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## DEMOCRATIC NOMINEES.

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FOR CONGRESS: 4th District  
B. H. BUNN,  
of Nash county.

**THE TARIFF** hurts the farmer and helps the manufacturer. It is natural that the manufacturers should favor a protective tariff, and it is equally natural that the farmers should oppose it. The manufacturers in order to promote their interests have combined together and organized what are called "trusts." It is evidently proper that farmers, in self-defense, should combine together and organize what are called "alliances." So that, the manufacturers with their trusts are opposed by the farmers with their alliances. One of the fundamental principles of the farmers' alliance is opposition to a protective tariff, and this is also a fundamental principle of the democratic party. It is natural therefore that farmers should be democrats. Manufacturers and the republican party favor a protective tariff. There is no reason for a manufacturer to be a republican. The contest is between the farmers and the democratic party on one side, and the manufacturers and the republican party on the other side. On which side do you stand?

If any man should doubt that a protective tariff increases the wealth of the manufacturers at the expense of the farmers, we would submit to his careful consideration some statistics furnished by the census reports from the year 1840 to 1860 there was a low tariff, and from 1860 to the present time there has been a high tariff. Now, which has been more beneficial to the farmer? Let the statistics answer. The total wealth of the United States in 1850 was \$7,000,000,000 in round numbers, and the farmers owned nearly \$4,000,000 of it, or more than one half. In 1860 the total wealth of the country had increased to \$16,000,000, and the farmers owned \$8,000,000 of it, or just one half. Now bear in mind that in 1850 and 1860 we had a low tariff, and then it was that the farmers owned one-half of the wealth of the country. But in 1880, after twenty years of a high tariff, the national wealth amounted to \$43,000,000, and of this vast sum the farmers owned \$12,000,000, or a little more than one-fourth! Under a low tariff the farmers owned one-half of the country's wealth, but under a high tariff they owned only one-fourth! Is it any wonder then that the farmers favor a low tariff and are opposed to a high tariff?

The United States census reports also show that the value of the farms increased over one hundred per cent during the low tariff decade from 1850 to 1860, but during the high tariff decade from 1870 to 1880 they increased only nine per cent! The democratic party favors a low tariff. The republican party favors a high tariff. Choose ye between them!

The election of James B. Mason, the republican candidate for Superintendent of Public Instruction, would be a disgrace to the State and a calamity to the public schools, simply because he is notoriously unfit for that office. In saying this we do not

intend to be personally offensive, but to state the naked truth, and every intelligent person who knows Mr. Mason must admit that it is true. Whenever he attempts to make a speech he becomes the laughing stock of his hearers, and makes such grammatical blunders and utters such incoherent sentences that even school boys laugh at him. And yet the republican party wishes to place him at the head of our public school system!

A recent illustration of his ignorance was exhibited when he made a political speech at Chapel Hill last week in reply to Fred N. Strudwick, Esq. He gravely stated that the surplus was accumulating in the national treasury at the rate of ten million dollars a month, or three hundred and thirty-three million dollars a day! Mr. Strudwick mildly suggested that perhaps he meant to say ten million instead of billion; but no, he insisted that it was ten millions. Finally, however, he admitted that it might be ten millions. He advocated the Blair bill, and stated that, as the money for public schools would be distributed among the States in proportion to their illiteracy, North Carolina would get a large share of it. To this Mr. Strudwick replied by saying that if Mason should be elected and the money by the Blair bill would be distributed among the States in proportion to the illiteracy of their Superintendents of Public Instruction, North Carolina would certainly be entitled to the greater part of it!

The yellow fever has spread from Jacksonville to several other towns in Florida, and the outlook is very gloomy. Up to last Monday night there had been 1,107 cases of yellow fever at Jacksonville, and 141 deaths. Among the citizens of that city who have had the fever and recovered is Mr. C. B. Rogers, formerly of this place. Rev. B. G. White, who resided here for two or three years but who has had charge of an Episcopal church at Jacksonville for the past four years, has done his duty like a true hero in nursing the sick, and rendered most efficient service to the afflicted city. At last accounts he had not been seized with the fever. Rev. Charles S. Snowden, the eldest son of Dr. P. G. Snowden who resided in this county for sometime after the war, has been stricken down with the fever while nursing the sick at McCleary, a small town near Jacksonville. It is hoped he will soon recover, as his attack is reported not a violent one.

The joint canvass between Judge Fowle and Col. Dockery will close next Saturday. After that date Judge Fowle will canvass in the eastern counties and Col. Dockery in the western. We much regret that the joint canvass could not continue until the close of the campaign, because at every place where the joint discussion has been held the democrats have made gains. Dockery ought not to be allowed to canvass alone. He ought to be answered at every place at which he speaks. He is a shrewd and unscrupulous demagogue, who will make statements which he knows to be false. There fore some democrat ought to be present at each of his appointments and expose his hypocrisy and contradict his false assertions.

