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WEDNESDAY, JULY 25, 1900.

EDITORIAL.

LOOK OUT FOR RACE AS
WELL AS PARTY.

Rumor has it that some of the populists nominated on the populist ticket at Warrenton last Wednesday are bitter and rampant in favor of the constitutional amendment. This would not concern us half so much, were it not that the colored republicans are expected to endorse this ticket and vote for these men. Even since the nomination, one of these men has declared that he is opposed to Negro suffrage and that he doesn't see how any white man can be otherwise.

If such be true, we would like to know if these sentiments were kept under cover until these men were nominated? If so, we think they have made a mistake not to keep them covered until these nominees have been endorsed by the Negro republicans, upon whose shoulders they expect to ride into office, but whose political rights they seek to abridge with one hand, while they hold out the other for their votes.

We are informed that the chairman of the populist party, in Warren, who was nominated on this ticket for Register of Deeds, and who expects to enjoy this fat office by the aid of Negro votes, is an ardent leader of the above sentiments to disarm the Negro of his political rights, while he seeks to be elevated to office upon his vote. This is political hypocrisy in the truest sense of the word, and a nice little trick to get Negro votes and at the same time degrade and humiliate him. They

think by sweetening the dose with the popular Col. they can thereby force the Negro to swallow a sweet and bitter morsel at the same time.

Should the colored voters of Warren county endorse and vote for such men, we want to ask in the name of Heaven: What have they gained for the race? We ask in all candor what will be the difference in voting for these men or the democrats who are favorable to the amendment?

The Newspaper an Unselfish
Educator.

In a sermon in Wilmington, N. C., recently, Rev. Calvin S. Blackwell said: "A newspaper office is a school of unselfishness. No other class serves a community so well and so often for so little pay, either in cash or appreciation. Every day and night the newspaper is doing free work for the general betterment of the community. If a lawyer was called upon by the city authorities to do for the city the same amount and no more valuable writing than that which every newspaper does, free every day the charge would be \$50 or more. If the newspapers were to cease for a week it would be as dark and lonesome as if the pall of an eclipse covered us, and Wilmington would be to the outside world practically as though she were not."—Ex.

In connection with the above facts we have to say: That when we think of the hard worked editors, their sleepless nights in efforts to serve and to please an ungrateful public, the amount of gratuitous work done by them in booming the towns and cities, and leading their columns to foster and build up all worthy enterprises, it is apparent to us that editors and publishers are poorly paid; they get less for the amount of profit accruing to others from their labors than any other class or industry on earth. It is often that editors are asked to accept a 25 cents subscription to be paid in ninety days, and should they fail to devote a column and a half in puffing these liberal patrons they lose their dignity and will not pay the amount due nor subscribe to the paper again.

ON THE TRAIN.

On our trip to Henderson last Friday we saw sitting in the rear end of the car a very

neat figure and of beautiful appearance—it could be readily seen that she was intelligent and refined. Her apparent modesty and attention to a bright little girl who sat in the seat with her delayed our presentation for awhile, but in short we approached her and politely asked if we might introduce the "True Reformer," a copy of which she accepted, and it was not long before her intelligent eye decided that the "True Reformer" was a worthy paper and should make its visits to her home. The next moment we saw in her hand a pencil writing on a paper with her tiny fingers which she handed over to us and, to our delight, it was her address written in a beautiful hand, with the cash for a years subscription—it was then we learned that this worthy lady was Mrs. R. H. Holmes, of Sanford, N. C., and our bow to her was one of grateful appreciations.

Wednesday at Warrenton.

We visited Warrenton on last Wednesday in the interest of the "True Reformer," where we found a large gathering to hear Hon. Cy Thompson, the populist candidate for governor. He spoke in opposition to the constitutional amendment and the election law, and must have made a lasting impression upon his hearers, which we think was clearly evident from the marked attention and the demonstrations heard in the crowd.

After the speaking the populist party nominated a full ticket with Col. C. A. Cook at its head for the House of Representatives. We learn that the populist ticket of Warren will be endorsed by the republicans. It is predicted that this ticket will win, as Negroes and white men always work well together when the Negroes agree not to work in front but get behind and do all the pushing.

