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MAKING IT HARD TO BE DEMOCRATS.

VIDENCE that the "regulars" in the democratic party in this state do not propose to be "dictated to" as to what program they shall decree for the party to follow is furnished by the action of the democratic executive committee in Mecklenburg county last Saturday night in refusing to modify the new party primary law in that county as to hts oath binding feature. A petition signed by 300 democrats was presented to the committee asking for the elimimation of the oath. After a three hours' discussion that was at times bitter on both sides, the committee woted in favor of the provision requiring that an oath should be administered, 18 to 11. The Charlotte Observer speaking of the action of the committee,

Bays: "The feeling against this feature of the law is very strong and widespread, and it is difficult to divine why it should be insisted upon. Democrats of this county who went into primaries and nominating conventions under the old rules which obtain elsewhere in the state and which obtained here until last year have been in the habit of abiding the result and it cannot be conceived why, at this late day, it has become necessary to swear them. A very great many of them

naturally and properly resent it that they are now called upon to kiss the Bible or hold up their hands and swear. It is telling no secret to say that many of them are not going to do it and that many who do will do so under protest and in anger. True, the friends of the oath may still be able to carry the county this year but its full democratic vote may at some time be needed in a congressional or state election and it seems hardly worth while to alienate a large section of the party unnecessarily. Reckless rough-riding over mithe long run-arbitrary political methof the fact that a political party may get too strong. When it does, and begins to use its power offensively and arbitrarily, why, then, it may possibly

get weaker than it was." From the report of the committee meeting, when the question of the oath was under discussion, we quote the following as illustrating the opposition to the requirement: Dr. Wilder said:

"This legalized primary is in the interest of a little clique, and the people of Mecklenburg county will condemn it. Why do you say it is because of congested population? Why don't you admit that the primary is intended for use to you in Charlotte? How can fraud be committed when a tax receipt will have to be shown before voting? Of course there will be fraud so long as men give other men old suits of clothes to vote as they wish. You can't make men stand in line. Put us on the same footing as the other democratic counties in the state. This pridemocrat should endorse it. Why, if Andrew Jackson and James K. Polk should meet it in the middle of the road they wouldn't know it was democracy.

Mr. T. P. Rossick, from Paw Creek, said that the democrats in the country would not stand by the primary, which he thought must be the new democracy that he had heard so much talk about. "We of the country won't stand by it," repeated Mr. Rossick. "If you want us to take part in the primary why fix it so that we can come in, but we are not going to take that oath.'

Mr. Mulwee, of Steele Creek, said that three-fourths of his township would not go into the legalized primary. Mr. S. B. Smith of Morning Star, and men from Paw Creek and Long Creek also stated that their townships would not take the oath.

Capt. Watts: There is certainly a dangerous dissension in democratic ranks. Leave out the oath. As executive committeemen we are doing all we can to break up the democratic party in Mecklenburg county. As a good democrat and because we are all democrats I object to the oath. We can have another primary. I want to be fair and want to remove trouble from the party ranks. I object, not to a primary, but to the necessity of taking an oath before voting.

The oath-bound primary is the cinch that Tillman has on the democratic party in South Carolina. It is the slickest device ever invented by shrewd politicians to secure the party's oath bound acquiescense in whatever the machine leadership of the party chooses to force upon it. By means of this device. Ben Tillman rules the polities of South Carolina and whoever rebels against Tillman and refuses to swear allegiance to his schemes and his candidates has no standing in the party. There is no democracy in the oath bound primary except such "democracy" as Ben Tillman has evolved. The scheme is introduced in this state as another move in the machine government of the democratic party in North Carolina.

Ev-Governor Russell has been interviewed by the Raleigh Post and substantiates some of the worst of Major Wilson's charges against Clark, stating for instance that Judge Clark not only

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with interlineations in his own hand- is of it. It is not a political matter, head the democratic ticket next No-

"Uneasy lies the head that wears a Alfonso XIII.

