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TIME."

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RED HOT.

The Concord Register of this week says:

"The CHARLOTTE OBSERVER published a red-hot editorial last Saturday morning, and, by request, republished it on Sunday morning. It showed that almost every office in North Carolina is held by the lawyers. It is one of the best editorials ever published in that paper. The people of North Carolina will yet reward the bold and daring editor for the exposure that he publishes from time to time these inner facts that the party managers keep hidden from the scrutiny of the public. 'Lay on MacDuff!'"

Very good: We ask no "reward" except on merit.

We are for the people.

And the people are for us.

Our editorial was "red-hot" only because it showed the true state of affairs, harrasing several inconsequent mistakes.

AN INSANE DOCTOR.

Kills an Editor and then Shoots Himself.—The Doctor of Dr. S. A. Richmond, of Samaritane Nervine Notoriety.

St. Joseph, Mo., June 18.—At 11 o'clock this morning, as Col. J. W. Strong, manager of the Herald, was sitting in the counting room with his back to the door, Dr. S. A. Richmond entered and drawing a revolver fired. The shot struck the victim in the left side of the neck. Strong staggered towards the back office. Richmond fired two more shots and Strong fell. Richmond then turned, walked outside, and when some twenty feet from the door placed the revolver to his temple, fired and dropped to the sidewalk. At the time of the shooting Strong was engaged in conversation with an unknown man and was totally unconscious of the approach of an enemy until he was struck by the bullet. Richmond drove up to the office in his carriage. He said he was delighted to see the man, and he said he had been waiting for him. When he came back after shooting Strong, he found the carriage had been driven away, and it was then he shot himself. Richmond fell, struck by two bullets, one of which struck him in the neck, ranging upward into the brain, the other in the back, and it is believed to have penetrated his heart. He died five minutes after the first shot. Richmond's bullet took effect in his left temple, and as yet it is impossible to tell whether it will prove fatal or not.

The trouble which has resulted so fatally is solely of Richmond's own making. He has long been known as the discover and manufacturer of the Samaritane Nervine, has been an extensive and successful dealer in an enormous business in the drug line. Some five months ago he disappeared from this community, and left a lot of papers evidently the work of either a knave or a hopeless lunatic. He charged Col. Strong with procuring attorneys of this city who had ruined him, and indicated that he had ended his career in the river. At that time opinions differed as to his condition, some regarding him as insane and others believing him simply working a ruse to obtain \$25,000 insurance on his life. Since then he had become hopelessly insane. The deed of today proved his lunacy beyond a doubt.

Col. Strong leaves a large family, consisting of a wife and three sons, the eldest of whom is John P. Strong, editor-in-chief of the Herald. The colonel was 61 years old, a lawyer by profession, and a man who has been very prominent in the Republican party of Northwest Missouri, where he has a large number of friends and relatives.

Slight Trouble with the Knights in Augusta.  
Augusta, June 18.—Two men were discharged from the Riverdale Cotton Mill today for neglect of duty. The Knights of Labor in the spinning department, seventeen in all, demanded that the discharged men be taken back, or that Knights be employed in their stead. The managers refused compliance, whereupon all but two quit work.

The Knights in other departments disapprove of the strike and state that they will have others to take the place of the strikers in the morning. Two hundred and odd hands are employed in the mill. It is thought the matter will be settled without further trouble.

The Cotton Market.  
New York, June 18.—Green & Co. say: A somewhat unexpected improvement in the tone at Liverpool was reflected here at the opening, and prices went up about 5 points. The demand soon became satisfied at an advance and a reaction followed, assisted in a measure by a decline of one-eighth in silver. All movements continue local and a neglected market by both bulls and bears, remains as a characteristic feature.

Baseball Yesterday.  
Boston—Boston 2, Philadelphia 8.  
Brooklyn—Brooklyn 5, Metropolitans 8.  
Pittsburg—Pittsburg 4, Louisville 9.  
New York—New York 10, National 4.  
Philadelphia—Athletic 4, Baltimore 5.  
St. Louis—St. Louis 11, Cincinnati 6.  
Macon—Macon 2, Augusta 1. Eleven innings.

## DEMOCRATIC ORGANIZATION

Plan of Organization of the Democratic Party of North Carolina.

DEMOCRATIC CENTRAL COM. RALEIGH, June 18.

The following is the plan of organization heretofore adopted by the State Democratic committee for the guidance of the party:

TOWNSHIP ORGANIZATION.

1. The unit of county organization shall be the township. In each township there shall be an executive committee, to consist of five active Democrats, who shall be elected by the Democratic voters of the several townships in meetings called by the county executive committee. And said county executive committee shall elect one of its members as chairman, who shall preside at all said committee meetings.

2. The several township executive committees shall convene at the meeting of the several county committees, or at any time and place that a majority of them may elect, and shall elect a county executive committee, to consist of not less than five members, one of whom shall be designated as chairman, who shall preside at all of said committee meetings.

3. In case there shall be a failure on the part of any township to elect an executive committee for the period of thirty days, the county executive committee shall appoint said committee from the Democratic voters of said township.

4. The members of the township committees shall elect to any vacancy occurring in said committees.

5. The county executive committee shall call necessary county conventions by giving at least ten days notice by public advertisement in three public places in each township, at the court house door, and in any Democratic newspaper that may be published in said county, requesting all Democrats of the county to meet in convention in their respective townships, on a common day therein stated, which said day shall not be less than three days before the meeting of the county convention, and the purpose of electing their delegates to the county conventions. That thereupon the conventions so held shall elect their delegates to represent the townships in the county conventions.

