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The Danger Ahead.

(Pattern adopted by the National Convention, at Louisville.)

"Now that we are free men we must like free men take the reins in our own hands and compel the world to receive us as THEIR EQUALS."

—In his forthcoming report Postmaster General Gresham will take strong grounds in favor of a postal telegraph.

—Butler's nomination for reelection was made with a whoop by the Massachusetts State Democratic convention.

—The voice of Mr. Robert B. Roosevelt, rising from Buffalo, announces authoritatively once more that under no circumstances will Mr. Tilden be a candidate for the Presidency again.

—Butler is the biggest man in Massachusetts today. Tewksbury will elect him Governor and he will stand a good chance to bring up the rear of the Democratic presidential ticket in 1884.

—Matt Carpenter "died poor," but fortunately for his widow and sprightly and beautiful daughter, the estate pans out \$100,000. People will now think there was some mistake about his honesty.

—There were 20,471 deaths in Egypt from cholera in 50 days. From the 6th to the 12th of August inclusive there were 4,699 deaths. August 7th and 8th there were four deaths each day in the English army from this scourge.

—Dr. Dubney says over 100 Northern men have been sent to North Carolina through the State exhibit at Boston. He also says that the Greensboro section of the State elicits the most enquiries. "The New England of the State" is our destiny.

—The new Guion line steamship, Oregon, on her trial trip attained a speed of 20 knots an hour, which, if kept up, would make the distance between New York and Queenstown in less than six days. At the rate the record is being lowered the ocean voyage will soon be no more than a yachting run is now.

—The Florida negroes are said to be the most prosperous in the South. In one county they own ten thousand acres of land, 825 head of horses and mules, over 2,000 head of cattle and sheep, 2,500 hogs, and their personal property is valued at \$12,000. In other counties they make an equally good showing.

—The ominous question of civil rights forces another life long Republican to abandon his party. Is there danger ahead? In the National colored convention, now in session in Louisville, Fred Douglas said yesterday: "Now that we are free men we must like free men take the reins in our own hands and compel the world to receive us as THEIR EQUALS."

—The new Brooks comet is now demonstrated to be the long expected comet of 1812. It has been carefully observed by Professor Brooks, whose observations show a remarkable increase of brilliancy since its discovery. It is now visible in good telescopes near Eta Draconis. The comet is rapidly approaching the earth and soon, and will be visible to the naked eye before Christmas.

—Mr. John Bigelow, one of Mr. Tilden's most intimate personal and political friends, stated in Chicago a few days ago that Mr. Tilden told him six weeks ago that "if every man, woman and child in the United States would sign a petition asking him to run for President he would refuse." That seems positive.

But the Republican party must go, all the same.

—Senator Mahone has adopted a new method for buying negro votes, and one which comes so near corruption that it ought to be suppressed. To each negro who attends a political meeting during the campaign he gives a ticket or check for 20 cents, payable upon presentation on election day. Of course the promises to pay are not worth the paper on which they are printed. Mahone may or may not redeem them; but their purpose is to induce the ignorant blacks to vote the readjuster ticket.

## Abolish the Internal Revenue.

(New York Sun.)

The Boston Herald returns to its attack upon Mr. Randall, alleging that he ought not to be elected Speaker, because he is in favor of "repealing all the internal taxes on whiskey, beer, and tobacco."

The fact is just as the Herald alleges. Mr. Randall is in favor of abolishing the whole scheme of internal revenue taxes, and bringing the country back to the mode of supporting the Government which obtained previous to the war.

If the Herald is really in favor of a tariff for revenue, it ought to support Mr. Randall's proposition. The only means of ever arriving at such a tariff is first to abolish all internal revenue impost. Then, our statesmen, deprived of the means which are now furnished from whiskey, to bacco, and beer, will be obliged to construct the tariff so as to produce all that is necessary to pay the interest and the debt and keep the machinery of the Government running.

The road to a revenue tariff is through the abolition of all internal taxes.

## WASHINGTON.

The Winter Carnival—North Carolina.

(Correspondence Daily Patriot.)

WASHINGTON, D. C., Sept. 26.—Now that the cold weather is driving the watering-place sojourner home, Washington is rapidly filling up and houses and apartments are in active demand. The National Capital promises to be unusually lively the coming winter, and the approaching session of Congress is awaited with much manifest interest.

