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## NOTES AND COMMENTS.

It has never been my disposition when a political campaign was going on to sit on the fence. I have always enrolled myself as an outspoken partisan on this or that side or for this or that man. But this time I have no candidate; none of the men who are running suit me.

Before the campaign opened, when I thought McLaurin, Evans, Mayfield, and possibly Irby would be in the race, I thought that in spite of my dislike of his tariff views and of some other things about him, McLaurin would be the candidate for whom I would vote. But when Duncan entered the race—or, rather, announced himself as a candidate, for he is not in the race at all—I imagined that I sniffed a ring, or a kind of a conspiracy, and promptly climbed up on the topmost rail of the fence to await future developments. And now that I am up here, I rather like the position. It is good to be where you can see things as they are, unbiased by partisan feeling. If you get tired of sitting there all you've got to do is to get down.

I do not know of any Southern man who has made a reputation in Congress faster than has McLaurin. Able, fearless, aggressive, he is recognized in Washington, as here at home, as a strong man. It may be, however, as Irby charges, that something besides these things helped him to rise—that his protectionism helped to make him popular with the controlling element up there. For say what you will, McLaurin is a protectionist—a mild one it is true; but still a protectionist—a protectionist from principle—for protection's sake. I have been asked how I could object to these things in McLaurin and still endorse Tillman. To this I have replied that I do not endorse Tillman's vote in favor of a tariff on cotton, lumber, and so on. But the ground Tillman occupied was quite different from that occupied by McLaurin. Tillman doesn't care how high a tariff the Republicans put on, for he believes that the higher it is the quicker the country will rid itself of it. With this I agree, but do not believe any Democrat should have any hand in making it high. He believes further that while we have protection we should demand our share of it. With this I do

not agree; as I've said in this paper before, we should keep our hands off the whole business. Policy, if nothing else, it seems to me, should make us pursue this course. How can one effectually fight protection and having it all the time thrown in his face that he too is a protectionist when he fancies that his own State would be benefitted by it? But this is all merely a difference of opinion; it is not a difference of principle. But even if it were a matter of principle, one can look over a wrong principle in Tillman that could not be excused in any less able and useful man.

Protection is wrong—wrong in principle and wrong in policy; Wrong in principle, because it is nothing more nor less than a species of robbery; and wrong in policy, because though it helps a small minority it does it at the expense of the vast majority. There is no possible way under God's heaven for it to benefit the people as a whole, and especially the agricultural classes, and more especially still, the agricultural classes of the South.

Another objection I have to McLaurin—but this is not a serious one—is that it has always seemed to me that since he has been big enough to stand alone, politically speaking, he has gone around with a chip on his shoulder. I like to see a man independent, don't like to see him wearing any man's collar but his own, but that is no reason why he should assume a defiant attitude toward the other leaders of his party or faction.

My opinion of John Gary is precisely the same now that it was when he and Earle were candidates last summer, and if that race were to be run over now I would pursue the same course that I did then—that is, support Earle the best I knew how, but always treating Evans with fairness and respect, and pleading with others to do the same. I did not believe then and do not believe now that there was any truth in the charges that were made against his honesty—believe that they were false, and that all that part of the fight that was made against him was infamous and outrageous. And I'll venture to say that it cost many a Reformer a hard struggle to smother his partisanship and follow his conscience and vote for Earle while the Conservatives, aided and abetted by that political mountebank, John Duncan, were so bitterly abusing and bemoaning a member and leader of their faction as they were Evans. And I'll venture to say further that many a one of these Reformers will not stand that kind of a thing again, if that kind of a fight should be made again—for there is no Earle in the race this time.

Evans is a man of far more ability than many people have ever given him credit for; he is not merely a tool and "me too" of Tillman's, as his enemies say he is, who can do and say nothing but what Tillman tells him to.

He has ideas and opinions of his own, and he has the ability and courage to maintain them.

McLaurin would, no doubt, have more weight and influence in the Senate than Evans, but which would come nearer using the influence he had in the true interests of the people? That is the question to decide—but I am not trying to influence anybody how to decide it. Haven't decided myself yet—if I decide at all.

A good many people are likely to be surprised at the strength Irby will develop at the polls. Irby did valiant service for his faction in days gone by, when those services were most needed; so there is a warm spot for him in the hearts of all the "true blue", unreconstructible.

As an organizer and wire-puller Irby has no superior in the State; he can hold his own on the stump; he is a born fighter, and is not afraid of anything that walks. But as a statesman he is a frank failure—and a statesman is what we are looking for.

Just here I want to say that I believe that those who put all the blame for the quarrel at Sumter on Irby do him an injustice—and this opinion is formed after reading the report of the meeting in papers of all shades of political opinion. Irby said some hard things about McLaurin, but not a bit harder than some things McLaurin had said that plainly was intended as references to Irby. So McLaurin was the one who first used rough language—and the first one to get mad about it. As to what Irby said to the crowd, what fair-minded man could blame him when the crowd was treating him as it was? "Even the devil should have his due." But he needn't expect it if he meddles with politics.

Mayfield I know but little about. I think, though, that he made a pretty good record in the State Senate, and that he might make a good United States Senator. He is alright on the tariff question, and of course favors free coinage—no man dare come out for any office in South Carolina who doesn't; but as he seems to be running to a large extent on his opposition to the Dispensary law, and as that would be used against the law if he were elected, and as I still believe the Dispensary system is the best ever yet devised for the control and curtailment of the sale of liquor—believing this, I say, I would not vote for anyone who was running as an anti-Dispensary candidate. The Dispensary has enough to contend with in the judge-made anti States-rights laws of Simon-ton and his ilk. (But the State will yet win against these judges if the people and their representatives will but stand firm. And they must stand firm; it would be rank cowardice to give up now.)

Query: Has Mayfield any hope of being elected to the Senate, or is he merely preparing the way to run for Governor next year?

Later. Since writing this last sentence I notice that there are others who think Mayfield is not running for the Senate, but is taking this method of advertising himself preparatory to running for Governor. I got my idea from a remark Mayfield made in his speech at Beaufort. If this is really his scheme he is entirely too smart to suit our people, and I opine that they will sit down on him next year as hard as they will this. A reasonable amount of smartness is commendable, but

too much of it deserves to be discouraged.

I cannot speak of Duncan with any patience. Even from my philosophical position on the fence I cannot speak calmly of a man who would engage in as a execrable business as Duncan was engaged in last summer—or even a man of his caliber see that he stood no chance at all. And men do not run for office merely for the fun of the thing—nobody, that is, except Mr. James Cullins and the Hon. G. Walt. Whitman.

Irby says it makes his blood boil to see a man put in stripes for selling liquor. I wonder what he wants the State to do with these lawbreakers, and how he wants them to be dressed? Does he want them sent to the Grand Central Hotel, and dressed in the fashion dictated by Col. Neal to Editor Crews of The Cotton Plant? Irby asks too much of his new-found friends, the blind tiger men. His blood will have to boil on.

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