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DEMOCRATIC COUNTY CONVENTION.

The Democrats of Alamance County will meet in mass convention at the Court House, in Graham, on SATURDAY, AUGUST 29th, 1896, at 12 o'clock M. to nominate candidates for the county officers and for members of the General Assembly, and to transact such other business as may come before them.

The representations from the various townships will at this time and place nominate candidates for the Justices of the Peace and Constables for their various townships.

A full attendance of Democrats from each township is earnestly desired.

E. S. PARKER, Jr. Chm'n
Dem. Co. Ex. Com.
August, 10th, 1896.

"Pound Cake vs. Ash Cake" elsewhere is good reading. It is pointed out. It tells the tale how a valuable, useful and necessary article can be depressed in price by a legalized system of boycotting and hoarding down. It is the best illustration in favor of the free coinage of silver we have seen, and is as true as preaching.

Gold standard as well as free coinage papers speak in the most complimentary terms of Mr. Bryan's speech at Madison Square Garden, New York City, last Wednesday night. He had an immense audience. He used arguments, not oratory, which are simply unanswerable from the gold standard standpoint. He spoke for one hour and a half, hence his speech is too long for our limited space, but from time to time we will give extracts.

The Populist convention held in Raleigh last Thursday was not all sunshine, but Marion Butler had his way mostly and was sustained though Harry Skinner attacked him severely and charged him with running the convention according to his own notion.

W. A. Guthrie, who has held all shades of political opinions, was nominated for Governor; O. H. Dockery, Republican, for Lieutenant Governor; Cy. Thompson, Populist, for Secretary of State, Hal Ayer, Populist, for Auditor; Chas. H. Mebane, Republican, for Supl. of Public Instruction; Judge Walter A. Montgomery, for Supreme Court Justice.

It was attempted to nominate Zel. V. Walzer for Attorney General, but it wouldn't work. So the completion of the ticket was left with the executive committee.

The Republican committee has since met and filled its vacancies

with some of the above, but did not take Russell down.

Matters as yet are not settled entirely.

The Object of the Democratic Campaign.

Mr. Bryan, the Democratic nominee for President, thus tersely stated in his speech of acceptance in New York last Wednesday the object of the Democratic campaign.

Our campaign has not for its object the reconstruction of society. We cannot insure to the vicious fruits of a vicious life. We would not invade the home of the prudent in order to supply the wants of the spendthrift; we do not propose to transfer the rewards of industry to the lap of idleness. Prosperity is and will remain the stimulus to endeavor and the compensation for toil. We believe, as asserted in the declaration of independence, that all men are created equal; but that does not mean that all men are or can be equal in possessions, in ability or merit; it simply means that all shall stand equal before the law, and that government officials shall not, in making, constructing, or enforcing the law, discriminate between citizens.

I assert that property rights, as well as the rights of persons, are safe in the hands of the common people. Abraham Lincoln in his message sent to Congress in December 1861 said: "No men living are more worthy to be trusted than those who toil up from poverty; none less inclined to take or touch aught which they have not honestly earned."

QUESTIONS TO A MAN UP A TREE.

We attended the Populist convention Saturday and there were some things we would like to know—will anybody tell us?

Where Tom Kernodle was when they voted whether to put out a straight ticket or not. Did he vote for a straight ticket or fusion?

Why didn't Capt. Frank White and Fletch Ireland vote to fuse on principle and principle alone?

Was Capt. Frank looking out for himself or for Brother Steve when he said they fused for spoils and principles too?

Is Capt. Frank in favor of free silver and if he is will he vote for a McKinley man for the legislature?

Isn't the legislature the only county office that has anything to do with making the laws? Will the Populists of this county vote for a man to make their laws who is opposed to the free coinage of silver?

Isn't Tom Morrow as good a Populist as any man in Alamance and if he is what made him leave the convention Saturday?

Will Capt. Frank give us the name of the Democrat who offered the Populists anything in the way of fusion and tell us where that Democrat got his authority? The Chairman of the Democratic Executive Committee and all the members of the Committee deny ever having received from or offered to the Populists any proposition tending towards fusion or any proposition of any kind whatever—who is this self-constituted Marion Butler of the Alamance Democracy?

Has Dr. Foust forgotten about a card that was once issued in this county that would up like this—"Vote for Thos. N. Angle and Chester D. Turner, the regular Republican nominees, for the Senate? If the Dr. has forgotten—wont Capt. Frank remind him of it?"

If a man is in favor of the free coinage of silver and is honest in it, will he vote for a man for the legislature who is against it?

Will any man who is honestly in favor of the free coinage of silver vote for a man for President who is in favor of the "present existing gold standard?"

Do the Republicans around Graham tell the truth when they say that half the Populists in the county are for McKinley and that McKinley is for gold?