Leading real-estate agents yesterday assured the PATRIOT correspondent that the denizens of Washington next winter would far outnumber those of any previous time in the history of the city. It is small wonder that those who can afford it should select Washington as the place to spend a winter, for without doubt this is the most beautiful city in America, and one can see and enjoy more here than at any place on the continent. But, as all who have been here know, it requires lots of "the filthy lucre" to live in Washington and "do the proper."

There are 40,000 negroes in this city, and how they all make a living is a mystery to the balance of the population. Notwithstanding the fact that nearly one third of the inhabitants are colored, help is scarce and much difficulty is experienced in procuring servicable and reliable servants. Negroes seem to get above their business as soon as they strike Washington and prefer to live upon a crust, and play "de lady an' gemman," rather than accept good positions where they are required to do any kind of menial work. The question of labor is getting to be a most serious one here.

Marshall T. B. Keogh was here this week. He stated, in an interview, that he hardly thought the Republicans would be able to elect a successor to the late representative-elect Pool. He assured the reporter, however, of his belief in the success of the so-called "Coalition" party next year. He thought that it was possible to then bring out the full Republican vote and to make up the losses in the mountain districts of last year. "Some of the liberals are growling about Mr. Winston," said he, "who has placed himself squarely on the Republican platform; but I believe others will do the same thing," and his subsequent remarks left the impression that an anti-Democrat, disguised as a "liberal," was nothing more nor less than a Republican, after all. In this opinion the reader will doubtless concur.

It is an assured fact that unusual efforts will be made to defeat the Democracy in North Carolina next year. The National Committee of the Republican party will be drawn on—and there is reason to believe successfully—for large sums of money to use in the campaign in your State, and the Administration will be expected to adopt a course similar to the one pursued in the case of Virginia. No efforts will be spared, no means, fair or foul, will be left untried, and no weapon available suffered to be unemployed in a struggle to wrest North Carolina and Virginia from "the solid South" galaxy of States.

But, as a noted North Carolinian recently said to your correspondent: "I firmly believe that the Democratic party in my State came nearer suffering a defeat last year than it will again during the present generation;" so, also, is this opinion widely shared by many of the "Tar Heels" who visit and reside in the "city of magnificent distances"—mea calculated, most of them, to judge shrewdly and with much precision.

I learn, from good authority, to day, that Postmaster General Gresham, in his forthcoming report to Congress, will recommend strongly the establishment of a postal savings-bank system, similar to that of England. As the money deposited in postal banks goes into the National treasury, the system necessarily involves the borrowing by the Government of money from the people. The Government becomes responsible for and pays an interest upon it. Such a system may readily be maintained so long as there is a national debt outstanding, and as the United States is provided with such a toy, I do not see why the Postmaster-General's recommendation might not be adopted.

R. W. Best, formerly of Raleigh,

who was in Greensboro for quite a while during the taking of the census, is now employed as clerk in the Agricultural Department here. He was employed in the census of five up to a few months ago, when he lost his place by reason of the discharge of a number of clerks. Since then he has changed his political color. One of the staunchest Democrats then (avowedly), he is now one of the "Best" of Mott's "liberal" Republicans. He is as tall as ever.

Much interest is manifested in the nomination in the first district by North Carolinians residing here, among whom Major Latham is well and favorably known. But all feel assured that a good man and Democrat will represent the district in the next Congress.

## AUNT MAGGIE.

The Horrors of Poverty.

(Correspondence Daily Patriot.)

