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Offers his professional services
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ties. *No Lad material used
and all work guaranteed.*
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Will practice in the courts of
Watauga, Ashe, Mitchell, McDow-
ell and all other counties in the
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tion given to the collection of
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Offers his professional services
to the people of this and adjoin-
ing counties. All work promptly
done and satisfaction guaran-
teed.
Oct. 27, 3 mo.

NOTICE.

Hotel Property for Sale.
On account of failing health
of myself and wife, I offer for sale
my hotel property in the town of
Boone, North Carolina, and will
sell low for cash and make terms
to suit the buyer, and will take
real or personal property in ex-
change. Apply soon.
W. L. BRYAN.

Notice.

For sale, 900 acres of land,
on Rich Mountain, Watauga
County, on which is asbestos,
and fine land for sheep ranch.
Sales private. L. D. Lowe &
J. T. Ferguson, Ex'rs. of
Mrs. A. P. Calloway, decd.
Banner Elk, Nov. 17 '90.

Money to loan.

Persons wishing to bor-
row money, who can secure
it by mortgage on good real
estate, can be accommodated
by applying to
J. F. Spinhour, Boone N. C.
or A. J. Critcher, Horton N. C.
4. 24.

NOTICE.

Parties putting papers in
my hand for execution will
please *advance the fees* with
the papers and they will re-
ceive prompt attention, other-
wise they will be returned
not executed for the want of
fees. D. F. BAIRD SHFF.

WASHINGTON LETTER

From our Regular Correspondent.

The jealousy between Mr. Harrison and Secretary Blaine, which some people will persist in saying does not exist, crops out at all times. The latest statement by the friends of Mr. Blaine for the arrival of Mr. Blaine, instead of himself hurriedly preparing the demand made of the Chilean junta, the administration would not today be in its present awkward predicament. They contend that Mr. Blaine would have drawn up the document so that the Chileans would have found it impossible to have answered in the manner they did that of Mr. Harrison, and charge that Mr. Harrison's reason for hurrying the matter was that he thought to obtain some popularity by posing as the champion of American interests abroad which might otherwise have gone to his Secretary of State.

Speculation as to the outcome of the Chilean difficulty is the principal occupation of a good many people in Washington at this time, and not a few of them, including all the officers in the Navy, where promotion is slow in time of peace, are heartily wishing for war, notwithstanding our poorly prepared condition for war, even with a weak power like Chili. Secretary Tracy admits that the men of our new vessels are properly prepared to fight and that some thing is lacking in either the equipment or armament of every one of them; besides, we would find it very difficult to maintain a fleet in Chilean waters without a single coaling station in that section of the world. However, it is not probable, although possible, that we shall go to war with Chili. Senor Montt, the Chilean Minister here, is confident that an agreement mutually satisfactory will be reached after his government has finished the investigation it is making into the fight of the mob, but advices from Chili do not indicate that such an opinion is entertained there.

Republicans admit that Mr. Blaine would like very much to get Minister Egan out of Chili, being fully satisfied that he made a mistake in sending him there, but they say he will not be recalled while the relations between the two countries are in such a strained condition as at present, unless it shall be determined by the administration to break off all diplomatic relation with Chili, and that will not be done unless it becomes absolutely necessary in order to maintain the position assumed by the administration in its original demand upon Chili.

Just a little more than \$4,500,000 of the matured 4% per cent bonds are now outstanding, and not far from ten per cent of them are in the hands of the U. S. Treasurer to secure parts of the circulation of less than a dozen national banks. These banks have been requested to have these bonds extended at two per cent, which would make

them available as security for their circulation, and which would also please Secretary Foster, inasmuch as it would mean several hundred thousand dollars more to help to meet the appropriation of the billion dollar Congress.

