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## WILLING? OF COURSE.

**Col. Bryan Reiterates Statement That He is Willing to Run Again - An Incumbrance Which the Democratic Party Cannot Unload.**

Charlotte Observer, 23d.

Col. Bryan said again at Denver, Col., Saturday, what he has said many times since the last election, in reference to making a fourth race for the presidency: "I am not an out-and-out candidate, but if the people of this country and my own party should demand that I make the race again, standing for my well-known principles and ideas, why, I do not very well see how I could refuse." He said in the same connection that he had made himself "clear on this subject time and again, and if the people have sense enough to understand it, why, what's the use of explaining it over again? We scarcely see. And here we have it once more, except a little more definitely, perhaps.

We do not know but what it will be just as well to have it over again—not, as some would argue, in order to "get rid" of him, for another experience would be ineffective for that purpose; it has been seen that defeat is not a cure; but because he would defeat any other candidate and better he than a better man. Why do we say that? Witness: In a speech at Urbana, O., in 1904 he said: "The Democrats in 1892 played a confidence game on the people and put a bunco-steerer [Mr. Cleveland] at the head of the party." In the campaign of 1904, while "supporting" Judge Parker for President, he said:

"A Democratic victory will mean very little, if any, progress on economic questions so long as the party is under the control of the Wall Street element. Mr. Parker is as thoroughly committed to the side of the financiers as Mr. Roosevelt. After the party had rejected over the harmony secured by the omission of the money question from the platform and after he had secured the nomination he injected his views upon the subject at a time when he could not be taken from the ticket without demoralization. The nomination was therefore secured by crooked and indefensible methods.

This is the sort of "support" he gives Democratic candidates. With a great many people, enough to turn the scale in an election, Bryanism is a religion. Therefore any Democratic candidate whom he wants beaten will be beaten and he wants any one beaten excepting himself. The Norfolk Virginian-Pilot, heretofore one of his most loyal supporters, has suffered an exhaustion of patience and we copy a few sentences from an interesting editorial in its issue of Saturday:

"The mistake was made last time of allowing him to assume the part of 'It' without interruption or contradiction until he had all the strings of the situation in hand and no choice was left to Democrats but to support him or desert their party. He is now playing again the double role of oracle and organizer, and if the waiting policy should be repeated by other leaders and by the press he will turn up in 1912 with another organized army of noisy shouters, formidable enough to scare all possible competitors into their holes and eager to do his bidding to the letter. He must be discounted and discredited now, at the inception of his campaign, or it will be too late. If it is not too soon for Mr. Bryan to be laying his pipes and stretching his wires for a fresh exemplification of his Kingship of Democracy, it is not too soon for those who think he has already too long and too often led the party to defeat to take up arms against him and inaugurate active measures to circumvent his ambitious and impudent scheme for ruling the future as he has ruined the past of the party.

"Selfish, self-centred, self-magnified, the human pack must be unloaded or the patient donkey will die outright. So far as that fraction of the Democracy for which this paper speaks is concerned, there is to be from now on flat repudiation of Bryan and Bryanism. His personal pretensions are pernicious, his counsels are misleading; he is a provoker of schism and a ban upon success. If the Democratic party has not the wisdom and strength to emancipate itself from his leadership, and to tell him that the flag is not his to bestow on a man of his choice and sort, then the pretence of maintaining it in the semblance of a political force in the land had better be abandoned. [Our contemporary is here discussing a recent dispatch which said that he will be asked to name the candidate in 1912 if he does not want the nomination himself.] He is given to meeting opposition with an ultimatum. Let him now be the recipient of one, stern and final: Go to the rear!"

But he will not go, and there you are. The situation is that the Democratic party has on its hands an incumbrance which it cannot unload, cannot be elected, and will not allow anybody else to be. The condition is humiliating but who will deny that this is the state of the case? Some day, somehow, he may cease to be a fetch, the object of the blind idolatry of enough people to turn the scale in an election, but that day is not now nor is it in sight. Then what is our plan? We have none. Then why write about the matter at all? We do not know.

