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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 exchange. 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. Furgerson, Ex'rs. of Mrs. A. P. Calloway, decd. Banner Elk, Nov. 15 '90.

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

NOTICE.
The laws of the State require all weights and measures to be sealed, and I hereby notify the people that I am prepared to do such work. You will find me in Boone at the residence of D. B. Dougherty.
J. H. COOK,
Standard Keeper.

WASHINGTON LETTER.

From our Regular Correspondent.

Representative Oates, of Alabama, who is chairman of the House committee which has gone to Homestead to begin its investigation of the murders at that place by men in the employment of the Pinkerton, is very much in earnest about getting to the bottom of the horrible affair. He could have taken the committee to Homestead sooner, but he wished to give Carnegie's men an opportunity to bury their murdered comrades before calling upon them for testimony. After getting statements from the workingmen and from Carnegie's representatives the committee will return to Washington where the two Pinkertons have been summoned, to be put through a most rigid examination as to their share and responsibility for the Homestead tragedy. A number of labor leaders, including Mr. Powderly, have also been notified to appear before the committee when it returns to Washington. Congress has made up its mind, in advance of any report from the committee, that the Pinkerton method of employing and arming bodies of men is vicious and un-American and must go.

Upon being shown that more money would be needed during the current fiscal year than had been appropriated by the House, the House conferees agreed to Senate amendments to the Pension Appropriation bill increasing the total amount, carried by the bill nearly \$12,000,000. The bill as it now stands appropriates \$146,736,350.

Senator Wolcott agrees with Senator Vest and others of his colleagues in believing that the U. S. Geological Survey is of very little use aside from furnishing snug berths for friends of its Director, and, as it costs about a million a year, he has introduced a resolution authorizing an investigation as to its usefulness and the necessity for its continuance. The lobbying experience of the Director will make it easy for him to "hang up" this resolution.

For some time a sub-committee of the House committee on Manufactures has been engaged in investigating the numerous trusts and combines. Its report to the full committee, just made, says that trusts, combinations and associations are in control of the production, distribution and prices of very many of the articles of most general consumption; that prices to the consumers are increased, while wages of those employed by the trusts are reduced; that all past legislation on the subject is insufficient and impracticable, and recommends as a remedy the placing of all articles which are under or may come under the control of a trust upon the free list. This recommendation is neither new nor novel, but it is good, hard, horse sense all the same, and if carried out

would throttle nearly every trust now existing in this country.

The House World's Fair committee presented a supplementary report containing additional reasons for making that \$5,000,000 appropriation for the Fair. A minority report, signed by Representatives Little, of New York, and Wheeler, of Alabama, declares that the proposition is in no sense a government undertaking and that no money should be appropriated therefor, except for the expenses of the national commission. Congressional sentiment is largely in favor of the appropriation and there is little doubt of its being made.

Senator Mills has gone to Texas to take the stump against the third party movement which, in the absence of serious opposition, has been making considerable progress in that State.

As indicated in this correspondence weeks ago the House committee which investigated the Pension Office has recommended the dismissal of Commissioner Raum, from office, on the grounds of his general unfitnes to supervise and govern a large number of employes, and because he has prostituted his office for private gain and for political purposes. The committee also recommends numerous reforms in the business of the Pension Office, including a reduction in the Attorney's fee to \$5, without authority to stipulate for more. This report which will be approved by the House makes pleasant summer reading for Mr. Harrison, who is solely responsible for Raum's continuance in office.

One day's record of the House, under a suspension of the rules: Passed, the tin plate bill, the silver lead ore bill, the bill amending the land grant act of 1890, the bill giving Utah home rule, the bill limiting the quantity of clothing that may be brought in free of duty by returning travellers, and the bill providing for the use of automatic car couplers on all freight trains.

The House committee on Rules will report a special order for the consideration of the free coinage bill on Wednesday and the succeeding legislative day, if it be not disposed of on the first day. The bill can be passed under this order if a majority of the House so wills.

Asheville Citizen:—A Congressional committee has found that the United States pension office is "honeycombed by fraud, rascality, incompetent methods, prejudice and malice." The report recommends the removal of Commissioner Raum, on the ground that he is "incompetent, narrow-minded, malicious in the pursuit of supposed enemies, and because he has subordinated this great machine to partisan ends, besides taking advantage of his official position to further his own financial projects. And yet Harrison's administration is free of grave scandals, say the republicans.

Probable Republican Split.

There is a gathering of republicans at Wrightsville, attended by Daniel L. Russell, J. J. Mott, J. C. L. Harris, W. S. Robinson and other of the republicans, who are antagonistic to John B. Eaves, the chairman of the Republican State Executive Committee. The cause of their conference is news they have received that Eaves will not only have a State convention called, but that it is his hope and his ambition to be its nominee for Governor. Eaves has all along declared that there would be a State convention and the negroes have clamored for it, while the anti-Eaves faction has contended that the negro must be eliminated in this campaign and no State ticket put up. There are signs of a sharp republican quarrel and split. —*News and Observer.*

What a turnip? Mr. J. S. Ross, of Ayden, handed us a turnip last Saturday that takes the cake for a large turnip. It weighs seven pounds and a half and is called a purple strap lead. It created a bit of excitement on account of its size, says the *Greenville Reflector.*

Peoples Party Platform.

The following is the platform of the people's party as adopted at Omaha:

(a) We demand free and unlimited coinage of silver and gold at the present legal ratio of 16 to 1.

