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### WASHINGTON.

**The Democratic County Convention.**

[Correspondence of the News and Observer.]

PLYMOUTH, N. C., Oct. 5, 1888.

The Washington county Democratic convention assembled at Pleasant Grove, near Mackey's Ferry, yesterday. It was a full meeting of delegates, and many of the best men in the county attended, showing the deepest interest in the proceedings. The difference between the two parties could not be more strikingly shown than in the difference between the class of men who made up and attended the convention and those who ran the Republican machine a month ago at the same place.

C. L. Pettigrew, chairman of the County Executive Committee, who called the convention together at 12 m., was made permanent chairman and E. F. Duke secretary. W. R. Chesson was presented by Thomas S. Armistead for the House of Representatives, and unanimously nominated. Levi Blount was nominated for Sheriff, Jesse P. Hilliard for Register of Deeds, W. T. Freeman for Treasurer, L. C. Marrener for Coroner, and H. F. Phelps for Surveyor.

Messrs. S. B. Spruill and Dempsey Spruill, in the course of their nominating speeches, discussed admirably several issues in our county politics

Every one could see that, though foiled by numbers, our gallant Democracy is still full of energetic life and determination.

A resolution was adopted strongly disapproving the practice of Democrats signing Republican official bonds.

E. F. DUKE, Secretary.

### WHOLESALE ARRESTS

OF SUSPECTED PERSONS IN LONDON.

Saturday's London Telegraph published two sketch-portraits from descriptions of the man last seen in the company of the woman named Stride, one of the victims of the Whitechapel murder fiend. The result has been the unceremonious arrest of every man bearing any resemblance to the pictures, and a great deal of discomfort has been caused by this new phase of police activity. Many of the arrests are made by self-constituted detectives or ambitious vigilance committeemen. The victims are generally discharged from custody as soon as brought before a magistrate, but some are unlucky enough not to be able to satisfy the officials of their rectitude, and are subjected to merciless annoying detention. One of the men arrested carried a bag, in which was found a razor. This suspect will have to give a very good account of himself and his razor. Another perplexity attending the Whitechapel muddle is due to the fact that the regular police do not know by sight the various amateur detectives, and the latter are occasionally "held up" and put to the embarrassment of explaining their presence and mysterious movements in the much-watched districts. Experts ridicule Sir Charles Warren's determination to use bloodhounds in searching for the murderer. Scent-training is now a neglected art, and only show points are cultivated in the blood-hound, making him the most stupid of canine varieties, and useless in man-hunting. At the noted dog show in Warwick two years ago, though the crack dogs of the Kingdom were represented, only one bloodhound displayed even fourth rate gifts. The dog that tracked Aish, the Blackburn murderer twelve years ago, was not, as has been stated, a bloodhound of pure bred, but a mongrel. But even if a genuine tracker were secured, the dog would be useless in the East End, where a trail could not remain many minutes unfoiled.

**Supreme Court Decisions.**

Digested by the News and Observer.

Norman vs. Walker's executors.

Actions on guardian bonds should be in the name of the State for the benefit of the ward.

Actions against sureties on guardian bonds must be brought within three years after a breach, except in cases where the wards are under disabilities. The failure of a guardian to exhibit an account under oath of the estate of the ward within three months and to make annual returns is a breach, and the ward could have brought suit against the sureties within three years after attaining his age; but not after three years.

Bell vs. Norfolk & Southern R. R.

Where a railroad company had caused land for its road-bed to be condemned and had paid for the legal incidental damage to the land not condemned and taken, and had constructed its road-bed, and had cut ditches of its own on the condemned land to drain its road-bed;

*Held*, That any damage suffered by the owner of the land from the surface water carried in such ditches was damnum absque injuria, for which no recovery can be had as for a tort.

Having land condemned carries with it the right of cutting ditches to protect the road-bed from accummulating surface water. The overflow of Dismal Swamp is surface water, under the circumstances of this case. In cases where the water is not surface water, the railroad company must provide for its discharge through its accustomed drainway.

