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BOTH sides have named their man and you may now begin the selection of a choice to vote for in the coming election.

WITH many it seems that the one great question in the present campaign is whether they had rather have Bryan as president or as a perpetual candidate.

IN less than two months the questions that will be discussed on all sides from now on will be decided and you can see how much of a prophet some men are.

THE speeches at the court house Saturday would indicate that the Republicans were really in earnest about carrying the State and county. If such had been the case do you suppose the nomination would have been so easily made without a struggle.

THE county Republicans must have decided to quit wrangling over matters and the decision must have been told all around so quiet was their convention Saturday. The last Convention was so much different from the previous one that it seemed out of the question that such harmony should exist.

THE Democratic chairman of the Executive Committee and Republican candidate for the legislature are law partners and have offices together, and possibly they will fight out their differences before the public knows of it. At any rate they can settle the question of who is right about any question without any special trouble.

IN another column will be found figures showing how the public schools of Durham are moving along, and while not official they are as near as an estimate can be made. These things in connection with a plank in the Republican platform adopted last Saturday asking for a change in the way the school board is elected seems strange, and whatever anyone may believe about political and county affairs, he should place the county schools first, and when a plan has worked well there appears little reason for wanting a change.

**Judges Yielding to Appeals.**

It is stated in the papers that in Cumberland Superior Court a few days ago Judge Biggs, in response to a petition of citizens for the reversal of sentence passed on Donald McDonald for the shooting of Henry Bruner, commuted the sentence to a fine of \$250, requiring McDonald to give a \$1,000 bond to keep the peace for one year. This may be alright. Sometimes on reflection a judge feels that he has been too severe in the imposition of punishment, and the case, of which we know nothing, may not have called for either changing punishment, which presumably was first imposed. But it is a dangerous thing for a judge to allow the clamor of the populace to change his judgments. If he feels that he has done the proper thing he should stand by his judgment in the face of every appeal. When it comes to the pass that appeal or clamor can influence the judgment of a court, then indeed are we undone. One reason why Judge Shaw,

Judge Biggs' predecessor, was cordially disliked by a few people, was because he could not be swerved from what he believed to be right. One of influence or prominence, or one who can command the help of influential people, gets into court and it is no trouble to secure appeals for light punishment or for no punishment at all, no matter what the merits of the case; and that means, what we all know is true in too many cases, that the punishment in such cases is by favoritism, not as a matter of justice.

In Iredell Superior Court some years ago a judge imposed such a light sentence on a colored man convicted of a very grave offence, that there was an outburst of indignation—and the light sentence was imposed in response to an appeal from some persons who didn't realize fully what they were asking. But when the fierce clamor arose on account thereof, the court took fright and increased the sentence. If a mistake was admitted and the last sentence had been allowed to stand, the incident might have been overlooked. But in after-years the judge recommended the pardon of the same prisoner—and he was pardoned—saying that the sentence was more severe than it should have been but it was imposed as a result of strong feeling against the prisoner. Thus the court held, after some years of reflection, that his first judgment was correct, but admitted that he allowed himself to be influenced by public clamor. Of course such a man is utterly unfit to sit on the bench.

The above is not to be construed as a criticism of Judge Biggs, for we do not know that he has done wrong, but it may be construed as an objection to judges changing sentences because somebody asks it. If new facts are brought to their attention and they feel the ends of justice demand a change, well and good. But to make a change simply because a large number of people may ask it, or because public sentiment seems to be for or against the prisoner, is all wrong. Pilate allowed the demand of the populace to influence him in condemning the Christ, after he had declared he found no fault in Him, and Pilate does not rank high in a list of just judges.—States-Landmark.

**Notes from Lillian, Route 1.**

Everything seems to be lovely in this section and all of us are busy as can be. The writer is not through pulling fodder, and it looks now as if he will not finish before frost. There is a help to be found and one little fellow like myself makes very little show in a ten acre field of corn. Cotton is opening right fast and there is no help to pick that either. Tobacco has all been cured and is now in the house, and most of us made good cures.

Guess we are all going to the fair this year, for as there is to be no gambling it will be well for us to be there.

Willie and Graham, two little sons of J. E. Ferguson have been right sick but am glad to say they are much better.

Mrs. Candace O'Neal is right feeble hope she will soon be well again.

W. D. Peed has suffered a severe attack of bilious fever but is improving slowly, and his neighbors hope he may soon be able to be up and about his business.

Mr. and Mrs. A. Ferguson visited J. G. Ferguson's family in East Durham recently.

Mr. and Mrs. A. D. Ross spent Sunday with Mrs. Ross' parents Mr. and Mrs. J. L. King.

H. M. O'Neal went to Raleigh Saturday after a new engine. Guess he is preparing to gin cotton this fall.

Mrs. Lizzie Williams, sister of Mr. John Johnson, passed away Wednesday at the home of Mr. Johnson. She was about 55 years

of age and consumption was the cause of her death. She leaves a husband and five children to mourn their loss.

Will Smith visited this community Sunday.

We often get The Recorder without a single letter. Wonder if all the correspondents are as negligent as myself. Lets all promise to do better in the future and write oftener.

**Two Women.**

The two women met on the corner. "Well, of all things," said one. "Whoever would have thought of seeing you here!" exclaimed the other. Then they kissed. "Well, I must hurry to get my car," said the first woman, breaking away. "And I promised to be home at 2 o'clock, and it's half past now," said the other. Then the first woman went into the drug store and got a chocolate cream, and the other tripped around the corner to the matinee.—Kansas City Times.

**Music.**

Sir George A. Macfarren, late professor of music in the University of Cambridge, England, gave the following definition of music: "Music is the art which employs sound as a medium of artistic expression for what is not in the province of literature, of sculpture, of painting, of acting or of architecture, embodying the inward feelings of which all other arts can but exhibit the effect."

**IMPROVED SERVICE.**

Effective Sept. 6th, Southern Railway will inaugurate through Pullman car service between Raleigh, N. C., and Atlanta, Ga. This sleeper will be handled on train 139, which leaves Raleigh at 4:05 p. m. and on train 43 from Greensboro, arriving Atlanta 6:25 a. m. Northbound on train 44, which leaves Atlanta 9:25 p. m. arriving at Raleigh 12:30 noon following day. Train 43 connects at Salisbury with train 35 for Asheville, Knoxville, Chattanooga, Memphis, Cincinnati, Chicago, and other points.

For Pullman reservation, call on or write W. H. McClamery, P. & T. A., Raleigh; or R. H. DeButts, P. & T. A., Greensboro. R. L. VERNON, T. P. A., Charlotte, N. C.

**A Woman's Back**

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If any considerable number of the above symptoms are present there is no remedy that will give quicker relief or a more permanent cure than Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription. It has a record of over forty years of cures. It is the most potent invigorating tonic and strengthening nerve known to medical science. It is made of the glyceric extracts of native medicinal roots found in our forests and contains not a drop of alcohol or harmful, or habit-forming drugs. Its ingredients are all printed on the bottle-wrapper and attested under oath as correct.

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You cannot afford to accept any medicine of unknown composition as a substitute for this well proven remedy or known composition, even though the dealer may make a little more profit thereby. Your interest in regaining health is paramount to any selfish interest of his and it is an insult to your intelligence for him to try to palm off upon you a substitute. You know what you want and it is his business to supply the article called for.

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**APPLICATION FOR PARDON**

Notice is hereby given that application will be made to the Governor to pardon Ed. Horton, serving a sentence for robbery. WINSTON & BRYANT, Aug. 18th, 1908. Attorneys.

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**JOHN F. HARWARD, Sheriff.**

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