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#### DEMOCRATIC NOMINEES.

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#### NEW HANOVER COUNTY TICKET.

For House of Representatives: THOMAS W. STRANGE; HERBERT McCLAMMY.  
For Sheriff: JOHN J. FOWLER.  
For Clerk Superior Court: JOHN D. TAYLOR.  
For Register of Deeds: JOHN HAAR, Jr.  
For Treasurer: JAMES COWAN.  
For Coroner: W. H. BIDDLE.  
For Constable, Wilmington Township: J. W. MILLIS.

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We don't blame that Pennsylvania G. A. R. Post for refusing to march under a picture of Grover Cleveland. There are some Republicans to whom the sight of Cleveland or anything that looks like him always gives the jim jams or something of that sort.

The latest from China is that Li Hung Chang has been deprived of his tray spot peacock feather, in addition to his yellow jacket. If this disturbing and deflating process continues, Li may yet have to appear in the Georgia uniform, minus the spurs and paper collar.

There is some talk in New York of nominating Senator Hill for Governor against Morton. That would be a royal battle. Hill doesn't like the Senate anyway, and if he runs and is elected Governor, it will give him a big boost for the Presidential nomination.

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### FIGURES VERSUS THEORIES.

The Populists of this State have, we believe, abandoned the sub-Treasury, which was one of their cardinal principles, but they still adhere to the Government ownership of railroads, telegraphs, &c. This is as bad as, if not worse than, the sub-Treasury. It is one of the favorite hobbies of the Rev. Mr. Martin, the Divinity called, as he professes to believe, Populist candidate for Congress in this district. If Providence called him, as he says, to represent the people of this district in the national legislature, Providence would in kindness have supplied him with some common sense, at least enough to prevent him from making himself ridiculous in the eyes of every one who is not destitute of common sense.

He has, we are told, the gift of volubility, and can knock the stuffing out of our vernacular when it comes to stringing words together, and delights in expatiating on the untold benefits that would come to the masses of the people if the Government owned and controlled the railroads, and especially to the masses in the Sixth district of North Carolina, which, by the way, is a farming district.

He illustrates by calling attention to the fact that with Government ownership travel would be so cheap—about a cent or a half a cent a mile—that it would be cheaper to travel than to stay at home, and that freights would be so cheap—practically nothing—that we could get California grapes, peaches, pears, raisins, plums, prunes, oranges, &c., laid down at our doors for a mere song; tropical fruits from Florida and the islands ditto; wheat, flour, corn, pork, beef, etc., from the fields and the pastures of the West, ditto; that we could live like lords, bask in the sunshine, or in the shade, if we didn't fancy the sunshine, and keep our small change to buy store clothes, go to the circus, &c., or words to that effect. And then our lumber, we'd get that so cheap, already grooved and planed, that the ordinary sabbie field hand could have a nice house with an upstairs to it, and if he was particularly nice and had a little money he could have something approximating a palace for little or nothing.

This is about the sum and substance of the verbal picture he draws of the blissful slice of territory this shoeleather domain is to be when Uncle Samuel owns and runs the railroads. He doesn't inform his hearers where they are going to get the filthy lucre to buy these things even at the nominal cost he predicts, and seems to be oblivious of the fact that this would knock the bottom out of farming and the lumber business in this country and leave several thousand people with nothing but a very large surplus of time on their hands, which they could put in fishing, possum hunting or playing mumble the peg.

All the Populist advocates of this wild proposition do not talk as foolishly nor idiotically on as he does, but there is none of them who knows anything about it. They haven't the slightest conception, or do not seem to have, of the immensity of the railroad systems of this country, of the cost of building, equipping roads, of operating, and what it costs or should cost to carry people and freight.

Hon. Jerry Simpson, the unique and original Populist Representative from breezy Kansas, contends that if a railroad can afford to haul a live hog from Kansas City to Chicago for a few dollars it can afford to haul a live Congressman for the same, ignoring the fact that the hog does not demand a palace car, with mahogany finish, cushioned seats and other accompaniments of comfort and elegance which the Hon. Jerry avails himself of when he travels. If he were willing to put up with the surroundings, plainness and lack of style and ease of the hog car, we have no doubt that the railroads would be willing to haul him at hog rates.