**The Opera Tonight.**

Everything points to a pronounced success in the revival of "Pinafore" tonight. The final rehearsal last night was thoroughly satisfactory. Mr. A. P. Bryan, treasurer of St. John's Hospital, was engaged yesterday in giving the stage its proper nautical appearance, a work for which no man is better qualified. It reply to a question Mr. Bryan said it gave him pleasure to state that every operatic performance, under the control of the ladies and gentlemen who are managing the affairs of this one, for the benefit of the hospital, has resulted in substantial addition to the funds of that noble institution. The two performances of the "Little Tycoon", yielded to the hospital $200 clear of all expenses. He hopes for a handsome return from the performance tonight. The price of admission, however, is lower than heretofore, being 50 cents without extra charge for reserved seats. Box sheet open at the bookstore of Alfred Williams & Co. Gallery 25 cents.

## THE BIGGEST

### DURHAM'S EXPOSITION A MAGNIFICENT SUCCESS.

THE DISPLAY—THE INDUSTRIAL PARADE—RANSOM, BUNN, VANCE AND WADE HAMPTON—OTHER NEWS.

Special to the News and Observer.

DURHAM, N. C., Oct. 10.—The exposition is the biggest success ever in the State. The display is beyond all expectations. The industrial parade is by far the largest and grandest ever witnessed anywhere. Bunn and Ransom are now speaking to an immense crowd in front of the Hotel Claiborn. Vance and Wade Hampton speak at the soldiers' reunion tomorrow. Raleigh should not miss seeing the grandest sight ever seen in North Carolina. Durham has outdone herself.

**CONGRESS.**

WASHINGTON, October 10—SENATE.—Mr. Hale presented the report of the select committee on the operation of the civil service law, and said that the minority report would be presented hereafter. Ordered printed.

The joint resolution reported yesterday from the committee on epidemic diseases, requesting the President to direct the chiefs of the medical bureaus of the Army and Navy and the Marine Hospital service to cooperate with the yellow fever conference to be held in Washington in December next, was taken up. Mr. Call offered as an amendment to it a proposition requesting the President to issue an invitation to the Academy of Sciences, and other distinguished scientists, to convene in Washington and examine and report upon methods for the suppression of yellow fever, and appropriating $100,000 for the purpose. He argued in favor of his amendment.

Mr. Harris, chairman of the committee on epidemic diseases, opposed the amendment, and stated that the committee was unanimous in reporting adversely upon it, and favorably opon the pending resolution.

The amendment was rejected and the joint resolution passed

The Senate then, on motion of Mr. Hoar (Mr. Edmunds being absent), took up for consideration the bill to pay $8,475 to the widow of Chief Justice Waite, being the balance of his year's salary. Mr. Hoar advocated the bill.

Messrs Hawley and Call also advocated the bill, and Messrs. Berry, Coke and George opposed it. When the vote was reached the bill was passed, Mr. Berry having withdrawn his call for the yeas and nays, because, he said, it would show that there was no quorum present, and he also believed and hoped that the bill could not and would not pass the House.

A number of bills were taken from the calendar and passed, among them one authorizing the construction of a railroad bridge across the Coosa river at Gadsden, Alabama.

The Senate then, at 1 45, resumed consideration of the tariff bill, and was addressed by Mr. Bate in opposition to the Senate bill.

At the close of Mr. Bates' speech Mr. Cullom obtained the floor and the tariff bill went over till tomorrow.

A message from the President was presented and read vetoing the bill for the relief of the executors of Joseph H. Maddox for the payment on account of the losses and damages sustained by the seizure of tobacco during the war. The President refers to the fact that the claim was barred by the adverse decisions of the courts, that it had been then presented to Congress begining with the 42nd Congress and had passed now when "Favorable conditions" exist d and that if he fails to appreciate the equities that entitles the claimant to a further hearing.