**Weekly Weather Crop Bulletin**  
Of the North Carolina Weather Service, co-operating with the U. S. Signal Service, for the week ending Saturday, Sept. 15th, 1888.

The rainfall in all the districts was largely in excess of the normal weekly rainfall for the month of September in this State. Crops generally, and cotton especially, have been very injuriously affected. The following rainfall, as compared with the normal, will show the amount of excess: East Tennessee—Halifax, Halifax County—3.50 inches; Herkford, Perquimans county—3.50 inches; Rocky Mount, Nash county—3.00 inches; Rocky Point, Pender county—3.00 inches; Scotland Neck, Halifax County—3.00 inches; Tarboro, Edgecombe county—2.75 inches; Weldon, Halifax county—2.03 inches; Warsaw, Duplin county—2.03 inches. Average for the District, 3.61 inches.

**CENTRAL DISTRICT.** Greensboro, Guilford county—5.20 inches; Gibson's Station, Richmond county—3.00 inches; Hillsboro, Orange county—3.00 inches; Monroe, Union county—3.42 inches; Walnut Cove, Stokes county—3.50 inches; Raleigh, Wake county—3.35 inches. Average for the District, 3.88 inches.

**WESTERN DISTRICT.** Mt. Pleasant, Cabarrus county—4.68 inches; Mt. Airy, Surry county—7.00 inches; Davidson College, Mecklenburg county—10.00 inches (nearly); Bat Cove, Henderson county—2.70 inches. Average for the District—6.10 inches. Average for the State—4.54 inches. Excess—3.46 inches.

The country edded a distance of three miles in the river, and in many places the tree tops alone give evidence of the existence of land. Cattle have been drowned and many carcasses are floating around. The people living in the vicinity of the flood are panic stricken and many of them homeless. The damage to crops is estimated at from \$400,000 to \$500,000.

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## Our New York Letter.

New York Star Syndicate Letter to the RECORD.

New York, Sept. 15, 1888.

The death of astronomer Richard A. Proctor, which occurred here Wednesday night of black venus, is the ruling sensation. The passing away of so distinguished a gentleman is itself sufficient to excite considerable comment. When the cause of it is the plague that is devastating and decimating other portions of our country, New Yorkers would be either more or less human if they did not quake at it.

Even an isolated case of yellow fever in New York opens up a vista of more ghastly possibilities. Think of the scourge having free play in a city which in a single square mile crowds 237,000 human beings. The health officers, to be sure, insist that the danger is remote. Very likely that is the case, but I fancy some nervous people are beginning to pack up their grip sacks while fashion which was rolling in with considerable momentum from the mountains and seashore has concluded to stay it a while longer notwithstanding the coolness of the weather.

Since the Ohio young lady of "Baby Bunting" memory succeeded in galvanizing millionaire coffee merchant Arbuckle out of some \$500,000, as loan for her wounded heart, that sort of thing has got to be somewhat fashionable. Almost every day our sympathies are tortured with some instance of a poor girl who has lived a rich man not wisely, but too well, and is endeavoring to take a few thousand dollars from his bank account by way of making things even. There never was a place on earth perhaps where the breach of promise industry thrived so vigorously as here. This time it is pretty Miss Mary E. Murray of Brooklyn, who is suing millionaire grocer Horford of Bridgeport, Connecticut. She asks for a modest \$30,000, one thousand of which is for certain jewels of hers which she alleges he has basely retained, and the trifling balance of \$20,000 to patch up her incurred afflictions.

Another Boor, — who has succeeded in getting off scot-free, very much talked about, — is Miss Lent. She is very well, — do up in social scale. A voice of remarkable purity and a talent for memory have been indulged to the extent of losing her son's reputation as a figure in fashionable amateur theatricals. It seems to me that Miss Lent had another propensity which when indulged in by ordinary folk is best known as stealing thoughts of course, when ladies of rank engage in the business, good form requires that it be called kleptomania. At all events, the young lady abstracted some jews of large value from the safe of a Brooklyn jeweler who was showing her the goods. She was detected, arrested and locked up.

At last the agony of choosing men to lead the Democratic forces in this State is over. After all the blowing and shouting and mud-slinging against Governor Hill, not one of the leaders of delegates to the late convention opposed his renomination. Mugwumps of course were widely disengaged and prodded all sorts of ways, but they did the same thing three years ago when Hill beat a very popular opponent Congress man Davenport.

The attitude of the two Democratic organizations on the question is like that of two schools, or, with slips on their shoulders, sparring for a fight and yet a little nervous about striking the first blow. The chances of their making up and joining together, are scarcely not great, so far as appears. The present signs indicate that Mayor Howell will be renominated by the County Democracy and endorsed by a Citizens' movement, which is only a mask for the Republicans' vote. The combination of course would prove invincible.

There is still some discussion over the Man episode. While Democracy has little to show for the election, the leaders do not feel disengaged. At the National Headquarters, the positive statement was made that the National Committee put no funds in the State while a large amount of trouble was wasted on it from the enemy's strong box. Even then the managers say, Mr. Blaine was close to gain anything over the election.