(b) We demand that the amount of the circulating medium be speedily increased to not less than \$50 per capita.

(c) We demand a graduated income tax.

(d) We believe that the money of the country should be kept as much as possible in the hands of the people, and hence we demand that all State and National revenues shall be limited to the necessary expense of the government economically and honestly administered.

(e) We demand that postal savings banks be established by Government for safe deposit of earnings of the people and to facilitate exchange. Transportation being the means of exchange and public necessity, the Government should own and operate railroads in the interest of the people.

(f) Telegraph, telephone like the post office system, being a necessity for transmission of news, should be owned and operated by the Government in the interest of the people. The land, including all National services of wealth is the heritage of the people, and should not be monopolized for speculative purposes, and alien ownership of land should be prohibited and all land now held by railroads and other corporations in excess of their actual needs, and all lands now owned by aliens should be reclaimed by the Government and held for actual settlers only.

Peoples Party or Republic.

RAYETTEVILLE, N. C., July 12. —[SPECIAL]—The Peoples party convention of the 3rd Congressional district met here today. Nearly all counties represented. The chairman, E. N. Robeson, of Bladen, called the meeting to order at 12:45 o'clock. After wrangling until 4 o'clock, p. m., the convention adjourned until July 23rd without making any nominations.

At 5 o'clock the minority of the convention met and nominated Frank D. Koonce, of Onslow, for Congress, and Andrew J. Perry, of Bladen, for elector. They were nominated by a rising vote, just nine white men and two negroes voting. The delegates from Cumberland, Sampson and Duplin counties took no part in the nominations. Koonce and Perry are republicans or anti-democratic, and those who know say that a majority of the eleven men who voted are strong republicans.

"By their works ye shall know them."—Ex.

The republicans in this district are laying low and urging forward the third party fellows. It has been sounded down the line that the republican Congressional convention must be held very late. And means that it may not be held at all. It depends on the progress of the radical annex, known as the third or Prof. Patton's party. If this so-called party gives assurance of accomplishing enough to elect a republican then they will put out a ticket. If not, the convention will never meet. The republicans expect much from the third party, and are mad because the third party is not the Alliance. —*Wilkesboro Chronicle.*

HAPPINESS.

As Seen in the Great Tobacco Town.

A correspondent wants to know: "What is happiness?" Why, that's e a s y enough. Happiness is a large and tempting gaub of laugh and smiles and giggle. It is the home-string of jocularity and the fifth wheel of success. Happiness is not the itch, a carbuncle or an in-growing toenail. Happiness is a ripe and worthless peach. It is a ten dollar bill and a bank account. It is the ice-cream of emptyness. It is that which comes without thought, without work, without waiting for it. In fact, happiness is not in this old mud-daubed world—it is, they tell us, beyond the jasper walls of the New Jerusalem. The fact of the business is, that small-pox is catching but happiness is not. You never saw a happy man in your life. There was in what seemed his happiness an alloy—a clog on the wheel—a fly in his milk—a cavity in his tooth—a hole in his pocket and a dime lost. We never saw but one happy man, and his wife presented him with twins and he died. Happiness is not of this world—take the right hand door as you go in the next and you may find it. —*Durham Globe.*

Col. Reubin McBrayer Dead.

A telegram to The Citizen this morning from C. E. Frick, of Shelby, states that Col. Reubin McBrayer died in that place Tuesday morning at 7:30.

Col. McBrayer was born in Sandy Run creek, Cleveland county, Dec. 2, 1850. He was educated in the common schools of Shelby and vicinity, finishing with a two term course at Catawba College, Newton, N. C. He went to Texas where he spent one year in teaching. Returning to this State, he began the study of law under Lee & Durham and attended Pearson's law school. He was admitted to the bar in the year 1873.

Col. McBrayer was elected as a member of the legislature from Cleveland county in 1876, and served one term. He was prominently mentioned as a candidate for Congress in 1884, after the redistricting, and came within four votes of being nominated. He was elected as an elector on the Cleveland ticket at this convention and made an able canvass.

Col. McBrayer moved to Asheville in 1889, and was for some time chairman of the democratic executive committee of the Ninth congressional district.

In 1877 Col. McBrayer married Miss Mary E. Fulenwider of Shelby. His wife and six children, three boys and three girls, survive him. *Asheville Citizen.*

Tarboro Southerner: Those who believe in the Government ownership of rail roads should explain why it is that the railroad from Goldsboro to Morehead does not pay and never has paid. They should also explain how it is that the North Carolina road while operated by the State which owns it never paid, but now while operated by private parties who have leased it, there is a profit of six per cent. These advocates should also attempt to dissipate the fears which people naturally have that negroes will man all trains. On the railway postal service in the South the clerks are negroes, at least they are around here. If Harrison will persist in making them postmasters and collectors South, can a reasonable man doubt that he will make them conductors.

Castonia Gazette: The mayor of Asheville was placed under arrest the other day for fast driving on the streets. A dispatch to the Charlotte Observer says the mayor had a fine horse whose speed he wished to try. To this end he ordered the policeman to clear South Main Street. The mayor then put his driver in the buggy and had him drive through the street. The gait at which the horse was driven was so plainly in violation of the law that Thos. A. Jones, lawyer, swore out a warrant for mayor Blanton's arrest. The affair has caused a sensation as such a thing has probably never before been known there.