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## ALLIANCE PLATFORM.

IT DEMANDS LOANS FOR THE FARMERS ON THEIR LANDS.

The Farmer's Alliance Convention in session at Ocala, Florida, has adopted the following platform:

1. We demand the abolition of national banks; we demand that the government shall establish subtreasuries or depositories in the several states, which shall loan money direct to the people at a low rate of interest, not to exceed 2 per annum, on non-perishable farm products and also upon real estate, with the proper limitation upon the quantity of land and the amount of money; we demand that the amount of circulating medium be speedily increased to not less than \$80 per capita.

2. We demand that Congress shall pass such laws as shall effectually prevent dealing in futures on all agricultural and mechanical productions, preserving a stringent system of procedure in trials, such as shall secure the prompt conviction and imposition of such penalties as shall secure the most perfect compliance with law.

3. We condemn the Silver bill recently passed by Congress, and demand in lieu thereof the free and unlimited coinage of silver.

4. We demand the passage of laws prohibiting alien ownership of land, and that Congress take prompt action to devise some plan to obtain all lands now owned by aliens and foreign syndicates, and that all lands now held by railroads and other corporations in excess of such as is actually used and needed by them be reclaimed by the Government and held for actual settlers only.

5. Believing in the doctrine of equal rights to all, and special privileges to none, we demand that our national legislation shall be so framed in the future as not to build up one industry at the expense of another, and we further demand a removal of the existing heavy tariff tax from the necessities of life that the poor of our land must have.

We further demand a just and equitable system of graduated tax on incomes. We believe that the money of our country should be kept as much as possible in the hands of the people and hence we demand that all national and State revenues shall be limited to the necessary expenses of the Government economically and honestly administered.

6. We demand the most rigid, honest, and just State and national government control and supervision of the means of public communication and transportation, and if this control and supervision does not remove the abuses now existing we demand Government ownership of such means of communication and transportation.

## STATE FINANCES.

The joint Legislative committee committee completed its annual examination of the books and vouchers of the State Treasurer last Saturday. These were all found in perfect shape. All the State's indebtedness was promptly met. The balance of the public fund on hand December 1st, 1889, was \$5,770 and during the year ending November 30th last the receipts were \$1,183,303. The amount disbursed during the twelve months was \$1,051,931, leaving of the general fund on hand December 1st last \$137,343.

The balance of the educational fund on hand a year ago was \$11,683, and the receipts during the year \$23,757. The disbursements were for the year \$9,057, having \$26,384 of this fund in the Treasury.

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## VANCE & THE ALLIANCE.

THE SENATOR'S REPLY TO PRESIDENT CARR OF THE STATE ALLIANCE.

Last week's *Progressive Farmer* contained the following correspondence between Mr. Elias Carr, President of the State Farmer's Alliance, and Senator Vance.

PRESIDENT CARR'S LETTER.  
November 20, 1890.  
Hon. Z. B. Vance, Black Mountain, Buncombe county:

DEAR SIR:—After carefully considering the political situation in our State I deem it wise to write you and ask the following question: "If the Legislature instructs you to advocate and vote for the Sub-Treasury plan of financial reform, will you carry out said instructions in good faith?" I hope that you will understand I do not reflect in the slightest degree on your devotion to the people of North Carolina, but there are precedents where United States Senators have carried out instructions, and also precedents where they have disregarded them. I trust that you will give me an answer at your earliest convenience.

Very respectfully,  
ELIAS CARR,  
President N. C. F. S. A.

SENATOR VANCE'S REPLY.  
U. S. SENATE,  
Washington, D. C., Dec. 6, 1890.  
Elias Carr, President N. C. Farmers' Alliance, Old Sparta, N. C.,

DEAR SIR:—In answer to your official communication of the 20th ult., which did not reach me until the first inst., I have to say that I recognize the old Democratic doctrine of the right of the people to instruct their representatives to the fullest extent to which it has ever been carried in North Carolina. I hold that the will of the people, clearly and unequivocally expressed, must be obeyed unless compliance would involve the representative in a moral wrong, in which case it would be his duty to resign and give place to a representative who would obey. Good faith in the observance of instructions and public pledges is absolutely essential to a government based on the popular will.

Very respectfully yours,  
Z. B. VANCE.