REIDSVILLE, Sept. 26.—I'm a thinking that if our Reidsville reporter could fall in upon my home and see how I'm straining every nerve to get up a little money so as to be able to buy me a new dress he would not think it possible for me to live much longer, let alone do any kicking. When a woman takes it into her head to have a new dress, and can't get it, you may look out for the old fellow to rise in all his glory. Poverty can't be much help in bringing up a religious feeling. It does seem to me if we all just could have something to do that would bring us in a little money once a month, that we would be better Christians. Nothing is so apt to bring up bad feelings as the horrors of poverty. To feel so poor that one can't raise a few dimes is beyond any good feelings in the heart. I've been wishing something would turn up to give poor women business. Why don't the rich men institute some way for us to work. We would make good printers, clerks, cooks, (if we had anything to cook), and most any calling that may be placed before us would be faithfully and cheerfully executed if the money was in sight. I'm so tired of being poor and dependent. To be without money is terribly desolating information, and it makes me think of that dreadful little Henry who previously sat on the inverted basket and fooled the dog in the third reader. You probably remember the story of how this great criminal was sent to bed by his grandfather for deluding the dog in the first paragraph, and how, on the next page, he lay awake, and heard through the open window the merry voices of his playmates as they picked the pears, and how the dog came up to his room bringing the biggest pear of all in his mouth, wagging his tail simultaneously in forgiveness. While I'm thinking about it, I keep a watch on the door to see if one of the dogs I have thoughtlessly wronged and kicked won't come in with a wag of his tail and bring me a pocket-book full of money. But no, they cometh not. I had a friend come to see me the other day. She politely explained the impossibility of lending me five dollars and I told her to sit down as I was expecting a dog up every minute with some money. She laughed heartily and told a story of her dog. That dog was smart enough, but I wanted one just like the little dog that Princess Rosetta, in the fairy tale, used to own. That dog always took the King's dinner and carried it to the fisherman's hut, until the King had two or three cooks beheaded, when they happened to see the little dog about the dinner and the followed him until he brought them to the beautiful Princess. I wonder if it would not pay to go into the dog training business, then, after training a good set, go to Washington and beg all the rest of the money rogues. No body could be arrested for a dog stealing money. It might be a paying business.

## Another Republican Recruit.

(Out of the News and Observer.)

NEW LIGHT, WAKE CO., N. C., Sept. 24, 1883.—As I can no longer procrastinate I adopt this method of informing my friends and the public generally that I hereby sever my connection with both the Republican and Liberal parties of North Carolina. I have been a consistent Jeffersonian Republican from principle since its organization in this State, and still believe that no one should hold an office of profit or trust unless he is honest, competent and faithful to the constitution. And while the white people pay the bulk of the taxes I think a white man ought to have as much right as a colored man has, and yet the negroes have long since drawn the color line on the whites. It is possible that the Republican party has outlived its mission? If so, let it die and sink into oblivion. When I think of the dark pages of the history of the Republican party, civil rights and negro rule, fraud and corruption, high tariff and the internal revenue system, with all of its horde of officers (political vampires), crimes, prostitution of office and shuffling generally that have followed the administration of the Republican party, I cannot for my life see how any white man South, who has any respect for his family, or one who is true to his race and native land, North Carolina, (for truly she is a State with a big N) can longer remain in the Republican party as it now exists. It is time that every true patriot should be up and doing. Every white man who loves his race has a duty to perform, and the time is at hand when each one should commence his work and no longer procrastinate. God being my helper, I shall not cease my labors until we have an honest and economical administration in all branches of public service.

## The Dragon Flag.

(San Francisco Public Opinion.)

The Chinese had a grand procession last week, decked in Oriental tinsel, carrying their gods and idols of massive proportions with them, and invoking the blessings of the graven images to the end that victory may perch upon the banner of the dragon, while France showed the dragon and hip and thigh. Prayers and rice are being offered daily in the temple since, and will continue until the Franco-China war is determined.

## The Resignation of Judge Ruffin.

The following explains itself: HILLSBORO, Sept. 17, 1883.

To His Excellency, Thos. J. Jarvis, Governor of the State of North Carolina.

DEAR SIR:—After what I said to you before leaving Raleigh, you will not, I presume, be surprised at my tendering you, as I now do, my resignation as an Associate Justice of the Supreme Court of the State, to take effect from and after this date.

I am led to this course by a consciousness that I am no longer able to undergo the labor necessary to discharge a just proportion of the duties that are likely to devolve upon the court, and I cannot, therefore, think of retaining the position for one moment longer.

I will not pretend that it costs me no regret to take this step. The people of the State have been so kind to me, and my professional brethren so generous, that it has been a pleasure to me to serve them, and would still be if I could do so.

I do not forget, sir, that it is to you I owe my first connection with this honorable office, and I beg to express again my sense of obligation to you, and to renew the assurance of my very great respect and sincere esteem.