The bill and message were referred to the committee on claims. After a short executive session he Senate adjourned.

HOUSE.

Mr. Burnes called up the conference report on the deficiency bill, and after some time spent in persuasive endeavors was successful in inducing Mr. Dougherty to withdraw his opposition, and the report was agreed to. (This disposes of the last of the general appropriation bills) The House then at 1 40 o'clock adjourned till Friday.

**The Thing in a Nut-shell.**

New York Herald.

You may talk about your high protective tariff till you grow red in the face and are in danger of apoplexy.

The fact remains that it is gradually dividing the American people into two classes, the very rich and the very poor. The middle classes are being wiped out, obliterated, and the chance which a man used to have to crawl up from the good to the better and from the better to the best is becoming more and more slim every day.

One man takes a million and a half out of his business in a single year, and his workmen can't make both ends meet to save their lives.

Put that in your pipe and smoke it.

**COLLISION AT SEA**

WITH SERIOUS LOSS OF LIFE.

By Telegraph to the News and Observer.

NEW YORK, Oct. 10.—The National Line steamer Queen, which arrived today from England, collided with the fishing schooner Madeline on the fifth inst. at 2 50 a. m. during a fog off the banks of Newfoundland. The Queen struck the Madeline amidships, cutting her in two and sinking her. The captain, first and second mate, and steward of the fishing schooner were rescued after they had been in the water nearly an hour, but the rest of the crew, numbering twenty, were lost. In the collision the Queen lost her bowsprit and fore mast. The Madeline was a French fishing schooner.

—The British government will pay £50,000 indemnity on account of loss sustained through the collision in the river Tagus of the British ironclad Sultan with the French steamer Ville de Victoria.

### THE YELLOW FEVER.

A CONFLICT AS TO RETURNING NURSES.

By Telegraph to the News and Observer.

WASHINGTON, October 10.—Surgeon General Hamilton has received the following dispatch from Dr. C. P. Wilkinson, President of the New Orleans Board of Health, under date of yesterday: "Hutton wires will start ten nurses to New Orleans from Camp Perry by rail. We will not receive them Send everybody by way of Tampa and the Mississippi river. Special trains can run to Port Tampa to meet the steamer from New Orleans. Special arrangements can be made. If you think Florida will not allow them to pass through why should you attempt to force them on us? Please countermand the order." Dr. Hamilton replied as follows: "Persons named have been detained at Camp Perry ten days, during which period they have not been exposed to infection. They are acclimated and are not likely to become sick, and their baggage has been twice fumigated They are not forced upon you. The officer at Camp Perry permits them to depart under regulations in force all summer. As they are destitute I understand he has furnished them tickets. You can keep them out of New Orleans if you desire. I suggest that you notify them through Hutton where they must stop. We have no regulations to retain then beyond the quarantine of ten days."

Dr. Hutton wired today as follows: "E. F. Saltmars, Pensacola, telegraphs that the authorities of Mississippi and Louisana will not allow the nurses from Camp Perry to enter these States. These nurses have been in Camp Perry from seventeen to twenty-four days each. There is also absolutely no danger nor has there been. The question that now confronts us is whether Mississippi, Louisiana or the United States are supreme in the matter. Please advise me. Meantime I shall hold the nurses."

Dr. Hamilton sent the following reply: "Allow the nurses to depart and go as far as they will be allowed. While the regulation forbidding their entry into New Orleans in my judgment is entirely unwarranted by any state of facts we cannot override local regulations under present laws, but no community can force the government to retain persons in quasi confinement beyond what the general judgment of sanitarians has agreed on as safe and proper."

The nurses are residents of New Orleans who volunteered to go to Jacksonville under the auspices of the Red Cross Association, and are desirous to return home."

**DINING ON HORSE FLESH.**

Pandora, a Famous Steeplechaser, Served at a Philadelphia Banquet.

