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DEMOCRATIC DISTRICT CONVENTION
A convention of the Democratic party of the fourth Congressional district will be held at Raleigh on May 20th, next, to nominate a candidate for Congress, a candidate for district elector, to elect two delegates to the National Democratic Convention and for other purposes. By order of the committee

E. J. PARRISH,
Chairman executive committee.
Democratic National Executive Committee.
Raleigh, N. C., May 16th, 1888.
To the Delegates to the Democratic State Convention:
The railroad companies in the State have generally agreed to have round-trip tickets at excursion rates on sale, for delegates to the Democratic State Convention to be held in this city on May 28th to June 4th, both inclusive. No delegates will be careful to buy tickets to Raleigh and return.

R. H. BATTLE,
Chairman, &c.
B. C. BECKWITH,
Secretary.
Democratic papers please copy.

DEMOCRATIC NATIONAL—St. Louis, June 5th.
State—Raleigh, May 30th.
Congressional—3d District, Goldsboro, May 23d.
4th District—Raleigh, May 29th.
5th District—Greensboro, July 11th.
7th District—Salem, June 29th.
8th District—Lenoir, May 24th.
1st District—Elizabeth City, June 11th.

The Southern Baptists will meet next year in Memphis and Rev. Dr. J. P. Greene, of St. Louis, will preach the introductory sermon.

The President has been invited to Lexington, Ky. As he has shown that he appreciates fine horses and pretty women he ought to go.

The Tennessee Democrats were a long time making up their minds, but they did finally in choosing Bob Taylor, as good a Democrat as their State holds.

BOULANGER doesn't propose to let his fame wane if he can help it. He is now making another tour of France amid the plaudits of the people. The French can make a hero out of a very small potato.

It has been snowing in Michigan who that could help it would live in such an inhospitable clime? North Carolina is the country to make a home in—where the trees have long since been in full leaf and the roses in full bloom from one end of the State to the other.

We have the Winston School Teacher for April with the announcement that the accomplished editor, Wm. A. Blair, Esq., has secured the services of Prof. Henry L. Atkinson, a graduate of Bucknell University, who will join with him in editing and publishing the magazine. We desire to do our part towards welcoming Prof. Atkinson into the journalistic circles of the State.

SENATOR VANCE has offered a resolution for the investigation of cattle trusts. He understands the true inwardness of these vast aggregations of capital, and proposes, so far as in him lies, to prevent the application of the power they hold to the oppression of the people. He has the Democratic party, moreover, to back him.

As we anticipated, the owners of the plaid mills of this State at their meeting in Charlotte determined to curtail production. Unhappily we are now getting to understand and some of the troubles that afflict the cotton mills at the North. There is no proper outlet for their productions. The only remedy is to let us export our goods.

It should not be lost sight of that the Raleigh Savings Bank, after its first year's business, has declared a dividend of four per cent and carried \$1,000 to the surplus fund. All the savings banks in the State are successful. Their number might be multiplied with very great advantage, particularly to the communities in which they should be established.

The Denver News asks: "If North Carolina should actually go Republican next fall what would it? Governor say then to the Governor of South Carolina?" Unfortunately for the answer the case is not a supposable one. The people propose to see that there shall be no such disagreeable situation. The two Governors mentioned will be in a position to smile as heretofore at the continuance of good government through Democratic success.

The Republicans will, of course, have a substitute offered for the Mills bill, and they will, equally of course, endeavor to ride the measure to death with amendments, but we have abundant reason to hope that the Democrats will be able to carry out the will of the people with respect to the matter, though they have been steadily prevented from doing so heretofore by the Republican party. The people are making it clear that they are tired of obstruction in this matter of tariff reform, and are putting their seal of condemnation on it even in districts where the Republican, as we have shown, the surplus revenue must be stopped, the tariff must be revised and adjusted to a revenue basis. That is the demand of the mass of taxpayers, and those tax payers are in the temper to make their demands understood and felt.

CONGRESSMAN "Scott of Erie" is a Pennsylvanian, a coal-miner and a wealthy manufacturer, yet in his speech on the Mills bill in the House, the other day—a speech, by the way, which was one of the most lucid and forcible that has yet been delivered by anybody on the tariff subject—he said: "We are here, sir—we, the majority of the ways and means committee of the House—in defense of American industry. We alone offer it protection; we seek alone the independence and aggrandizement of domestic labor by liberating it from unnatural restraint and allowing it the undisturbed possession and the complete enjoyment of its own earnings. The other side offer it what? A monopolized market in which to buy the products of its own hands and on the other labor market subject to the caprice of trusts. Will laboring men accept that generous tender and vote with the monopoly party under coercion of the employer? If they do, the hideous disaster foreseen by Jefferson as the natural result of the restrictive and subsidy party will reach down upon us and the government of this Union will pass into the hands of those who openly propose to plunder their power and employ them to plunder the people for their own enrichment."

