholera on Tuesday night and was drowned. The body has not yet been found. He was about 17 years old.

Wadesboro Messenger says that farmers from all sections of Anson county, except Ansonville, Burnsville and Lanesboro townships, report the cotton crop off at least 25 per cent. since the first day of August. In the townships named the deterioration is not so great as elsewhere.

Morganton Herald: On last Monday, while Mrs. Dr. Ross and her sister-in-law, Mrs. J. H. Ross, of Charlotte, and the latter's little daughter were out driving their horse, the latter fell and ran away near Mr. C. F. McKesson's. All three were thrown from the buggy and the little girl's arm was broken. The two ladies were slightly injured.

Wadesboro Chronicle: Proceedings have been begun against Judge L. L. Greene, for damages. The case arises out of an application for a writ of habeas corpus, in the case of the state of North Carolina down on Hunting Creek. Harris was placed in jail. His attorney applied to Judge Greene for a writ of habeas corpus. He refused to grant. Application was made to Associate Justice Furches who granted the writ. The case will be tried before next spring. The case will excite considerable interest.

Charlotte News: Mr. Harold Tyler returned this morning from Asheville, where he has been all this week as a witness in the case of Lylerly against the Tilton Telegraph Company, in which Lylerly sued for \$2,000 damages on account of the non-delivery of a telegram announcing that a member of his family was dying. The jury gave the plaintiff \$600 damages, but the judge said the amount awarded was too large, and set aside the verdict.

Greenville: Ben Williams and Stanley Hardee, both colored, had a big fus Thursday night. It seems that Ben rented an upper room in Stanley's house, and he and his wife occupied it. The room was allotted just to the one occupied by Stanley and his wife on the lower floor. When Ben went home Thursday night he was informed by Stanley that he must move to another room, and replied that he was too tired to move then and would have to wait. Stanley took a notion to follow Ben up to his room and make a search for any thing which he took a big stick and helped Stanley back down stairs with it. In the rummuss Stanley was badly beaten about the head and cut the hair off his head. Ben says he fell on his own knife in tumbling down stairs.

Fayetteville Observer: Mr. Andrew Broadfoot has been conducting some experiments with foreign fruits and nuts in his farm. "Ochil" fruit, which has produced results that are likely to prove of much value. He has not only demonstrated that the raising of pecans can be made profitable, but he has also a tree about twenty-five feet high of the Japanese chestnut which is now bearing nuts of a delicious flavor and of large size. He also has a tree of the ordinary mountain chestnuts. These also have the advantage of a smoother and more beautiful hull than the native variety possesses. He also has trees bearing English Walnuts. And still again, he has orange trees loaded with the sour orange, which tree grows "out of doors" and produces a product which is equivalent to that of the lemon or lime.

Charlotte Observer: The many friends of Miss Claude Grier in this city and section will be interested to learn that she was married August 23rd, in Japan, to Rev. Mr. Blaine, a missionary in China. The news came in a letter from one of the missionaries at Miss Grier's station. Miss Grier went out on a missionary tour from the Second Presbyterian church, of this city, and was stationed in Japan.

Mrs. Stonewall Jackson's many friends will rejoice to know that she is better, and will return home in the course of several weeks. She had expected her stay to be indefinite.—A confederate general, a member of congress, a brother of our great senator, an old and poor man, a partial paralytic, yet able to discharge his duties, it would have been a graceful thing to have retained her in the United States. General Vance in his small office, paying only \$1,000 a year, and while his retention would have been graceful, his dismissal is decent. We say this only because the case is an exceptional one.

At 4 p. m., Friday, the waste house of the Dover Yarn mill, at Pineville, was found to be on fire. The fire had made considerable headway, but was checked by the excellent work of Mr. Boyd, the superintendent and his help, was under control in ten minutes. There was about \$50,000 worth of goods in the house and the loss will be about \$50,000.

HOW FAVORS FLOURISH AND OP PRESSION REPRESSES

Our recollection is that not long ago, and to our own astonishment we read in a leading northern gold paper a tabular statement showing that manufactures now lead in the United States. We think we published some of the figures. We are really surprised to see it given out that agriculture constituted so little comparatively of the exports and productions of the country. If it is true that manufactures of the United States are greater in dollars and cents than all the combined productions of agriculture, it is not true that the exports of manufactures are greater. Official records of the United States government lately sent out show this:

Table with 5 columns: Class, Value, Per cent, etc. Totals: \$1,032,001,300 100.00 100.00

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That's Ayer's. The same old sarsaparilla as it was made and sold by Dr. J. C. Ayer 60 years ago. In the laboratory it is different. There modern appliances lend speed to skill and experience. But the sarsaparilla is the same old sarsaparilla that made the record—60 years of cures. Why don't we better it? Well, we're much in the condition of the Bishop and the raspberry: "Doubtless," he said, "God might have made a better berry. But doubtless, also, He never did." Why don't we better the sarsaparilla? We can't. We are using the same old plant that cured the Indians and the Spaniards. It has not been bettered, and since we make sarsaparilla compound out of sarsaparilla plant, we see no way of improvement. Of course, if we were making some secret chemical compound we might.... But we're not. We're making the same old sarsaparilla to cure the same old diseases. You can tell it's the same old sarsaparilla because it works the same old cures. It's the sovereign blood purifier, and—'tis Ayer's.

PARDONING CRIMINALS.

Complaints as to high handed acts of governors are not limited to one or two states. We have shown recently how three governors in Kentucky have used their one-man power with tremendous hurt to the people of that state; how others have abused their privilege, notably in Illinois; and the way some North Carolina executives have interfered, calamitously with the findings of the courts. It seems that Georgia is crying out against the same wrong doing. The Georgia newspapers are criticizing Governor Atkinson and his abuses and scoring him for his pardons. The Dalton Argus, for instance, said quite recently:

"Every time a man is tried and convicted of murder, after the supreme court has refused to give him another trial, he runs to Governor Atkinson and gets a respite. The law allowing the governor to nullify the work of our courts ought to be changed. No wonder we have so many lynchings."

Hear that? The pardoning of criminals by governors increases the number of lynchings. It is true and it will remain true so long as the bad conduct continues. How any sane people ever allowed the one-man pardoning power to get into the organic law has been a puzzle with us for lo! these many years. We condemn the whole thing. It is preposterous, unwise, dangerous, subversive. Governor Atkinson may mean well, but he is unwise. He is criticised for respiting for two weeks a most foul murderer. Another Georgia paper The Rockdale Banner, says: "Governor Atkinson condemns lynching in very bitter terms, and then turns around and provokes it." Let the law take its course without needless delay and improper intervention on the part of governors. How long will the people of North Carolina continue passive under the pardoning of scoundrels to go out to repeat their devilish acts?

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We sell in the dry goods department, on the first floor, on your left, as you enter the front door, silks of all prices—nice black silks, Gros Grains, Taffeta, Black Satin, Colored Satin, China Silks, Drapery Silks and Silkaines. Black and Colored Satin from 25c to \$1.25 per yard.

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