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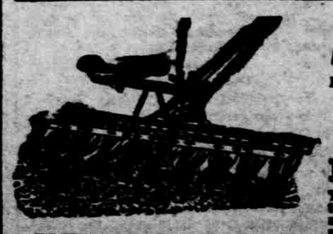

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AN ANECDOTE OF GRANT.

The Chilling Reception by Grant of a Delegation from South Carolina.

The assertion that Gen. Grant has never been a profane man, as many of our generals were, has recently been illustrated by anecdotes showing that he refrained from swearing under very trying circumstances. I never heard the general swear, says a writer in the Washington *Capital*, but I certainly saw him mad enough to make things blue if he had broken out.

In the spring of 1874 a delegation came here from a taxpayers' convention in South Carolina to expostulate against the intolerable extravagance, folly, and fraud of their state government. Frank Moses, "the young native governor," as he had been dubbed by those who thought carpet-baggers the sum of all evil, who had shown them that the finger of Moses was heavier than the loins of Scott, was nearing the close of his term. To prepare for a desperate effort to redeem the state, a non-partisan taxpayers' convention was called, and the result was "an appeal to Cæsar."

A delegation of twenty of the most distinguished men of the state came here; Gen. James Chestnut, who died recently, was at its head. I went with them, by appointment, to the white house to present the bill of grievances. As we were passing up the stairway to the president's reception room Senator John J. Patterson, the carpet-bag representative of the Palmetto state, passed down. He had a grin on his somewhat sardonic face, which was indicative of disaster to those he grinned at.

Gen. M. C. Butler, now senator, certainly construed it as a danger signal, for he said to me: "Now, I wonder what Patterson has been up to?" The delegation was not long in finding out. When they filed into the reception-room Grant was standing to receive them, one clinched hand resting on the table, an angry flush upon his face, and an expression of the eye fitter for the battle-field than for the reception-room. He went through the ceremony of introduction coldly, and then said: "What can I do for you?" W. D. Porter, Charleston's most famous lawyer, presented the resolutions of the convention and the protest of the taxpayers of South Carolina against the continued existence of the state government. Mr. Lathers unrolled three long proof-sheets of an individual protest, which he would have proceeded to read had not Grant, with an impatient gesture, interrupted him. "Gentlemen," said he, "that all you have to say concerning the present government of South Carolina is true I do not admit or deny. The administration of affairs in that state is in the hands of those who were elected by a large majority of the people to represent them; you must find your remedy at the ballot-box; but even if I had it in my power to prevent the evils of which you complain I do not think I am bound to do so. Why should I help those who shamefully abuse me? The convention which sent you here even dragged the name of my wife into its debates and made her the subject of false and scandalous accusations."

The delegation was dumbfounded. The members had not expected any very warm sympathy, but this turning of the tables was too sudden to find them prepared. Those who had noticed the exit of "Honest John Patterson" were, however, not so much surprised at Grant's familiarity with the proceedings of the convention. The sly politician had primed Grant for the reception, and on the table close to Grant's hands was a newspaper clipping—the report of Gen. Mart Gary's speech in the convention.

Gen. Gary, as chairman of the committee on federal relations, had opposed an appeal to Grant. He denounced him as a drunken tyrant, not a whit better than his fellow-radicals in South Carolina. "While Moses and his fellow-thieves," said he, "are robbing the people of South Carolina, Grant and his fellow-thieves are robbing the whole people of the United States. While negro harlots are peddling legislative pay certificates in the streets of Columbia, the wife of Grant is selling the secrets of the treasury to the gamblers of Wall street."

So the taxpayers' delegation went away sorrowful. If Grant had been calm enough to listen to explanation he would have learned that Gen. Gary's report and speech had been markedly rebuked by the convention, which referred the report back to his committee, and adopted an address temperate, nonpartisan and conservative in its plans.

The following account is given of the origin of the term "eavesdropper." At the revival of Masonry, in 1717, a curious punishment was inflicted upon a man who listened at the door of a Masonic meeting in order to hear its secrets. He was summarily sentenced to be placed under the eaves of an outhouse while it was raining hard till the water ran in under the collar of his coat and out at his shoes." The penalty was inflicted on the spot, and the name has continued every since.

The lumber supply of Michigan is not yet exhausted by any means. A log railroad to be built not far from Manistee, only twelve miles in length, will, it is estimated, reach timber to the amount of 300,000,000 feet. The building of these log railroads, though will enable such rapid consumption that the Michigan lumber supply cannot last a great while longer, and so it is thought speculators are already securing rights to the fine forests of the distant Northwest and South.—*Chicago Tribune.*

A favorite way out by writing teachers for their pupils in the following, because it contains every letter of the alphabet: "A quick brown fox jumped over the lazy dog."

Hungarian cattle—[illegible] and enormous horns made. [illegible] have supply every household in the [illegible] and who [illegible] sheep are the best in the [illegible]