The Naval Court of Inquiry into the loss of the U. S. Dispatch has been holding daily sittings here for nearly a week, but the amount of actual information it has brought out might easily have been developed in a sitting of one hour. Briefly stated the testimony of those on the boat is all to the effect that the vessel was lost because Lieut. Noel, the executive officer, changed the sailing orders of the commander, Lieutenant Cowles, after he had retired, and that the change was justifiable because a light which should have shown white, from a lighthouse, appeared to be red which indicated that it was aboard of a certain lightship. The most amusing incident connected with inquiry was when a batch of sailors, who had served on the Despatch, were brought before the court and after having the sworn statement of the Commander read to them, were asked if that statement was correct. Of course everybody knew what the answer would be. These men are still in the navy, and none of them would be foolish enough to contradict any statement made by an officer, even if they knew to a certainty that the statement was incorrect, which, please understand, it is not my intention to even intimate, not having any better source of information than the testimony before the court. It is only the absurdity of expecting enlisted men to disagree with their Commander, to which attention is called by the incident.

Secretary Foster was the only member of the cabinet that went on the stump during the State campaigns just closed.

Since Secretary Blaine's return, Secretary Tracy is no longer known as brevet Secretary of State.

Bill Nye, in speaking of marriage says: "Marriage, if not carried to an excess, is a wise provision and sacred obligation as far as possible, especially as regards sex. You will never regret it. If possible marry above your station. Both of you should do this. It is sure to advance your race. Don't marry a foreigner unless you want to very much indeed. Do not encourage long engagements. It is better to get weary of fooling around and do it before hand. Courtship, however, is a most delightful industry and if possible, should not rashly be broken in upon by marriage. Some people seem to be admirably fitted for suitors, but fail in other occupations, and this is very fortunate indeed. No suitor can be sure of a permanent situation. The supply exceeds the demand."—Ex.

The Distinction.

Alliance men wear no party collars. If they want to take part in party caucuses, or party conferences or party conventions, they have a perfect right to do so as members of such. An Alliance Democrat can do so as a Democrat, but not in his capacity, as a member of the Alliance, so of an Alliance Republican or an Alliance People's Party man. He may go into a caucus, or conference or convention of his party, as a partisan and act as such, but he cannot do so as an Alliance man or as representative of the Order. He has no right to speak for the Alliance, in such a body. Indeed the Alliance itself could not elect and send him into such a meeting without violating one of its fundamental principles. He can speak only as a partisan in such a body and for his party. He can have no authority to speak for the Alliance, no matter what his position officially, may be.—*Progressive Farmer.*

Alliance Affairs.

Mr. Marion Butler, editor of the Clinton Caucasian and president of the North Carolina State Alliance, arrived in the city yesterday evening, accompanied by Mr. S. Ohio Wilson, of Raleigh, representative of the Alliance State Business Agency. They registered at The Orton last night and will leave this morning for Muxton, where Mr. Butler goes to deliver an address and organize an Alliance bureau for this (the Sixth) Congressional district.

Messrs Butler and Wilson came to Wilmington on the Wilmington and Weldon rail road from Warsaw, where a bureau was organized for the Third Congressional District, with Senator G. W. Wilson, of Moore county, as president. The president of a bureau is also *ex-officio* the lecturer in his district.

Mr. Butler was seen at The Orton by a Messenger reporter last night and he stated that bureaus have now been organized in every Congressional district in the State, with the exception of the Sixth district which will be organized today. The organization of these bureaus, he explains, is to systematize the work of the Alliance throughout the State. There are State bureaus and county bureaus and with the district bureaus, President Butler says it places him in elbow touch with the Farmers' Alliance throughout North Carolina.

At Warsaw yesterday President Butler had a conference with the leading Alliance men of that section, and last night he held a conference at The Orton with Alliance men from this and other counties who are now visiting the city.

President Butler states that there are now 2,351 sub-Alliances in North Carolina, with a membership of over 100,000.—*Wilmington Messenger.*

Mr. Cleveland's Opinion.

