



Senatorial.

For U. S. Senate, ZEBULON B. VANCE.

Judicial.

For Supreme Court Justice, A. S. MERRIMAN. For Associate Justice, WALTER CLARKE.

7th Congressional District.

For Congress, JOHN S. HENDERSON, Of Rowan.

8th Judicial District.

For Judge, R. F. ARMFIELD, Of Iredell. For Solicitor, BENJAMIN F. LONG, Of Iredell.

County Democratic Ticket.

For the Senate, S. TOBSON. For House of Representatives, S. A. EARNHARDT. For Sheriff, JAMES M. MONROE. For Clerk Superior Court, W. G. WATSON. For Register of Deeds, H. N. WOODSON. For County Treasurer, J. SAM'L McCUBBINS. For Surveyor, B. C. AREY. For Coroner, D. A. ATWELL. For Cotton Weigher, JOHN LUDWICK.

LOOK HERE!

AT THE WATCHMAN'S SPECIAL CAMPAIGN OFFER.

The WATCHMAN has mailed its colors to the mast. Look at them and on the first steamer you will see the name of Zebulon B. Vance for United States Senator. North Carolina expects every man to do his duty. Rowan County will be in the front of the fight. She is going to roll up the biggest Democratic majority in her history next November, for John S. Henderson, Samuel Hobson, S. A. Earnhardt, W. G. Watson, H. N. Woodson, J. M. Monroe, and every one of the other Democratic nominees down to town constable. All the political news of the County, State and Nation will be published in full. The editorials of the WATCHMAN will be for the advancement of the Democratic party. The WATCHMAN has a special correspondent in Washington who will furnish the proceedings of both houses of Congress.

The WATCHMAN offers itself from the date of this paper to the first of December, 1890, for only 25 CENTS. The canvass, the elections, and the result will thus be had for just one little quarter of a dollar! Bring two or three cantaloupes to town and you can make enough by disposing of them to the merchants to get the WATCHMAN during the campaign. Call in and take advantage of our offer. Remember that it takes the cash IN ADVANCE, and don't leave your quarter at home. It would be a pity to have to go back after it.

Please show this paper to your neighbor's wife and call her attention to this offer.

Merrimon and Clark.

The State Democratic Convention in session at Raleigh yesterday nominated Merrimon and Clark by acclamation and endorsed Vance for the Senate.

When the Citizen was through scissoring the Statesville Landmark this week it looked as though it had been shot out of a gun. Couldn't help it. Editor Caldwell, your paper is full of news.

Every time the WATCHMAN gets done with the Landmark, it looks like a Rebel flag. Rebel flags are always full of holes, it is unnecessary to state.

The WATCHMAN has received a copy of the reference book of Norfolk and Western Railroad Company. It teems with pictures illustrative of the growth of the Virginia cities along its route.

Reform in Our Public School System Needed.

The following resolutions were adopted by the State Alliance in their recent session at Asheville. WHEREAS, The subject of free and liberal education alike for males and females is a matter of paramount importance to the material and institutional life of a State, and one that especially claims the immediate attention of the industrial classes, the Farmers' Alliance of North Carolina in session assembled therefore...

RESOLVED 1. That we favor and recommend the increase of our present public school tax by at least 25 per cent. RESOLVED 2. That we favor and recommend that ample appropriation and provisions be made by the State for the training and higher education of females.

The WATCHMAN bids the Alliance God speed in its efforts to better the school system of the State. This is one of the specific objects for the accomplishment of which the Alliance was organized, as is set forth in their constitution. There is no doubt that there is a great desitition of school and educational advantages in the rural districts. The towns have all the good schools. The towns are able to establish the very best of graded schools, when well educated corps of instructors are put in charge, while out in the country, pedagogue, who alas! not unfrequently, has had a free school country "schooling" (such as it is) himself. The ramshackly, little log cabin, with unplanned planks to sit on, (if the splinters will admit of it) the old time, ancient methods still abided by; the short duration of the sessions (not longer than four months, but as every body knows rarely that long, the average session being about two months in a year of twelve months) are not creditable to our old state, that it is rather inclined to brag on her far famed University, and her three great colleges. Admitting that the country boy and girl enjoy four months free school in a year, (if such a little taste can be "enjoyed") and considering the school age to be from 7 to 21, the boys and girls of our Agricultural districts would only attend school 50 months during that period, or only 4 1/2 years out of 14 years! But it is a lamentable but undeniable fact that the average duration of the North Carolina free schools is about two months. The school period taken as we have stated, the country can only attend school 23 months, or 2 1/2 years in its life time! To think of this is appalling. The child during the best days of its life, the period when its mind is plastic and pliable, and when it ought to be trained, only receives instruction 2 1/2 years out of 14 years. In the long interval between our poorly taught free schools, the child forgets almost all of the pitiful little it learns during the sessions of the school. These things our next Legislature will do well to ponder in their hearts, and the Farmers' Alliance to work for, as it is doing. Doubtless a law increasing the public school tax will be passed by the next legislature. The WATCHMAN recommends instructing the county delegates to advocate such increase of the tax.