## REV. D. C. BRITT.

**Died Lying in a Wagon, From a Hemorrhage.**

The following account of the death of Rev. D. C. Britt, mentioned in Monday's Robesonian, is given in a special of the 21st from Rutherfordton to The Charlotte Observer:

"The town was shocked yesterday afternoon by the sudden and untimely death of one of its best citizens, Rev. D. C. Britt, which occurred while on his way from his home in the western part of town to his store. Mr. Britt had been at his place of business during the forenoon and seemed as well as usual. At 1 o'clock he went home for dinner and ate a hearty meal. About 2 o'clock, while returning to his store in a one-horse wagon, driven by a small colored boy, Mr. Britt became ill and told the driver to stop the wagon and hurry and summons a doctor. He then lay down in the wagon and the boy hastily returned to his home, a short distance back up the street, to inform his wife and telephone for a doctor; but before his wife and medical aid could reach him, Mr. Britt was in the throes of death and soon expired as the result of a violent hemorrhage.

## Three New Cabinet Members—All But One of Official Family Known.

Charlotte Observer.

Great interest naturally attaches to the evidently authentic report that Mr. Jacob M. Dickinson, of Tennessee, is to become Secretary of War in President Taft's cabinet. He is a native of Mississippi, is fifty-eight years old, and is general counsel of the Illinois Central Railroad with headquarters in Chicago, though Nashville is his home. He is of finished education, a part of which was acquired in Leipzig and Paris; has served by special commission on the bench of the Supreme Court of Tennessee and was Assistant Attorney General of the United States in Cleveland's second administration. Mr. Dickinson is a Democrat but not of the Bryan variety. Though not a national figure he is unquestionably a great lawyer and will soon be in the cabinet.

R. Ballinger, of Seattle, Wash., who is supposed to be slated for Secretary of the Interior, is a native of Iowa and is in his fifty-first year. He is a graduate of Williams College, Mass., a lawyer and author.

Charles Nagle, of St. Louis, who is to be Secretary of Commerce and Labor, is a lawyer, is in his sixtieth year and a native of Texas. He has served in the Missouri Legislature and has been a member of the faculty of the St. Louis Law School since 1886.

Though after the announcement of Mr. Taft of the selection of Mr. Hitchcock for Postmaster General and Senator Knox for Secretary of State he said that he would give out no further cabinet appointments until the 4th of March, the public, thanks to the smart newspaper men, practically knows now who will constitute his official family excepting the Secretary of the Treasury, whom he has not yet chosen.

The members of the Cabinet selected are as follows: Secretary of State—Philander C. Knox, of Pennsylvania.

Attorney General—George W.ickersham, of New York.

Secretary of War—J. M. Dickinson, of Tennessee.

Secretary of the Navy—George von L. Meyer, of Massachusetts.

Secretary of Commerce and Labor—Charles Nagle, of Missouri.

Secretary of the Interior—R. A. Ballinger, of Washington.

Postmaster General—Frank H. Hitchcock, of Massachusetts.

## THE WOOD SCHEDULE.

Savoyard, in Charlotte Observer.

Boxwood, ebony, granadilla, lancewood, lignum-vitea, mahogany, rosewood, satinwood—all on the free list, all untaxed, all used by the rich. They ought to yield a big revenue and they all ought to be taxed 100 per cent. for revenue only, which would put into the Treasury \$4,000,000 paid by men and women with money in both pockets.

Now let us see about wood of lower degree, the baser sort. Board, planks and deals are taxed \$1 a thousand feet, and if the imported article has had a lick of work done on it the tax is graduated up to \$4 a thousand feet. Thus the hearse who would buy a \$5,000 piano pays no tax on the rosewood in which it is encased; but the laborer who would build a cabin worth \$500 must pay a tax of \$1.88 on the lumber that goes into the habitation. The brier-root, of which a very desirable pipe is made, and of which we import from the isles or shores of the Mediterranean to the value of \$346,270 in 1907, is on the free list. It ought to be taxed 100 per cent. The clapboard that covers the beggar hotel is taxed \$1.50 a thousand feet.

Barrels, boxes, casks and hogsheads are taxed from 15 to 35 per cent.; furniture is taxed 37 per cent.; hubs for wheels are taxed 20 per cent.; staves, 10 per cent.; shingles, 30 cents a thousand feet; but rattans and reeds and bamboo are free.