I am, sir, very truly, Your obedient servant, T. RUFFIN.

## The Tewksbury Party Must Go.

Gov. Butler was nominated by the Massachusetts State Democratic convention. Escorted to the platform he thus addressed the convention:

He said the people of the State and all who favored reform and good government had ratified the nomination of last year. It now remained for him to give an account of his stewardship. He had made recommendations, but not one of these recommendations was adopted by the Legislature, which sat longer than any Legislature ever sat before, and much longer than he hoped any would sit again. The speaker, professing to feel no anxiety for his own election, begged his hearers to send him legislators of this time who would have minds of their own, and not have to run to the Republican State central committee before making up their minds on any topic. There were, he said, eight of his councilors who agreed with him in private conversation, but disagreed after having got their instructions. When he came into office he found the Governor tied down by the hair of the head, like Gulliver among the Lilliputians. He could not even appoint a colored messenger. The first institution to which he paid his attention was the State prison, which was in a condition of revolt. The next was the insurance department. He became convinced that a laboring was wrong, and began a thorough investigation. For this he was attacked. He went on with the insurance commissioner, who desired time to make a report. He never made that report, and he knows why. What is there in that department? Corruption; corruption from top to bottom. He found that the examination required by law had not been made for years, and that many companies which had been puffed by the commissioner never had been examined, and some failed directly after they were so puffed. Next came Tewksbury. He reviewed what the investigation had developed according to his witnesses in the matters of infant mortality, sale of paupers' bones, and subsequent tanning of some of their skins. Would the people of Massachusetts say this was decent treatment of men who were so puffed? 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GREENSBORO, N. C., OCTOBER 1, 1883.

PEOPLE'S CHOICE FOR GOVERNOR.

ALFRED M. SCALES,

OF GUILFORD.

ABOLISH THE INTERNAL REVENUE.

(State Democratic platform—July 26, 1882.)

"Resolved, That we are in favor

of the entire and immediate ab-

olition of the internal revenue sys-

tem, with its attendant corrup-

tions."

The Danger Ahead.

(Platform adopted by the National Con-

vention, at Louisville.)

"Now that we are free men we

must like free men take the reins

in our own hands and compel the

world to receive us as THEIR

EQUALS."

—The road to a revenue tariff

is through the abolition of all in-

ternal taxes.

—Only seventy-five female law-

yers abroad.

—It begins to look as though

the birds in the Democratic party

in Ohio wouldn't be able to defeat

it.

—Hart B. Holton, probably a

Guilford man, is the Republican

candidate for governor in Mary-

land.

—Russia is preparing for war.

Troops are being concentrated

along the Austrian and German

frontiers.

—One of the funny incidents

of this month may be the celebra-

tion of a Republican escape from

defeat in Iowa.

—Official inquiry develops the

fact that 1,990 persons were killed

and 371 injured by the late earth-

quake on the Island of Isechia.

—The New Orleans Times says

the negroes throughout the State

of Louisiana, except those in Fed-

eral employ, have gone over to the

Democratic to a man.

—The third annual convocation

of the Grand Commandery of the

Knights Templar for the State of

North Carolina will meet in Char-

lotte, Tuesday, Oct. 9th.

—Disraeli said that nothing is

so much importance to a young

man as to be well criticised by a

woman. When she's worth a fortune

this is stupendously true.

—The man who wrote a little

pamphlet entitled "How to Get on

in the World" was put off a street

car the other day because he hadn't

enough money to pay his fare.

—The second place on the

National ticket is likely to be the

ultimatum of the colored Republi-

cans. The platform will demand

SOCIAL EQUALITY.

The Republican party must go.

—Mr. Peter M. Hale's new

North Carolina book, "In the Coal

and Iron Counties of North Caro-

lina," is to hand. A hasty glance

at its contents shows it to be a

very valuable State publication.

We shall give it further attention.

—Butler defines the issue in

Massachusetts: "Webster said:

"There stands Massachusetts; look

at her." If anybody should say

to-day I fear somebody would

reply, "and there stands Tewks-

bury; look at her." I want to wipe

out that and all other disgraces."

—North Carolina tobacco has

paid the Government THIRTY-

THREE MILLION DOLLARS IN

TAXES. Still the idiotic cry is

heard, "tax it as a luxury."