The State Agricultural and Mechanical College at Raleigh is actually complaining that boys cannot be found in some of the counties of the State to accept the gift of the collegiate education this college offers them. The reason of this is because the boys are not properly prepared by the meagre education they have received to enter upon higher studies. The writer of this is an ex-country school teacher, and would call attention to the fact that there are parents in the country who keep their children at home to work on the farm during the session of the schools, thus preventing their getting any "schooling" at all. This seems to be an argument for compulsory education.

The rail road strike north is not over with yet by any means notwithstanding that the R. R. officials give out every day that the next will be the last of it. The R. R. sent a squad of Pinkerton detectives to Albany who caused a riot and got into other devilment and had to be withdrawn.

The Congressional Record was awfully dry reading while Senator Vance was down here in North Carolina last week.

Vance and the Alliance. We have talked with several leading Alliancemen recently in reference to the feeling toward Senator Vance, and every one we have spoken to about it was for him, first, last and all the time. One of them remarked that he would not vote for his own brother for the Legislature, if he was not for Vance and said he did not think there were any true Democrats in the Alliance in this county who opposed him. It is safe to say that no man can be elected to the Legislature from this county, unless he is for Vance. The Democrats of Union county are for Vance against the world, the flesh and—Col. Polk.—Monroe Register, Alliance organ of Union County.

Boycotted by a Sub-Alliance. A sub-Alliance of Caldwell county has boycotted the Lenoir Topic, presumably for its opposition to the sub-Treasury bill; and this, notwithstanding the fact that the Caldwell County Alliance declared against the bill. Of the action of the sub-Alliance, the Topic says: "Recently the sub-Alliance of Lenoir township, at a small meeting when most of the Republican members were present, passed resolutions declaring the Topic to be an enemy to the Alliance and boycotting it. This is, of course, a wickedly false accusation, as in intelligent readers of the Topic well know. We know who is responsible for this foolishness and it shall neither serve to make us hot against the Alliance nor to bend our knees to anybody."

The Federal Election bill, a result of Massachusetts culture emanating from the brain of Henry Cabot Lodge, has been the means of creating a sensation in Washington. When it became known that the Democratic Senators would, in order to prevent the consideration of the Election bill, talk the Tariff bill till it would be too late to take up the Election bill, and when old Grandma Blair's resolutions to adopt the "previous question" mode of expediting business failed, Mr. Quay, of protectionist Pennsylvania, offered a resolution to the effect that the Force bill be allowed to go over till next session on the understanding that the Democratic Senators would not talk all year on the Tariff bill. The Democrats assent to this, but some of the Republican Senators are mad as wild bulls with Quay. The Republicans of the Senate are split on the question. One of the maddest of them is George Fisher Hoar, the fossiliferous specimen of "Massachusetts culture" in the Senate. The Force bill is one of his pets. It is thought that Quay's resolution will prevail, providing it is not amended by provided for the immediate consideration of the Election bill during the short session of Congress in December. Even in this case the Democratic Senators may not kick, as it is confidentially asserted that the next House will be Democratic, which would prevent the passage of the Force bill, when the Senate sent it back to that body. It is to be hoped that the Force bill is dead as a door nail. The New York Herald says that "if after twenty-five years of peace, it is necessary to assert to war measures more severe than those imposed by war itself, the Republican statesmanship has been a failure."

Gift-Taking.

The intent of the paragraph commented upon by the Spirit of Rockingham was not to reflect upon Mrs. Harrison but upon the little fellow who allowed his wife to receive gifts from political friends, when said gifts were bestowed purely because Harrison was President, and the chief donor was a special recipient of high favors from the man receiving. So great was the wrong that the elevated portion of the American press in all sections at once announced the gift to the President.

