

Local and Personal.

Mr. W. F. Causey has moved his family from Jamestown to this city. He is living on Gorrell street, and is employed as a carpenter on the new First Baptist church.—Patriot.

Attorney O. L. Sapp has sold his home on Worth Street to Mrs. A. Blair, and will probably move to Greensboro. He has recently purchased a residence in that city in which he will probably reside.

A. Auman left last Tuesday for business trip to Eastern North Carolina.

Clyde Lowdermilk, son of S. F. Lowdermilk, who has been ill with fever for two weeks, is able to be out again.

Julius C. Reeves, of Concord township, died last week after a brief illness. He leaves a wife, who is a daughter of Mr. Thos. Kearns, of Farmer, and several children.

John Fuller, son of Manly Fuller, of Lumberton, who has been visiting at Farmer, returned to his home Monday. He spent Monday at Asheboro.

Misses Stella Brightwell and Clara Spencer, of the Farmer Institute faculty, spent Saturday and Sunday in Asheboro.

Mrs. M. J. Council, of Bladen, is visiting relatives in Asheboro.

Mrs. Maude Craig Mathews and little daughter, Lydia, of Florida, who have been visiting friends in Asheboro returned home Monday.

A. C. McAllister returned Monday night from Spray where he spent several days on business.

Clarence Rush, formerly with the A. & A. Railway here, has accepted position as book keeper with the town Milling Company.

Little Joseph, son of Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Davis, and brother of Mrs. C. C. Cranford, of Asheboro, died at High Point last week.

That Miss Nannie Ballinger is unable to be at her millinery store after several days illness is good news to her many friends in Randolph.

John T. Moffitt spent Monday in Greensboro on business.

C. C. Cranford returned Monday morning from a business trip to Greensboro.

A few nights ago the home and the household goods of W. T. Smart was destroyed at Cheraw, S. C., by fire. The family narrowly escaped from the burning building. Mr. Clement climbed the second floor from the outside to save his young son who was sleeping. Mr. Clement is a brother of Mrs. J. T. Penn, of Asheboro.

Dr. W. J. Moore and Dr. J. V. Carter have formed a partnership whereby they will practice medicine jointly.

Mrs. Jno. Wood, of Biscoe, is visiting friends here Tuesday.

Mrs. N. R. Richardson left Tuesday for Randleman to spend some time with friends.

The Asheboro Chapter Daughters of the Confederacy will meet with Mrs. May McAllister next Friday evening at 4 o'clock.

Mr. and Mrs. Redding and Mr. and Mrs. Thos. Steed, of Kansas, who have been visiting relatives in a section, left for their homes Sunday.

Mrs. Nancy Hohn, of Seagrove, is visiting in Asheboro Tuesday.

Wassimers and silk plaids for waists and broad cloth for coats can be found at the Department Store.

The Department Store has some gains in domestics and gingham, and prices have advanced but remain the same. Only a small quantity.

Miss Bon Wade and Mrs. Dora are visiting Mrs. Jean Rush.

Geo. Ross returned to West End Tuesday, after spending a few days home.

New Machinery for Randolph Mill. The contract has been awarded by the Randolph Manufacturing Company of Franklinville, N. C., for the new spinning frames, five sets, two drawing and three fly frames. The company will also erect a second story to the building and additional cottages for operatives. The present equipment comprises 4,400 spindles and 148 narrow looms, and it manufactures sheetings.

THEY DODGE THE ISSUE.

Republican Organ Refuses to Present Facts to the People on the Eve of Election—Letter from Messrs. Walker and Cox.

The following letter has been denied publicity through the columns of the Bulletin, the editor of which last week published a statement basely misrepresenting conditions of the affairs of the county in the hand of Messrs. Walker, Cox and Steed. Fearing the result at this time, they agreed to use it next week—after election.