Philadelphia telegram to the N. Y. Herald, Oct. 7.

Cut up into big steaks and served as a filet of beef at a dinner at the Philadelphia Club was the fate of Pandora, the famous steeplechaser, known to all patrons of the City Troop races and to the members of the National Guard. Pandora was shot because of incurable lameness. After she had died without a struggle the choicest meat was cut from her bones and taken to the cuisine of the Philadelphia Club, where the chief was sworn to secrecy and the meat was disguised as a joint of beef. Dr. Rush S. Huidekoper, who bought Pandora thirteen years ago, gave a dinner at the Philadelphia Club, and one of the dishes on the menu read "filet a la Pandora." Nobody knew except Dr. Huidekoper that that course was a part of poor old Pandora's body. The guests supposed that the dish was named in honor of the old steeplechaser, whom they had seen take many a ditch and fence and come in the winner of many an exciting race. After the filet had been eaten and pronounced very toothsome by the guests Dr. Huidekoper remarked that he was glad of his guests' appreciation of his favorite horse, "for," he said, "you have just eaten her." The guests looked at each other in amazement, and after a short interval of deathly silence there was a roar of laughter. Then in an instant every one seemed to remember Pandora as he had seen her at the last meet, and in reverential silence the company rose to their feet, lifted their glasses to their lips, and sipped in solemn silence to the memory of the old gray mare they had just devoured.

**At Dunn.**

There were from 1,000 to 1,500 people at Dunn to hear Judge Fowle and Col. Davidson, and it was as enthusiastic a crowd of Democrats as is ever seen. It was in full sympathy with the speakers too, and the words that were uttered on the platform made a profound impression. Judge Fowle's speech was masterly and Colonel Davidson's was also powerful. There was a fine band present, which discoursed stirring music, the flag was run to the top of the staff as Judge Fowle was about to begin, and a cannon boomed as the flag reached its place and unfurled to the breezes. It was a glorious day for Democracy, and great good was done. Dunn spread herself. Things about Dunn, indeed, are always done up brown, and the Harnett Democracy, like the people of Dunn, are enterprising and enthusiastic. Votes were made by the speaking.

**Durham's Invitation to Raleigh.**

The Plant of yesterday says: The Plant cordially invites Raleigh to come up to Durham and see how to get up an exposition. We esteem Raleigh highly and want her to be a big success and have prepared an object lesson which she can criticise with benefit. So come along and bring the children.

**The Governor's Guard.**

The Governor's Guard go to Durham this morning, about thirty strong to take part in the military exercises of the day. Raleigh expects the boys to do their duty, as of course they will. It is expected that there will be at least ten companies present today.

—It is rumored that Chief Secretary Balfour has refused to allow military to assist at the evictions on the Clanricarde estate.

## MORE SERIOUS.

### THE STREET CAR STRIKE IN CHICAGO.

AN UGLY DISPOSITION BEGINS TO MANIFEST ITSELF—THREATS MADE BY THE STRIKERS—OTHER NEWS.

By Telegraph to the News and Observer.

CHICAGO, Oct. 10.—A Knight of Labor council in which are represented all the Knights of Labor in Cook county, at a meeting last evening adopted resolutions endorsing the action of the striking street-car men and promising them moral and financial support. The officers were instructed to inform the general executive board at Philadelphia of the trouble in the city. A committee composed of North Side men and the executive Board of the Council was authorized to investigate the facts and report on them. The discussion preceding the adoption of this resolution covered the entire case from the time when about three months ago the matter was first before the Council. A feature of the debate was that although the Council is in its majority composed of the most conservative among the Knights of Labor, the only fault they had to find with the officers of the Car-men's Assembly was that they did not strike a week ago instead of giving three days' grace. The strike in the North and West divisions shows no signs of a speedy settlement. During the night some of the tracks in sympathetic districts were obstructed by being filled with all sorts of household refuse and such other movable things as came to hand. It presented the appearance of concerted action and was not confined to a single point but extended for a considerable distance. Six cars were running in the North division to the usual accompaniment of jeers, but no open acts of violence have been reported thus far. The impression prevails, however, that the police will have much more trouble in preserving order from this time on until the end of the strike than they have had thus far. No attempt has been made as yet to run cars in the West division and appearances indicate that they will not make any general effort for the resumption of traffic till matters have quieted down somewhat. The barns all remained locked, and the stablemen, except enough of them to care for the horses, have been discharged. The strikers in this division, who have been through two or three such strikes, exhibit an uglier disposition than those of the North Side. They declare that the cars will not be permitted to run and if the attempt is made they will be tumbled into the ditch.