The entire wood schedule is set down at an average taxation of 14.21 per cent., on the beautiful articles, and the revenue collected on aggregate importations of \$30,368,111 dutiable woods and manufactures of \$4,385,038. That was in 1907. That year we imported of other woods to the value of \$11,374,925 that paid not a cent of revenue.

"O, well," the fellow says, "the tax on woods is but 14.21 per cent. That's nothing." But it is a great deal, and as big, relatively, as a tax of 80 per cent. on wool. The bulk and weight of a cargo of lumber make the freight on it ample "protection" to the American sawmill. If wood were as light as wool we might be sure the "protection" on it would be expressed in as high figures as that on wool.

## PLEASANT HOPE HAPPENINGS.

Correspondence of The Robesonian.

As I have not seen anything from Pleasant Hope for a good while I will send in a few items.

Farmers are busy preparing their farms for planting. Judging from the amount of fertilizers that are being hauled and the number of tobacco beds we see, somebody is going to plant tobacco this year.

Our school closed the 9th and we were sorry to lose our teacher, Miss Dollie Singletary, from our midst. We shall miss her very much and hope to have her back next term.

There was an oyster supper at the school house on the 9th and everybody had a nice time. There was a cake given for the prettiest girl present and Miss Mamie Andrews received the cake.

Mr. E. D. Ivey, of Baltimore, visited at Mr. Will Andrews' Sunday afternoon. Miss Nettie Inman visited her sister last week. Mr. Sandy Andrews and Johnnie Davis visited in this community Sunday afternoon. Some of the boys from Pleasant Hope attended preaching at Center Sunday. Mr. Will Lewis was one of the number.

We have preaching every first Sunday afternoon and Saturday before.

Everybody seems to like our new pastor, Rev. Mr. Bridgers. Best wishes to The Robesonian.

Cracker Jack.  
Pleasant Hope, N. C., Feb. 19, 1909.

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## THE TARIFF AND POLITICS.

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To have laid himself liable to such a challenge was quite like Mr. Roosevelt. Headlong, headstrong, impatient of restraint, he is restive under the limitations upon his powers, and this is not the first time he has broken bounds, invaded the domain of both the legislative and judicial departments and arrogated to himself powers with which the constitution does not invest him. There is little reason to doubt that if the full judiciary committee should determine the issue judicially, in the light of the facts and the law and not in a spirit of partisanship and with the purpose of saving the face of an arrogant and impulsive President, it would find with the sub-committee; but this it will not do, because the "leaders in the Senate are unwilling to go that far."

## President Called to Account.

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## Closing Exercises at Public School at Hopewell on March 6th.

To the Editor of The Robesonian:

The public school at Hopewell, near Elrod, will close on Saturday, March 6. A nice programme is being arranged by the school and a big dinner will be given by the patrons. The school has been continuous for four months and has been a successful one. We are expecting nice exercises and plenty of dinner, therefore we cordially invite the Croatan Indians in this and adjoining counties, especially the teachers. The county superintendent of schools, Prof. J. R. Poole, is hereby invited. We are expecting to hear some addresses from some of the Indian teachers of the county, to whom we are personally addressing invitations to come and hear the speeches, dialogues, concert pieces, etc. We are arranging to have instrumental music.

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## Mesopotamia was the garden and the granary of the world when Cyrus was King of Persia.

It was watered by mighty rivers, bedecked with boundless forests and bejeweled with opulent cities. To-day the owl and the bat dwell in Babylon, and Mesopotamia is a desert inhabited by Bedouins, for the simple reason that those forests were denuded of their timber. The valley of the Guadalquivir, three centuries ago, was unsurpassed in Europe for salubrity of climate, fertility of soil, beauty of landscape and prosperity of inhabitants. Now it has become comparatively a desert. Why? They cut down the forests and the soil went off in freshets, as it has on so many farms in Kentucky, and in 1909 there is but one family in the valley of the Guadalquivir where there were four families in 1709.

France and England profited by what befell Spain, and in France I am told no man ever felled a tree until he had planted another, not even on his own land. Perhaps that is why France is the garden of continental Europe.

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