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THE ISSUE JOINED.

As a result of the joint debate between Senators McLaurin and Tillman on last Saturday, South Carolina will be thrown into the throes of political excitement this, an off year, a condition that in our judgment will not be helpful to the business or political interests of the State.

Senator McLaurin was invited by a committee of citizens to speak at Greenville, and by another committee Senator Tillman was invited to speak at the same place on the same day.

Both Senator's holding views on national issues at variance with each other, a "fur flying" match was expected; the 500 people present were not disappointed.

Senator McLaurin opened in defense of his votes in the United States Senate, and Senator Tillman with his usual bluntness endeavored to place his colleague before the people in the light of one who had drifted from Democratic moorings into the haven of Republicanism.

These two statesmen were well matched, neither fearing the other, and the audience according to the newspaper reports was about equally divided.

But the sensational feature of the meeting came when Tillman declared that McLaurin ought to resign. McLaurin retorted, that Tillman would not resign; smarting under the taunt from the junior Senator, Tillman replied that he would do so if McLaurin would, they both agreed and sent a joint resignation to Governor McSweeney to take effect September 15th.

Without full information as to all of the circumstances, this act on the part of these distinguished gentlemen strikes us as being exceedingly foolish—more like provoked children.

It is to be deplored that our representatives should have allowed their personal feelings to get wrought up to such a pitch that they would precipitate an extra primary election upon the people in an off year.

The people complain, and justly so, that we have too many political contests in this State, and to have one forced upon them is not calculated to bring about much harmony, but the die is cast, and we will have to suffer the consequences.

Senator McLaurin in the advocacy of his views is sincerely endeavoring to educate the people to accept certain ideas which he claims are not antagonistic to genuine Democratic principles, and that they are for the best interests of the people of the South.

He honestly believes that the conditions existing now require commercial expansion, and that our clinging to the methods as pursued by our present Democratic leaders are not progressive, but rather an obstruction to the South's material welfare.

He realizes that his task is a herculean one, but that does not daunt him in the least, and if his physical condition will permit, he proposes to make this a campaign of education: we sincerely hope that although this extra primary is forced upon the people, they will see to it, that none of the candidates will be permitted to quit these important issues to indulge in abuse.

The editor of this paper has been a supporter of both Senator's Tillman and McLaurin, and he regrets exceedingly that circumstances have brought about a condition which will force him to decide between the two, but when we hear both and we are convinced, we will cast our vote for the man who we believe is advocating those measures which will inure to the people's benefit.

outlines his policy, read it and see if there is anything in it which appeals to your reason.

We expect to give our readers both sides of this controversy, and through our editorials we will endeavor to give our conclusions, the reports of the Gaffney meeting are too meagre to do either side justice, but enough was reported to warrant us in saying that Tillman has lost none of his fire, and McLaurin will match him.

The difference between the two, is that McLaurin is at a disadvantage on account of his physical condition and cannot, we fear stand the fatigue and strain of such a harassing campaign as Tillman will force upon him.

There are few men in McLaurin's condition of health who would dare take the risk, as one of his personal friends, we advised him before his contact with Tillman at Gaffney not to undertake it, and his reply was "I am engaged in a conscientious discharge of duty to the people of South Carolina, and I am going as long as God gives me strength.

Believing as I do, that the principles I am endeavoring to inculcate will result in a betterment of the people's condition, for, if ever a people deserved a public servant's best thought, it is the people of my State."

A GREAT SPEECH.

The speech delivered by Senator McLaurin in the city of Greenville, which we invite the serious attention of our readers to, is, to our mind, one of the strongest appeals to common sense we have ever listened to or read.

We regard it a full and complete answer to the charge of disloyalty, and whether his views on governmental policy will be accepted by the people at this time or not, the day is coming when the people will realize that Senator McLaurin's course was what he sincerely believes to be for the South's best interests.