The South Carolina University has recently elected a number of new professors under a plan adopted by the State Legislature for a thorough reorganization of the institution. Among them were Prof. Geo. F. Atkinson, of our own State University, Mr. W. G. Randall, a native of North Carolina, and Prof. Milton Whitney, of whose election we have already spoken. Prof. Atkinson was chosen to the chair of botany and zoology, and Mr. Randall was made teacher of drawing. Prof. Atkinson has been for some time at Chapel Hill as associate professor of natural history, and while there has abundantly proven the possession of scientific ability of a high order on his part and has done much work in the line of his special attainments of great value to North Carolina and to science in general since he has been an original discoverer. He is a native of Michigan, a graduate of Cornell and has married a daughter of the late Dr. Kerr, State geologist, since he came to North Carolina. Mr. Randall is from Asheville and has talent for mechanical and free hand drawing, which is described as simply wonderful. His genius is of the sort that triumphs over every obstacle, for he has encountered many difficulties, particularly in the matter of securing a collegiate education, and has surmounted them all. His pluck in this regard is well made the subject of a special reference in the '88 report of President Battle of the University, which institution he is a graduate with the degree of civil engineering. He has since his graduation distinguished himself at the Academy of Design in New York, has served as instructor of drawing in the Fifth Avenue School for Boys in the same city and has had practical experience as a civil engineer in railroad work. It will thus be seen that the authorities of the South Carolina University have made no mistake in electing these gentlemen. They have chosen men specially fitted by talent and training for the positions they are to fill.

A correspondent of the Raleigh News and Observer proposes the name of Senator Jas. L. Webb for the Lieutenant Governor. Should Mr. Webb be nominated, it would be a graceful tribute to an able Democrat and to the second largest Democratic county in the State—Shelby New Era.

John Nichols has announced himself as a candidate for re-election to Congress in the Raleigh district. The man to beat him is N. B. Broughton, Esq., at least that is the way it looks at this distance—Asheville Sun.

The University of North Carolina. It is a cause of great regret to the friends of this venerable institution that the people of North Carolina should contemplate even the possibility of reduction of the number of its faculty. Do the scholars, the farmers, the merchants and the artisans know its full educational equipment today—the ability and scholarly accomplishments of its professors, the thoroughness of its line of study, and the wonderful work it is doing and in a condition to do for the State? If they do not, they should put themselves in a position to understand the question so vital to the credit, fame and usefulness of North Carolina. The trustees of the University, however little money they have been enabled to devote to its necessities, have built its curriculum deep and strong since the war and have furnished with a band of professors who, by culture, endowments, attainments, experience and capacity for teaching, are the peers of the faculty of any college south of Maryland. Let any sceptic or victim of prejudice go there and see for himself. What do the people of North Carolina want? Is it possible that they are willing to degrade this old mother of pre-Revolutionary education, to take away the rights of this old legion of the classes and to distort themselves by simply running a grammar school at Chapel Hill? Do they know anything of the history of the University, of the greatness of the scholars, statesmen and soldiers it has sent over our borders to other lands, and of the essential part it has played in making North Carolina what she is today? To degrade it by neglect would be almost like delivering Mount Vernon over to the hills and the mountains. To withdraw the love of the people, the Moreheads and the Gratiams turn over in their graves.

And what is all this fuss about? About giving a little money to the most illustrious institution of any kind ever possessed by the State. We have given hundreds of thousands of dollars to the public schools, to the blind and the insane, and to public improvements. We have had philanthropic spasms over the education of our friends and our countrymen in our eastern counties given him two-thirds of the public school fund, while he has steadily voted against us, and tried to deliver us up to Sherman, Ingalls et al. But the very moment it comes to doing what enlightened States throughout this Union are doing, appropriating enough money to at least keep up the educational prestige of our ancestors, we become too parsimonious to either live or die. We are glad enough to get intellectual and famous men among us. We run after Cleveland, Grant and Fitz Lee, and cherish the memory of Hendricks. But when it comes to keeping up the honor and usefulness of an institution which has done more to honor us abroad than anything North Carolina ever possessed, which has won us the respect of civilized communities, and put us in sympathy with intelligence, culture and refinement everywhere, we propose to make the University a great free school, or cut it off with a shilling.

We hear a great deal of talk of the opposition of denominational colleges to the University. We have heard among these institutions a great deal, have discussed educational questions with their professors and have extracted the opinions of almost all classes of thinkers, and we are yet to meet with the first educated gentleman among them opposed to the honor and usefulness of an institution which has done more to honor us abroad than anything North Carolina ever possessed, which has won us the respect of civilized communities, and put us in sympathy with intelligence, culture and refinement everywhere, we propose to make the University a great free school, or cut it off with a shilling.

There are doubtless many well-meaning citizens who are opposed to helping the University because they are ignorant of the facts, know not the faculty of the dangerous logic they are wielding, and would themselves shudder with horror if they could see the wreck of the institution. This is the worst of our past. The best medicine for these honest thinkers is to post them on the history of Chapel Hill for the last seventy-five years. Are they patriots? Beginning with Bishop Polk and the gallant Grimes, let them see what the brains and courage of Chapel Hill graduates did for North Carolina in the last war. Pay their expenses to Memorial Hall, lock them in, and let them see how much of North Carolina history is written on the marble walls. Have they any pride in the legal records of the State in its political history, where they will find that the stately memories of Chapel Hill gather around court and bar and speaker's chair.

Electric Lights Turned on in Henderson. Henderson, N. C., May 16. The electric lights have been turned on and are burning without a flicker. The town has eleven lights of one hundred candle power each, and according to their contract with the company they are to burn from "sun to sun." Having succeeded in obtaining the electric lights our citizens will now turn their attention to water-works, and your correspondent will soon be able to write you that they are in running order.

A solid army has struck us and the farmers fear for their tobacco on account of frost. The county commissioners on Monday last contributed \$150 to be paid annually to the Vance Guards, and the board of town commissioners likewise contributed the sum of \$200.

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