Does Tom Kernodle prophesy McKinley's election because he wants it to come to pass? We thought Tom was for free silver.

How many men left the Populist convention last Saturday?

Didn't the fellows who want to fuse for office squirm while Dave Wilkins and Tom Morrow were talking?

Isn't a man who says he is in favor of free silver and McKinley a straddle-bug of the worst type?

Will the Republicans fill out the ticket that the Populists started, and if so will they put out a McKinley man for the legislature, and if they do will the Populists support him?

Where is last week's "Cyclone?" Who said that it was too dirty to send out? What is the matter

with the article that was in it in favor of free silver? Who is supplying the money to run the "Cyclone?" Did you ever hear of John Flanagan working for not hing or did you ever hear of his working anyhow? When is the Republican county convention? Does J. W. Harlan favor fusion? Is Tom Kernodle going to vote for Bryan and Watson? When is the Populist congressional convention? Are we going to have fusion in the State? Is Russell coming down? Where are the Republicans at and have you seen any stray Populists? DOTELEME.

POUND-CAKE VS. ASH-CAKE.

Norfolk (Va.) Daily Post, August 4th.
A PARABLE AND ANALOGUE.

And this is the parable of the staff of life:
In Felicia the Lord had provided two grains of bread, and one of these was called wheat and the other was called corn, or maize.

And the king had opened mills for the grinding of these grains, where both were ground equally, without price and without limit.

The land was fertile, yielding both wheat and corn, but the greater yield commonly was of corn and wheat sold at a higher price among the people because it was scarcer and made finer and whiter loaves.

Yet the two grains gave abundance and happiness. If the wheat lacked the corn supplied the deficiency; if the corn was scant the wheat came in answer to the call for bread, so that no man suffered of hunger in Felicia.

And the corn was every man's crop. They who could not grow wheat grew corn, and they who ate no wheat grew satisfied with the corn ground freely at the king's mills.

Both in quantity and in price the two grains co-operated together to feed the people, without possibility of monopoly and extortion.

But Mammon, who distributed the grains and the flour and the meal thereof to the people, saw how he could control the situation and make a mighty deal in wheat—the scarcer grain and the more to be desired—if he could persuade the king to close the mills against corn.

And so he sent his professors and his bankers and his scribes and his lawyers to the king and they said:

"Oh, king, wheat is the only food fit for the people. It abounds; it is beautiful, beautiful and sweet; it is more desired of all men and nation; corn is food only for swine."

"Therefore, close thy mills against corn and allow wheat only to be ground therein. So will Felicia wax greater and greater among the nations, and with wheat as the sole staff of life, our people will live longer, grow richer and richer and become the hapiest as the delicious biscuit shall on every table take the place of the coarse and unwholesome ash-cake!"

So it seemed wise to the king, and forthwith he issued his edict that therefore no corn should be ground in any of the mills of Felicia, which should remain open only to the free and unlimited grinding of golden wheat.

For a time all things seemed to work well, notwithstanding the edict. But soon the people who had eaten corn bread found that they could not turn their corn into meal, as the mills were closed to everything but wheat. They had to eat wheat or starve, and lo! by reason of discrimination against it, corn became almost worthless in exchange for wheat—as everything else had also become by reason of the mill edict.

And they who had eaten wheat only found that it had risen enormously in price, not simply because it had been made the sole staff of life, but because Mammon and his men had cornered the wheat product, which had now become easy, as this product was less than that of corn and as corn had been excluded from the mills and the bread-market, and could no longer come to the rescue of wheat and its consumers.

Thus it came to pass that even the king's baker was sorely put to it to furnish the accustomed loaves for the royal table. All the king's household and retainers, who had formerly been served with corn-pone had now to be fed on flour.

So with the royal garners bursting with corn, there was scant bread on the royal table.

But Mammon & Co. had a store of wheat, and for a while they cheerfully took the king's orders (or bonds) in exchange for wheat, but the people's orders or bonds were disdained—Mammon & Co. double locked their wheat-bins against all popular demands, inasmuch that the people starved, while the king feasted and still kept a reserve or surplus of wheat by a liberal issue of royal orders or bonds, warranted to produce wheat and nothing but wheat.

At length, when the people had been driven to the last extremity and a famine prevailed in the land, even the king's bonds were refused for wheat by Mammon & Co., unless he would also put in pawn his crown, his sceptre and his throne.

And then the eyes and ears of the king were partially opened to his people crying for the reopening of the mills to corn. "We do not care for poundcake!" shrieked the people.

"Give us corn-bread, lest we perish in the midst of our abundance!"