But, as we remarked, they do not know anything about the railroad business and necessarily talk a great deal of nonsense when predicting what Government ownership would do for the people in the way of lessening transportation, and cheapening rates of travel and freight. The experiment has been tried in other countries and we have the cost of service in those compared with the cost in this, where the railroads are abused more than they are in any country under the sun. During the last session of Congress Senator Pettigrew, of South Dakota, had passed a resolution instructing the Interstate Commerce Commission to investigate the question of Government ownership of railroads and the cost of service in this and in other countries. The report they have made, after investigation, is summarized as follows:

"There are ten countries that do not own or operate railroads, viz: Colombia, Great Britain and Ireland, Mexico, Paraguay, Peru, Spain, Switzerland, Turkey, United States and Uruguay. "The following Governments own and operate some of the railroads, viz: Argentina, Australia, Austria-Hungary,

### CRIMINAL COURT.

Adjourned for the Term—Grand Jury's Report.

The Criminal Court adjourned yesterday for the term. Ben Lane, the white man convicted of seduction last Thursday and recommended by the jury to the mercy of the Court, was sentenced to two years' imprisonment in the State Penitentiary. No appeal was taken.

The grand jury made report as follows: The grand jury respectfully report that they have performed, so far as they are able, the duties assigned to them by the law, and that they have found and returned true bills in accordance with the law.

The County Home and County Jail have been visited; and so far as the grand jury have been able to inform themselves by a brief inspection, both these institutions seem to be well kept, and the inmates, both paupers and prisoners, well fed and cared for.

In the County Home the rooms and premises were found neat and clean. The kitchens for both white and colored departments were in good condition, and the dinner which was cooking at the time of inspection appeared to be of good wholesome food, and from enquiries made of inmates it is furnished in sufficient quantities, though some slight objection was offered to want of variety.

The dampness of the furnace cellar under the main building, referred to in the report of a former grand jury, has been materially improved, and the grand jury respectfully recommend a like improvement in the insane department.

The general condition of the jail cells and corridors appears to be good, and the prisoners offered no reasonable complaints as to food or care.

If your Honor has no further duty to perform upon the grand jury respectfully ask to be discharged.

Respectfully submitted, B. F. HALL, foreman.

As foreman of the grand jury I take great pleasure in bearing testimony to the patience and diligence, as well as the uniform courtesy and kindness of each grand juror.

B. F. HALL, foreman.

A Sailor Accidentally Killed. A seaman named Jonas H. Andersen, one of the crew of the British steamer *Tormore*, lying at the Champion Compress wharves, was killed by an accident yesterday by falling from the top of the smokestack, upon which he was doing some work, to the deck of the vessel.

The unfortunate man's neck was broken and his skull crushed.

Coroner Walton was notified and made an official inquiry into the circumstances. He decided that the death was altogether accidental. Andersen was about 22 years of age, a Swede by birth. The captain and crew of the vessel took charge of the remains, which were placed in a neat casket. The funeral will take place this morning at 9 o'clock from the Seamen's Bethel, on Dock street.

### CITY MARKETS.

Prices of products in the city markets show but little change. Sweet potatoes sell at 60 cents per bushel, or 8 quarts for 5 cents; tomatoes, 8c per quart; Lima beans, 10c; snap beans, 5c; field peas, 5c; corn, 8c; Irish potatoes, 2 quarts for 5c; green corn, 10c per dozen; cabbage, 5 to 15c per head.

Apples (Northern), 5c per quart; scuppernon grapes, two quarts for 5c; sugar pears, 10c per quart; chinquapins, 10c per quart.

Eggs, 15c per dozen; grown fowls, 25c apiece; chickens, 15c to 20c.

Fresh water trout, 35 to 40c per string; perch, 15 to 25c; mullets, 10c; flounders, 15 to 25c; sturgeon, 5c per pound; clams, 10c per quart; shrimps, 5c per quart; channel crabs, 10c per dozen; soft shell crabs, 40c; rice birds, 40 to 50c per dozen.

### COUNTY EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

Vacancies on the County Ticket Filled—Other Business Transacted.

The County Democratic Executive Committee met, pursuant to published call, at the Court House, yesterday afternoon. Eleven of the thirteen members were present.