Editor Bulletin: In a former issue of your paper you stated that you wanted the campaign conducted on a high plain of morals, and had no desire to stir up ill feeling or induce a personal wrong to any one. With this assurance we desire through your columns to submit the following statement touching the financial condition of the county during the administration of its affairs by J. E. Walker, O. R. Cox and B. W. Steed, in your issue of October 23rd.

In the first place, we would refer to a statement made by Mr. J. T. Winslow, placing the county debt, as per a report of a committee composed of T. C. Millican, R. W. Frazier and J. T. Winslow, at \$11,302.70.

Now, this committee was appointed at the instance of Mr. J. M. Millican, who had been elected clerk of the Superior Court, who named the members of the committee himself, and also bore the expense. It is therefore evident that the results of the labors of this committee was not a matter for record in our court and mattered not whether the work of that committee was correct, or far from it. Our board was only responsible for a small part of the amount claimed. And that part was spent in the construction of one of the best iron bridges in the State at Buffalo Ford and also aiding the people of Randleman and vicinity in building another first-class iron bridge spanning Deep River at Naomi Falls.

The orders for which Messrs Ragan and Millis obtained judgments were issued before we took charge of the affairs of the county; and as the county was in no condition to meet its obligation I can see no sin in the owners of those orders taking such steps as would be necessary to secure legal interest while they were debarred the use of their money in regular and lucrative business channels.

The Bulletin claims that a Republican board of commissioners saved the county \$4,906.27 in four years; yet by comparison our board saved to the county \$4,116.61 during the last two years we were in office. No man knows better than Mr. Winslow who was clerk to the board, that not one cent of the County's money was diverted from its regular and proper channel, as it was our one desire to practice economy at all times and under all circumstances, and, resolving the whole matter into a question of conscience there is not a single item on the record made by us that we would change, though we had power to do so.

J. E. Walker, O. R. Cox.

Later The Courier received the following:

Sir: In addition to our letter sent you this morning and denied publication in the Bulletin until after election, we want to say that at the close of our term of office as County Commissioners, Dec. 1895 assuming that the statement rendered by the Millican Committee was correct (but which we do not claim) if the County Taxes already assessed and levied for that year together with unsettled taxes in the hands of Sheriff Henricks could have been converted into cash, the debt would have been fully met and a balance of more than \$3,000 left in the hands of the Treasurer.

J. E. WALKER, O. R. COX.

Grand Democratic Rally.

There will be a big Democratic Rally at Randleman on Monday night, November 5th, at which a number of distinguished speakers will address the people of Randleman and surrounding community.

State of Ohio, City of Toledo, Lucas County.

Frank J. Cheney makes oath that he is senior partner of the firm of F. J. Cheney & Co. doing business in the City of Toledo, County and State aforesaid, and that said firm will pay the sum of ONE HUNDRED DOLLARS for each and every copy of Catarrh that cannot be cured by the use of HALL'S CATARRH CURE. FRANK J. CHENEY swears to before me and subscribed in my presence, this 6th day of December, A. D. 1886.

HALL'S CATARRH CURE is taken internally, and acts directly on the blood and mucous surface of the system. Send for testimonials free. F. J. CHENEY & Co., Toledo, O., sold by all Druggists. Take Hall's Family Pills for constipation.

To Cure a Cold in One Day. Take LAXATIVE BROMO QUININE Tablets. Druggists refund money if it fails to cure. E. W. GROVE'S signature is on each box. 25c.

A FEW CAMPAIGN OBSERVATIONS.

Things Caught While Attending Canvass of Candidates.

REPUBLICAN ROT BEING BANKED.

Effort Will Be Made to Drown the Voice of the People by a Flood of Deceiving Statements on Eve of Election.

Be on your guard Mr. Voter.

In 1900 the Argus was held back till Friday night and came forth brimfull of political rot and falsehoods. We have heard it intimated that the same trick is to be played this fall. Look out for any old tale from our opponents right in the last days of the campaign.

