

# WILMINGTON JOURNAL---[Extra.]

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## The Prospects Before Us.

Not a single Election has taken place since the Baltimore convention, but has exhibited to the country a Democratic triumph! The political horizon never presented a more pleasing aspect to the friends of equal rights and equal privileges.—Coonery, spoonery, and broken promises are going down hill with a rapidity which clearly shows, that after November next, they will henceforth repose quietly in that oblivion from which, for the honor of our country, they should never have been evaded. The great Harrison States of 1840, Pennsylvania, Maine, and Georgia, have wheeled into line within the last few weeks. Even in those States which the Whigs have carried, their losses have been so vast since that era, that not a single doubt remains on the minds of our friends, but that even THEY will cast their votes for the Democratic candidates.

NORTH CAROLINIANS, will you be behindhand on the 4th of November next? If you only will do your duty, even North Carolina will be redeemed.

## Democrats! Look out for WHIG FRAUDS!

We have in our possession a copy of the Whig Electoral Ticket, printed in this place, we presume, which bears the following FRAUDULENT FACE upon it:—**TRUE REPUBLICAN TICKET.**

WHIG ELECTORAL CANDIDATES  
For the Presidency & Vice Presidency.  
1st District, William W. Cherry.  
2d do. Josiah Collins.  
3d do. Robert B. Gilliam.  
4th do. William H. Washington.  
5th do. Daniel B. Baker.  
6th do. Maurice Q. Waddell.  
7th do. John Kerr.  
8th do. Augustin H. Shepherd.  
9th do. James W. Osborne.  
10th do. Jonathan Horton.  
11th do. John Baxter.

Now we do most unhesitatingly pronounce this form of the Federal Ticket as intended to deceive the honest voters of the Fifth District. We do not know how far this fraudulent move of the Federal party will extend, but we take this, the earliest moment in our power, to warn our friends in the country of the trap that the Whig leaders have laid for them. Our friends will see that the names of Clay and Frelinghuysen does not appear on the Ticket at all. Instead of these names, however, which have become so justly odious to the sterling Democracy of North Carolina, the words "THE TRUE REPUBLICAN TICKET" are inserted in bold letters. This scheme is adopted, we are not who are its advisers or abettors, with no other object and with no other intention than to deceive the people, on the day of election.

Since the recent elections have taken place, the leaders of the Federal party have found out that, in the South, the name of HENRY CLAY and DEFEAT go hand in hand. They know that his DEFECTION OF SOUTHERN INTERESTS has made his name odious with the great masses of our people; and, therefore, on the day of election, their leaders send forth their Tickets without his name. Can it be possible, that the Federal party in this State have become in their desperation so insane as to think that the intelligent people of North Carolina wont see into and put the seal of condemnation on their miserable tricks!

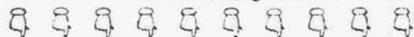
DEMOCRATS! we would call upon you to take the earliest means of exposing this new fraud! We would call upon you to go to the polls early on next Monday, and tell the people in plain, simple language, all about this matter—tell them that this is the party whose leaders are seeking their votes for the elevation of

Henry Clay, the INVETERATE ENEMY OF THE SOUTH.—Ask them if they can vote with a party which descends to such low and unworthy means to attain its unholy ends?

## EXTRAORDINARY DEVELOPMENTS.

As the fortunes of Federalism become daily more desperate, so does its advocates become more reckless and unscrupulous in their course. We call the attention of our readers to the address of the Democratic Central Committee, called forth by the infamous SECRET CIRCULAR, put forth by the "whig clique" in Raleigh. We ask them to read this Circular, and observe the low and base language it adopts, to work upon the minds of the weak and timid portion of our voters. We would ask you, fellow-citizens, in what regard you would hold men, occupying the position that the signers of that secret Circular do, as the leaders of the Federal party in this State, who would have the effrontery to tell the people of North Carolina that if James K. Polk and George M. Dallas are elected "nothing but revolution can save us"? Ah, Messrs. Hines & Co., you will live to see the day when you, yourselves will be heartily ashamed of your low and unworthy chicanery.—WHIGS of North Carolina, we ask you to read this address before you cast your votes; we ask you if you are still willing to act with a party whose head men will descend to such low tricks to prop up a sinking cause. Let ALL read this secret circular, and accompanying address.—Read it Democrats, and PASS IT ABOUT AMONGST YOUR WHIG FRIENDS.