Mr. E. A. Norrop was elected to fill a vacancy existing in the representation of the Fifth Ward.

Chairman Borden announced that nominations to fill the existing vacancies on the county ticket were in order; whereupon the name of Mr. Herbert McClammy was presented for the House of Representatives. There being no opposition, Mr. McClammy received the unanimous vote of the Committee.

The vacancy for Constable of Wilmington Township was filled by the unanimous nomination of Mr. J. W. Millis. This completes the ticket.

A motion was adopted requesting Chairman Borden to invite Senator Ransom to speak here on the night of October 1st, as he speaks at Burgaw that day and can address the people of New Hanover at the time indicated without interfering with his other appointments.

The committee confirmed the election of the Executive Committeemen for Federal Point Township chosen by the voters August 8th.

After authorizing the Chairman to appoint canvassing and campaign committees, the Committee adjourned.

One of Many.

The STAR receives a good many letters fully as appreciative as the following from Messrs. Julian Lewis & Co., of Clinton:

"The largest single policy holder in the South," a newspaper paragraph going the rounds says, "is J. S. Carr, of Durham, who carries \$545,000 on his life. He carries on the lives of members of his family about \$100,000 more. E. G. Holt, of North Carolina, carries only \$87,450 on his own life, but he carries upward of \$500,000 on the lives of members of his family, and Lawrence S. Holt, a relative of his who resides in Burlington, is insured for \$173,000."

### KING KORN'S KROP.

The Yield Is Various—Estimated at from 1,800,000,000 to 1,850,000,000 Bushels—A Considerable Shortage.

In consequence of the large production of corn in the South this season the people of this section are much interested in the crop estimates. The New York *World* says:

"The biggest crop raised by a single country is Indian corn, and the United States is the country that raises it. In a good year the United States produces 1,800,000,000 bushels of this staple, and has produced more. At the average market price these 1,800,000,000 bushels are worth \$1,800,000,000, or about ten times as much as the gold production of the whole world for a year. It would pay the entire public debt of the United States."

But this year the corn crop is short. A severe drought has greatly reduced the yield. Just how much is what many people would be very glad to know, and the *World* has gathered prints to-day reports from nearly three hundred correspondents scattered throughout the corn region.

These reports cover the States of Ohio, Indiana, Illinois, Kentucky, Michigan, Wisconsin, Minnesota, Iowa, Missouri, Kansas, Nebraska and South Dakota.

The twelve States include the great corn belt of the United States, and in an average year produce about 75 per cent of the crop.

The present report makes the yield this year 1,100,000,000 bushels, but most of the corn authorities say this is too low, and the *World's* exhaustive report indicates that the latter are right.

If one study these reports carefully he will see that they indicate about two-thirds of an average crop, or in the neighborhood of 1,800,000,000 bushels.

The greatest reduction has been in the States west of the Mississippi, and there the loss has been heavy.

They but estimate more than 150,000,000 bushels of corn in a good year, reports only 42,000,000 bushels. But the States east of the Mississippi, where rain is more certain quantity, pull up the average.

The reports follow by States. The annexed estimate by the *Prairie Farmer*, it will be observed, is somewhat larger than that of the *World*; but it should be noticed that it calls attention to the fact that it is the "third small crop in succession."

CHICAGO, Sept. 18.—The *Prairie Farmer's* corn crop report for September says: "Special investigation indicates that the acreage lost amounts to 7,644,000 acres in Nebraska, 6,500,000 in Iowa, and 6,500,000 in Missouri. The amount 'cut up' has been overestimated in some places, but the total loss is about 17,700,000 acres. It is the third small crop in succession, and considering the depleted stocks and increased population and consumption demand, is the smallest supply on record."

### CRIMINAL COURT.

In the Criminal Court yesterday, Ben Lane, a white man, was tried for seduction. The jury returned a verdict of guilty, and the defendant was committed to the mercy of the Court. Judgment was not pronounced.

Mary Perry, colored, charged with infanticide and with the murder of a child, was tried yesterday. The jury returned a verdict of guilty, and the defendant was committed to the State Penitentiary.