But the sleek Mammon, with his portly professors, his bloated bankers, his gross scribes and his lusty lawyers, talked day and night to the king: "The ignorant and half-educated people do not know what ails them or what they need," said Mammon & Co. "Besides they are hired to starve themselves and make all this outcry by these fellows who raise such enormous crops of corn. The corn producers alone will be benefited by opening the mills to corn. Just think what an enormous pile of money they will make if corn be again allowed as a breadstiff. We, on the contrary, know all about grain and bread, and from our very position are utterly disinterested. We neither grow nor grind anything!"

"Except the people and the king," interrupted the king's fool.

Scorning the unseemly interjection, Mammon & Co. went on: "The people foolishly say they do not want pound-cake and clamor for corn-bread, but we who know, Oh king, declare to you that corn-bread is injurious to the digestion, fit only for hogs, and that pound-cake, as our experience proves, is far better for human food. It is true that the people say that they get no pound-cake; that it is beyond their means, is scarce, etc. Yet, as we can testify conclusively, there is plenty of pound-cake, for we have got it. Yes, we have abundance of pound-cake, and it is only a popular delusion which inspires the cry for ash-cake and corn-pone, for if they can't buy our pound-cake, how can they buy corn-bread?"

Quoth the king's fool:
"The more ails the mills grind."
"The more money it will find."

"Besides," continued Mammon & Co., still scorning the fool, "how can your majesty find it in your heart to deprive us of our monopoly for the benefit of a dirty rabbit?"

"That, to be sure," said the king, "would be conclusive, but for the consideration that if the body perishes what will become of the head? I am the head of Felicia, the people are the body of the state; already I find it impossible to supply myself with necessary wheat; already I am in bonds to your masters of wheat, and now you tell me I must pawn my sovereignty to get further supplies."

"Well, you thus force me to feel that I and my people are one; to remember that the public mills do not belong to me alone, nor to you, but to the people, and I at once re-open the mills to corn, believing that it will be much better to live even on ash-cake than to starve myself or people in an effort to make pound-cake the sole staff of life."

Mammon & Co. retired, discomfited, venting dire threats of ruin and revenge, but even they could not reverse the laws of trade, of supply and demand.

And soon it came to pass that bread so abundant that even the poor did not lack for wheat, it being found that the best assurance for pound-cake is in the free and unlimited supply of corn-meal for ash-cake.

He that hath ears to hear, let him hear.

20th Weekly Crop Bulletin.

The week ending Saturday, August 15th, is the third of excessive heat since the hot wave began; temperature was above normal every day, with the maximum in the central portion above 90 degrees. The temperature was moderated the latter part of the week by beneficial local showers, which occurred at scattered points over the State. The rain-fall was not generally enough to break the drought, but caused considerable improvement in crops.

At many places where no rain fell the deterioration in crop conditions continues. Hail-storms occurred at Spring Hope, Bagdad and Pilot Mountain. Cotton was badly damaged by the long drought and excessive heat. The local rains this week made it look a little fresher, but at many places shedding continues. It is opening very rapidly and picking is in progress. Some top crop is forming. The condition is probably best in the southern portion of the Eastern District, where the prospect is still for a fairly good crop. Corn has improved some; but late corn will be very short; fodder-pulling is under way everywhere; in the east early fodder is all saved in good condition. Tobacco curing progressing well; forward tobacco best, late tobacco much fired and cures seem to be light and chafy. Peas, pea-nuts and sweet potatoes stood drought very well. Ground has been too dry to enable farmers to plow for winter wheat. Seeding turnips has been resumed where rain occurred. The coming week will be much cooler, moderate cool wave having appeared Monday in the Lake region.

The A. H. Motley Company, tobacco manufacturers, of Reidsville, went into the hands of a receiver last Saturday. They claim they will pay every dollar they owe.

Last Friday morning about 3 o'clock at Charlotte at the home of Capt. J. L. Erwin, little Sarah Grier, who rolled out at the window by which her bed set. Capt. Erwin picked her up thinking she was dead. But she was not awake. An examination disclosed an ugly wound on her head, but no broken bones. She complained of her back and thigh.

"I AM A POPLIST."

"But So Help Me God I Shall Do All I Can to Defeat McKinley." Fayetteville Observer.

The writer was in the Court House discussing electoral fusion with a violent middle-of-the-road Populist. The Populist said that he was going to Raleigh as a delegate to the State convention and that he would use all his influence for the election of straight Populist electors. The writer asked him if he did not know that that course would give the State to McKinley? The middle-of-the-road man said he did not care much if it did, that McKinley was as good as Bryan.

A fine looking old country gentleman, who had been listening to the conversation, arose, and with much emotion, said: "Take heed of what I say, young man. The mass of the people of Cumberland want McKinley defeated, and the only way to do that is to unite on Bryan. He must be elected or we will remain what we are to-day, financial surfs."

The Populist turned to him and said:

"You are a Democrat are you not?"

