

"Do Thou Liberty Great. Inspire Our Souls and Make Our Lives in Thy Possession Happy, or Our Deaths Glorious in Thy Just Defence."

ON HIS DEMOCRACY.

Senator McLaurin Says He Is a Disciple of

HIGH GRADE DEMOCRATS.

He Makes a Lengthy Reply to Requests That He Show Wherein He is Not a Republican.

The following correspondence was given out at Bennettsville with the permission of Mr. Clayton:

Florence, S. C., June 3, 1901.

Hon. John L. McLaurin, Bennettsville, S. C.

Dear Sir: I have taken great interest in the political outlook and as a matter of instruction ask that you differentiate between your views and the views of leading Republicans. Most of us see no difference, but perhaps you can show some difference, so please do it, as I am not inclined to condemn you without a hearing.

Yours truly,
W. F. Clayton.

Democracy, S. C., June 4, 1901.

Mr. W. F. Clayton, Florence, S. C.

Dear Sir: In your letter of June 3, 1901, you ask me "to differentiate between my views and the views of leading Republicans as most of us see no difference." I am very happy at this time, but will devote a few thoughts as they occur to me to reply to your question. I do this with the more pleasure because you have been opposed to me politically, but show a desire to seek the truth. In the time of the adoption of the United States constitution there were several different plans of government proposed. Of these plans the fight was made upon two; the Hamiltonian idea and the Jeffersonian idea. The Hamiltonian idea was the one that succeeded in preventing the incorporation of a bill of rights in the Federal constitution. Under his leadership the congress escaped the burdens of taxation and made the nation rich. He was the one who made the nation escape the burdens of taxation and made the nation rich. He was the one who made the nation escape the burdens of taxation and made the nation rich.

TILLMAN TO THE GOVERNOR.

He Writes a Caustic Letter Scoring McLaurin.

Senator Tillman writing from Trenton, June 5, says to the governor:

Dear Sir: I am in receipt of your telegram of the 4th inst. in which you request Senator McLaurin to write to me a withdrawal of his resignation. I have read that worthy communication in which he graciously consents at your request "to hold on to his commission as United States senator and continue to serve the State as he has done up to the present time." This is a very noble offer, but I am sorry to say that I cannot accept it. I have no precedents on this subject before me in the hundred and twenty five years of our national life, with more than 200 resignations from the senate, no senator has hitherto been willing to occupy the despicable attitude now assumed by Senator McLaurin, and for that reason I cannot do so.

A WORD IN REPLY.

To Senator McLaurin's Letter to Mr. Clayton.

EVASIVE QUESTIONS ASKED.

McLaurin Does Not Attempt to Deny That He Supports Republican Policies and

Thus Evades.

The following answer to the letter of Senator McLaurin was the leading editorial in The State of last Thursday. It presents the other side of the question and will repay perusal. The State says:

Senator McLaurin's reply to Mr. Clayton's letter is a very clear evasion. He pretends to show that the Republican policies of today, with McLaurin supporters, are in accord with the fundamental principles of Democracy, but instead of proving that proposition—

THE GOVERNOR'S REPLY.

To the Letter Written Him by Senator Tillman.

Following is a copy of the letters sent to Senator Tillman by Governor McSwaney:

Sir: Your letter of June 1st has been received. I have carefully noted its contents and the most charitable view which I can take of it is that it was written in the heat of passion and without due consideration.

A FEDERAL SOLDIER.

Whose Resentment Died With the Last Shot He Fired.

To the editor of The Sunday News: Major W. L. Glaze, one of the delegates of the Southern Camp of Woodmen of the World, returned recently from a most interesting trip to Columbus, Ohio. The journey began its interest as he reached Richmond, passing over historic battlefields, then, going by the Chesapeake and Ohio, he ran up the valley to Kenova, W. Va., thence through Solota Valley to Columbus.

EATEN BY SHARKS.

That Seems to Have Been the Fate of the Fishermen,

LOST OFF CHARLESTON BAR.

A Horribly Mutilated Arm of a Negro Man Taken From the Stomach of a Monster.

The News and Courier says the left arm of negro man, horribly mutilated and mangled, was out Wednesday from the stomach of a ten-foot shark, which was captured after a desperate struggle by the crew of the light ship. The arm was undoubtedly that of one of the fishing fishermen lost in the squall of the recent storm recently. When brought to the city by the fishing smack Victoria and delivered to Coroner Vaughn the incriminated limb was examined closely by the fishermen who escaped the storm, but there was no mark or sign by which it could be identified. The negro was probably dead when his body was seized by the sharks. With this recent discovery at the light ship the evidence is almost conclusive that the crews aboard the three fishing boats were drowned. The searching parties which went to sea Saturday and Sunday came back with stories of the numerous sharks seen striking the waters and apparently hunting for prey. These voracious monsters seemed to have devoured an odor of death and many of them followed the boats doggedly. They splashed through the waves, darted back and forth, and followed water trails which might have been leading to where bodies were afloat.

Prizes for Counties.

Director General Averill of the expeditionary company returned Saturday morning from Columbia, where Friday he attended a meeting of the expedition commission. The meeting was a most successful one. The commission decided to give three prizes for the three counties making the best exhibits, \$1,000 to the county having the best exhibit, \$500 to the county having the second best exhibit, and \$250 for the third best.

No Objection if It Pays.

Gen. Bates says that we continue to pay money to the Sultan of Jolo to keep him in good humor just as the Spaniards did, but that we get much better returns for our expenditures. As long as we continue to get good returns from our purchase of slaves and polygamy in Sulu the Sultan is safe. It was only when the North ceased to get returns from slavery in its midst that it began the crusade against the South.

Ray and Roy.

Ray and Roy Burgess are two remarkable twin brothers lately living in Auburn, N. Y. They are seventeen years old, five feet nine inches in height, weigh 145 pounds each and are so much alike that Roy has immigrated to Keeno, N. H. to acquire identity. Even the Bertillon measurements failed to distinguish them, except by a few hairs.

Fishermen Lost.

Five fishing boats which went on a fishing cruise in Inland waters have been missing for two months and are now believed to have foundered in a gale April 6. Their entire crews, numbering 117 men, are supposed to have perished. There is general mourning in the neighboring villages.

For Governor.

It was officially announced Thursday that Mr. R. C. Cooper would next year be a candidate for governor on the platform of a rigid enforcement of the dispensary law. Mr. Cooper was a member of the State board of control before being elected secretary of state.

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