NEW YORK, Nov. 4.—Ex-President Grover Cleveland was seen at his residence in Madison avenue, today, and gave his opinion of the result of yesterday's election as follows: Of course every one has a right to put his own construction upon the result, and I am not anxious to obtrude my ideas, but it seems to me some things ought to be no longer doubtful. Any man who still thinks that tariff reform is a settled and obsolete issue, for that the importance of sound and safe money is a question upon which people can be blinded, is either willfully wrong or dangerously dull. It seems to me that Democrats ought to be satisfied that a staunch adherence to the principles of their party does not require abuse of those who show an inclination to help us. I very much regret the defeat of Governor Campbell. He has been a brave and honest official. This and the splendid canvass he made entitled him to success. While the election of Flower, Russell and Boies ought to cause rejoicing among Democrats, they should not forget that with these things comes an obligation to be true to the people, honest in the advocacy of our principles and decent in all things.

In his report to the State Alliance, Secretary Barnes said: The condition of the order from last August has been steadily progressive all over the State, with the exception of a few counties where partisan politics has been the ruling spirit and has been carried into the Alliance—in these there has been a backward movement. This was the official report of the secretary of the order, and is stated dispassionately as a fact. It proves what the *Chronicle* has always contended, viz: that the alliance would be strong and useful just so long as it refrained from partisan politics, but when it became a political party or secured the organization of a political party, as has been attempted by some in the organization of the People's party, it would sound its death knell.—*Raleigh Chronicle.*

ALIEN OWNERSHIP.

There can be no objection to foreigners who buy small quantities of land with the expectation of becoming good and loyal citizens. But foreign capitalists must be held in check.

In America aliens own about 152,000,000 acres of our land in fee simple. They own other mortgaged indebtedness of our people to the extent of three billions of dollars. At least, the income of this land cannot be less than \$15,000,000; the interest on the other indebtedness aggregate \$150,000,000, making in all \$165,000,000, and all this must be paid in gold. The gold productions of our mines for 1890 was \$32,845,000, or \$132,155,000 less than enough to pay our interest account.

If nothing else was wrong this would eventually ruin what ought to be the best country on earth.—*Progressive Farmer.*

A Carnival of Blood.

NASHVILLE, Tenn., Nov. 3.—Georgiana, Ala., has within the past sixty days been the scene of a series of horrible murders, the first being the killing of Joseph L. Tourt, a prominent merchant, who was shot down in his store by negroes. This crime was followed in a short time by the murder of a man named Dunn. Last night the series of crimes was capped by the brutal murder of Jonah Shepard and wife, a couple of highly esteemed people residing two miles from town. The murdered people were quite old, having a number of children, all of whom have attained their majority. The bodies of the murdered couple were horribly butchered, the crime having apparently been committed with an axe. The trunks and drawers in the house were pillaged. The axe was found in the front yard thirty yards from the house with blood on it. Seventy-five dollars were found the murderers did not get. The people are in a state of frenzy and a large force of men have been patrolling in search of the murders. Information of the crime has been telegraphed to the Governor and he has offered a large reward for the capture of the perpetrators.

Wit and Wisdom.

Riches for the most part are hurtful to those who possess them.

The married man is making fairly good progress when he is able to hold his own.

Man's love for his sweetheart is often two-thirds jealousy of some other fellow.

Whenever you find a man who says that honesty does not pay, it is a sign that he has never tried it.

The author who wrote the lines "There is beauty in old age," probably never tackled an over-nursed egg.

Tommy—"What part of speech is 'woman?'" Papa—"Woman is no part of speech at all, my son. She is all of it."

The man who will complain that a twenty-minute sermon is too long, will sit half-a-day watching a couple of chess players make two moves.

Proof positive—"I tell you Harris, I am getting old." "Nonsense, old chap, nonsense! Why are you not more than two years older than I am?"

Grandpa—"I am surprised that it did not rain last night, as my corns ached like the mischief." Tommy—"But Grandpa, you can't expect that the weather will be always regulating itself by your corns."

If a man spends the money he ought to save to pay his debts, when he knows very well he can only pay his debts by saving, he may give what he buys right and left with an open hand, and it will be to his own shame.

An old woman asked a sailor or where her cow had gone. The sailor replied—"Gone to the devil, for what I know." "Well, as you are going that way," said the old woman, "I just wish you would let down the bars."