We have no particular censure for Mrs. Harrison and intended none. She may be a pious, good woman so far as we know. But her husband is a gift-taker, and the American people understand that perfectly. So pointed and caustic has been the censure that Harrison squirmed under it, and greedily and close as he is known to be, he planked down \$10,000 for the cottage that was given. Only last Friday it was announced that Mrs. Harrison had bought \$20,000 worth of real estate near Washington paying the great sum of one dollar for it. All that is very "thin" indeed. Who is the giver? The President stands by consenting to the bestowment of such pecuniary favors to him in the way of gifts through his wife. It is all plain enough. The gift taker in fact, and not the woman through whom it is done, is badly "smirched," and the whole country knows it, Benjamin Harrison, the little President of the Radical party included.

Gen. Grant took all the gifts that were offered him, and he lost character very much among decent, respectable people for his course. Harrison is too small to imitate the victorious General. He too will suffer by his gift-taking as he has found out and will still find hereafter.

This recalls a conversation had by the writer recently, with a resident of Blowing Rock. He was whirling a handsomely carved cane, and when I took it for examination, he said the man who carved that stick carved one very elaborately and sent it to President Cleveland with his compliments. In due time it was acknowledged, with a check for 25 dollars accompanying. A like incident, he went on, occurred to a Winston, N. C., boot maker. He made a handsome pair of boots and sent them to President Cleveland with his compliments, and when the acknowledgement came it contained a check for an amount sufficient to pay well for the boots.

This is related to show that Cleveland was above gift-taking, and that he was in this respect a much bigger man than either Harrison or Grant—to say nothing of "other respects."

The Force Bill. The Federal Election bill, a result of Massachusetts culture emanating from the brain of Henry Cabot Lodge, has been the means of creating a sensation in Washington. When it became known that the Democratic Senators would, in order to prevent the consideration of the Election bill, talk the Tariff bill till it would be too late to take up the Election bill, and when old Grandma Blair's resolutions to adopt the "previous question" mode of expediting business failed, Mr. Quay, of protectionist Pennsylvania, offered a resolution to the effect that the Force bill be allowed to go over till next session on the understanding that the Democratic Senators would not talk all year on the Tariff bill. The Democrats assent to this, but some of the Republican Senators are mad as wild bulls with Quay. The Republicans of the Senate are split on the question. One of the maddest of them is George Fisher Hoar, the fossiliferous specimen of "Massachusetts culture" in the Senate. The Force bill is one of his pets. It is thought that Quay's resolution will prevail, providing it is not amended by provided for the immediate consideration of the Election bill during the short session of Congress in December. Even in this case the Democratic Senators may not kick, as it is confidentially asserted that the next House will be Democratic, which would prevent the passage of the Force bill, when the Senate sent it back to that body. It is to be hoped that the Force bill is dead as a door nail. The New York Herald says that "if after twenty-five years of peace, it is necessary to assert to war measures more severe than those imposed by war itself, the Republican statesmanship has been a failure."

VANCE ENDORSED. The following resolutions were recently adopted by the Farmers' Alliance of Maysville, Jones county. It is a plain and emphatic endorsement: "Unanimously resolved by Maysville Alliance, Jones county, that we heartily endorse the action of the Hon. Z. B. Vance in the U. S. Senate, present and past; and that we condemn the Progressive Farmer's assault upon him; and we further pledge ourselves to support no candidate for the Legislature who will not vote to re-elect him to the U. S. Senate, believing him to be truly a friend to the farmers of this section and to the agricultural interests of the whole country."—Wilmington Messenger.

PROMINENT LAWYER INSANE. The many friends of Mr. Wm. B. Glenn, of Winston, will regret to know that he has been sent to a private institution in Baltimore to undergo the treatment for (it is hoped temporary) aberration of the mind. Mr. Glenn is known as one of the most brilliant members of the North Carolina bar and his friends throughout the State will join in the hope that he will soon be seen in his usual place, fully restored, mentally and physically.

A Negro in the Press Gallery. WASHINGTON, D. C., August 11.—Elliott Freelove Sheppard has sent to Washington a double jointed son of Ham named Anderson, to represent the Mail and Express. He is arrayed in a blue flannel suit, a white straw hat, russet shoes and Gordou sash. Anderson appeared in the house press gallery and delivered his credentials. His seat in the gallery is between the Boston Globe and the Chicago Tribune. The boys are whistling "new coon in town to-night."

State News.