6. Each township shall be entitled to cast in the county convention one vote for every twenty five Democratic votes, and one vote for fractions of fifteen Democratic votes cast by that township at the last preceding general or biennial election. Provided, That every township shall be entitled to cast at least one vote, and each township may send as many delegates as it may see fit.

7. In cases where townships consist of more than one ward or precinct, each of said wards or precincts shall be entitled to send delegates to county conventions, and shall cast its proportionate part of the vote in each of said wards or precincts. That in case of the last preceding vote for Governor in said township.

8. The chairman of township committees shall preside at all township conventions; in their absence any other member of said committee may preside.

9. In cases where all the township executive committees are required to meet for the purpose of electing delegates to county conventions, said meetings shall be deemed to have a quorum when a majority of said townships shall be represented in said meeting.

COUNTY AND DISTRICT CONVENTIONS.

1. The several county conventions shall be held at least twice a year, and shall elect delegates to the several district conventions, one delegate for every fifty Democratic votes, and one delegate for fractions over twenty five Democratic votes cast by that county at the last preceding general or biennial election. Provided, That every county shall have at least one delegate in each district.

2. The chairman, or in his absence any member of the county, senatorial, judicial and congressional committee shall call to order their respective conventions, and hold the chairmanship thereof until the convention shall elect its chairman.

3. The executive committees of the senatorial, congressional and judicial districts, respectively, shall, at the call of their respective chairmen, meet at some time and place in their respective districts, designated in said call. And it shall be their duty to appoint the time and place for holding conventions in their respective districts, and the chairman of said respective committees shall immediately notify the chairman of the different county executive committees of said appointment, and the said county executive committees shall forthwith call conventions of their respective counties in conformity with said notice to send delegates to said respective district conventions.

STATE CONVENTIONS.

1. The State convention shall be composed of delegates appointed by the several county conventions. Each county shall be entitled to elect one delegate for every fifty Democratic votes, and one delegate for fractions over twenty five Democratic votes cast therein at the last preceding general or biennial election; and none but delegates or alternates so elected shall be entitled to seats in said convention; provided that every county shall have at least one vote in said convention.

GENERAL RULES.

1. Such delegates (or alternates of absent delegates) as may be present at any Democratic convention shall be allowed to cast the whole vote to which their township or county may be entitled.

2. In all conventions provided for by this system, after a vote is cast there shall be no change in such vote until the final result of the ballot shall be announced by the chairman of said convention.

3. All Democratic executive committees shall have the power to fill any vacancy occurring in their respective bodies.

4. That the chairman of the different county conventions shall certify the list of delegates and alternates to the different district and State conventions, and a certified list of said delegates and alternates to the State conventions shall be sent to the Secretary of the State central committee. For the committee.

R. H. BATTLE, Chairman.

B. C. BRECKINRIDGE, Secretary.

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## SALEM FEMALE ACADEMY.

Commencement Day—Honor Essay—Salutatory and Valedictory—Senator Vance's Address, &c.

Correspondence of THE OBSERVER.

SALEM, June 17.—Owing to the late arrival of Senator Vance, the programme was divided into morning and afternoon sessions.

At 9 a. m. the salutatory address was read by Miss E. H. Hunkin, of Atlanta, Ga. It was followed by the honor essay of Mr. T. B. Vance, of Texas.

The Dignity of Labor—Miss M. C. Carless, Staten Island, N. Y. Circumstances—Miss Tucker, Kilgore, Texas.

Sunshine—Miss Spencer, Spencer, Va. Musical renditions interspersed the programme throughout.

At 3:30 p. m. Hon. Jas. W. Reid introduced

SENATOR J. B. VANCE.

But he needs no introduction to North Carolina audiences. The Senator opened by exhorting the orator for the day, Hon. W. P. C. Breckinridge, whom urgent business compelled to decline, and stated that it was through the aid of Mr. Reid's suggestion that Dr. Rondthaler chose this gifted orator, but as the faculty could do no better he came himself.

That his preparation was a regular Stone-wall Jackson flank movement, of but five hours' notice and preparation. Like an old gun, he was there, but ammunition was scarce. He had come because they called him, and he was always on hand in season and out of season—especially the latter.

He never failed to answer a call of duty from his State or country, when it was possible. He spoke of the sorrowful reflections of the war, which had compelled so many young men to remain in the land.

He alluded to small beginnings, and how useful it was for all to not despise the day of small things in the start of life. His address was replete with early history of the Academy, which like an old song, he said, was always welcome and familiar.

He alluded to the blessings which education brings upon the individual, and that no instruction was so effective and lasting as that of a mother's, and that there was not a home in North Carolina that had not felt the Academy's influence through succeeding generations, and that the teaching was never lost. God would not permit it. It would increase \$30, 40 and 100 fold; yes to the end of time.

Beautifully did the Senator picture the future of our God-fearing and intelligent woman in a family, and the manifold results in after years. He spoke pleasantly of his journey here, and the fields of golden grain and luxuriant corn that met his gaze as he came to the Academy.

He said he had been told that the Academy was a great place, and that the students were all well, and that the teaching was never lost. God would not permit it. It would increase \$30, 40 and 100 fold; yes to the end of time.

He spoke of the Academy as a "home" in the yellow grain. He was proud of the cordial greeting which he and Mr. Reid, the recipients of all the good wishes, had received from all the students and their parents, and was ever proud of their manifestations of esteem. He advised the young men who wanted to always get one with a Salem Academy brand. They were wanted everywhere, and they were wanted in the eyes of the world.

That President, United States Congressmen, Senators, and men of every trade and profession had selected wives from the 5,000 alumnae, and none were ever heard to complain. He did not believe in too much woman's rights, or poll, or tax, or woman's suffrage, or woman's education, or woman's anything, but he believed in a woman who would help him to do his duty.

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