J. E. Warren, charged with larceny, submitted to a charge of trespass, and the Court suspended judgment on payment of costs by bond.

Owen Huggins, colored, charged with criminal assault on Laura Stallings, a bright mulatto girl about 17 years of age, submitted to a charge of assault with a dangerous weapon, and was sentenced to twelve years' imprisonment in the State Penitentiary.

Joe Robinson, against whom there were several indictments for larceny, submitted, and was sentenced to four years' imprisonment in the State Penitentiary.

At 6 o'clock p. m. the Court took a recess until 10 a. m. to-day.

### Sword Captured During the Late War.

A prominent Baptist minister, of Kentucky, writes the STAR:

"An Ohio lady whom I have met at the Virginia Springs, tells me that her husband, who was a soldier in the late war, had a sword captured during the battle of Gettysburg. The sword was captured by a Union soldier, and was presented to her husband as a memento of the battle."

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### THE COTTON TRADE.

Hubbard, Price & Co.'s Letter—Crop Estimates.

The decline of the past week, in face of the bad crop accounts which have been forwarded from every section of the South, and which are making them appear in the files of the Southern newspapers, is adding to the publication by the Government and private sources, is an instance of the incredulity of the public as to the extent of any damage to the growing crops in America this season. If crop accounts of a similar character had been received in previous years, the market undoubtedly would have responded with an advance, notwithstanding the increase in the movement of the receipts over those of last season, for the simple fact that the movement would then be compared to the big crop year, and found to be less than in that season. But this year the spirit of buying produce of any character has vanished, as a result of the severe losses which have been sustained last year in the continued decline of both cotton and wheat. The cotton trade with their friends have made up their minds to wait, in a manner that it will be impossible to catch the price of this season's crop will be a very large one, and therefore it is utterly useless to consider the question of buying cotton at any price whatever.

To locate the exact reason for the sharp break of 3/4c a pound, which has occurred since our last letter, it is to be found in the fact that a report, sent from Augusta, Ga., by a prominent man in the Liverpool cotton trade, that the cotton crop appeared to him to be a very large one, and that he expected to see 9,000,000 bales, and as his opinion is looked up to in his own market, the natural result was to throw upon the cotton market of the world not only the holdings of his friends, but a general and indiscriminate rush to sell ensued which sharply broke prices, as there is not a large number of buyers on either side of the water to think of buying cotton at 6 1/2c.

Our cables from Europe to-day state one instance of the feeling in the market, and that is, that the cotton crop will sell as low as 8d. a pound this season, and that therefore it is useless to consider the question of buying cotton at any price. On the other hand it is also felt that the demoralization abroad and in this market has been sufficient for the present, and that the markets will be apt to become comparatively steady, and if anything, react from this sharp decline.

Looking at the market broadly, it would seem as though we were now feeling the effects of the extreme excess of the wave of pessimism which has been growing gradually since the cotton culminated in May, 1890, and at 18 1/2c for August, which has been continued by a series of reports of a large crop, and such a large quantity it will require two days to wind up to-day's sale. A large lot, a car-load, from Greenville, came in yesterday, and there being so much on the floor it was not offered to-day, but will be to-morrow.

The farmers are buoyant and highly pleased with the sales; not a complaint having been heard from the planters. Yesterday the sales were not so large—amounting to nine thousand dollars—paid out. One man sold over three thousand dollars worth of cotton to-day's sale amount to twelve thousand dollars or more.

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### AT ROCKINGHAM COURT.

Walter Whitley Acquitted of Murder—The Case of E. J. Fuller—Senator Ransom.

ROCKINGHAM, N. C., September 21.—Walter Whitley, the white boy charged with murder, was acquitted; the jury returning a verdict of not guilty Thursday night.

The trial of E. J. Fuller, for murder (removed from Cumberland county), will begin to-morrow (Saturday) morning. His counsel are: W. W. Fuller, Jno. D. Shaw and son, C. M. Cooke, Geo. M. Rose, W. H. Day, and J. W. Ransom.

Senator Ransom spoke here to-day to a large and appreciative audience in the court house; one of the finest speeches ever made in this town.

### WAYNE POPULISTS.

Accept the Proposition For Fusion With Republicans.