The Rads make a terrible howl for better wages, and say they are for paying public school teachers and other school officers better salaries. They cut down the average salary of teachers in this county from \$25.00 in 1896 to \$23.25 in 1899. Oh Consistency, the Republican party has never known thee!

At their night speaking the Republicans claim that the County Board of Education ought to be elected by the people, yet when they were in power they did no such thing. They also howl loudly about "keeping the schools out of politics." If school officers are to be elected just as other county officers, would that not put the schools deeply into politics? In their argument Republicans do not know the meaning of the word consistency.

Mr. Burrow attributes the panic during Grant's administration to the fact that the Republicans took a fool notion to make a ten per cent. reduction in the tariff. Every panic since 1860 has occurred while the nation was under a high protective tariff law.

The Radicals claim that their big insolvent lists allowed the Sheriff were during the hard times which they claim were the result of Cleveland's administration. Let's see if they tell the truth. McKinley was inaugurated March 4th 1897. The number of poll taxes released by the Republicans is as follows: In 1897, 589; in 1898, 1004; in 1899, 901. As the Republican administration progressed the insolvent lists grew larger. Once false, always false!

Mr. Burrow says he does not endorse Marion Butler. However he is working hand in hand with Mary Ann to defeat the Watts and Ward laws and help recapture North Carolina for Butler, Adams and James Young.

Last Saturday the Rads told you to vote for Republican candidates and better schools. That is absolutely impossible! They went backwards \$1,012.50 in three years, and then quit with \$484.90 below zero.

Mr. English thinks the Populists did a great deal of good in North Carolina. We think so too, but those who followed Butler into the Republican party lost all the good they had ever done, and Mary Ann has them safely bridled to do his will.

School order No. 26, made by The County Board of Education, Sept. 5, 1898, was not paid till Jan. 18, 1900. See Treasurer's Book, Page 104. If the Republicans were not in debt, why was this order not paid promptly?

Ask Mr. Burrow where that report of T. C. Millican, R. W. Frazier and "the tother fellow" is recorded. If it was a real thing, it is recorded. If it was gotten up to scare men into voting for the Republican party, Mr. Winslow was very careless about using his office to furnish Republican campaign stories. A sworn officer should be careful about signing campaign stories unless he knows them to be true, and records all reports as in his sworn duty.

L. D. Mendenhall, postmaster at Randleman, while speaking on the County Canvass in English's place last week said at New Center, Mt. Olivet and Pleasant Grove that the County Superintendent of Schools and the public school teachers in this county did not receive sufficient pay that he was in favor of paying more. While the Republicans ran the public schools in this county they reduced the average monthly salary of white teachers from \$25.00 in 1896 to \$23.25 in 1899. English claims that he received only \$150.00 per year, so says Mr. Mendenhall, but the records show that he received \$126.00 for six months' services, and he lived at Archdale and had a man to look after his business most of the

time. The Register was also paid as clerk to the Board of Education.

Eavesdroppers seldom hear any good spoken concerning themselves. It is a crime under the law to do such a thing. Would the people elect a man who does it to an important office?

The Republicans talk long and loudly about fair elections. Ask them about the returns from East Columbia in 1898.

Mr. Burrow says he does not criticize the Democrats for increasing appropriations to the Insane and Deaf and Dumb and Blind Asylums. I guess not. He knows better. The Democrats spent over \$600,000.00 more for this purpose in four years than his party spent.

Mr. Z. B. Saunders admits that the Democrats managed the Penitentiary better than the Republicans managed it. Good for Zeb, but one of the convicts could have seen that long before he told it.

Messrs. English, Burrow & Co. say that North Carolinians do not reverence the courts as they used to do. Why? Because the National Republican administration has put among us such narrow minded men as Judges. See?

Judge Adams is a distributor abusing Democrats and creating false impressions. While he is slinging mud he ought to remember how nice and decent it was for him to run on the ticket with Albert Bigelow, a negro, in Caswell county.