The Fertilizer Tax. DECLARED UNCONSTITUTIONAL BY JUDGES BOND AND SEYMOUR. (Special to the Richmond Dispatch.) RALEIGH, N. C., August 15.—In 1877 this State imposed a license-tax of \$500 on each brand of commercial fertilizer. The fund thus secured was appropriated for the maintenance of the department of Agriculture. The receipts have averaged about \$34,000 annually. A few years ago an agricultural college was established and part of the fund was applied to its maintenance, while appropriations from it were also made to the Departments of Immigration, Geology, and Labor Statistics. Last March the American Fertilizer Companies of Norfolk, Va., offered to pay the tax under protest.

DECLINED TO RECEIVE IT. The Commissioner of Agricultural and the State Treasurer declined to receive it. The sale of that company's fertilizer was forbidden. Suit was then brought by the company in the State courts and also in the Federal Court. The Attorney-General appeared for the State in the latter court and great interest has been felt in the decision. Suit was filed to-day by Judges Seymour and Bond.

UNCONSTITUTIONAL. In their opinion they say that the statute imposing the tax is unconstitutional, as being repugnant to that Constitution which provides that Congress alone shall regulate commerce between the States. It also sets forth that the tax is excessive. The decision was expected and will work no hardship upon the Agricultural Department or College. Both are provided for this year, as all the fertilizer companies save four have paid the tax.

A LEGISLATIVE REMEDY. The Legislature, which meets in January, will provide a remedy in the shape of a tax on each ton of fertilizer brought into this State. This will yield from \$45,000 to \$50,000 annually, and its legality is unquestioned. The tax will be twenty-five cents per ton. The expense of collection will be greater, as more inspectors will be necessary.

OFFICERS OF STATE ALLIANCE. At the State Alliance meeting at Asheville yesterday, officers were elected for the ensuing year as follows: President, Elias Carr, Old Sparta, N. C.; Vice-President, A. H. Hayes, Birdtown, N. C.; Secretary, E. C. Beldingfield, Raleigh, N. C.; Treasurer, J. D. Allen, Falls, N. C.; Lecturer, Thos. B. Long, Asheville, N. C.; Assistant Lecturer, R. B. Hunter, Charlotte, N. C.; Chaplain, S. J. Veach; Door-keeper, W. H. Tomlinson, Fayetteville, N. C.; Assistant Door-keeper, H. E. King, Peanut, N. C.; Sergeant-at-Arms, J. S. Holt, Chalk Level, N. C.; State Business Agent, W. H. Worth, Raleigh, N. C.; Trustee Business Agency Fund, W. A. Graham, Macphelah, N. C.; Executive Committee, S. B. Alexander, Charlotte, N. C., chairman; J. M. Mewborne, Kinston, N. C.; J. J. Johnson, Ruffin, N. C.

VANCE AT RED SPRINGS. The Messenger's representative at Red Springs telegraphed as follows yesterday: "A great speech by a great man, and on a grand occasion, was delivered at the Red Springs fair to-day. That speech was made by Senator Z. B. Vance, North Carolina's greatest living statesman, son and defender. He spoke to an enormous audience. Auditor Sanderlin also delivered an admirable address to the farmers this afternoon at 3 o'clock. Senator Vance left via Maxton for Charlotte to-night and will be in his seat in the Senate at Washington on Monday."—Wilmington Messenger.

REPUBLICAN PARTY. The stockholders meeting of the Atlantic and North Carolina Railroad will be held at Morehead City on Thursday the 21st.

THIRTY-EIGHT CASES OF TYPHOID FEVER and two deaths are charged up against one well in Asheville.

THE PROGRESSIVE FARMER IN YELLOW SHOES. Young Mr. Ramsey, who has been attacking Vance through the columns of the Progressive Farmer, wears a pair of yellow dude shoes. The man who expects to injure good, old, honest Zeb Vance can't do it in that kind of a rig. Winston Sentinel.

CHEATHAM NOMINATED. RALEIGH, N. C., August 15.—Henry P. Cheatham (colored) was to-day re-nominated for Congress by the Republicans of the Second Congressional district of North Carolina.

Washington Letter.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Aug. 18, 1890.—Will Mr. Harrison dare to jump into the breach in his party in the Senate? He has been asked, aye begged, by Senator Hoar, who recently expressed himself preferring to see every manufactory in New England in ashes and the mechanics reduced to 50 cents a day and a diet of cod-fish than to see the failure of the Force bill, and asks his associates to come to the rescue. Mr. Harrison favors the Election bill, and ever since his election he has bitterly hated Senator Quay on account of the patronizing manner with which he treated his highness; therefore if he did as he would like to, he would throw the weight of his influence, which isn't very heavy after all, against Mr. Quay, but he hesitates, because he fears that Mr. Quay may succeed in having his resolution shelving the Force bill and appointing August 30, as the day for taking a vote on the tariff bill adopted by the Senate.

