

THIS MONROE MAN HAS HAD SOME EXPERIENCE POLITICALLY

He Has Observed Election Frauds in the East, West and South in His Day.

To the Editor of The Journal:— Politics make strange bedfellows. I have had them myself while stumping the country—in strange hotels!

I used to be in politics for Tammany once in New York, at so much per poll! I would have been there still if I could have invented some other way to shave. On election day when I first voted I had a fine full beard. At nine I had a nice Vandyske. At ten I had a moustache and Imperial. At eleven I had an nice Uncle Sam tuft. At noon I was clean shaved. There are surely a lot of ways to vote one ticket—at different places.

If I could have invented one more way to fix myself I believe I could have been mayor of New York. By voting for myself. Let's see: I had five ways to vote, and I only voted at twenty-seven precincts each time, which made 625 votes at five dollars each, or a total of \$3,125 per election day certain, and sometimes it ran up to \$4,000. That's what I call an honest day's work. What do you think?

I was tired of politicking in New York, as in the first place the price of votes went down, and the length of sentences for taking went up; so I came to North Carolina, where when I cheat the negroes out of their votes, and swindle the other Republicans, it is accounted to me for righteousness. You see I am getting particular in my old age.

Even in this state they can give the New Yorkers points. For instance in one place, which shall be nameless, in the mountains, I assisted at a little re-creation in the election line which was managed like this: We had four judges of election. Three were downstairs in the body of the livery stable where the voting precinct was, and one upstairs. The man upstairs was "in camera-obscura," of course. He was furnished with a box identical with the box below stairs. The precinct was almost solid Republican, and when each man came in and voted, the judge below stairs said in a loud voice, "Mr. So and So voting!" and the man up stairs calmly deposited in his box one Democratic ticket.

The two Democratic judges at the close of day then suggested that all go and take a drink. They carefully locked the door, after turning every one out, and with the Republican judge, went to the back of the stable, in the darkness, and there they consulted together a sallow jug of "white lightning." While this was going on in the back, the gentleman who had been "in camera" upstairs, slips down and takes the box from downstairs upstairs, and deposited the one he had in its place.

Our friends came back and counted the vote. It was almost unanimously Democratic.

My friends, there were more lights in that village that night than I will describe here. There were more people calling each other "Judas," "traitor," etc., than you ever heard.

Un in Virginia, politics are strange sometimes. For instance, they have a regulation up there that a man has to be able to read and explain at least one paragraph of the constitution of the state. One day I was around when the board was qualifying voters. Up comes a man and they took his name, etc., and one of the bystanders remarked to him casually, "you're a Democrat." The man said "Certainly I am," whereupon the chairman of the board said, "Read that," and pointed at a paragraph of the constitution which lay printed in big type on the table. The candidate read stammeringly. "There shall be a Governor and Lieutenant Governor." "Do you know what that means?" the chairman asked. "Suttenly I do, sah!" said the man. It means that there shall be a Governor like Mr. Hoge Tyler is now to rule the state.

"That will do," said the chairman. Up comes another man. "You're a Republican," remarked the same bystander as before. "I sure am," said the man!

"Read that," said the chairman. "The state shall have the right of eminent domain," read the man clearly. "What's that?" asked the chairman. "Damfino," said the candidate for voting honors. "Sorry, but under the law as you cannot read and interpret a paragraph of the constitution of the state of Virginia, you are disqualified as a voter."

The man walked off.

"What does that mean," the bystander asked the chairman. "Damfino," said the chairman, but I was told to ask all the Republicans that paragraph.

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My next observation of the working of the political machine was in the Great state of Kentucky.

Just before election day, the friend at whose house I was stopping received from a messenger a note and this is how it read: "We understand that you are fixing to vote for Mr. ———— Cut it out, or you will have a visit from the committee."

I asked my friend why he should not allow the committee to visit him. He explained that the committee was a body of gentlemen who rode out at nights for their health, and incidentally called on people who did not vote as they wanted them and administered a coat of tar and feathers or a severe castigation.

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In South Carolina, I innocently asked: "Is the Republican party strong in this state?" and the man from whom I inquired looked at me wonderingly and said: "Only in some! It's dead; been dead a long time."

