



Hurrah for Col. Evans!

Gordon and Hampton.

The Legislature of Georgia has given Macne and his crowd a black eye by electing Gen. Gordon United States Senator instead of Pat Calhoun who suddenly developed as the Alliance candidate. Gen. Gordon and Mr. Norwood had conducted a bitter campaign, but when the Norwood faction found out that Macne was trying to run Pat Calhoun as the Alliance candidate they rallied to Gordon's support and the old war horse was elected on the first ballot. The Georgians are certainly to be congratulated upon Gordon's election. We hope the Georgia Legislature has set the South Carolina Legislature a good example and that Wade Hampton will be elected to succeed himself. If Gordon deserves to be sent back to the Senate from Georgia on account of his services to the State, Hampton deserves even more at the hands of his State. The cry these days is to send to the rear those who fought in the war, because, as some of the new fangled leaders say, they are behind the times and young, progressive men should take their places. In the first place, it may be doubted whether they are more progressive than their Democratic predecessors. They have just entered the arena. In the second place, what have they done in comparison to the sacrifices which Wade Hampton and men of his stamp have made for constitutional law and state rights. The tendency to despise war records, which is growing among us; shows a low state of political morality and speaks badly for the people that cultivate it. Nothing that a man can do gives him a greater claim on his countrymen, other things being pretty much equal, than distinguished and unselfish service in time of war. Therefore, it would be a stigma on the fair name of South Carolina should her Legislature elect a man to succeed Senator Hampton who has nothing whatever to recommend him for the position.

State Chairman Irby has just loomed up as a candidate for the United States Senate to succeed Wade Hampton. People have been wondering for a long time what position Irby was after, and now the mystery seems to have been solved. If he has succeeded in making Tillman believe that he (Irby) is the right man for the place and that Tillman should rest of his laurels for a while he is a sharp fellow. We know J. L. M. Irby is a sharp politician, and he is as unscrupulous as he is sharp. The State has already been disgraced, but if the Legislature elects Irby to the Senate our humiliation and disgrace will be complete. Let us hope, but we are afraid it will be a vain hope, that some conservatism will be displayed and that Senator Hampton will be re-elected.

A Good Party Man. (National Reformer) "He is a good party man." "Always been true to his party." These are expressions one often hears in modern days. It is deemed as very essential in the choice of candidates to nominate a man who has never swerved from his allegiance to his party. This may all be very good in its way, but when it is made the qualification par excellence, it becomes the fruitful source of many evils. The base and venal, the corrupt and unscrupulous can present as good, and in many instances better, claims for support at the hands of their party than the most upright and conscientious of its adherents. The pure statesman and honest citizen will endeavor to keep his party from falling into the pitfalls of corruption and yielding to the temptations so often presented to serve the interests of certain classes. In doing so, he will frequently find himself antagonizing a large portion, if not a majority of the representatives of his party. Honor demands of him that he should do everything in his power to keep the record of his party clean; but an imperial custom demands that he should stultify his manhood and obey the dictates of his party caucus. Thus the highest prizes of society are held out to the most unscrupulous. One of the great needs of the hour is men who will not be bound or influenced by party caucus.

The Old Reliable. "A Holiday Number" one may well call the December Peterson. It is the handsomest number we have ever seen of this excellent magazine—a hint of what may be expected for 1891, which will be its fiftieth anniversary. The "Cupid" on the title-page is an enchanting little fellow, and the steel and full-page wood-engravings are very beautiful. The opening illustrated article, "Some Ice Carnival Sketches," is in Harriet Latham's sprightliest vein. "A Problem Never Solved," is the best story we have ever read from Edgar Fawcett's facile pen. "From Christmas to Christmas," is a capital tale with a series of admirable illustrations. "Along Lake Como" is another finely illustrated paper. These are only a few of the number's attractions. Lucy H. Hooper's Paris letter gives the newest fashion chat, and the colored plate and other designs the latest styles for out-door and home wear. The needle-work department teems with designs for holiday gifts. As a ladies' periodical Peterson out-rivals all others. Now is the time to get up a club. Terms: \$2.00 a year; 2 copies \$3.50; 3 copies \$4.50, with a handsome premium to the getter-up of the club; 4 copies \$6.40; 6 copies \$9.00, with an extra copy of the magazine for one year to the getter-up of the club. A sample copy, with full particulars, will be sent to Club raisers. Address Peterson's Magazine, 308 Chestnut St., Philadelphia, Pa.

Thanksgiving Proclamation. By the grace and favor of Almighty God the people of this nation have been closing the days of the passing year, which has been full of the blessings of peace and the comforts of plenty. Bountiful compensation has come to us for the work of our minds and of our hands in every department of human industry. Now therefore, I, Benj. Harrison, President of the United States of America, do hereby appoint Thursday, the 27th day of the present month of November, to be observed as a day of prayer and thanksgiving, and I do invite the people, upon that day to cease from their labors to meet in their accustomed houses of worship, and to join in rendering gratitude and praise to our Beneficent Creator for the rich blessing He has given to us as a nation, and invoking the continuance of His protection and grace for the future. I commend to my fellow citizens the privilege of remembering the poor, the homeless and the sorrowful. Let us endeavor to merit the promised recompense of charity and gracious acceptance of our praise. In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of the United States to be affixed. Done at the City of Washington, this eighth day of November, in the year of our Lord, one thousand eight hundred and ninety, and of the independence of the United States one hundred and fiftieth. (Signed) BENJ. HARRISON. By the President. JAMES G. BLAINE, Secretary of State.

Gov. Richardson's Thanksgiving Proclamation. In the providence of Almighty God, the year, now drawing to a close, calls upon our people to offer the sacrifices of praise and thanksgiving. The year has been crowned with the goodness of the Lord in the increase of the ground, and the gathering of a bountiful harvest; in the prosperity of all departments of business; in the flourishing condition of our schools and colleges; in the universal health which has generally prevailed throughout the State, and in the many mercies vouchsafed to us by an over-ruling Providence. No greater stimulus can be imparted to a people than a sense of their dependence upon a gracious superintendence of their affairs by an all-wise Benefactor and Redeemer. To accept the truth of revelation, that all things work together for good to those who acknowledge God and serve Him, is an inspiration to labor and to pray, a guarantee of those blessings which are certain to the obedient and the thankful. The very ground of a nation's rejoicing is that Almighty God governs righteously, the pledge of a State's increase and prosperity, that praise Him "in His noble acts" and "according to His excellent greatness." The hope of every well-ordered family is the hope of every well-ordered State—that her sons may grow up as young plants to bear the fruits of a true manhood, and her daughters may be as cornerstones, polished after the similitude of a palace, that her garner may be full and plenteous, that her sheep may bring forth thousands and ten thousands, that her oxen may be strong to labor, and no leading into captivity and no complaining in the streets. The wise man who expresses this universal hope bids us remember that its fullest realization is assured to every people "who have the Lord for their God." Now, therefore, I, J. P. Richardson, Governor of the State of South Carolina, do hereby appoint and set apart Thursday, the 27th of November, as a day of general thanksgiving to Almighty God, and invite our people of every denomination to assemble on that day in their respective places of worship and render the Lord the praise and gratitude which are so justly due unto Him and so becoming in ourselves who are His people and the daily beneficiaries of His providence. In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and caused the great seal of the State to be affixed, at Columbia, this seventeenth day of November, A. D. 1890, and in the one hundred and fiftieth year of the Independence of the United States of America. J. P. RICHARDSON, By the Governor. L. Q. MARSHALL, Secretary of State. Children Cry for Pitcher's Castoria.

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