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The Cash Racket Stores! 3 Stores in One! Facts Worth Knowing THAT We have the largest CASH business in Eastern North Carolina.

A VILE PLOT! The Liberties Of The People In Danger. A Secret Organization Equaled Only By The Union League.

ders emanating from their superiors. Mr. Wilson stated that the object of the organization was to aid and promote the Reform movement.

continued up to the present time to be one. If Messrs. Reed and Bell's letters left any doubt (and I think they did not) in the minds of our people about the actual existence here of a secret political society, Mr. Wilson's letter finally removes that doubt.

To all of which I most solemnly swear and sign my name, binding myself under no less penalty than that of being held up to the contempt of all mankind.

MR. YOUNG IS NOW IN The Northern Markets -BUYING OUR SECOND STOCK OF- Shoes, Clothing and Hats!

The people know when they are getting a good thing. We want to return our thanks for their liberal trade this Fall, and to make our thanks worth something, we shall continue our

3 Stores in One! Facts Worth Knowing THAT We have the largest CASH business in Eastern North Carolina. That we buy goods below the market value.

Letter from J. S. Bell, Senator from Clay, and M. L. Reed, Member of the House from Buncombe, Showing Organization of The Band of "Gideons" in North Carolina.

There have been many rumors and whisperings of the existence here of this dangerous "Band" until the letters of Messrs. Bell and Reed were no longer evidence, and I now submit these proofs with full confidence that the conversation of our people will not be slow to repudiate it, and fittingly rebuke the depraved agitators and demagogues who dared introduce it.

As you have used the machinery of the party of which you are the official head, together with the democratic press of the State and nation for its circulation, I hope that your sense of fair play will give the prominence and wide circulation to this communication, justice demands it.

The Chicago Tribune last August contained the following special from Washington, on the first column of its first page: "WASHINGTON, Aug. 14.—"Gideon's Band," is the newest factor in this year's campaign.

Running in price from 50 cents to \$3.75, which we are going to sell for 60 CENTS ON THE DOLLAR. One dollar pants at sixty cents; two dollar pants at one dollar and twenty cents; five dollar pants at three dollars; six fifty pants at three seventy-five.

DO YOU WEAR PANTS? We would like to call your attention to 5,000 PAIRS OF PANTS

The Cash Racket Stores, Nash and Goldboro Streets. I. M. LEVY, Mgr. Greene County Insurance Agency, SNOW HILL, N. C. DR. W. S. ANDERSON, Physician and Surgeon, WILSON, N. C. DR. ALBERT ANDERSON, Physician and Surgeon, WILSON, N. C. DR. E. K. WRIGHT, Surgeon Dentist, WILSON, N. C. Whoa! When in La Grange and desiring a first-class turn-out for any immediate point, come to my livery stables.

Asheville, N. C., Oct. 7, 1892. DEAR SIR:—I have your recent favoring concerning my connection with the order known as Gideon's Band, and in answer would say: S. Otho Wilson initiated me in the order of Gideons at Goldsboro in August, 1891, on my return from State Alliance which met at Morehead. He kept the obligation I took and I do not know its exact terms, but will assure you it was a regular "raw head and bloody bones" affair. I was ashamed of it as soon as I found out what it was; and I have had nothing to do with it since. I had known before hand what it was, I would not have joined it. But Wilson told me it was a good thing and would aid the Alliance cause, and being an earnest Allianceman I joined.

Mr. Editor:—Through the medium of the press I desire to lay before the people of North Carolina two letters recently addressed to me by Mr. M. L. Reed, a member of the present House of Representatives and a prominent member of the Alliance, and Mr. J. S. Bell, a member of the present State Senate, and recently State Alliance Lecturer, disclosing the existence in this State of an ungodly and dangerous secret political society, whose chief is S. Otho Wilson, the official head of the People's Party in North Carolina.

Mr. Editor:—At the request of Mr. S. Otho Wilson, I desire through the medium of the press to lay before the people of North Carolina the above letter, which I think contains the strongest possible proof of the charges therein made. It will be observed he does not deny the statements made by Messrs. Reed and Bell, and makes his single point that the "Band" is not a political society. In his words, "I am not a member of the band of public enemies, but I am a member of the band of 'congressional' enemies."

Not even the despised "Know-Nothing" ever adopted an oath so sweeping as the one given below. The Gideons are not only required to subscribe to it but to pledge their lives to obey it. The form is a copy of those printed for general use throughout the country. It runs thus: I, _____, a free citizen of this republic, do hereby, in the presence of God and these witnesses, solemnly swear never to reveal to any human being on earth any of the signs or secrets of this order or the existence of the same.

abandonment of selfish ambition and preferment is so firmly established that neither the riches of Croesus nor the kingdoms of the world can move them, will succeed. The G shall be the superior in each Congressional district and shall have full power to call meetings whenever the good of the order demands; and each member shall report promptly to him, and he will be held personally responsible for all initiations and the work done in his district. He will receive instructions from G. B. or J. during an interval of any session.

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