From the Raleigh Standard—Extra.



## AN ADDRESS

### To the People of North Carolina.

FELLOW-CITIZENS: Chance has thrown into our possession, a printed confidential letter or circular, issued from this city, by the Whig Central Committee, since the elections have been held in Pennsylvania and Georgia; hundreds of which, we are informed, have been put in circulation, secretly! This circular is marked "confidential," and contains the most unwarrantable charges against the Democratic party of PREMEDITATED FRAUDS and DISUNION, and was intended, as we have reason to believe, to create a false alarm on the eve of the election, to frighten the timid from their duty, and arouse in the whig ranks a spirit of bullyism at the polls.

The copy we hold, was sent to the Editor of the Standard. The person who sent it, states that he is "A REFORMED WHIG," but does not give his name, as his note at the foot of the letter will show. It is postmarked "Raleigh, 15th October," and addressed to a person, who, as we suppose, being unwilling that his name should be known, has erased it from the superscription, and endorsed the circular to the Editor of the Standard; prompted, no doubt, to do so by the grave character of the charges SECRETLY made against the democratic party, to which party, having abandoned whiggery, he has attached himself. The letter may be seen by any gentleman, on application at the Office of the Standard. Here it is:

[CONFIDENTIAL.]

DEAR SIR:—We feel it an imperative duty to address you in regard to the approaching Election.

It has long been evident, that the Democratic party has degenerated into a mere faction, and very recent events have demonstrated that, despairing of succeeding by any just and honest efforts, they are resolved to use whatever means may seem best to promise success to a cause, having, in itself, nothing to attract the regard of good and patriotic men. It is evident, that a powerful and united movement is

now making, and will be made, to carry this State for Texas and Disunion. And what acts will not be resorted to, in order to make it effectual? They who have already added to wilful falsehoods and infamous abuse, deliberate forgeries of letters and certificates, will scarce be withheld by scruples of conscience, from doing anything, however unprincipled and profligate, if it shall promise to be serviceable.

We should all remember the inexpressibly important matters which depend on the Election of November. We should also remember, that no means are provided by the Constitution for purging the polls of fraudulent voters. If by any means, an apparent majority is returned for POLK and DALLAS, nothing but revolution can help us—even if such apparent majority should be procured by open, gross and demonstrable fraud. Now, then, is the time and the only time, in which we can act for our Country with effect.

We, then, impressed with the importance of the occasion, and with a general oversight of the Whig cause in this State, beg most earnestly to urge upon you immediate measures to counteract the efforts of our opponents and secure the vote of the State for CLAY and FRELINGHUYSEN. To do this, we recommend that some persons of true Whig principles, and of influence in their neighborhood, be at once selected, and pledged to the following duties:

First, To attend the polls in their Precinct, and see that every Whig is brought forward to vote.

Secondly, To see the people of the Precinct before the day of Election, urging upon them the duty of attending and voting, and gain their promise to do so.

Thirdly, To challenge all bad or doubtful votes, and, if possible, prevent frauds.

Fourthly, To warn the people against those falsehoods which we may expect to hear on the eve of the Election. These falsehoods will doubtless be gross in kind, and many in number, but they can deceive none who consider that truth would be made known early, and falsehood only dreads examination.

By immediate and active adoption of these means alone, can we insure the State for the Whig cause. True, we have a majority of six thousand in the State; but if two or three thousand Whig voters stay away, and Edgecombe votes a thousand beyond her real strength, and other strong Democratic Counties resort to similar means, what avails our real majority? The apparent majority will thus, by our neglect and their fraud, be on their side, and when once this happens, the result, however false and fraudulent, cannot be corrected.

