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MEETING OF THE STATE DEMOCRATIC COMMITTEE.

The State Democratic Committee, which met in Raleigh Wednesday...

SHOWING THEIR HANDS.

The Anti-Prohibition committee met Tuesday in Raleigh, and elected Col. Wm. Johnston president...

When THE OBSERVER some time ago on the strength of information received from Washington through its correspondent...

As far as the action of the committee is concerned it is about what we anticipated, and we are glad they have announced their purpose...

Our Washington correspondent informs us that the Democratic Senators complain of the action of Senators Vance and Ransom for consenting to the confirmation of Mr. Cooper as Collector of this district...

It has been decided to close debate on the tariff commission bill now pending in the House some time to-morrow. Kelly and Tucker will close the debate for the Republican and Democratic parties respectively.

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THE "LIBERAL" MOVE.

We publish elsewhere, from the Raleigh News and Observer, the proceedings of the meeting at Raleigh called "Anti-Prohibition," "Liberal," "N. C. Liquor Association," "Independent" committee, or almost anything else one chooses to call it...

Perhaps now it would be in order for Colonel Johnston to republish his card of January 27th, denouncing as slanderous the allegation that he was co-operating in the Independent move for the defeat of the Democratic party in this State.

At the sale of thoroughbred yearlings, at Mr. Harding's stock farm near Nashville, Tenn., Saturday, thirty-six colts and fillies were sold for \$23,335, an average of \$649, which will do pretty well for colts.

The Missouri Democrats propose to follow the example of the Ohio Republicans in the gerrymandering business, and talk of dividing that State so as to get thirteen Democratic Congressmen to one Republican.

The Utica Morning Herald, (Rep.) speaking of President Arthur's action on the Chinese bill, says: "The public will watch with considerable interest how he will cut the Gordian knot."

Special telegram to the Observer. BOSTON, May 4.—Col. Thos. B. Long, postoffice inspector, arrested in this city to-day, T. R. Evans, for forging a money order, and a twelve hundred dollar check on a bank.

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IN CONGRESS.

THE WHEATY RING, EX-CONFEDERATE BILL AND COURT OF APPEALS BILL IN THE SENATE.

The House Takes Another Pass at the Tariff Commission Bill, which Calls Forth Numerous and Various Speeches. WASHINGTON, May 4.—SENATE.—A number of bills were introduced and referred. Voorhees resolution for a committee of investigation into alleged corrupt or improper influences concerning the House of Representatives in regard to distilled spirits in bonded warehouses, was taken up.

Windom moved an amendment providing for an investigation as to whether any money had been raised by contributions or otherwise from parties in its interest to secure the passage or defeat of the bill, and if so for what uses it has been expended.

Beck read a telegram from J. M. Atherton, of Louisville, which he said had been given as authority for the accusation against Voorhees, disclaiming all responsibility therefor and advising that his own friends and opinions concerning the whiskey legislation had been greatly exaggerated and misrepresented.

Voorhees said the aspersions upon his own character were that his vote could be controlled by the money power in Washington, but in view of the disclaimer read by Beck which he regarded as a sufficient exoneration of himself he would leave the disposition of the resolution to the pleasure of the Senate.

After further discussion Windom withdrew his amendment with notice that he would renew it to-morrow as an independent proposition, and the resolution was then postponed indefinitely without objection.

The bill repealing the disqualification for army service imposed upon ex-Confederates came up in order, when Rollins' pending motion to commit to the judiciary committee prevailed by a party vote, yeas 39, nays 28.

Mr. Davis, of Illinois, voting aye with the Republicans. Mahone, who was present to-day, also voted aye.

The chief announced his signature to the Chinese bill which now goes to the President. The Senate then resumed the consideration of the Court of Appeals bill.

Yeat's pending amendment prohibiting the district or circuit judge from settling in appellate court upon the cause tried before him in the lower court was agreed to, yeas 39; nays 14.

Candless, of Massachusetts, advocated the passage of the bill and read a petition of fifty manufacturers, representing industries that consumed 1,500,000 bales of cotton a year, and that operated 10,000,000 spindles, in its favor.

The committee finally rose and the House adjourned.

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ANTI-PROHIBITION.

Members of the Executive Committee of the State Anti-Prohibition Association.

Yesterday afternoon, the executive committee of the State Anti-Prohibition Association, met at the Yarrow. Present: T. N. Cooper, J. E. Powers, J. H. Johnston, J. J. Shinn, C. J. Bailey, Natl. Aikin, J. J. Devereux, proxy for Wm. A. Moore.

T. N. Cooper called the meeting to order and F. M. Sorrell, the secretary, acted in that capacity.

Col. T. Y. Cooper endorsed his resignation as chairman of the committee. Col. William Johnston, of Charlotte, who had been elected a member to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Mr. S. M. Carpenter, of Newbern, was then chosen chairman.

There was considerable discussion, and finally a resolution was offered by J. E. O'Hara calling for a State Anti-Prohibition convention to be held in Raleigh, on Wednesday, June 7th.

A committee, to which the work had been assigned, submitted the following address, which was adopted by the committee: To the People of North Carolina:

This committee, being the only body representing the organization of last year, formed to defeat the class legislation embodied in the prohibition act, do hereby call a mass convention of the liberal, independent voters of the State, without regard to former political affiliations to be held in the city of Raleigh on the 7th of June, to present to the people of the State a platform of principles, and candidates for the State offices to be filled in the coming November election.

In the opinion of this committee such action is right and proper, that those who honestly stood up for the right then, shall have the opportunity of principal and action on legislation forced to the party organization upon them.

The leadership and methods of this organization are the channel through which it speaks to the people, and the spirit of dictation and abuse with which it attempts to drive into its support those choosing to act for themselves, demands the presentation of this movement as a majority of the press of the State which supported this odious legislation of last year continues to misrepresent us.

In this movement principles are involved which should be cherished by every freeman, and it is our duty to see that they are protected against this intolerant spirit which strikes not only at the personal freedom of the citizen, but also at the principles of local self-government.

Let us, then, rally again for our liberties and rights, assured by our past success of the hearty co-operation of more than one hundred thousand citizens of our fellow-citizens, in restoring to the people local self-government, diffusing more generally education among the masses, purifying the ballot box and forever settling the vexed question of restraining by law those vices which in our judgment can best be corrected by moral suasion and religious organizations.

W. M. JOHNSTON, Chairman. FRANCIS M. SORRELL, Secretary.

How young soever you may be, With falling teeth, you're grim and old; And being your mouth's purty, For teeth seems best for dull and cold. Then man or maid, warmed of your fate, Seek SOZODON, e'er it's too late.

MARKETS BY TELEGRAPH. MAY 4, 1882. PRODUCE. WASHINGTON—Spirits Turpentine firm, at 48c. Boston steady, \$1.85 for strained; \$1.90 for good No. 1. The firm, at \$2.10. Corn—steady; prime white 97c; mixed 95c.

BALTIMORE—Wheat—extra No. 1 1.47; No. 2 1.45; No. 3 1.43; No. 4 1.41; No. 5 1.39; No. 6 1.37; No. 7 1.35; No. 8 1.33; No. 9 1.31; No. 10 1.29; No. 11 1.27; No. 12 1.25.

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