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For Electors at Large—LOOKE CRAIG, of Buncombe, and W. C. DOUGLASS, of Moore.

FOR CONGRESS.

Second District—F. A. WOODARD, of Wilson.

Now if the Populists are really honest in their professions about the free coinage of silver they can all stand upon the Democratic platform.

It is said that nickels are to be made of nickel hereafter, instead of an alloy of nickel and copper. They will be bluer in color, and will not wear so much.

The New York Sun has declared for McKinley and predicts an early and abundant crop of "McKinley Democrats" and "McKinley Democratic clubs."

Jeremiah Head, a wise English authority, admits the ability of Alabama to produce iron cheaper than England, but thinks freight charges will prevent serious competition.

There is something in this world of even more value than a gold mine. A four inch vein of tellurium has been discovered at Victor, Penn., which assays \$7,000 to the ton.

MEXICO now wants to come into line in the matter of firearms. It is proposed to arm the infantry, cavalry and artillery with the Mondragon rifle, instead of the Remington, now in use.

TWENTY FOUR governments, including the United States, China, Japan, and Persia, and nearly all the European countries have given official notice that they will exhibit in Paris in 1900.

THEY say that the people of Northern Wisconsin are fertilizing their lands with the finest potatoes ever seen. They would be glad to sell them for a cent a bushel, but cannot even give them away.

FARMS in England are selling at only twenty five to fifty percent of their former value, and in some cases no bids can be got even upon the lowest basis. Farms within two hours' ride of London are deserted.

It was said before the convention that our Uncle Adlai was a dark horse. Yes, he was so very dark that he did not come to light at all. The people want no candidates of uncertain financial views this year.

CHAUNCEY M. DEPEW recently remarked, "when I say every enterprise, every business, every institution must advertise in order to be a success, I only voice the opinion of every thoughtful, sensible business man."

The keeper of the Chicago jail has a sense of humor and a grim one. He showed it when recently he returned a letter that had arrived for a prisoner who had been hanged five days before with the endorsement on the outside, "present address not known."

Two bicycle firms failed in New York on Friday and others will probably follow. The crop of wheels is larger than the demand at present prices and the dealers are cutting deep on the prices. Standard wheels are sold at from \$10 to \$40 below the market prices. It is said that there will be a big slump in prices next year.

BACKERS are bred to habits of early rising, but is that any reason why they should pan out so crusty?

THE times demand large bargains for slender purses. Frelander has the bargains.

THE NATIONAL TICKET.

The National Democratic convention, at Chicago, nominated William Jennings Bryan, of Nebraska, for President and Arthur Sewall, of Maine, for Vice President, and adopted a strong silver platform.

The convention was one of the most remarkable ever held. There is no free silver man in this country to whom the platform will not commend itself. It is plain, unequivocal, uncompromising and is broad enough, strong enough and good enough for every one who earnestly desires the free coinage of silver at the legal ratio of 16 to 1 to stand upon.

W. J. Bryan, who heads the ticket, and is styled the "Silver Knight of the West," is able, brilliant and magnetic. He has a clear record, is a strong advocate of free silver, and if the Populists are really in earnest on the financial question they will endorse Bryan at their convention to be held in St. Louis on the 22nd.

Arthur Sewall, of Maine, the nominee for the second place on the ticket, is a man with large business interests in his State, a ship builder and the president of a National bank, yet he is a strong silver man, and is of the people and for the people. He is strongly opposed to trusts and monopolies and stands squarely upon the platform adopted at Chicago.

The platform and the candidates fit admirably and the silver men of the country have an opportunity to achieve a great victory in November next. There is no straddling. The lines are clear cut and the Democratic party throws to the breeze a free silver banner upon which is inscribed 16 to 1. It will be carried to victory. The majority of the people favor the restoration of silver and the silver forces will all unite on the nominees of the Chicago convention. We give the platform and proceedings of the convention on the first page.

THE meaning of the phrase "16 to 1" is frequently asked, as it is applied to the coinage of gold and silver in the present agitation of the currency question. The answer is that the advocates of free coinage of silver demand that 16 ounces of silver shall for coinage purposes be held as equal in value to 1 ounce of gold, or that one ounce of gold be coined into as many dollars as 16 ounces of silver would make under the required standard.

WE copy the following from the Index Appeal, which is one of the strongest believers in the present gold standard.

There are two things predicted by the gold standard men that will not occur if the free-silverites shed their presidential nominees. There will be no panic, and in the event of free coinage, the United States will not become the dumping ground for the silver of the world.

With the exception of Mexico and Japan, silver has a higher coinage value with every other nation in the world than with the United States, and so it would be sheer folly for them to dump their silver here.

A good looking, well to do bachelor of Griffin, Ga., was being teased by the young ladies of a club for not being married. He said: "I'll marry the one of you whom, on a secret vote, you elect to be my wife." There were nine members of the club. Each girl went into a corner and used great caution in preparing her ballot and disguised her handwriting. The result of the vote was that there were nine votes cast. Each girl receiving one. The man remains a bachelor, the club is broken up and the girls are mortal enemies, united in the one determination that they will not speak to the man again.