We beg your prompt attention to these suggestions from your brother Whigs of the Central Committee, and are,

Very respectfully,

RICHARD HINES, Chairman.  
GEORGE E. BADGER,  
CHARLES MANLY,  
JOHN H. BRYAN,  
HENRY W. MILLER,  
WESTON R. GALES.

And subscribed to the above, is the following note by the person who sent it to the Editor of the Standard:

"From such a cause as this good Lord deliver me! Arouse, Americans! and put down the man! These I find all over my County."

What surprise must such a letter create in the bosom of every good man, containing as it does, charges so vile and foul, of FACTION, FRAUDS, FORGERIES, TREACHERY and TREASON, against their fellow-citizens—secretly circulated—on the eve of a momentous election—fitting, or designed to fill, the public mind with false alarm—inflaming the passions of neighbor against neighbor, and tending to a fraternal strife of blood on the day of election! Had this organ of the Whig party of North Carolina, as they style themselves, been satisfied to issue secret circulars to organize their party for the election, we should not have complained; but these secret charges against the Democratic party, of frauds, forgeries, and disunion, is a STAB IN THE DARK—and from a quarter we had supposed too elevated in society to have lent themselves to such a work. Hence the necessity, in justice to ourselves, and to our cause, to meet and put them down. We are charged with the design "to carry this State

for Texas and disunion," and that, too, in the face of two Addresses, lately published by the Democratic Central Committee, which must have been known to this whig organ, not only disavowing all unpatriotic designs against the Union, but solemnly declaring that WE WENT FOR THE UNION, TEXAS OR NO TEXAS; and in the latter of these Addresses, urging on our fellow-citizens the necessity for annexation, as one of the strongest guaranties for the PRESERVATION OF THE UNION, and for counteracting the efforts of British and Northern Abolitionists. The manner in which these charges have been preferred, demands the decided reprobation of all just men—the charges themselves, we pronounce FOUL and FALSE; and with our whole souls we hurl them back upon our accusers, with the indignation they merit.

Desperate, indeed, must be the cause which requires such means to sustain it; and desperate must this whig organ have believed it to be. When we advert to the point of time this circular was issued from this City—the 15th October, just about the time that sufficient returns of the elections in Pennsylvania and Georgia had been received here, to satisfy them that Mr. Clay was defeated, if some extraordinary expedient was not resorted to—it shows that the leaders of whiggery are alarmed; that desperation has seized upon them; and points to the fatal doom of their idol, Henry Clay, on the 4th of November next.

With what grace does this charge of frauds upon the election, come from the organ of a party who gave paternity to the execrable practice of "pipelaying" in 1840? and that too, after the fruits of their triumph in that election, secured by such frauds, seemed, as by an avenging power, turned to ashes on their lips! With what grace charge they upon the Democratic party a design of fraud upon the election, when their own party lately in the Senate of the United States by a strict party vote, refused to fix the Presidential election on the same day throughout the Union?—With what grace can they charge upon us a design against the Union, when all the recognized organs of the Democratic party have indignantly disavowed it; when none but a few hotspurs in South Carolina—not the one-thousandth part of the Democratic party—have given the least countenance to such an idea; and when their own party are making, at this moment, through such men as Giddings, Adams, Webster, Ewing, Choate, Seward, Cassius M. Clay and others, the most desperate appeals to the abolitionists, (the worst enemies of the South,) to unite with them in the support of Henry Clay? What reckless inconsistency do they exhibit, when, in the same breath they charge "disunion" upon us, they unblushingly advise, that "if by any means, an apparent majority is returned for Polk and Dallas, NOTHING BUT REVOLUTION CAN HELP US." Here we have the spirit of violence overt, bloodshed, revolutions, dancing in the brains of this very patriotic, "law-and-order" loving organ of whiggery, casting its horrid glare upon a happy and contented community! And by whom, and for what, are the peaceable citizens of North Carolina threatened with revolution? Why, "if by any means" the good people of the State should happen to prefer Gov. Polk, her native son, educated in her schools, and true alike to the South and to the country, to Henry Clay for their President, then we have the menaced intention of those who profess to be "charged with a general oversight of the whig cause in this State," to excite a revolution in the government! If this be not their mean-