—The tobacco tax must go, and

with it the Republican party.

—How great minds waltz along

in the same groove finds a fresh il-

lustration in the appointment of

Judge Merrimon. He was the first

non thought of by both acting

Governor Robinson and Governor

Jarvis. "This is a pity to spoil this,

## THE JUDGESHIP TENDERED HON. DAVID SCHENCK.

It will be seen, from the corre-  
spondence herewith published, that  
the vacancy made on the Supreme  
court bench by the resignation of  
Justice Ruffin was tendered by  
Governor Jarvis to Judge David  
Schneck, of this place.

That Judge Schneck felt it en-  
cumbent upon him to decline the  
appointment, will be a matter of  
regret to his numerous friends in  
this State. That he is one of the  
first lawyers of the State goes with-  
out saying, and his long experience  
on the circuit as a *si prius* judge  
made for him a reputation second  
to no man who has ever presided  
in our Superior courts.

In the prime of life, with a ma-  
tured mind, an extraordinary intel-  
lect and untiring energy he would  
have made for himself enduring  
fame as one of the greatest legal  
lights which have illumined the  
judicial reports of North Caro-  
lina, and at the same time have  
contributed much learning to our  
unsettled system of pleading and  
practice.

We congratulate the Governor  
and the people of the State, how-  
ever, in being able to secure the  
services of Judge Merrimon in this  
important position. Of National  
reputation, vigorous physical  
health and much legal ability and  
learning, he will bring to the dis-  
charge of his duties those qualities  
of mind and body which eminent  
ly fit him for the place, and we feel  
assured that his appointment will  
meet with universal approval in  
the State.

GREENSBORO, N. C., Sept. 28, '83.

Hon. D. Schneck, Greensboro, N. C.:

DEAR SIR.—Having been notifi-  
ed of the resignation of Hon. Thos.  
Ruffin as one of the Associate  
Justices of the Supreme court of  
North Carolina, I hereby tender  
to you this office and ask your im-  
mediate acceptance of the same.

I have the honor to be your ob-  
edient servant.

THOS. J. JARVIS.

GREENSBORO, N. C., Sept. 29, '83.

Hon. D. Schneck, Greensboro, N. C.:

MY DEAR SIR.—Your letter of

the 28th inst., tendering me the  
office of Associate Justice of the  
Supreme court of North Carolina,  
has been received and considered.

I would give me very great  
pleasure to serve my State in so  
exalted a position, but the neces-  
sity of my family forbids that I  
should make the pecuniary sacri-  
fice which its acceptance would re-  
quire, and I must, therefore, decline  
the distinguished honor which you  
have tendered me. Your Excellen-  
cy may, however, be assured that  
I fully appreciate the compliment  
unexpectedly bestowed on me, and  
that I am profoundly grateful for  
your cordiality and kindness.

I have the honor to be, very truly,  
your friend and obedient serv-  
ant.

D. SCHNECK.

FORCING SILVER CIRCULATION.

On August 21 the Secretary of

the Treasury issued a circular

which made a very favorable offer

to persons who had to buy ex-  
change on Western and Southern  
cities. On depositing with one of  
the assistant treasurers a sum in  
gold, payment of a like amount in  
silver certificates would be made  
by any treasurer in any place the  
depositor might designate.

A comparison of the Treasury

statements since that date shows

that the plan has succeeded in

floating a large amount of silver

certificates. The stock of gold has

been increased by about three mil-  
lions and the amount of outstand-  
ing silver certificates has increased  
more than four millions. The sil-  
ver in the Treasury and the amount  
of outstanding gold certificates  
have remained almost unchanged.

The demand in the West and  
South for currency with which to  
move the crops has had influence  
in producing this result, but it  
must be expected that when this  
temporary want is passed the cur-  
rency will again be withdrawn.

A MONOPOLY BROKEN.

"The back of the match mono-

poly is broken. This was the mean-

est, the loudest smelling, and the

most pervasive monopoly in the

country. It left no man's pocket

untouched."

It was Sam Randall's little anti

monopoly hatchet that did the job.

All internal revenue taxes should  
be swept away.

The public debt statement

issued Monday, shows a reduction

during the month of September of

\$11,707,223. Total cash in the

treasury \$355,450,670 and the de-  
bt less cash in the treasury is \$1,521,  
\$11,855.