Ask the man who certifies as to the report of the committee which shows the county to be in debt when the Fusionists came into power, if he thinks offering "any amount of money he may name," to a registrar, is a good plan to secure fair elections. The State provides for the payment of registrars. Struck the wrong man, didn't you, brother? Back at your old methods!

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Who made that report anyway?

If Prof. English did not get but \$125 a year as County Supervisor of Schools, tell him to look on page 321 of the minute book of the Board of Education, and see if he was allowed \$155.85 for six months, from July 5, 1897, to January 7th, 1898. And the Register of Deeds was also paid "for clerk to the board." How much did it all amount to?

Messrs Burrow, Mendenhall and English say they cannot, and will not say a word against the administration of Mr. Way, as county Superintendent of Schools. If there is anything against it, say it, gentlemen. But they are afraid of a comparison!

Prof English accounts for his numerous changes in politics by saying that the Democratic party has been moving around so much that he could not keep up with it. Mr. Way told him in the joint discussion at the County Home that his case was a good deal like the little boy who turned round and round until his head got to swimming and then lying down with the belief that the world was turning around him, when in fact the trouble was all right in the boy's head. Prof. English has turned round in politics so often that it is possible for his head to get to swimming and make him think the world is turning round him. Let him stop changing and the world will not seem to be running round him.

DEATH OF MR. MCDANIEL.

One of Randolph's Most Prosperous Citizens Succumbs to Attack of Pneumonia.

Friday evening at 7 o'clock Mr. John H. McDaniel, one of Cedar Grove's most prosperous citizens, died after a short illness with pneumonia. Mr. McDaniel was about 40 years old and leaves a wife and two children.

Besides operating one of the best farms in the county he had other extensive business interests, in which he had been very successful. As a quiet citizen he pursued the even tenor of his way, numbering all whom he met as friends. He was highly esteemed in his community. He never sought office in his county though at his death he was the Republican candidate for county treasurer. He served his district well for some time past as school committeeman.

Mr. McDaniel was a consecrated member of the Friends Church. The funeral was conducted Sunday afternoon at the friends church in Back Creek.

A large number of friends from Asheboro attended the funeral.

Miss Ulah Hayes, of Randleman, spent Saturday in Asheboro a guest of Miss Louise Slack.

BIG OPENING--NEW STORE.

True economy is wisely choosing that which will give perfect satisfaction at the least cost. Nothing is ever economical that does not serve your purpose.

In the gathering of merchandise for my new store extreme care was taken to include only goods of unquestioned merit. They are now here and will be fully displayed on this day, and the many special values will prove of unusual interest to money savers. I intend to show my old friends, and all who come, values which cannot be matched elsewhere even at much higher prices.

I have planned to increase my business greatly, and now is the time for all economically inclined to buy, for I intend to put my goods on sale at such low prices as to make my opening rank as the lowest price buying opportunity ever offered the citizens of Randolph county.

Millinery.

Our milliner, Mrs. Emma Wall, has just returned from the Fashion Centres with the most attractive line of millinery ever shown in Randolph County. Handsome patterns hats will be displayed at our opening day, which can be duplicated from our trimming department. She will take pleasure in showing you and serving you.

Winter Wraps.

\$5.00 ladies' Cloaks at \$3.50. \$15.00 ladies' Cloaks at \$12.50. Children's Cloaks from \$1.00 to \$6.00.

Underwear.

Men's Heavy Winter Underwear \$1.25 a suit for 90 cents.

Clothing and Overcoats.

\$18.00 Rain coats for men for \$16.00. Large stock overcoats in many styles from \$6.00 up. Ladies' coats for \$8.00. If you need a suit for Sunday or work day, see us. We have them in prices ranging from \$4.50 to \$18.00. Latest fabrics and cuts.

Shoes.