We extend our sincere thanks to that popular young man, Mr. David Alston, for giving us a nice buggy ride from the Plains to Warrenton last Wednesday. We also thank Mr. J. H. Falkener for taking us from Warrenton to the Plains on the same day.

Congressman White County
Chairman.

Congressman Geo. H. White leaves today at 6:30 p. m., for Tarboro to take charge of the Edgemcombe county campaign.

Mr. White was elected chairman a few days ago and has been shaping his affairs here with a view toward giving his whole time to the ensuing campaign.—Daily Record.

The people of Eastern North Carolina will be glad to know that Congressman White will now have some time to spend in his district. His much needed counsel and advice, in all matters pertaining to party and people, will be sought, and it will serve like refreshing showers in spring time. His headquarters will be at his home in Tarboro.

QUESTION ANSWERED.

EDITOR YOUNG:—Knowing your acquaintance with Mr. S. G. Daniel, democratic candidate for House of Representatives, I, in behalf of myself and other readers of the TRUE REFORMER ask that you tell us through your columns some thing of him.

A SUBSCRIBER.

In reply to "Subscriber," we will first state that Mr. S. G. Daniel is a democrat and a man of excellent qualities, and is so looked upon by all the colored people of Littleton who have had any dealings with him. We have known him to be honest and square in all of his dealings with us, and we verily believe he is a man who will not stoop to any thing low or dirty against our people.

VERY SICK.

It is with sincere regret that we note the severe illness of Mrs. B. H. Bullock, of Henderson, she has been confined to her room four weeks with typhoid fever. More than once the attending physicians have thought she could not pull through, but we are glad to learn that she is slightly better. Mrs. Bullock is a very estimable woman, much loved by her many friends, all of whom would rejoice to know that she will surely recover. Mrs. Bullock is an agent of the "True Reformer" and she has our heartfelt sympathies.

A new postoffice rule has just now gone into effect imposing a fine of \$500 or one year's imprisonment on anyone who, through carelessness or otherwise, takes mail not belonging to them from the office and fails to return it at once.

This applies to newspapers as well as letters and other valuable mail. People when taking

their mail from the office should examine it before going out of the building. It will take but a moment, and will save a deal of trouble.

GRAND EXCURSION.

The long desired excursion from Littleton to the great cities on the Atlantic ocean is almost in sight—you can now enjoy a pleasant trip to the cities of Norfolk, Portsmouth, Old Point, Ocean View and Fortress Monroe. There are wonderful sights to be seen at these great ship building ports, and where you can visit your friends and have a lovely time for just a trifle, only \$1.50 from Littleton to Norfolk and return. Don't forget that this excursion will leave Littleton at 6 o'clock on the morning of August 10th, 1900. When the people learn that Capt. Lester is the manager of this train everybody will go, for this is a guarantee that you will have perfect order and a glorious time. SEPARATE CARS FOR WHITE AND COLORED. You will never get a better opportunity.

S. A. L. RAILWAY SPECIAL
RATES.

Tickets on sale Saturdays, good to return Monday, from Littleton to Ocean View, Virginia Beach and Old Point Comfort. Three days outing at the beach for \$3.50.

Special round trip tickets on sale to all points North and South during the summer season. Commencing June 1st.

For further information apply to F. A. FETTER, S. A. L. Railway Agt., Littleton, N. C.

NOTICE.

There will be an excursion from Warren Plains, N. C., to Delaware Park, run by Rev. S. G. Newsom, on the 24th of August, 1900. This is a grand opportunity for all who wish to take a day's recreation and witness the many sights to be seen at the Park, which you can do for a mere trifle—only \$1.25 from the Plains, and 75 cents for children for the round trip. This price is reduced at nearly every station on the route, it being only 75 cents for adults, and 50 cents for children from Weldon. For complete information see excursion bills and make ready. You will never regret the trip.

The best of their class. Elite Flavoring Extracts. Double strength at Fetter's Drug Store.