—An ingenious method of rais-

ing the figures of the new postal

notes has just been brought to the

attention of the Postoffice Depart-

ment. The fraud consists in punch-

ing from a high figure in the note

a piece of paper of the proper shape

and size to fill up the hole previous-

ly punched by the postmaster

through a lower figure. The writ-

ten words or figures are then re-

moved by acids, and the blank

filled in to correspond with the

punched figures. Some of the notes

have been changed so skillfully

that it is very difficult to detect

the alterations.

## Randall on the Tariff.

It is well enough to know just

what exactly what Hon. Samuel J.

Randall's position is on the tariff

question. In his great speech on

the Tariff Commission, delivered in

the House of Representatives, May

30, 1882, Mr. Randall said:

"I do not favor a tariff enacted

upon the ground of protection, be-

cause I doubt the existence of any

constitutional warrant for any such

construction or the grant of any

such power. It would manifestly

be in the nature of class legislation,

and to such legislation, favoring

one class at the expense of any

other, I have always been opposed.

In my judgment this question of

free trade will not arise practically

in this country during our lives, if

ever, so long as we continue to

raise revenue by duties on imports,

and therefore the discussion of that

principle is an absolute waste of

time. After our public debt is

paid in full our expenditures can

hardly be much below \$200,000,000,

and if this is levied in a hasty and

unintelligent manner it will

afford adequate protection to every

industrial interest in the United

States. The assertion that the Con-

stitution permits the levying of

duties in favor of protection "for

the sake of protection" is equally

unfounded and unnecessary. Both

are alike delusory and not involved

in any practical administrative pol-

icy. If brought to the test I be-

lieve that neither would stand for

a day. Protection for the sake of

protection is prohibition, and the

same of importation, and if there

be no importation there will be no

duties collected, and consequently

no revenue, leaving the necessary

expenses of the Government to be

collected by direct taxes—for inter-

nal taxes would interfere with the

protective principle, and when the

people were generally asked to

bear the burden of heavy taxation

to sustain class legislation and the

interests of a portion of our people

at the expense of the great bulk of

our population, there would be an

emphatic and conclusive negative.

So, too, with free trade; there is

hardly a man in public life who ad-

vocates it pure and simple. Nobody

wants direct taxation, although it

would bring taxation so near and

so constantly before the people

that Congress would hesitate long

before it voted the sums of money

it now does, if not for improper, at

least for questionable purposes."

There are some news papers in

this country which would not pub-

lish the above for any consideration.

If they did, their readers might

ask, with much propriety, why

they have been charging Mr. Ran-

dall with being an extreme protec-

tionist. There is no such doctrine

in the above extract.—Wilmington

Review.

The Review is right. In addition

to denying Randall a fair hearing

"some newspapers" persistently

and audaciously misrepresent him.

Associate Justice Merrimon.

( Raleigh Observer.)

The appointment of Hon. A. S.

Merrimon to be an Associate Jus-

tice of the Supreme Court will meet

with the warm approbation of the

people of North Carolina. Judge

Merrimon was born in Buncombe

county in September, 1830, and is

now, therefore, just 53 years of age.

He came to the bar in 1852, and

soon entered upon a lucrative prac-

tice. During the war, after a brief

military service, he was solicitor in

the western circuit, and the fear-

fullest manner in which he

discharged his duties in the trying

days of that period won for him

the respect and confidence of all

who were conversant with his

course. In 1866 he was elected a

judge of the Superior court by the

Legislature chosen in that year,

## Hanging of the Shapard Murderers.

(Special to the Register.)

CHATHAM, Va., Sept. 28, 1883.

The execution of Younger, King

and Evans, condemned for the

murder of W. F. Shapard, took

place to-day.

The procession left the jail at 12

o'clock, escorted by a detachment

of the Pennsylvania Guards, the

sheriff and his deputies. The

scaffold was erected at 12:15, and

the gallows was adjusted by the

sheriff, who asked them if they

had anything to say. King replied

nothing except that he was not

guilty. Evans made a similar re-

ply. Younger said he had nothing

to say, but was not guilty. He

had forgiven all his enemies and

evil speakers, and felt sure of going