Keith's Conqueror, for Men \$5.00 for \$3.50 and \$4.00. Wolf Shoe, for Children. An extra good, serviceable shoe. Just rec'd 500 guaranteed german leather throughout, price from 69 cents to \$1.50.

Dress Goods.

56 inch Repelants 60 cent value at 45 cents per yard. Mohairs from 24 cents to \$1.50 per yard. Many shades show big reduction. Ladies' Cloth, all shades, Silks from 50 cents a yard up.

Free Buggy.

To introduce the Cascade Baking Powder, we are going to give away 500 premiums, including one \$85 top buggy, road rocking chair, 31 piece breakfast set, crystal water set, gold glass water set and hundreds of smaller premiums. For each additional 50 cent purchase of merchandise, after you secure a can of baking powder, we will give an extra chance at the buggy. Remember somebody will get this handsome top buggy for 50 cents.

Come and see me and bring your wives and children, and if my prices and qualities don't more than maintain my assertion, don't buy. I wish to thank my many friends for their patronage in the past, and hope to increase my business with them, now that I am in my new store with increased facilities for handling goods.

G. W. Elliot & Company, Randleman, N. C.

THE BARBECUE.

Big Crowd Attended Despite Inclement Weather--Mr. Overman Strengthened The Cause.

The big Democratic barbecue and picnic at Asheboro last Thursday was significant of a great victory for the party in Randolph. For ten days previous there had been a steady down pour of rain, but Thursday's sun was greeted by an immense throng of enthusiastic and determined voters who had come from every part of the county, despite the bad condition of the roads. Many young ladies also braved the mud and shared the great feast.

The parade more than a mile long traversed the town to the grounds where the rally was held, shouting the great victory for Randolph democracy next Tuesday.

Senator Overman was the speaker and with telling effect he told of the achievements of the Democratic party in the development of the nation from the foundation of the government.

He made one challenge that has not been accepted and will not be. It was to this effect, that no Republican could name the time when their party was in power, that it did not bring disgrace and scandal upon the State; that they could not name the time when Democrats had control of the State government and all was not peace and harmony.

During his speech he reviewed the State and county records under the two parties which served to strengthen the cause of Democracy greatly in the county. Its effect will be far reaching.

It was truly a great day for Randolph and those who heard the speakers both old and young will not soon forget the warning against the disastrous result of turning the State over to the enemy.

Randolph will show the 1000 majority on November 6th.

Mrs. Amanda Caldwell, mother of Editor J. P. Caldwell, of the Charlotte Observer, died at her home at Statesville, Friday morning. She was 86 years old.

Mrs. Caldwell leaves three children: Mr. J. P. Caldwell, of Charlotte; Miss Janie Caldwell, of Statesville; and Mrs. T. F. Klutz, of Salisbury.

THE 5 and 10 CENT STORE is the place to get your CHINA WARE, GLASS WARE, TIN WARE and everything needed in the dining and cookroom. We also have a nice line of Notions of all kinds. If bargains is what you want come to see us. Z. T. BIRD & SON, Asheboro.

STIEFF'S CLEARANCE SALE of Pianos and Organs Taken in Exchange as Partial Payments on the Artistic Stieff and Shaw: 1 Stieff original price \$700. only \$300.00 1 Knabe, new, original price \$300.00, only 400.00 1 Kronsch & Bach, re-bushed 275.00 1 Ivers & Pond 275.00 2 Fishers \$130.00 and \$125.00 1 Everett 125.00 to 200.00 2 Mathusheks 150.00 to 100.00 1 Hayward, re-bushed 125.00 1 Bekating, re-bushed 250.00 1 Goldsmith 140.00 1 Starr 135.00 1 Stieff square, re-strung 150.00 1 Knabe square, re-strung 150.00 1 " " 50.00 1 Decker 75.00 8 Square Pianos \$85. to 100.00 10 Organs \$35. to \$75.

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