"Why?" I remarked innocently again. "Surely the colored people vote the Republican ticket." "They may," he said, "in Ohio. Here they are too busy on election day to vote."

Oh you politics!

Out in Montana in one of the counties. It was the day before election. I was in the courthouse and to my surprise committee was fixing up the election returns.

"Let's see, that elects Bill there sheriff; Jake treasurer, and Whitney supervisor, etc."

I innocently remarked, "But tomorrow is election day." "That's all O. K.," said one. "We'll be too busy to worry with it. Rodeo's on and anyone who doesn't like the re-

sult of the election, or who says it ain't fair, can settle with my friend here," and he pointed to his shooting iron. There were no disputants, but—

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At an election in Wyoming I overheard the following conversation between the circuit rider and one of the boys:

"Where were you born," asked the Methodist minister.

"Death Guleah," remarked the Cowboy.

"Christian parents, I suppose," said the parson.

"Sure," was the answer.

"What persuasion?" went on the minister.

The cowboy hesitated, scratched the ground with his spur, blew out a long blast of smoke from his cigarette and said, "Same as mine, Smith and Wesson."

The minister collapsed. The cowboy had mixed up persuader and persuasion.

At a Colorado election.

"Mr. Jones you are surely voting the prohibition ticket."

"Sure," says Jones, but I'm dry as a ship."

"That's nice of you. Run over home; Jack has a bottle of real good whiskey."

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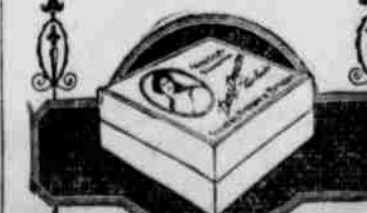
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EXECUTOR'S NOTICE.

Having qualified before the Clerk of the Superior Court of Union County as executor of the estate of the late Mr. and Mrs. G. O. Fulewider, this is to notify all persons holding claims against the deceased to present them to the undersigned on or before the 14th day of Nov., 1919, or this notice will bar them of the right of recovery. All persons indebted to the deceased are requested to make prompt payment.

This 14th day of Nov., 1919. EDWARD FULEWIDER, Exr. of the estate of Mr. and Mrs. G. O. Fulewider. Newberry, S. C.

NOTICE.

North Carolina, Union County, Superior Court: Fred K. Owens, Plaintiff, vs. Dora Owens, Defendant.

The defendant above named, Dora Owens, will take notice that an action entitled as above has been commenced in the Superior Court of Union County to secure an absolute divorce on the ground of adultery; and that the said defendant will further take notice that she is required to appear at the office of the Clerk of the Superior Court, at the courthouse in Monroe, North Carolina, on the 17th day of January, 1920, and answer or demur to the complaint in said action, or the plaintiff will apply to the court for the relief demanded in said complaint.

This 12th day of December, 1919. R. W. LEMMOND, C. S. C. Stack, Parker & Craig, Attys.

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RE-SALE OF LAND.

By virtue of an order made by R. W. Lemmond, Esq., Clerk of the Superior Court of Union County in the Special Proceeding entitled "Anna L. Garland, Administratrix, et al. vs. Charles F. Garland, the Sikes Company, et al.," the undersigned will on

Saturday, January 10, 1920, at 12 o'clock m.

at the Court House door in Monroe, N. C., sell at public auction to the highest bidder the following tracts of land, lying and being in Buford Township, adjoining the lands of K. B. Laney, the Huntley land and others, and bounded as follows:

First tract: Beginning at a stone in an old road by hickory and 2 P. O's, Garland's lines, 1st—S. 87 E. 75-100 chs. to a stone in said line by a hickory and 2 P. O's, a corner of division; thence a division line due East 23.65 chs. to a stone in Huntley's line by 3 pines; thence with said line N. 19 1-2 E. 5.25 chs. to a White Oak South and near a spring; thence S. 72 1-2 E. 3.50 chs. to a stone about 40 links South of Buck Branch; thence N. 2 1-2 E. 12.50 chs. to a pine knot and stone by P. O. & B. J., a division corner and in Huntley's line; thence due West with K. B. Laney's line 34.30 chs. to a stone in J. A. Garland's line by B. G. and 3 pines; thence with 2 his lines, 1st S. 6 W. 8.25 chs. to a stone, 20 links N of a P. O. pointer; 2nd S. 13 E. 8.46 chs. to the beginning, containing 56.31 acres, more or less, save and except 1-2 acre which is partly used as a grave yard and is hereby set apart for use of said Laney family and for use of white persons only.