THE PROGRESSIVE FARMER SPEAKS.  
Commenting on this correspondence the *Progressive Farmer* says:

By reference to the correspondence between President Carr and Senator Vance printed in another column, it will be seen that the Senator agrees to obey instructions of the General Assembly, if it shall "unequivocally" direct him to vote for the Sub-Treasury plan of financial reform. It is now the duty of the people of North Carolina to meet in their several townships and indicate to their representatives in the General Assembly their will, as to whether Senator Vance shall be instructed to support the Sub-Treasury plan or not. In these meetings there should be the fullest and freest discussion of the merits and demerits of the Sub-Treasury plan, with a view to ascertaining its practicability, as a scheme of reform. It has been said, more than once, that the majority of the farmers in North Carolina were opposed to the Sub-Treasury bill. If this opposition exists, now is the time for it to manifest itself. The Alliance-men of North Carolina are impregnable in their demands for reform. But they are not wedded to any special scheme of bringing it about. If a better scheme of reform can be devised than the one embodied in the Sub-Treasury plan, the *Progressive Farmer*, for one, is in favor of the better scheme. This is our position now; and this has been our position all the while. Any other position, as it seems to us, would be irrational.

This agreement of Senator Vance's to obey the instructions of the General Assembly in the matter of supporting the Sub-Treasury plan should, and we doubt not, will allay all opposition to his re-election to the Senate, which arose from his expressed opposition to the scheme of reform to which the Alliance are committed. The Alliance have it in their power to secure for their reforms the support of Vance by issuing instructions to him through the Legislature; and if they neglect to secure these instructions that will not be the fault of Senator Vance.

The *Progressive Farmer* is delighted to know that a way to the compromising of the differences between Vance and the Alliance of North Carolina has been found; and it sees a splendid vista, lined with opportunity to make a careful and wise embodiment of Alliance principles in the plans of reform which will be brought before the next Congress. We see the way clear to the accomplishment of all that this paper has ever contended for; and we are content.

## BAPTIST HISTORY.

EARLY BAPTIST HISTORY IN NORTH CAROLINA BY J. W. MOORE.

In previous numbers of these memoirs we have already seen how the Baptists of Eastern North Carolina and Virginia united in 1765 in forming the Kehukee Association. The churches of North Carolina which were constituent members of this body at its formation were Toisnot in Edgecombe, Kehukee in Halifax, Falls of Tar river in Edgecombe, Fishing Creek in Halifax, Reedy Creek in Bute, Sandy Run in Bertie, and old Shiloh in Camden. The church on Meherri, then known as Tanker's, did not for many years unite with their brethren, though this Baptist congregation had been established as a church as early as 1729. It seems that Elder Joseph Parker held some distinctive views that kept his people separate so long as he lived. As the founder and pastor of the flock, his influence was enough to keep them from the great Baptist brotherhood until very near the close of the century.

As the new churches came into the Old Kehukee, the body began to grow large and unwieldy. So in 1790 the Virginia churches went off into the Portsmouth Association. Forty-nine churches were still left in Kehukee, until three years later, another division occurred, and all churches south of Tar river were constituted into the Neuse Association. In the meanwhile, Baptist influence had greatly widened all over the Albemarle country. Conaritsa and Cashie churches in Bertie, Ahoskie in Hertford, Potocasi in Northampton, Ballard's Bridge and Yeopim in Chowan, Flat Swamp in Pasquotank, Sawyer's Creek in Camden and Powell's Point in Currituck had all been received and were strong additions to the Baptist hosts. Old Kehukee was still considered too large and unwieldy by the brethren; so in 1806 another division occurred, and that grand and historic body known as the Chowan Association had its birth.

What mighty forces and benign influences were to be the result of this step! For many years every effort for advancement and larger usefulness among the churches had been bitterly contested by certain mistaken and infatuated brethren in the councils of old Kehukee. The foremost servants of the Lord had time and again struggled for the establishment of an effective system of State Missions and for a general union of all the churches into a State Convention, but timid lovers of the dead past resisted all the efforts of men seeking a day of better things. At last the Lord had done as of old in the case of the father of the faithful. Another Abram was called out from the old life of apathy, and in the Chowan Association the great Baptist cause in North Carolina was to find its greatest human assistant. To its far-seeing wisdom and liberality, many of our greatest evangelistic agencies had their origin and subsequent support. To its efforts may be attributed, not only the State Convention and the *Biblical Recorder*, but in later days the establishment of Wake Forest College and the Chowan Baptist Female Institute.

No man in North Carolina, not even excepting Elder Lemuel Burkit, contributed more toward the erection of this great body of Christians than did George Outlaw. He was even then widely known and honored as a Baptist leader, and on him for years after the formation of the Association was the office of Moderator conferred. His high position socially and wide influence as a leader of the Democratic Republican party, made him almost a reproduction of Elishe Battle of the preceding generation.