A letter from President Roosevelt upon "The Bible," furnished an interesting feature of the thirteenth anni-League of Strawbridge Methodist Episother things President Roosevelt wrote:

"Every thinking man, when he who to thank for it." thinks, realizes what a very large number of people tend to forget that the teachings of the Bible are so interwoven and entwined with our whole civic and social life that it would be literally-I do not mean figuratively, I mean literally-impossible for us to figure to ourselves what that life would be if these teachings were removed. We would lose almost all the standards by which we now judge both public and private morals; all the standards toward which we, with more or less resolution, strive to raise ourselves. Almost every man who has, by his life work, added to the sum of human achievement of which the race is proud, of which our people are proud, almost every man has based his life work largely upon the teachings of the Bible. Sometimes it has been done unconsciously, more often consciously, and among the very greatest men a disproportionately large number have been velt, finds personally in the Bible is epitomized in his closing sentences: 'The Bible does not teach us to shirk | difficulties, but to overcome them. That is a lesson that each one of us who has children is bound to honor to teach these children, if he or she exforth and do the work of the Lord; to | most wonderful exhibaration. do the work of the Lord in the world If you are wealthy, have no object and deeper study of the Bible, so that our people may be in fact as well as in theory doers of the word and not hearers only.''

The Greensboro Record, a democratic newspaper, gives the facts about the Greensboro public building bill, anent the discussion raised by the efforts of certain democratic newspapers to attribute all credit for this measure to Senator Simmons. The Record says:

"It is much to be regretted that there is any controversy in regard to the influence which has secured the amendment in the senate to the house appropriation bill, providing for an enlargement of the public building in Greensboro. We cannot think that our senators from this state have instigated

this unseemly contention. Greensboro failed in the house committee our peope turned to Senator Pritchmary puts a premium on squatting and and asked him to secure the ap- lene explosion or electricity are autodemocrats, and God forbid that any propriation for us, and in response he mobiles. introduced in the senate the bill appropriating \$75,000 for the Greensboro building. He followed up his bill and conferred with Senator Fairbanks, chairman of the senate committee on public buildings and grounds, and with the house bill. The delegation from cutting up of the country macadam. Greensboro to Washington, headed by Judge Boyd, to present the conditions here and urge the appropriation to enlarge our building so as to provide a place for the Federal court, also conferred with Senator Fairbanks in regard to-the matter, and he expressed himself very favorably to them. This was the situation when Senator Pritchard left Washington to attend Asheville court. During his absence the house bill was taken up by the senate committee. Senator Simmons is a member of the latter committee, and being present

wrote the original typewritten "Show tion; and the committee agreed to rec-Cause" notice, which was corrected ommend its adoption. This is all there writing, but that he never heard of the and those who undertake to make it so law under which the Wilsons were re- simply embarrass the situation and moved until it was cited to him by Jus- probably place impediments in the way tice Clark. This settles it. Clark will of a much needed piece of legislation. "The people of Greensboro and of this division of the Western district of

North Carolinit looked to Senator Pritchard to introduce and manage the crown," would seem to apply to young bill for the building appropriation here, and to use his influence to secure its passage. This they have had and are having. They looked to Senator Simmions also for his aid in accomplishing versary exercises of the Epworth the object. This he is giving. Now if political enthusiasts will only let the copal church of Baltimore. Among case alone, Greensboro will be provided for and the people interested will know

ASHEVILLE

ONDER why there are not more automobiles in Asheville? There are several scores of people in the city who are well able to afford this latest and best contribution of science to pleasure. There are miles and mile of road well suited to automobiling including the principal streets of the city, the Biltmore road, the Victonia road, the drives on the Biltmore estate, the county macadam roads, and the roads kept up by the Good Roads association. Next to flying, no more delightful sport than this can be imagined. Indeed is it flying, within diligent and close students of the Bible limitations. An hour's automobile at first hand." What President Roose- trip in the vicinity of Asheville, just now, especially, is a never ending delight. Speeding merrily over level stretches, climbing higher and higher to reach a vantage point from which the world, green robed and joyous, spreads out, gliding noiselessly down pects to see them become fitted to play some leafy road into a cool valley, each the part of man and women in our moment presents a new prospect of world. If we read the Bible aright we | beauty to enjoy and the smooth, rapread a book which teaches us to go id motion through the air produces a

