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## The Negro and Politics.

One of the most difficult problems that the Southern people have ever been called upon to consider, is met when we attempt to find the proper place for the negro in the politics of the country. In fact, the negro question generally has puzzled the minds of the wisest and best of our statesmen and philosophers, and it is likely to go down the ages, still clouded in mystery. One thing is sure; it is not probable that South Carolina can long maintain peace and prosperity among all classes of her citizens, and attain that degree of prosperity so much desired, so long as we have a class of citizens in our midst who are subject to our laws, and yet in politics are virtually ignored. While from experience we have learned the utter incapacity of this race to govern themselves, yet it is to be regretted that we of the South have not been able to convince the negro that the white democrat is his friend. Whenever this is done; whenever he finds that the democratic party is friendly to his race and will afford him that protection which he has a right to expect; whenever he is brought to see the benefits that flow from democratic control, and is induced to embrace this party because of its superiority; and more especially, when he sees that he has a voice in the election of officers, then we may expect to see this race become more contented; we may look for their gradual elevation.

There was a time when they held the reins of government, and it is acknowledged that the success of the democratic party in 76 was in a large measure due to their voice at the polls. Now that they have aided in establishing good government, it is right that they should be denied some place in the political picture.

It behooves every true and loyal democrat, not only when danger threatens, but now, as at all times, to urge the colored people to fall into democratic ranks. They have a voice, and though for a time it may be hushed, sooner or later it will burst forth and demand recognition, like the spontaneous desire that seized our forefathers and caused them to throw off the British yoke, or else they will seek some country that does recognize their political rights.

## Giving Advice.

It is hard for man to conceive an easier task than giving advice. From the youthful school-boy who has scarcely learned the Greek alphabet, or heard of such a thing as a Latin Primer, to the most venerable old fogey that ever pointed out dangers to the "Young America," or breathed condemnation upon the advancements and progress of civilization, we find that free advice constitutes the chief stock in trade with all, and is given in wasteful profusion upon every occasion.

To the experience of others; the history of the past, as handed down to us in works that are the offspring of superior learning and wisdom coupled with the experience and observation of ages, we are indebted for the attainments of the present age. It is only by viewing the successes and failures of those in whose footsteps we are treading, that we can make substantial progress. He who undervalues the advice of those competent to advise, or seeks to steer his bark irrespective of the beacons on the shore, or the danger signals in his course, will surely meet disaster.

It is not difficult to distinguish between true and genuine advice, administered for the purpose of improvement, and that which, though often given with a show of earnestness, is only the effusion of chronic growlers, and being uncollected, is seldom appreciated. Many are anxious to tell others how to do that which, during a lifetime, they could not accomplish themselves.

On the 13th inst., the jury in the case of the State vs. BELLINGER, charged with the murder of RILEY, the colored hackman, in Charleston, came into court and announced that they could not agree upon a verdict, and a mistrial was ordered.

Farmers in this county, who have tried the tobacco experiment, claim that it will beat cotton at the

## How to Kill a Town.

In almost every community there can be found some persons who seem to take special pains to speak disparagingly of their own town. If there are any such in Laurens we give a simple receipt, which if followed will kill the town in a short time.

Be distant to strangers and look upon every new comer with suspicion; be jealous and envious of your neighbor's prosperity; don't forget to growl at everything; don't patronize your local paper, but send to the city for your job-printing; abuse your business rivals; stay away from church and criticize all new enterprises; never allow yourself to appear socially; buy your goods out of town and let your merchants live the best way they can; send your children "out" to school and let the schools of your town take care of themselves.

## The Narrow Gauge.

Those interested in the proposed railroad from Fruitland to Greenville, are moving in a businesslike manner, and although very little is being said we may look for its completion before many of our neighbors, interested in other lines, have ceased bandying words as to the strength of their respective companies, and the advantages of the different routes. Private bona fide subscriptions to this road to the amount of \$61,000 have been made and the outlook is certainly encouraging.

As we have said before, this railroad will afford an outlet for a large scope of country in the north-western portion of Laurens county which is a rich and thickly settled section.

While it will be of no benefit to our town, we heartily favor the proposed road, believing that it will benefit the county, and it is in the interest of Laurens County that we work.

At a meeting of the stockholders at Ninety Six on the 13th inst., Col. H. P. Hammett was elected President and Capt. W. J. Kirk vice President.

The following directors have been elected: Capt. E. A. Smyth, of Pelzer; Col. James McCullough, of Greenville; Dr. T. W. Chiles, of Edgefield; G. T. Jackson, of Ninety Six; W. Scott Allen, of Frank Hill; F. A. Connor, of Cokesbury; W. J. Hewitt, of Johnston; L. M. Morris, of Ninety Six; J. B. Hubbard, of Laurens.

LAURENS, S. C., Nov. 7, 1885.

To Henry P. Moore and others, committee, Augusta, Ga.

GENTLEMEN—It is matter of sincere regret that I cannot accept your invitation to the banquet in celebration of the completion of the Greenwood, Laurens and Spartanburg Railroad, that connects us by rail and steam with your beautiful and flourishing city, your enterprising and progressive State—and "the whole world," and the rest of mankind.