[Special Star Telegram.] GOLDSBORO, N. C., September 22.—The Populists of Wayne county met in convention here to-day and accepted the fusion proposition of the Republicans, conceding them the offices of sheriff, register of deeds and one legislator.

They nominated candidates for clerk of court, treasurer, coroner, surveyor and one legislator and adjourned to meet again next Thursday to ratify the nomination of the Republicans to be made the previous day.

### SENATORIAL DISTRICT CONVENTION.

Mr. C. C. Borden, Chairman of the Democratic Executive Committee, requests that the delegates of the various wards and townships to the late County Convention confer with the chairman of the convention, Mr. John J. Fowler, for the purpose of selecting delegates—one from each ward and township—to attend the Senatorial Convention of the district composed of the counties of New Hanover and Brunswick, to be held at Southport October 1st, 1894, for the purpose of nominating a Senator. Mr. Rufus Galloway, of Brunswick, was endorsed for this position by the Democratic County Convention of Brunswick, held September 19th, at Lockwood's Ferry.

### THE FIRM OF FENNEL, FORT & CO.

Having closed their doors, are busily engaged packing up preparatory to moving their stock to Jackson, Ga. Messrs. Fennell and Yopp will also move there, but Mr. Fort, as has heretofore been stated, will remain here. Jim's friends and those made by Mr. Fennell during his short but pleasant stay in the city, wish them both much success.

### STEWART-GLASSCOCK.

The Suit for Divorce in Which the Senator from Nevada Is Co-Respondent.

By Telegram to the Morning Star. WASHINGTON, September 22.—Senator Wm. M. Stewart, of Nevada, who is made a co-respondent in a suit for divorce brought in the Courts of the District of Columbia by a man named Glasscock against his wife, filed in Court to-day voluminous affidavits setting forth that the case is one of conspiracy to blackmail, and the plaintiff and respondent have continued to reside together as husband and wife after the suit was filed. It is a sworn statement, furnished by his attorney, Senator Stewart, says: "From the foregoing, you will see that there can be no consideration by me of any suggestion of a settlement of any demand of this woman or of her husband and there will be none. They are certainly blackmailers and it is my duty to state these facts to you frankly and truthfully that you may know what I solemnly declare to be the truth, namely, that I have had no relations whatever with this woman except as herein stated, that there is no foundation for any charge of any name or nature against me."

### FAIR OF THE CAROLINAS.

A Great Gathering of People Expected at Maxton—Senator Jarvis Will Speak—Reduced Rates on Railroads.

[Star Correspondence.] MAXTON, N. C., Sept. 22, 1894. DEAR STAR:—The railroad rates to Maxton during the Fair have been fixed by the S. A. L. and A. C. L. at one fare for the round trip. The fare from Wilmington and return, including admissions to the Fair grounds, will be \$3.20.

Senator T. J. Jarvis will deliver an address on Thursday, November 1st, and Hon. T. W. Mason will speak on Friday, the 2nd of November.

Mr. G. F. Greene, curator of the State Museum, was in Maxton yesterday, making arrangements for the exhibit of the State's resources, to be made from the collection of the Board of Agriculture.

Col. J. S. Carr, of Durham, President of the State Fair, will make an exhibit here also.

Part of Wilmington's police force will be on hand, as usual, to make the thousands of visitors feel at home and safe when they come up to the inland city to see the sights.

The Gun Club had its weekly—and weekly—meeting yesterday. Harker holds the medal.

### TOBACCO SALES.

Breaks at Rocky Mount—Prices High for All Grades—Farmers Pleased with the Sales.

[Star Correspondence.] ROCKY MOUNT, Sept. 21, 1894. "Hang the banners on the outer wall, the cry is, still they come." The tobacco sales this week have been unprecedented, tobacco coming in from Green, Pitt, Halifax, Franklin, Edgecombe and Nash counties, and the prices running high for all grades, has induced farmers from every direction to come with not only cart, but wagon loads, to-day the break is unprecedented. More tobacco on the market than ever has been seen at one time, the exhibitions had heretofore excepted. There is such a large quantity it will require two days to wind up to-day's sale. A large lot, a car-load, from Greenville, came in yesterday, and there being so much on the floor it was not offered to-day, but will be to-morrow.

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