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If all the signs can be depended upon, history has retired from the repeating business and disposed of its stock and good will.

THE Kentucky distilleries will have to run double time to counteract the effects of the cloudbursts which have recently occurred in that state, and to keep the wily politicians in "fire water." They will need a lot of it for their "dead fellows" between this and election evening.

WHEN we recall that Mr. Sewall was put upon order that he might "put up," his treatment at St. Louis seems rather shabby. The Texas middle-of-the-roadsers went down with their boots and whiskers on and succeeded in landing squarely on Mr. Sewall's neck.

NORTH Carolina was in the swim at the St. Louis Populist convention until somebody robbed Harry Skinner and Buck Kitchin of all their cash, \$30 and \$80. These amounts show conclusively that neither of these gentlemen are on the committee to handle the campaign fund.

PRESIDENT ST. JOHN, of the S. A. L., has sent his ultimatum to the Southern States Freight Association as to the cut rates recently adopted by its road. What he says to the Southern is plain and emphatic—a sort of raising of the "black flag" and "no quarter" to a finish. If you want to ship anything, or travel, now is an opportune time.

SENATOR MARION BUTLER, of this State, is as proud as a rooster with his first spurs. The cause of his peacock strides is that he has been elected chairman of the Populist national committee by reason of his great party service, and will run that part of the business this year to suit himself. Chairman Jones has appointed W. P. St. John, of New York, treasurer of the Democratic national committee.

THE nomination by the Populist convention at St. Louis of Tom Watson, of Georgia, for vice-president was in accord with the "eternal fitness" of things. He and other people are now given an opportunity to get an explicit answer to his famous question "where am I at?" It would be well for the people to know where the candidates are "at"—whether they are paid tools for human oppression or friends of the oppressed, before voting.

It is fortunate for Charlotte, and the cause of justice everywhere, that Jos. P. Myers, the Charlotte absconding Seaboard Air Line employee, has been caught in New York, and will be brought back to answer for the \$3,500 he embezzled from that road. Since the good people of Charlotte attempted to make a martyr of Sunday school superintendent Holland for persistently robbing a bank, several others have tried to emulate him, the morbid sentiment having become both contagious and infectious.

A RELIGIOUS mania is sweeping over the eastern part of the State. It is "santification," as preached by Rev. Mr. Crumpler, and people are flocking into the "new fangled" religion by the thousands. The Raleigh correspondent of the Wilmington Messenger, in speaking of the craze, says: "The results of the meeting held by the 'santificationist,' Mr. Crumpler, are shown in the fact that six of the victims of religious mania caused by his teaching and preaching are in the asylum here. And yet this is in North Carolina, where people last year laughed at 'Schlatler, the healer, and his poor dopes.'"

AN OUTFRAGE AT CUMNOCK. This seems to be a year of disaster and crime. On every side there are reports of murders and homicides of the most shocking kind, to say nothing of catastrophes of every description in which thousands of lives have been taken.

Saturday there was a shocking murder at Cumnock mines in Chatham county, as will be seen from the following special to the Raleigh News and Observer: Lynn Barbee missed some money, and the man who now lies suffering with a pistol shot wound was suspicious of having taken it. About a dozen miners cubbed up and took the supposed thief out and searched him. After finding no money on his person Davis forced him to kneel down and shot him in the mouth with a pistol.

The ball shattered his jaw bone and was found in his tongue. A doctor removed the pieces of bone, and it is thought the man will recover.

Davis took the train here last night and skipped out.

HOW THE BRITISH SEE IT. Great Britain seems to be between two fires this year and no matter which way the election in the United States goes it will damage their interests. The London Globe Tuesday afternoon, in discussing the matter, said: "There is a clear issue between the gold standard allied to extreme protection and free coinage coupled with confiscatory socialism. Whether McKinley or Bryan is elected, British interests are bound to suffer. While the victory of McKinley is certain to harass our trade with the United States, that of Bryan could not fail to produce a financial convulsion which might shake the old world to its very foundation."

RESERVED HIS OPINION. Senator Joe Blackburn, of Kentucky, with all of his brusqueness at times, never cares to offend his constituents when he can avoid it. At least that is what Col. Chas. H. Jones, of the St. Louis Post-Dispatch says. In proof of this statement he relates that once the Senator when in St. Louis accepted an invitation to attend a literary club, the session being devoted to wrestling with the problem, "Which is the Greatest Character of Shakespeare, Hamlet or Macbeth?" When the members had concluded their exercise the President turned to Senator Joe and asked him which he regarded as the greatest. The Senator, usually so fluent, seemed to be slightly embarrassed.