SECOND TRACT: Adjoining the lands of Caswell Williams, U. R. Robertson, S. A. Williams and others, and bounded as follows:

Beginning at a pine stake, Caswell Williams' corner by 2 hickories, P. O. and dead pine, and runs with his line & S. A. Williams' line S. 4 2-4 W. 123 3-4 poles to a pine knot in Robertson's line by 3 B. J. Watt Bibb's corner; thence wit pine stump by B. J. P. O. R. O. pine and dogwood; 2nd S. 8 1-2 W. 105 poles to a P. O. stump and pine knot, 50 links North of a drain by a P. O. and 3 pines; thence with E. A. Arnfield's line N. 71 2-4 E. 47.60 poles to a small P. O. and pine knot by a P. O. and 2 pines, Mrs. Arena Laney's corner; thence with 4 of her lines, 1st N. 17 1-4 E. 19.60 poles to a stone, a little E. of the wagon road in the field; 2nd N. 87 3-4 W. 3 poles to a stone in an old road; 3rd N. 43.60 poles to a stone, 20 links N. W. of a P. O. pointer; 4th N. 5 3-4 E. 101-20 poles to a pine knot and pile of stones in or near Adolphus Parker's line, by 4 pines; thence with said Parker's line N. 86 1-4 W. 95 poles, passing her and Caswell Williams' corner stake at about 86 3-4 poles to the beginning, containing 108 acres, more or less. (See deed from C. N. Simpson to J. A. Garland, Book 50, P. 523, in Register's office), less 50 acres sold off to James W. Williams on 1st Dec., 1911, as follows:

Beginning at a pine knot by 2 hickories and P. O., Caswell Williams' corner, and runs thence with the S. A. Williams' corner, and runs thence S. 5 1-2 W. 20.30 chs. to a pine knot by 2 dogwoods, P. O. & B. J. in said line; thence with a new division line S. 85 1-2 E. 24.17 chs to a rock by a persimmon tree and 4 small pines in the original line; thence N. 6 1-2 E. 20.30 chs. passing K. B. Laney's corner and with his line to a pine knot and pile of stones in or near Adolphus Parker's line, 44 pines; thence with said Parker's line N. 85 1-2 W. 24.75 chs., passing said Caswell Williams' corner stake at about 21.69 chs. to the beginning, containing 50 acres, more or less, being a part of the 108 acres described above (see Book 46, P. 513 in the Register's office.)

The undersigned Commissioner by virtue of a supplemental order made by the court is authorized and empowered to sell the interest of all parties in the above-entitled lands, including the dower interest of Mrs. Anna L. Garland, and the purchaser will get a good fee simple title to said lands.

Terms of sale: 1-3 cash, 1-3 in 4 months, and the remaining 1-3 in 8 months from the confirmation of the sale with option to the purchaser to pay all cash.

Bidding on the two tracts will begin at \$5,000.

This 19th day of Dec., 1919. A. M. STACK, Com. Stack & Parker & Craig, Attorneys.

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NOTICE.

To the Taxpayers of Union County, North Carolina:

Under the Revaluation Act as passed by the General Assembly of North Carolina, session of 1915, all personal property will have to be listed as of the first day of January.

I hereby notify all taxpayers to make an inventory of all personal property on the first day of January, 1920, in order that they may know what property they had at that time.

Merchants must take stock on the first of January so as to know what amount of stock they had on hand together with the amount of open accounts due them.

I would suggest that all taxpayers take stock of all corn, wheat, oats, fodder, cotton baled and in seed, meat, lard, flour, and all provisions, live stock, wagons, buggies, automobiles, farming implements and all other property including money on hand and in bank and any moneys that may be due them in order that they may be able to make intelligent returns of what they have on the first of January, 1920.

The personal property will be listed by appointments in the different townships as heretofore.

The places and times for listing personal property will be advertised hereafter for the different townships, so as to let the taxpayers know where to meet me and my assistants.

There is a severe penalty for failure to comply with the law. Respectfully,
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