**JUDGE FOWLE AT WILSON.**

The Wilson Mirror, speaking of Judge Fowle's fine effort at Wilson, says: "Judge Fowle then arose in a storm of applause, and delivered one of the grandest and most powerful speeches we have ever heard. To us it seemed unanswerable, for his logic was invincible, his position invulnerable, and his attacks had all the skill of a masterly leadership. For two hours he stood like Coeles at the bridge and hurled back the Mamelukes of misrepresentation that had assailed the record of the Democratic party; and as he thus stood with every fibre of his being quivering with the raging heat of the burning fires of dramatic passion, and his lips tremulous with the roaring current of one of the grandest streams of eloquence that we have ever heard leap from the fountain of the tongue we were reminded of those grand and sonorous and cannon-throated thunderings of oratory 'that trembled over Greece to Macedon, and shook Artaxerxes' throne.' His apostrophe to liberty was the magnificent crowning of magnificent effort, and dazzled the senses with its glowing sunbursts of eloquence even as the eye is dazzled with those flashing streams of electricity when the storm cloud groans with internal agonies, and vomits out its forked fires in all of their quivering brilliances. Some of his thoughts were exquisitely poetical and bewitchingly beautiful, for they bloomed in the fertile soil of his luxuriant garden of richest fancy and blossomed out with all the beautiful tintings of poetic inspiration. His sentences were grandly eloquent, and shot across the sky of his discourse like some of those aerial visitors of light, that pass in meteoric streams of effulgent brightness o'er the bosom of the night, and make a world stand still to watch and gaze in awe and admiration at the beauty and the splendor of their radiant passage."

We suspect that the people of Wilson think him a "debater."

**NO LETTER FROM JUDGE THURMAN.**

HIS TIME IS SO FULLY OCCUPIED THAT HE WILL PROBABLY NOT WRITE ONE.

Judge Thurman will probably issue no letter of acceptance, owing to his speech of acceptance to the notification committee and the extended expression of his views in his speeches during the campaign. The Judge has for a long time had in mind what he would say in case he should write a letter, but his time has been so fully occupied it has been impossible for him to put it on paper. The Judge to some extent shut the door on his callers last week to give time to complete his preparation of the argument in the telephone cases, and while he has not stated that he would not write a letter of acceptance, he has frequently remarked that he does not see the necessity for it. He is now in Washington.

**Appointments of Hon. D. Worthington.**

Hon. D. Worthington will address the people on the issues of the campaign at the following times and places:

Henderson, Monday, Oct. 15.
Wilson, Monday, Oct. 22.
Nashville, Saturday, Nov. 3.

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### THE ALAMANCE FAIR.

It Opens in Grand Style at Burlington.

Special to the News and Observer.

BURLINGTON, N. C., Oct. 10.—The Alamance Fair at Burlington opened today in grand style. The attendance is large and the display unsurpassed in all the departments.

**HAREM SLAUGHTER.**

A TERRIBLE STORY FROM TURKEY.

Cincinnati Enquirer.