"Well," he replied as just, slowly, like one in profound thought, "well, you see, sir, a large number of my constituents regard Hamlet as Shakespeare's greatest character, while on the contrary a great many favor Macbeth for that position. Under the circumstances I trust you will pardon me, but I feel that I must reserve my opinion."

THE RATE WAR STOPPED. The rate war, that has been on for sometime between the Seaboard Air Line and the other roads, and which is just now beginning to get interesting to shippers and those who travel, has been stopped for the present at least.

The following special from Flat Rock, N. C., and published in yesterday's papers will explain itself: A bill in equity was presented to Judge Simonton today asking for an injunction against the Seaboard Air Line, Southern Railway and all other roads, enjoying them from continuing the rate war. Judge Simonton granted the injunction enjoining the Seaboard Air Line from continuing to operate their cut-rate and enjoining Com-

missioner Hanes and the other roads from putting the 80 per cent. cut into effect; enjoining, all cuts of every description; requiring all parties to show cause before him at Greenville on the 15th proximo why injunction should not be made permanent. This stops the rate war absolutely for the present until the motion can be heard.

LETTER FROM BRYAN'S HOME. Prof. A. W. Wilson, of this city, has received a letter from his brother, Hon. E. Wilson, of Nebraska—the home of Billie Bryan—in which he eulogizes the "Silver Knight" and wants to know what North Carolina is going to do. Mr. Wilson is personally acquainted with "Billie" and says a finer man never lived. From the letter we were permitted to make the following extracts:

"I trust North Carolina is solid for our 'Billie' Bryan. He is more than the highest eulogy that has been written regarding him; is as easily approached as a school boy; is as pure and true as a husband can be erected; is an intellectual giant; his peer as an orator is not living and, HIS COURSE IS RIGHT."

"He is one of the people and his supporters and admirers are not confined to his own political party. Nebraska is strongly Republican but it is conservatively estimated that he will carry the State by 30,000."

"He will sweep every State from the Missouri river to the Pacific ocean. If the South will give us a solid vote and we can get one of the following States—Iowa, Illinois or Indiana—we will have free silver and good times. I believe we will carry all three of the States enumerated."

In closing his letter he said: "Don't forget you cannot make a mistake by saying a good word for Billie Bryan."

THE TARIFF IS NOT AN ISSUE. In his speech to five hundred glass workers, who visited Canton last Saturday, Mr. McKinley again exhibited a determination to do an impossible thing—to wit, to make the tariff the leading issue in this campaign. In the course of his remarks, he said:

"Every citizen must know that the receipts of the United States are now insufficient for its necessary expenditures, and that our present revenue laws have resulted in causing a deficiency in the Treasury for almost three years. It has been demonstrated, too, that no relief can be had through the present Congress. The relief rests with the people themselves. They are charged with the election of a new Congress in November, which alone can give the needed relief. If they elect a Republican Congress the whole world knows that one of its first acts will be put upon the statute books of the country a law under which the government will collect enough money to meet its expenditures, stop the debts and deficiencies, and adequately protect American labor. This would be one of the surest steps toward the return of confidence and a revival of business prosperity."

Now Mr. McKinley knows, or at least should know, and if he does not now he will find it out later, that tariff is not an issue at all, and there is no use for him to be siding off on that. Let him stand to the rock and fight the great monetary question that is hithering the American people today. One thing at a time.

It is frequently the case that an editor finds in his exchanges appropriate stuff better than he can write. When this is so, unless he has won and wears the asses ears of egotism, he will use it—and be honest enough to give proper credit.

ONE HONEST "GOLD-BUG." Senator Smith, of New Jersey, gold standard man, corporation man that is horrid, is not "ignorant and willing to be ignorant." He does not blink patent facts nor permit himself to be run away with his prejudices, predilections and preferences, but on the contrary frankly says: "I cannot see a walk-over for McKinley. On the contrary, I am confident that if the election was to be held next week Bryan would win. People here in the East do not appreciate the hold the free silver idea has taken up on the masses of the entire West and South."

The Charlotte Observer says Mr. Smith has it down right. If the election were held now Bryan would be an easy winner. A re-action may come, but from the inception of this silver movement until now, the tide has set but one way. It may ebb, but there has never been a sign of ebbing yet.

HILLS PREDICAMENT. In May last, in the Senate of the United States, David B. Hill, of New York, used the following language in reply to a speech of Senator Tillman, of South Carolina, who had threatened to bolt the Democratic party unless it declared for the free coinage of silver. These utterances bind Mr. Hill as a politician and as a man. Recent events have doubtless made Mr. Hill wish he didn't have quite so much record. He is evidently in what old Ran Thompson would call a "quandary." Here is what he said:

"I recollect that in 1892, and I will be pardoned for speaking of it now, State after State in the South instructed their delegates for free silver and Grover Cleveland. They have not gotten free silver, but they have got Mr. Cleveland. They nominated Mr. Cleveland over the heads of the regular Democracy of New York, who protested against it. After the nomination was made, loyal Democrats as they are, they went back and supported the ticket, and I joined them in giving New York again to the Democratic cause."