No, sir," replied the old gentleman, with emphasis. "I started with the Populist party, and am still a Populist, but so help me God I shall do all I can to defeat McKinley and the monopolists, and vote to the Populist leaders if they defeat this great wish of our people."

THE LESSER OF TWO EVILS.

Cor. of the N. Y. World.

There is a valuation of eighteen billion of dollars in this country and 280,000 persons of the 70,000,000 own sixteen and a half billions. The other 69,720,000 have one and a half billions, which, if divided up would give each about \$21. Divide the sixteen and a half billions among the 280,000 and each will have \$58,928. Of that 280,000 there are 30,000 who own most of that sixteen and a half billions.

How does it happen that 280,000 people have almost the whole product of the land? The Republican party has farmed out this country to the trusts and monopolies. It has put into the hands of the manufacturers a gun called high protective tariff, which they have held at the heads of the people and made them give up the results of their labor. It has fostered thieves whose cave is on Wall street. It has given them a license to go out and rob the people. When they had gathered in sixteen and a half of the eighteen billions of the people's wealth the balance was too scattered to make it a paying proposition to go out looking for it, so they waited until it found its way into the Treasury. Then they took another gun called gold notes and put that to the head of the Treasurer and collected their blackmail. That is how they got sixteen and a half billions.

As between free silver with a promise to fill off goldbug robbers and free licenses issued to robbers to prey upon the people I will take the lesser of the two evils. If free silver turns out badly we can change our financial basis, but put the forty thieves in power again and I prophesy that before many years the people of the United States will be shedding blood in their fight for bread.

J. G. DES.

New York, Aug. 11th.

HOKE SMITH INDORSSES BRYAN.

Urges All Democrats to Vote the Ticket—Writes a Strong Letter and States this Position Unambiguously.

Augusta, Ga., August 17.—Hoke Smith, Secretary of the Interior, replying to an invitation to attend a Bryan-Sewall ratification meeting at Augusta, after expressing regret that he cannot be present, says:

"To opinions which I have expressed on financial questions I still adhere. I have also had occasion to say that when the National Democratic Convention had named candidates for President and Vice-President, no matter what might be the action of the convention upon the financial question, all Democrats should support the nominees.

"This position I then believed to be correct, and am prepared to sustain it with equal sincerity now. The Democratic party does not confine its platform to a single issue, nor will its power to serve the people cease with the solution of that issue.

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"With us in Georgia it also stands for honesty and capacity in the management of our State and county affairs; for the defense of property, home and person.

"The Democrat who fails to vote for the National Democratic ticket strikes a blow at Democratic State organizations. I urge each Democrat to vote for Bryan and Sewall, even though he may have in no wise participated in the selection of delegates to the Chicago convention."

Roy W. Holgood, of Oxford, aged 21 years, and a very estimable young man, was killed by the accidental discharge of a gun in the hands of T. V. Edwards last Wednesday afternoon. Decided, two brothers and several friends were out hunting.

The Heat Caused the Railroad Track to "Buck."

Saturday World, 18th.

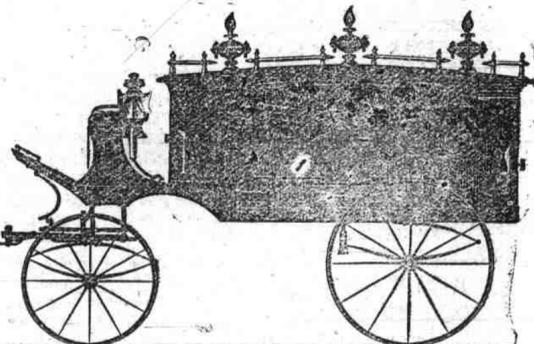
The north bound train due here at 10:20 this morning was delayed over two hours by a most remarkable cause. Three miles this side of China Grove the train was flagged by a trackman who had discovered that the track had "bucked." The exceedingly hot rays of the sun pouring down upon the track had caused the large steel rails to expand until they bucked where they joined together and left the original bed. For some distance the track had been drawn crooked and it was two hours before it was possible for the train to pass. Nothing could be heard from the train and a crowd of anxious people awaited its arrival here. A freight train was delayed some time last week from the same cause.

An Englishman who holds a responsible position with one of the leading establishments of Chattanooga, says the News, met a gold-bug on Saturday and the latter began a lengthy expostulation on the financial question. The Englishman said nothing until the gentleman concluded by saying: "Of course, being an Englishman, you are in favor of a gold standard."

"I am most decidedly in favor of free silver," was the reply. "If I had favored the single gold standard and being willing to put up with the condition of the workmen in England I never would have left that dear old country. The English workman, under the British gold standard, is not nearly so well off as the American has been until the adoption of the present standard, but now he is fast approaching that condition where all the money is in the hands of financiers and all the poverty on the heels of the producing laborers. The only hope that I can see for the American workman is in the adoption of the free silver proposition."

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