A strange, wild tale comes over the sea from the land of the unspeakable Turk. A story of such atrocious crime and cruelty that it reads more like a romance of the days of the Arabian Nights than a real happening of the year of Our Lord 1888. As it is the story of the foul murder of fourteen unhappy women, one of them an American, who, not many years ago, stood at the portals of fals of fame, it will be read with peculiar interest in this country, and the United States government may not pass it by without a rigid bit of international investigation. It has just crept out through friends in Milan, where she was known as "La Bella Prima Donna," that Laura Schirmer, a Boston girl, and not many years ago a rising and popular singer on the American opera stage, has been poisoned with thirteen other inmates of the harem of the Sultan of Turkey, in Constinople, of course, where for centuries the sack or the bowstring has been the prerogative of the Sultan and no one has been the wiser. The matter has been kept completely secret, but the friends of the unhappy cantatrice in Milan claim to have undoubted evidence of this frightful crime, and a leading Milanese paper has boldly stated it as a fact.

According to the story the Sultan is believed to have been incensed at the attempts of the American Minister to Turkey, working on behalf of Laura's friends, to get the woman out of her guilded captivity, and so one night poison was placed in the ice-cream furnished to the occupants of the imperial seraglio, and fourteen poor women, including the American girl, were found dead in the morning. Of course, there was no inquest, no coroner's inquiry, no verdict. The bodies of the victims were hurried away to nameless graves, and the curtain dropped. When the dogs of Constantinople die their hungry fellows eat their carcasses, and women are cheaper and less precious than dogs there, for the latter clean the streets and keep out pestilence.

Ten years ago, when she was only eighteen, Laura Schirmer had already won a proud place among Boston's concert singers, and a bright future seemed to beckon her to a yet higher place. She was known then as the "Beautiful Laura Schirmer." She had a handsome face and a fascinating manner, and her voice, a light soprano, was of an exquisite quality. Her mother, a Boston woman, was well-to-do, and the daughter was reared in luxury and had the best musical training that Boston afforded. The mother even boasted among her friends that "Meine liebe Laura" was nobly born, she being connected with the Dutch nobility. Before her twentieth year Laura had made so marked a success on the concert stage that her friends all urged her to study for the operatic stage, and, after a year's study, sang at the Globe Theatre with Charles R. Adams in "La Juive" and the "Crown Diamonds." Later on she traveled through the United States under Strakosch, singing in "Somnambula", "Lucia di Lammermoor" and other well-known operas.

It was then she met her evil genius, the English tenor Byron. She fell in love with him, and went to Europe with him. Her friends say he married her. At any rate they went to Milan to sing and study, and she made her Italian debut there. But it was not long before the American colony there began to talk about her unhappy life. Her husband's greatest joy, they said, appeared to be to degrade the lovely woman who had linked her fortunes with his. He made her perform the most menial offices, black his boots, cook his food, and other things far worse, and she loving him fell easily into the slough of womanhood. She grew coarse and reckless in speech and action. Her voice lost its flexibility, and her face and form showed the effects of her degraded life. She and Byron took a theater and tried management, but made a failure of it. Then they went to Constantinople, and tried it again, and, under the favoring smiles of the Sultan, they succeeded better. Last winter the American colony at Milan heard that Laura had become an inmate of the Sultan's harem. Some said she had been abducted thither, but others, who knew her tastes and tendencies, believed that she had gone willingly into this captivity. And now comes this latest story, and all Milan holds up its hands in horror.


APPETITE and sleep may be improved, every part of the system strengthened and the animal spirits regain their buoyancy by the use of Dr. J. H. McLean's Strengthening Cordial and Blood Purifier.


—Representative Hemphill, who has just returned from a tour of New York State, reports the outlook very encouraging for the Democrats.

**For First Place.**

A great amount of political engineering will be done by friends of candidates to secure for their man the first place on the ticket, and the best man will probably secure the coveted place. Then if endorsed by the majority of the people, the election is assured. Electric Bitters has been put to the front, its merits passed upon, it has been endorsed, and unanimously given the first place, among remedies peculiarly adapted to the relief and cure of all diseases of kidneys, liver and stomach. Electric Bitters, being guaranteed, is a safe investment. Price 50c. and $1 per bottle at Lee, Johnson & Co's drug store.