"Sir, no matter what may be in store for us in the next campaign—victory or defeat, come sunshine or shadow, come weal or woe, there is where I will be found again in behalf of whoever may be the Democratic candidate and whatever may be the national Democratic platform in the campaign. I do not expect to have my Democracy strained in so doing. I have confidence in the wisdom of the Democratic masses and the Democratic party."

"There is more, sir, in the Democratic party than simply the silver question. There is the great question which overshadows all others; the great question of paternalism; there is the great question of the centralization of power, against which we of the North and of the South have stood together and protested during all the history of this republic, there is the great question of the fundamental principle upon which taxation shall be imposed, namely, for public rather than private purposes; there is the great question of the personal liberty of the citizen, which the Democratic party has always maintained."

PHILADELPHIA, Pa., July 24. The management of Clyde's coastwise and West India Steam Lines today announced a sweeping reduction of rates to Southern ports. This step is taken in view of the demoralization of rates from Baltimore to the South. The company states that it is its purpose to protect the Merchants of Philadelphia and therefore makes the reduction on rates to the South and Southwest, beginning August 1 next.

Is endorsing the Democratic nominees the "silver party" lost but little autonomy, because as a distinct party, they didn't have it. With the populist, conditions were different.

THE SITUATION. The HERALD is conscious that it has not filled expectation in giving the news from the St. Louis convention. The fault lies not with us, but with the telegraph companies, who have heretofore given up to date bulletins.

From the best attainable information now, it appears that Bryan will defeat his opponent, Ignatius Donnelly, for the nomination.

It is important for a proper conception of the political complication, that a distinction be made between an independent nomination, which does not affect party autonomy, and "endorsement" of another party's candidate, which does, to the extent of complete surrender of the Populist to the Democratic organization.

Recognizing this, the St. Louis convention has acted judiciously in making independent nominations—particularly in selecting Tom Watson, of Georgia, for vice-President—giving the bone to the South and leaving the marrow to the greater West, which we candidly admit is the greatest factor in the real and material interest of this movement of the people for a financial system that will enable labor, and the products of labor, to bring such market value as will prevent absolute want in the home of the honest and conscientious laborer—whether in the counting house or corn field.

The Democratic party, having purged itself of many of those whose broken pledges made its name a stench in the nostrils of a large number of good citizens, comes before the country with a satisfactory platform and candidates—but though they have shattered the machine vase, the perfidy of their party lingers still in miasm memory.

Next comes the independent silver men, whose patriotism laid aside partyism and endorsed the nominees of the Democratic party—Bryan and Sewall.

The Populist convention owe it to themselves and the country to make like sacrifice, to the end that the silver and financial reform element of this country, may be so united as to redeem us from the apparent threatened conflict between capital and labor.

With little faith in politicians on the average, the HERALD yet believes, judging the balance by its knowledge of the North Carolina delegation, that the members of the national populist convention are dead earnest in their attempted amelioration of the country's condition, and hopes it is not premature in expressing the wish and belief that Bryan will be the Populist nominee ere this can be put in type.

JOE IS CORRECT. The Greenville, S. C., News, in looking over its Democratic exchanges, is struck with the fact, which has also impressed us, that little or no mention is made of Major McKinley, Republican candidate for the presidency. It detects "another peculiarity about editorial utterances of contemporaries—

which is the almost unanimous attacks on gold bugs," and cites the fact, which we had overlooked, that M. Bryan, so far from being in sympathy with this policy, has declared that this policy, has declared that the gold-bug wing of the party must be placated. It is none of our business; none in the world; and there is no danger of our being influenced by these continued assaults. But if we were of the dominant element we would let up on a fellow party man after the battle was over; we would not rub sand in their eyes after getting them down. There are other people besides Populists whom it is worth while to conciliate. Mr. Bryan has more sense than some of his shouters.—Charlotte Observer.

CONVENTION ECHOES. Josephus Daniels, editor of the Raleigh News and Observer is in St. Louis, and wires his paper what happens there. From his special in yesterday's issue we clip the following:

Ceburn Harris was a circus when the minority report to defeat Senator Allen as permanent chairman was made. He got up in a chair, threw his hat high in the air and acted like a boy of school. He is going his full part as a Republican to keep the silver forces from getting together.

Dr. Mott is standing straight for silver. "We have a chance now, he said, 'by massing all the forces of silver for Bryan and Sewall to secure silver legislation. This is no time for party advantage. I advocated Teller, but Bryan is honest and earnest and all silver men ought to join together in the support of the only ticket that can possible win.'