as we find it; to try to make things except the pursuit of pleasure, and find better in this world, even if only a little new sorts of pleasure hard to find, take better, because we have lived in .it. Topic's advice-get an automobile. You norities, while answering temporary That kind of work can be done only by will do some good thereby, for you will the natives of the West Indian Islands. purposes, is not always good politics in the men who is neither a weakling nor eventually become an earnest advocoward, by the man who, in the cate of good roads. If you are wellods often return to plague their inven- fullest sense of the word, is a true to-do and feel the need of occasional tors. The case in point is an instance | Christian-like Great Heart, Bunyan's | recreation, you cannot do better than to hero. We plead for a closer and wider buy an automobile. Why wait for the flood tide of a fad?

> THE Asheville agent of the Locomobile company, Eugene C. Sawyer, usually takes a spin in his automobile each afternoon, and one of the denizens of Biltmore watches regularly for him. This is Dr. Reed's greyhound, and he and the auto have many a merry race around the village. "At last," the splendid, long limbed fellow seems to say, as he bounds along a few paces in advance of the flying vehicle, 'I have found a worthy competitor!"

> T SHOULD be explained, for the ben efit of a good many people who hold erroneous ideas on the subject, that the difference between a locomobile and an automobile is the same as that between and owl and a bird. "Locomobile" is a trade name, given by the makers, to a certain kind of automobile. All vehicles propelled by steam, gaso-

RIDE in the vicinity of Asheville reveals one deplorable fact-the public is not taking care of the macadam roads, and they are being cut up into ruts-simply because everyother members of the committee, and body wishes to drive in his neighbor's had the promise from them that the track. Are we, as people, inclined to bill should be reported flavorably and get into ruts and stay there? It looks incorporated as a senate amendment to as if nothing else could explain the

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Express Train, Which Was Carrying Number of Western Delegates to the German Baptist Convention at Harrisburg, Runs Into Freight.

Williamsport, Pa., May 19.-A see rious wreck is reported on the Philadelphia and Erie railroad at Jersey Shore, a few miles from the city. Several persons are reported to have been

The wrock is said to have been caused by an express train, which was bringing a number of western delegates to the German Baptist convention at Harrisburg, running into a freight train.

It is known that Engineer Lewis Shreiner was killed. Other casualties are not known at present.

MUGGAH'S PRESENTIMENT.

Captain of th Roraima Had Premonition of Danger.

New York, May 19.-In a letter written just before he started on his voyage which ended when his ship was destroyed in the roadstead off St. Pierre by the explosion of Mont Pelee. Captain G. T. Muggah indicated that he had a presentiment of impending danger. The letter was written to an old friend, the captain of a Canadian government steamer.

Captain Muggah had known Mont Pelee, in Martinique, and the Soufriere of St. Vincent, as old acquaintances. More than once he had sailed under their shadows and he had not the confidence in them that was displayed by

"We are leaving here for Martinique in the morning, and I hope that the old Roraima will do as well as she did on her last voyage. We have some passengers this trip, including the mate's family and other women. hope they will get through all right.

"I heard a peculiar yarn from a priest not long ago about the forming of a lake on the summit of Mont Pelee like the one formed in 1812 in Sou-

SABBATH OF JEWS IS NO LONGER. 64 Patton Ave. Opp. P. O. Asheville.

Commerce Makes It Impossible to Ob. serve Saturday as a Holy Day. Chicago, May 19 .- "The Sabbath of

the Jews is dead. Let us bury it. God never ordained the Sabbath day. It is dence of the Sentinal, dated Coal Creek, an institution of man. Only million | today, says: aires and peddlers can observe the Jewish Sabbath in these days of activcan be restored only by participating in the flood of life about us and recognizing as our day of rest the day set

apart by the nations in which we live.' These declarations were made last number, only five have been recovered. evening by Dr. Emil G. Hirsch in the One of these is still alive, but he will course of a sermon at Israel temple. die. The known dead are: in which he urged the substitution by the Jews of Sunday for the Sabbath blown off. of the decalogue.

London's Gloomy Weather.