A FEW NICE THINGS.—Crosse & Blackwell's epicurean sauce, twenty-five cents; Walnut Catsup; Crosse & Blackwell's "Florence Cream," an elegant salad dressing, twenty-five cents; Olives, Capers, Mushrooms, Sauces, Catsups, &c., &c.

E J HARDIN.


## COTTON.

### THE OCTOBER RETURNS SHOW A DECLINE IN CONDITION.

THE DAMAGE DONE BY THE HEAVY RAINS—THE AVERAGE OF CONDITION—OTHER NEWS.

By Telegraph to the News and Observer.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Oct. 10.—The October returns of the Department of Agriculture make a decline in the condition of cotton. The heavy rains of the latter part of August have been continued during the larger part of September, causing the sprouting of the seed in the bolls, the rotting of the flower and the shedding of the top bolls and foliage. The rain and winds have interfered with the picking, discolored the fibre, and reduced the grade. Recently the weather has been more favorable and the quality has somewhat improved. Some correspondents report a short staple. The crop is everywhere late and slight frosts threaten the early destruction of plants; yet killing frosts are still in the future and the length of the season is therefore uncertain. The average of the reported condition is 78.9, a decline from 83.8 in September. Louisiana and South Carolina show the greatest reduction, and Texas, Florida and North Carolina the least. The State estimates of area are as follows: Virginia 80, North Carolina 81, South Carolina 75, Georgia 79, Florida 82, Mississippi 81, Louisiana 70, Texas 75, Arkansas 82, Tennessee 91. Caterpillars have been present in all except the northern tier of States, and have wrought some damage. Paris green and Lefdon purple have been used less effectively than usual, the heavy rains washing off the poisonous powders.

Tobacco has fully maintained the condition of last month, averaging for all kinds 88.3.

**Janauschek.**

This distinguished actress with her great company will open an engagement of three nights commencing Wednesday Oct. 17th at Metropolitan Hall, she will produce "Mackbeth." "Mary Stuart" and "Meg Merrilies." Madame Janauschek is the acknowledged queen of the classic drama and no citizen of Raleigh should miss the present opportunity of seeing this great artiste. We clip the following from the Chicago Telegram: Last evening a large number of admirers of profound and subtle art acting assembled at the Columbia to witness the world renowned tragedienne Janauschek in a grand production of the musical and romantic play, a dramatization of Sir Walter Scott's novel of Guy Mannering, entitled "Meg Merrilies." The character of Meg Merrilies is one calling for an artist thoroughly schooled and educated in the most difficult and arduous lines of professional labor and gifted with the genius peculiarly adapted to the interpretation of complex characters, being thus qualified in the higher ranks of dramatic art Mme. Janauschek is eminently fitted to wear the mantle of the late Charlotte Cushman. She has a voice that thrills and electrifies, and by its pleading tones of anguish she wins from the strongest heart emotion and sympathy. She holds her audience spellbound by a more than wonderful magnetism and power of eloquence. After a long career she is still the true representative of the heroic drama, still the great artiste whose methods are models. She is an actress who combines in her own proper person an infinite variety of dramatic qualities. She has a power and emotional force greater than Ristori, a nervous and fiery intention equal to Rachel, and a skill for elaboration and finish only equalled by Bernhardt. The story is well known to all readers of English fiction.

Sale of tickets will commence at MacRae's drugstore Saturday morning at 9 o'clock.


"Men like trees begin to grow old at the top." Avoid the first appearance of growing old by keeping the hair in a vigorous and healthful condition by the use of Warner's Log Cabin Hair Tonic. Sold by all druggists.