THE war between the Southern and the Seaboard Air Line is looked for at any time now. Any hour may precipitate it. President Hoffman, of the Seaboard has made a public statement in which he says that his lines are forced to defend themselves. He says that the Southern is deliberately preparing to crush the famous old Bay Line of steamers, which is the Seaboard's right bower.

The Bay Line is a favorite with the people. It has gained a reputation for its table service and its steamers are now the finest, the most luxurious and the most comfortable on the Chesapeake bay, and believe it will be a long time before the people will give up the old favorite Bay Line for any new route.

The Charlotte Observer, which has been one of the most extreme single standard advocates falls gracefully into line on the free coinage platform, and after giving excellent reasons why it will support the Chicago nominees, winds up by saying:

But the party has spoken, and while it has incorporated a new doctrine among its articles of faith, we shall be no disturber of its peace; we shall avoid, as far as possible, discussion of controverted questions; but, please God, we are not going anywhere just because we do not believe in the financial doctrine laid down at Chicago, for there is too much else in Democracy that we do believe in while there is nothing anywhere else. It may be, after all, that the majority of the party is entirely right about this coinage question and the minority all wrong, though we do not think so. But at all events we know it is right about the tariff and a hundred other questions and will take our chances with it on free silver coinage or whatever else may come.

It is a common saying that lovely woman cannot keep a secret, but who besides herself knows where her pocket is?

SOME men are so awful slow that the only time they get ahead is when they buy cabbage.

SOME of our statesmen are self-made men and some are machine made.

ROANOKE RAPIDS.

THESE ITEMS FLOATED DOWN ON THE HIGH WATERS OF THE ROANOKE.

We have had more Roanoke water than we have had since 1877. The water stopped the knitting mill last Thursday, but I am glad to say it had gone down enough for the mill to start up in full yesterday morning.

I am informed that the water did great damage all along the old Roanoke. Owing to the frequent rains, work is progressing rather slowly on the basin of the new mill at this place.

The dancing pavilion is about completed and now that moonlight nights will soon be here, we expect to have a dance every night.

The water was 18 inches deep in the basement at the knitting mill, but the men worked very faithfully and very little damage was done.

Mr. and Mrs. F. H. Tracy are on a visit to northern sides.

Mr. C. T. Maxwell has returned home from Philadelphia, where he was called to the bed side of a sick sister.

P. E. L.

A YEAR OF SURPRISES!

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STATE CULLINGS.

News Notes as Called from Our State Exchanges.

The Hebrews of Tarboro are erecting a synagogue on Main street.

The North Carolina Press Association is in session at Wilmington.

Many of the cotton mills in the State are now running on half time.

An Elkin bicyclist ran over and killed a partridge on the front street of that town.

The 2nd regiment of the State guard will go into camp at Wrightsville on July 17th.

The directors of the North Carolina railway at their meeting rejected the old officers.

Extensive whiskey hauls were made by revenue officers in Cumberland and Forsyth counties.

Winston is now a dry town, the Board of Aldermen having refused to grant liquor licenses.

The extreme earliness of the tobacco crop is attracting attention. It is already being marketed.

The Cleveland Star says the Populist and Republicans of its county have agreed on fusion.

The failure of the fruit crop this year is remarkable. It is asserted by many to be unexplainable.

One John Lamar forged the name of Capt. John Wilkes, of Charlotte, secured \$105 and skipped the town.

The Populist State Central Committee met at Raleigh and called the State convention to meet there August 13th.

A white man named Fred Norris was killed by an engine near Tarboro while intoxicated and asleep on the track.

The pattern making department of the Seaboard Air Line has been moved from Raleigh to the Portsmouth, Va., shops.

The Herald says the contract has been let for the erection of one hundred dwelling houses at the new shops near Salisbury.

William Alvis Sneed, a native of Vance county, was recently killed at Memphis, Tenn., in a difficulty about politics.

The Wilmington aldermen have adopted an ordinance to keep bicyclists off the sidewalks, and to prohibit bad books, bloomers, etc.

The collection of gems and gem stones in the State Museum has been completed. It embraces five specimens of hidden and also a diamond.

A young North Carolina bear on the way to New Jersey committed suicide by winding his chain around its neck and strangling to death.

The trustees of the University, have reluctantly accepted Dr. Winston's resignation as president. They will meet August 1st to elect his successor.

Dr. Tyre York made a free silver speech at Wilkesboro Monday. He said he would give his support to any straight honest silver men the people put out.

The five year old son of Marion Sutton in Union county, tied a hilly goat to a tree. The goat upset two game and the swarmed out and stung him to death.

The raising of funds for the Vance monument goes on with extreme slowness. It is hard to arouse interest in anything save politics in this State this year.