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Frank E. Vassar.

**The Raging Roanoke.**

Norfolk, Va., Sept. 15.—Passengers arriving in the city on trains from North Carolina bring the information that the rivers have overflowed their banks and covered the surrounding country with water for miles. The Roanoke river has risen thirty-seven feet over high-water mark, flooding Northampton and Halifax counties and doing immense damage. The entire corn and cotton crops in the low-lands in the vicinity of the river are destroyed. Houses are loose and are being tossed about in the water, and it is feared that many lives have been lost. In some of the cornfields the water is 10 feet above the top of the corn.

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## Our Washington Letter.

From our regular Correspondent.

Washington, Sept. 14, 1888.

Senator George created consternation among the republicans of the Senate when he offered an amendment to the very wild bill against trusts which the republicans of the finance committee had agreed to report to the Senate.

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## Dockery as a Farmer.

CERTIFICATE OF HIS NEGIGIOUS SHOWING HIM TO BE "A DEAD FAILURE."

Correspondence of the Thought News and Observers.

LAWRENCE, N. C., Sept. 13.

I see that in the joint discussion at Hillsboro O. H. Dockery in his re-consideration said "that the Democrats of Richmond county had nominated a negro for the legislature, he declined to run, they then nominated another negro, and he was beaten by a Repub-

lican."

This was "news" to every man, woman and child in Richmond county, and there is not another man in the county who has such habitual disregard of the truth as to join "any son of a gun" in the chapter nor will he go to the polls to get before my countrymen and make affidavit that it is true.

He poses as a farmer and his poses also in that as the following letter to James E. Baker, chairman Cleaveland and Fowle club of Lexington, David Scott, etc., who wrote to this county to know what kind of farmer he was, will show. It was written yesterday and signed by his neighbors who were attending our county Democratic convention, viz:

REEDVILLE, N. C., Sept. 12.

EX-REV. E. RAYMOND:

Dear Sir:—We the undersigned, who live in the same township with Oliver H. Dockery, and some of whose associates have known him intimately, the most of us all of our lives, and we hereby certify that as a farmer, it is well known not only in his own neighborhood, but in the whole county, he is a dead failure, and that he has never been, and is not now, anything but a professional pol-

Rician." W. F. Brewster, H. R. Lester, T. F. Stinson, N. G. Nichols, J. P. Lovett, Jr., Alfred Baldwin, C. C. Clegg, D. C. Stevens.

These men are among the best of our citizens and the best farmers of the Pee Deveney. Ourselves and our neighbors say his crop this year will not compare with that of the average neighbor or his neighbor.

It is true he was born and raised and always lived upon a farm, but he has never been suspected of being a farmer, — or rather, — he is not a farmer only, as he resembles a train. — Tardon the pun.

He is a man who has been and always will be a burden to society, — a man who has never been suspected of being a farmer, — or rather, — he is not a farmer only, as he resembles a train. — Tardon the pun.

W. H. M. LARIS, President Lumberton Club, Cleaveland Fowle Democrats.

Weather and Crops.

Washington, Sept. 17.—The weather and crop situation issued by the Signal Office, says:

Reports from the corn belt, including Indiana, Illinois, Iowa, Missouri and Nebraska, indicate that the winter sowing has been especially favorable and that the corn crop, which is very large, is general secure and past injury from frost.

The frosts which have occurred during the week along the northern border of Iowa and Minnesota, Wisconsin and Michigan, did some damage to the growing crops.

Over the west portion of the corn belt, including Arkansas, Louisiana, Texas, and Kansas, favorable weather during the week greatly improved all growing crops and cotton picking is progressing in all these States.

In North and South Carolina all growing crops were seriously injured by heavy rains and dangerous floods.

The winter during the week was especially favorable for tobacco in Kentucky and Tennessee.

The weather in the New England and Middle Atlantic States was generally unfavorable for opening crops and farm work was retarded.

A naval officer is anxious for the services of that new deobturant.

Parsons which is being built after Peter's change, will when completed be able to dredge and sink iron timbers, the strongest from shipwrecks. It thus be seen about which Parsons does that an attempt will be made to pass the bill, if they can ever get it, as nothing is expected to the Senate.

Speaker Carlisle expects to go to Kentucky tomorrow. Will there probably make a few speeches to help the good cause along?

Several bills have been introduced which came at the eastern legging trusts, and it would seem to be almost certain that some of them must pass. All they want is an opportunity as everybody seems to be opposed to this trust.

The Senate has not yet disposed of the Chinese exclusion bill.

One-tenth of the bills introduced against trusts could become laws we would never hear of another trust.

An immense ratification meeting presided over by Speaker Carlisle, was held here Wednesday evening. It was attended by many Congressmen and officials, and the enthusiasm was something marvelous.

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Hon. A. E. Stevenson, First Assistant Postmaster General, will deliver the annual address at the Cumberland County Fair in November.

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