—Capt. John W. Young, superintendent of the public schools of Portsmouth, was found dead in his bed Monday.


WALL PAPER is cheaper just now than ever before. Will paper rooms complete (owing to size) as follows: $6, $8 and $10 each, $12.50, $15 and $20 each. Prices named are one-half former prices. Special care taken to do good work. Satisfaction guaranteed. Have on hand a large stock and can suit almost any taste. Fred. A. Watson art dealer and manufacturer of picture frames. Orders solitoied and promptly executed.

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How would Senator Waddell sound? Winston Sentinel.

The Republican party was once entrusted with the government of North Carolina. It was weighed in the balances and found wanting. The people arose in their might and declared they would have no such party to rule over them. Will they now reverse the decision rendered in 1876 and recall that party to power? There is certainly no reason for such a course. Does anybody believe the Republican party is better now than it was while it held sway in North Carolina? Surely it is not, for thousands of the best men who then belonged to it, seeing how corrupt it was, left and joined the Democratic party. The logical conclusion is that it is worse now than it was in 1868.—Monroe and Express.

How any white Democrat can refuse to vote for Judge Fowle on account of some personal grievance, or even on account of some imaginary or real personal wrong, we cannot imagine. The erratic John Randolph took the right view and course in such matters—he voted for a candidate that he despised, and when the candidate undertook to thank him for his vote, Randolph said no, he wanted no thanks—that he had voted for a *principle* and not for the *man*. That's the way all decent white Democrats should do in this election—vote for principles and honest government and for maintaining white ascendancy in managing the affairs of State. Shame on sensible men who allow little personal animosities to influence their votes. The writer of this has very often voted for men who were not only not his friends, but who actually opposed his interests. Principle is the thing for intelligent men to be governed by.—Charlotte Democrat.

Controversy should be at an end about some things. It can not be disputed successfully that Republicanism in the South means Radicalism of the intensest sort—literally "putting the bottom rail on top" in the establishing of negro rule. It can not be denied that Radical rule in North Carolina had well nigh bankrupted the State when the Democrats succeeded at last in wresting the government from the hands of her despoilers. It can not be denied that Oliver Dockery, if he was so disposed, was powerless to prevent the bad legislation and worse management of public affairs in the dark days of 1868 69, nor that he would be equally powerless again to control the Dick Swivelers of his party who are so anxious to revel once more in the sweets of office. It cannot be denied that Radical victory in North Carolina means absolute negro rule, at least in the 27 eastern counties where the negroes are indisputably in the majority. It is settled that the Radical party in North Carolina, when weighed in the balance was found wanting, and that it is still wanting—sadly wanting in the capacity or purpose to serve the true interests of the people of North Carolina. That Oliver Dockery is the chosen candidate of the negro party; that the choice was made by a convention really controlled by negroes; that it was a negro who named him for the high office to which he aspires, and that his nomination was seconded by a negro; that he is the pet ideal of the negro voters, particularly of the most ignorant and intolerant of his kind; that he is a representative type of the party which inculcates hatred for the more intelligent, moral and upright element of our voting population; that he is a dead failure as a farmer, although posing as the representative of the "horny-handed sons of toil"; that he is astride several platforms and not standing squarely on either, blowing hot and then blowing cold, vowing his allegiance to the principles of the Farmers' Alliance, and yet diametrically opposed to its cardinal faith on a reduction of the taxes; that he is an antiprohibitionist of the most pronounced type and yet would ride into power on the back of the hybrid steed that Walker is "leading" around the State under the assumed character of thoroughbred Prohibition; that he is easily chief in the arts of demagoguery "for political effect"; that he is allied, "tooth and toe nail," with the old and tried enemies of North Carolina, and that his record in politics is traced alongside those of Holden, Pearson, Deweese, Tourgee *et id omne genus*, and will not "out" at his own or any others' bidding. We indulge, therefore, no real fears of the result at the polls in November next.—Rockingham Rocket.


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