McLaurin's speech was an outline of the platform upon which he proposes to make his fight before the people, and it is indeed fortunate that South Carolina has a primary system where a man can urge his ideas before the voters and at the same time keep the Democratic party intact.

McLaurin's opponents charge him with party disloyalty—that on national questions he is a Republican, and on account of his views he has influence with the national administration.

We read the speech delivered and we have also read every word of it, and for the life of us we cannot find a syllable in it that is disloyal to Democratic principles.

We do not profess, however, to be as capable of determining the meaning of Democratic principles as some of our friends who roll the words out of their mouths with as much wisdom as if they were talking about the rules of poker, but we are capable of understanding a proposition which appeals to our reasoning powers.

This, being so, we have no hesitation in saying that the Senator's speech should be studied by every voter; yes, every student will find in it valuable information, and we believe if the readers will thrust aside the prejudice that has been created, they will reach the conclusion that the day is at hand when the South, of all sections, cannot be benefited by forming itself into a wall to obstruct and hinder the national government.

We must, if we propose to encourage our industrial growth, lend a helping hand in the upbuilding, and as long as we remain content to blindly cling to the past, we cannot expect to be beneficiaries of progress to any great extent.

As we understand Senator McLaurin's position it means to have a sacred regard for past traditions of the Democratic party, and to turn our faces towards the condition of the country as it now exists; that we do not permit ourselves to be held together by party dictators, but each man enjoy his God-given right to exercise his own judgment.

McLaurin believes that the Democratic party under the present leadership can never be successful, and through such leaders the party has drifted away from the principles promulgated by Jefferson and Jackson, as much so as the Republican party has drifted away from the principles of Abraham Lincoln; on account of our environments he is opposed to the formation of a "Republican party" in this State, and urges that our primary system be not tampered with to prevent the white men of the State from expressing themselves in it.

If we are correct in our understanding of his position, all of this talk about his attempting to build up another party and the negro come in, is all fol-de-rol; the negro cannot vote in the primary unless he voted for Hampton and has continued to vote the Democratic ticket continuously since; therefore it will be seen that McLaurin makes his fight on issues within the primary, and it gives every man the opportunity to judge for himself which side of the issue he will accept.

That such a condition should be, is what brought on the political revolution of 1890. Tillman contended, the people were being controlled by an "oligarchy," that they had no voice in the government, and one of the main ideas permeating the "Shell manifesto" was to give the white people a primary where they could have issues and vote on them, rather than men. We heartily endorsed the idea, and

when that idea was tested it met with the approval of a vast majority, even some who did not favor Tillman personally.

Now, because McLaurin has, by studying the needs of the country, reached the conclusion that this section of the United States can derive greater benefits by being more liberal and conservative, he is being denounced as a traitor to his party, and from every quarter comes a tirade of abuse. This is all wrong. If we were sincere in 1890 in demanding a primary, that we might discuss issues, we are inconsistent now in attempting to keep issues from being discussed in the primary. If McLaurin refused to pledge himself to abide the result of the primary, we would be among the first to say to him "you can't come in," but when he proposes to adhere to the party and to take the same pledge all other candidates have taken, we see no justice or reason to even threaten to not permit him to run.

We will not, in this article, attempt to discuss the points of his Greenville deliverance, it is here for every one to read, but we can say in all sincerity that the speech was an "eye-opener" to many and it made friends for the speaker.

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WHEREAS, J. H. TIMMONS, C. P., made suit to me to grant him letters of administration of the estate of and effects of Sam Taylor.

These are therefore to cite and admonish all and singular the kindred and creditors of the said Sam Taylor, deceased, that they do appear before me, in the Court of Probate, to be held at Manning, on the 29th day of June, next, after publication thereof, at 11 o'clock in the forenoon, to show cause, if any they have, why the said administration should not be granted.

Given under my hand this 13th day of May, A. D. 1901. JAMES M. WINDHAM, Judge of Probate.

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