When baby was sick, we gave her Castoria.  
When she was a Child, she cried for Castoria.  
When she became Miss, she clung to Castoria.  
When she had Children, she gave them Castoria.

## THE COAST LINE.

The *Chronicle* is reasonably certain that the Atlantic Coast Line will be extended into the city of Augusta before the end of the new year. Everything is now in readiness for the commencement of active operations. The necessary charters for the extension of the road from Florence through Sumter, Orangeburg, Barnwell and Aiken into the city of Augusta, have been secured from the legislatures of South Carolina and Georgia. The extension recommended by the officials of the road was formally endorsed at its last annual meeting by the stockholders—*Augusta Chronicle*.

## OUR WATER POWER.

ITS ADVANTAGES RECOGNIZED EVERYWHERE.

THE ROANOKE NEWS has had a good deal to say about the splendid water power afforded by Roanoke river here, and is glad to see that it is attracting attention abroad. The *Manufacturers' Record* has an article of two columns and a half concerning it, written by Mr. Albert Phenix, special traveling correspondent, who made a personal inspection of the canal and the property generally.

He says: I have every reason to believe that only a small proportion of the 65,000,000 people who inhabit these United States are aware of the fact that here in and adjacent to this ancient hamlet of Weldon, N. C., there is the most magnificent undeveloped water power to be found today on the American continent; or, let me put it, the greatest "unemployed" water power, for the term "undeveloped" may be somewhat misleading, the truth being that the Roanoke Navigation and Water Power company has spent more than \$100,000 in reconstructing and enlarging the nine-mile canal which the State helped to build nearly seventy-five years ago for navigation purposes. \*\*\*

A personal investigation and thorough inspection of this wonderful power will be necessary to anything like a correct conception of the situation. There is too much here for proper appreciation through any other source than strict examination.

Some idea of the power here obtained can be formed when it is known that "the Roanoke river, in the distance embraced between the termini of the canal, has a fall of about eighty-five feet, of which forty feet in the upper four miles and forty-five feet in the lower five miles." The topography of the country makes it possible to locate mills at about six sites along the route, but there are enough fine sites right at Weldon to utilize every bit of the water power at present developed.

Weldon is situated in the best cotton region in America, fifteen counties immediately adjacent to it having an annual product of over 200,000 bales. The climate escapes the rigors of the North and also the enervating influences of the extreme Southern sections. The waters never freeze sufficiently to prevent the continuous operation of water power mills. Two trunk lines—the Atlantic Coast Line and the Seaboard Air-Line—and three feeders besides, give the finest railway facilities possessed by any point in the State, it being possible to load cars here for any destination on the continent; the river is navigable for boats drawing no more than three feet of water, the proximity of raw material, markets and transportation facilities makes it possible to gather cotton and lay the manufactured article down in New York city less than thirty-six hours after the raw material leaves the field, and the splendid, abundant water power can be furnished at a smaller rate than that charged by nearly every water power company in the country.

When it is considered that the New England manufacturer is compelled to pay heavy freight rates on the raw material and on the manufactured article as well; that he is subjected to the loss and inconvenience which a rigorous climate inflicts, and that he is only a small trifle nearer the big markets than is this section with its 12-hour railroad run to New York, it is no wonder that the promoters of the Roanoke Navigation and Water Power company are confident that soon there will be a big movement to this city of heavy Northern manufacturers, nor that all those who examine the situation are convinced that in the near future the company's property will be almost dotted over with spacious factories and magnificent mills.

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A Nasal Injector free with each bottle of Shiloh's Catarrh Remedy. Price 50 cents. For sale at W. M. Cohen.

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ENFIELD, N. C.

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The Tariff don't affect my prices as they all say, goods are higher. I bought most of my goods in July and August, to be delivered as I want them. Am selling them at the old prices.

I am always a LITTLE LOWER IN PRICES and my goods are the finest and most attractive.

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A LARGE ASSORTED STOCK OF DRY GOODS.

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MY STOCK OF MEN'S, BOYS and CHILDREN'S CLOTHING and OVERCOATS, is surpassed by none.

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A full line of MEN'S, BOYS' and YOUTH'S hats and caps, bought from first hands, and sold very cheap.

A complete line of groceries on hand at all times. A good line of Harness and Road Carts, direct from the manufacturers, and sold at small profits.

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