A fight occurred at the depot at Greensboro between W. H. Snow, mayor of High Point, and O. S. Causey, of Greensboro, in which the former was badly used up.

The Railway Commission sets the 16th and 17th of the month for the hearing of complaints regarding the assessments of roads. The valuation of two or three roads is increased.

The railway commission of the State finds that fifty miles of new road have been built during the twelve months, the total now in operation in North Carolina being 3,707 miles.

Julian S. Carr offers the Oconeechoe gold medal to the exhibitor who shows the best twenty-five fallers at the State fair, not more than five of any one breed to be shown by any one exhibitor.

The movement for a cotton mill at Concord to be operated by negro labor is assuming considerable proportions, as \$20,000 is already subscribed. The leader in the movement is Warren Coleman, an ex-president of the negro State fair.

An old darkey living about two miles from Hantsville, N. C., discovered a kind of herb growing near his place, the roots of which were worth \$3 per pound. After procuring eight pounds of the stuff at very hard labor, he took it to the herb store at Cana, Davie county, and sold it for \$24.

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BRYAN'S ORATORY.

Delegates Were Enchanted—His Topics, Similes and Metaphors Were Marvelous.

The Chicago correspondent of the New York Journal wrote this about Bryan's speech:

Last of all came Bryan. He administered the coup de grace to the rising hopes of the adherents of the single standard. He tripped lightly up the steps of the platform, as George Fred Williams had done on the preceding day. As he stood before the convention, pale, modest and unassuming, he looked the perfect picture of Samuel J. Randall, a real tribune of the people. His voice filled the hall, apparently without effort. His gestures were the acme of grace as he paced backward and forward in easy familiarity with his hearers. There was no self-consciousness in either action or utterance. The words poured forth in rhythmic volutes, burrowing like diamonds. His topics, similes and metaphors were marvelous. The whole speech was iridescent. The delegates sat as if enchanted, breaking into applause at odd moments as though touched by electric wires. It was a display of eloquence pure and undefiled, something that recalled the days of Sargent S. Prentiss or of David Paul Brown.

Henry Clay himself could not have created so great a furor. I shall not attempt to describe it. Pale and exhausted, but with flashing eyes and a smiling face, he was raised to the shoulders of the Nebraska delegation, while the guidons of three fourths of the States were dancing around him. There was an ocean of applause while it lasted, those bearing the guidons marched in procession around the delegates, shouting choruses of satisfaction. It was a tribute never before paid to a living orator.

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SALE OF LAND.

Whereas, John D. Shaw did on the 6th day of March, 1893, execute to W. H. Day and E. L. Travis a mortgage on the land hereinafter described to secure two notes, one to E. L. Travis for \$125.00, and one to W. H. Day for \$125.00, and whereas the said land has been made in the payment of said note to E. L. Travis.

Now, therefore, by virtue of the power contained in said mortgage we will sell on Monday the 3rd day of August, 1896, at the court house door in Halifax town, at public auction for cash the land described in said mortgage to-wit: That tract of land in Halifax county whereon John D. Shaw resides containing about 300 acres, more or less, bounded by the lands of J. C. Simmons, Mrs. John Rook, The R. & G. Railroad, Mrs. Ivey and others, and which was bought by said John D. Shaw from John B. Motley and sons. This July 2nd 1896.

E. L. TRAVIS, W. H. DAY, (by E. L. Travis, Mortgagees.) jy 9 4t.

SALE OF LAND FOR TAXES.

I will sell on the 3rd day of August, 1896, the following described lands and the taxes due in Fancott township for the year 1895:

Name. Acres. Tax-Cost.

Brickell, R. B. 320 25 30

Rebeck, I. C. 52 4 36

Hux, G. H. 77 2 24

Harlow, J. J. 13 3 08

Moore, E. H. 145 4 66

Morcock, J. E. 1600 22 86

Neville, C. N. 80 3 20

Snow, Priscilla, 25 1 36

Shearin, J. W. 20 3 08

Travathan, W. A. 61 2 03

Walker, W. F. 42 3 78

Warren, Henry 80 9 44

Kester, Devreux 57 2 28

Jackson, Mrs. E. A. C. 150 3 70

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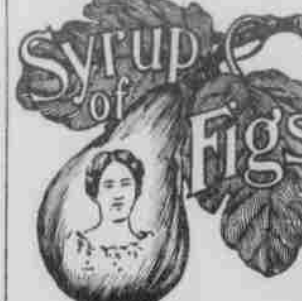
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NOTICE.

By virtue of a mortgage executed to me by E. B. Burnett and his wife M. L. Burnett and recorded in the Register of Deeds' office of Halifax county in book 109 at page 5, I will on Monday, the 6th day of July, 1896, expose to public sale to the highest bidder, for cash, at the court house door in the town of Halifax, all of said R. B. Brickell and M. L. Barnett's interest, right and title, both real and personal in the estate of A. G. Aren and Anna Alston deceased. Situated in the said county of Halifax. This 1st day of June 1896.

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