In attempting to compass the accomplishment of this great work, it is difficult to know whether I am most swayed by the recollections of the past, the joy of the present, or the expectations of the future. My earliest recollections embrace Augusta as the commercial metropolis of my people, whence were obtained the good things from market. In later years when it seemed that upper Carolina was literally to be "bottled up" by a certain well known railroad syndicate, Augusta was the source from which we were encouraged to strike for commercial independence. In making this effort and in the throes of the partition of this enterprise when we of Carolina were threatened with serious division among ourselves as to the person to whom we should entrust this great work, we turned for help to one of our own honored citizens, whose justice, prudence, sagacity and energy at once quieted all discord, harmonized all rivalries, and inspired that hope and confidence which led to the glorious consummation. Few men could have wrought out for this enterprise what was achieved by Eugene F. Verdery! And good and honorable as has been his success in building this road, he has achieved still a grander triumph by illustrating what a brotherhood can be made of citizens of rival States.

This occasion, moreover, has its "economic" lesson of no small value. No one who knows the history of this enterprise—how it was inaugurated by only two counties of South Carolina, Laurens and Spartanburg, through an exercise of co-operative effort by county subscriptions—can fail to see the value and effectiveness of co-operative effort, which is the secret of much Northern and Western progress, but which is instinctively antagonized by our Southern individualism.

But there is here a still grander and more encouraging lesson. The traveller, whirling at lightning speed along that beautiful section between Enoree and Woodruff, passes through the estate of one, quiet and modest, but prominently identified with the railroad development in upper South Carolina. In December, 1850, Dr. B. F. Kilgore then a representative in the South Carolina Legislature from the county of Spartanburg, planted the seed, from which have sprung the Spartanburg and Asheville, the Charlotte and Atlanta Air Line, and the Greenwood, Laurens and Spartanburg railroads, not to speak of others in the State, by causing to be granted on the statute book of

principle in railroads through county subscriptions. He it was, who introduced the first bill in the South Carolina Legislature (December 1850) and which was passed, authorizing subscriptions to railroads by counties. He did this with a full knowledge that it would result in his private life, as it did. He declared to his colleagues from Spartanburg (among whom was the writer) that he was aware that he was digging his own political grave. Never did a patriot more emphatically "draw around him the drapery of his couch and lay him down to pleasant dreams." He introduced the bill—it was adopted—and its adoption was followed by a storm of indignation, such as has not occurred in Spartanburg county either since or before, within the memory of the oldest inhabitant. An election was held May 13, 1860, for a county subscription to the Spartanburg and Asheville railroad, then known as the French Broad railroad, when the "No subscription" prevailed by a majority of two to one. Not only this, but the indignation of a large majority of the people was so fierce that it threatened to ostracize forever all the members from that county, all of whom warmly supported said act. And Dr. Kilgore, as the mover of the bill, was the special object of the anathemas of the "No subscription" voters, and was left at home in the next election, while none were re-elected, save after an unprecedentedly bitter canvass, causing estrangements, never healed to this day. Yet, so true is it that "Truth crushed to earth will rise," that afterwards in 1870 the people of this same county nobly redeemed it by voting a liberal county subscription (\$200,000) to the Charlotte and Atlanta Air Line, and again, in 1873, in voting a liberal subscription to the Spartanburg and Asheville road, and again in voting another county subscription to the Greenwood, Laurens and Spartanburg road. And this last road, one of the finest in the South, evolved by the progressive spirit of the age, like a veritable "factious" roller in golden stream almost by the door of the patriot who chose the good of the country in preference to the honors of the multitude. Men sometimes advance their individual interest by disinterested discharge of duty. If curses come home to roost, so under the Divinity that "shapes our ends," in unforfeitedly discharging duty, is sometimes one's highest gain! We are thus taught the importance of truth, and that it will finally prevail over the passion of the hour.

Regretting my inability to be a participator in your joyous occasion, I am, yours respectfully, JAMES FARGOW.

Augusta's Excursion, Banquet and Ball.

Augusta has won the heart of all those who had the pleasure of participating in the recent Excursion Banquet and Ball given in honor of the completion of the G., L. & S. Railroad. Seldom has it happened that the people of Laurens have enjoyed a more pleasant occasion, the verdict of all is that Augusta by her cordial welcome and open-handed hospitality, has completely captivated the people of upper Carolina.

Capt. Bass and the committee in charge of the special train, provided every comfort for the guests, and upon the arrival of the nine coaches filled with guests, a long line of carriages were ready to convey them to the hotel and for drives around the city, free of charge. The street cars were also free to the visitors, and everything that tended towards making the visit pleasant was provided by the various committees in charge.

At the Banquet Hon. Patrick Walsh presided and introduced the speakers. Hon. Joseph Gannahl delivered an eloquent address of welcome, to which Mr. J. H. Carlsle, President of the Spartanburg Board of Trade, responded in behalf of Carolina. To the toast to "South Carolina," Col. B. W. Ball, of Laurens, responded; "Railroads" by Maj. Joseph Gannahl; "Our Mercantile Interests" by Mr. John E. Armstrong; "The Press" by Colonel J. R. Randall; "Manufactures" by Col. B. B. Cunningham, of Laurens; "Woman" by C. H. Cohen, Esq., of Augusta.

Everybody enjoyed the Ball. Such occasions cannot be forgotten, and we are glad for a time when we of the Carolina side, can show, by more than words, that such treatment is appreciated.

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA—LAURENS COUNTY, IN PROBATE COURT.

Whereas, G. W. Shell, C. C. P., has applied to me for Letters of Administration on the Estate of John C. Riddie, deceased.

These are therefore to cite and admonish all and singular the kindred and creditors of said deceased, to be and appear before me at a Court of Probate to be holden at my office at Laurens S. C., on the 15th day of December, 1885, at 10 o'clock, A. M., to show cause, if any they can, why letters should not be granted.

Given under my hand and seal this 1st day of November, 1885. A. W. BURNSIDE, J. P. L. C. Nov. 3, 1885.

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