London, May 19 .- So far as it has progressed in London, rain, snow and hail have been England's harbingers of summer. Never has there been such an inclement spring. Americans who have come over for the corons tion sit around in doleful groups wa'ting for the surshine that never comes. No amount of festivities-and there are plenty of them-dispel the universal gloom that the awful weather has created. What is worth seeing in I ondon that is not obscured by rain is hidden by scaffolding.

ENTOMBED DOAL CREEK MINERS ALL DEAD

(Continued from the first page.)

It is three miles from the mouth of the mine to the place where the exploslate must be removed before the imprisoned men can be reached. It is believed those not killed by the explosion have succumbed to fire damp. It is not expected to entombed men can be reached for several days. Tonight a thousand grief stricken men, women and children are gathered about the mouth of the mine anxiously awaiting news from the rescuers who are exploring the mine.

Coal Creek, Tenn., May 19 .- The rescuers reached the place of the explosion at 10 o'clock tonight. All the miners were found dead. There are fully 150

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dead and the number may reach 200.

Knoxville, May 19 .- Staff correspon-

A terrible disaster befell Fraterville coal mine near this place this morning ity. Sunday to all intents and pur. at 7:30 o'clock. Perhaps 300 men were poses already has become the day of killed in the Fraterville coal mine, two rest. The inspiration of the Sabbath miles west of the town. Superintendent George Camp states that he is posittive 160 men were in the mine and there may have been from 250 to 300. This he cannot determine until further investigation is made. Out of the vast

George Adkins, mine foreman. Head

Robert Smith. Unknown negro laborer.

William Morgan, an aged Englishman, who was a "road man" in the mines, was blown out of the entrance and he will die. He has been unable to speak.

Soon after the explosion a party was men. The party was, however, unable to go more than 500 yards on account of slate having fallen in the main path, and also on account of stifling smoke and gas and very excessive heat. The latter indicates that the mine may be burning. It is three miles from the of mouth of the mine to the point where the men were at work, and this distance will have to be traversed to get to them. Probably upheavals of earth, coal and slate will have to be excavated in order to reach the objective point. Experienced miners say that even if the entombed men are alive they will more than likely die from the effects of fire damp before they can be rescued. However, the disaster was sion took place. Much earth, coal and so eppalling that it is feared they are already dead.

> The scene at the entrance to Fraterville mine is heartrending. Fully 1,000 women and children are assembled there, many of them undoubtedly having been made husbandless and fatherless by the horrible catastrophe of a few hours ago. They are mad in their grief, and appealingly beg friends to go into the burning furnace and rescue their loved ones, if rescue is possible. Many of these women and children are in want, and a mass meeting has been called to be held here tonight at which time leading citizens will take steps to relieve the needy. It may be that the outside world will be asked to help. It was at first reported that an explosion also occurred at Thistle mine, which adjoins Fraterville mine almost on the opposite side of the mountain. Thistle mine has, it is stated, practically been abandoned, and it is understood to have been the intention of the Coal Creek Coal company which owns both properties, to abandon the Fraterville at an early date, on ccount of it having been worked continuously for over three years. It is believed that gas is still emitting from Fraterville, and that this is gathering in Thistle mine, from which evidences of heat are Coal Creek Coal company, is in Cincinalso coming. However, it is not be- nati. It is expected that he will ar-

men are at work in Thistle mine, thus

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far as casualties are concerned. Superintendent George Camp

asked for an official statement for publiction in the Sentinal. Beyond the figures given above, and the opinion that the explosion was probably caused from gas igniting, he had nothing to say. He will probably issue a statement later, giving the names of all the men who were known to be in the mine. Hoover Groner, an undertaker of Clinton, is here to look after the dead. Immediately after arriving, and taking

in the situation, he ordered 200 coffins from the E. B. Mann Undertaking company of Knoxville to be sent out here tonight. More coffins may be Business has been suspended in this town and everybody is at work in an effort to do something to rescue the im-

prisoned miners or to comfort those who have lost members of their family in the disaster. Major E. C. Camp, president of the

lieved that Thistle mine is on fire. No rive here tomorrow morning.

confining the disaster to Fraterville, as / Nothing succeeds libe failure.