He thinks North Carolina can be made safe. When Col. Harry Skinner and Capt. Buck Kitchin woke up this morning they were \$80 and \$30 respectively poorer than when they went to bed. Some one had them. They suspected Mr. Corpening, of Caldwell county, who had been rooming with them, and caused his arrest. There was no evidence against him and he was discharged.

JOSEPHUS DANIELS.

West Virginia Republicans. PARKERSBURG, W. Va., July 22.—The largest State convention of either political party ever held in this State began here at 11 o'clock this morning. Hon. W. M. Dawson, chairman of the Republican State committee, called the assemblage to order. Hon. S. B. Elkins was announced as temporary chairman. In his address to the convention he denounced the Chicago convention and the platform adopted by it. At 3 o'clock John W. Holt, of Taylor county, was made permanent chairman. Sam Burdette, nominated Hon. George Wesley Atkinson, of Wheeling, for Governor. There was no opposition. The nomination was received with great applause. Fully a score of delegates seconded the nomination in brief speeches, after which Atkinson was nominated by acclamation.

He made a brief speech of acceptance and then the convention adjourned till 8 o'clock this evening, when the balance of the ticket was nominated.

Spanish Brutal. Key West, Fla., July 23.—Advices from Havana states that Rios and Montaner, two men imprisoned on account of the discovery of arms in San Raffal street, Havana, have been barbarously whipped by the Spanish police. The first one was tortured. A lady who was arrested has been confined in a cell with no furniture except a chair.

ONE of our Banks, puts in a recently published statement, some \$3,000 in gold among its assets. If you have a balance there suppose you try to get a \$20 check cashed in that metal and let us know the result of the attempt?

THERE is no State in the Union more familiar with fresh fish than North Carolina. Dispatches from St. Louis tell how Major Guthrie salted a fresh fish from the west in most approved style in convbntion on Thur day.

In some of the witnesses who did hard swearing in the Fearington murder case, cannot prove that they were hypnotised, they are apt to be convicted of perjury.

Great Caesar.

Salisbury, N. C. July 22.—Ex-Senator Matt Ranson, now Minister to Mexico, who has been recuperating at Blowing Rock for the past month, left Salisbury for Mexico City last night to resume his official duties. The General's health is much improved. Speaking of the financial question Gen. Ranson said: "Though I have always been an advocate of the gold standard I cannot bolt the Democratic Party on the silver question. Democracy is too dear to me."

Typical South Carolinians.

COLUMBIA, S. C., July 24.—At the campaign meeting at Florence today Judge Joseph H. Earl, candidate for the United States Senate to succeed J. L. M. Irby, and Gov. John Gary Evans, who is a candidate for the same office, came to blows. Earl struck Evans first and Evans responded with a blow under the eye. They were quickly surrounded and separated by reformers and conservatives. Several men had their hands on their pistols, but comparative quiet was restored and Gov. Evans attempted to continue his speech amid much order.

Down in Georgia.

MACON, July 21.—It is stated on reliable authority that a resolution is to be prepared in Macon and introduced in the next general assembly serving to break the consolidation of competing railway lines in this State. The statement is made officially and it is no longer to be doubted that Southern monopoly will be fought to the bitter end. The fight before the legislature means that every member of that body will be forced to declare either for or against the railroad, and thus new political complications arise.

Banks Help.

WASHINGTON, July 23.—Once more Treasury officials are feeling comfortable, for at the close of business today the gold reserve had once more been placed safely over the one hundred million mark. This was accomplished through the deposit of gold coin notes. The movement began in volume last night and after the department closed notice came that \$7,750,000 in gold had been deposited in the Sub-Treasury at New York. Today \$7,500,000 additional came in.

Another Gold Bluff.

Richmond, Va., July 22.—M. E. Ingalls, President of the Chesapeake and Ohio Railroad Company, believes that the Chicago Presidential ticket will be overwhelmed at the election. In the possible event of the election of the Bryan ticket, President Ingalls says it would put an end to the proposed depot here.

Peach Ice Cream.

The day before you wish to make the ice cream, boil three pint of cream. Break ten eggs and put the yolk into a bowl; beat well and sweeten with one cup of granulated sugar. When the cream has reached the heating point, pour at once into the bowl over the yolks of the eggs. Stand in a cool place until the following day. Mash one quart of peaches through the candler, sweeten to taste and put into the custard prepared the day before. Flavor with two tea spoonfuls of vanilla and freeze.

If old Baruum was living he would give a big price for a man of as short memory as was on the witness stand here for about five hours, and could not remember anything that occurred before or since "Wednesday" while describing minutely every thing that occurred on that day. It is truly refreshing to run on these freaks—they learn the courts of Job's patience.