Can Mr. Quay get this resolution passed? To what extent will the Democrats support it? It now looks like the first question might be answered in the affirmative, and that the Democrats in a body will support the Quay resolution; not because they endorse it but because they recognize in it a weapon to which more than half the republican party over the head. The Democrats would much prefer continuing the debate on the tariff bill for that debate is making hundreds of democratic voters every day, but if Quay should be defeated he and his followers would probably be willing to vote with the rest of the republicans to adopt a "gag" rule and pass both the tariff and Election bills. Senator Vest says the tariff bill is worse than the Election bill.

Prominent republicans openly admit that the fight which is now going on in the Senate has already practically settled the Congressional election in favor of the Democrats. The openness with which Mr. Quay is acting for the special interests of a single clique of moneyed men so disgusted some of the republicans that they announced their intention to defeat certain clauses of the tariff bill. As quick as the telegraph could bring them, a delegation was before the Senate Finance committee demanding, not politely asking, what these rumors meant. The republican members of that committee hurriedly informed them that their interests should be taken care of as had been promised them when they made their campaign contributions, and these robbers of the toiling millions returned whence they came.

Representative Baker, of New York who enjoys the notoriety of being the only man who ever had a resolution returned to him by a vote of the House, because of its bad taste, made an ass of himself again by offering a resolution reflecting on Mr. Mills because of his making tariff reform speeches. It was too much even for Speaker Reed. Baker was asked to withdraw the resolution but he refused, insisted upon having it printed in the Record. The Speaker then quietly ignored Mr. Baker and the House proceeded to business and he did not get his resolution printed.

Public opinion is a great lever. Secretary Windom has decided that the prices paid by the Government for silver bullion shall be made public. They never should have been hid. The republicans don't do much talking these days about a Congressional re-appointment this year. Cause why? Census shows that the South will gain instead of lose Congressmen, few weeks past Superintendent Porter has worked his force night and day to get the count completed in order that the re-appointment might be made; but the result has not been just what was anticipated, and no re-appointment will be made. The population of the country is in round numbers 64,000,000.

Recognizing the fact that the Congressional campaign this year was to be run on "gall" and "boodle", Assistant Postmaster General Clarkson, who has an unlimited supply of the former, is to become the boss dog of the Republican Congressional Campaign committee. The "boodle" will be furnished by the usual crowd.

The anti-lottery bill was passed by the House Saturday afternoon by a unanimous vote. After numerous scares the River and Harbor bill went through the Senate Saturday.

It is reported that silver ore in paying quantities has been found on the premises of Mr. M. P. Vaughn, near Price's Store, Rockingham county; also mica in large sheets.

The stockholders meeting of the Atlantic and North Carolina Railroad will be held at Morehead City on Thursday the 21st.

Thirty-eight cases of typhoid fever and two deaths are charged up against one well in Asheville.

John Henderson, My Jo.

John Henderson, my Jo John, When we were first acquaint, 'Twas thought some man could heat you, But now tis known they can't. Indeed, you had some fears, John, And some of us feared, too. But we met at the convention With "strength" to pull you through. John Henderson, my Jo, John, You've been our champion true, Within the halls of Congress, And everywhere else, too, And corruptionists who've plundered Our Uncle Samuel's till Have thought that it had thundered When you had your little bill.

John Henderson, my Jo, John, Your district likes your style; This talk about another man— Why, John, it makes us smile! You've not yet reached your zenith, John, And as you make your upward way, We'll rejoice at it for you, John, 'Er you come home to stay!

FOR RENT—An 8 room brick house corner Fulton and Fisher streets. Enquire of D. L. Gaskill. Aug 21 4

THE N. C. COLLEGE Of Agriculture and Mechanic Arts Will Begin its Second Session Sept. 4.

THE new and large shop buildings for working in iron and wood will be ready for occupation, and all the departments are equipped for thorough work. Expenses are less than in any similar college in existence. Many members of the Freshman class are already employed at remunerative salaries. For further particulars address, ALEXANDER Q. HOLLADAY, President, 11 at. Raleigh, N. C.

NOTICE.

Is hereby given that the Board of Commissioners for Rowan County at their meeting held on the 4th day of August, 1890, ordered a new Registration of the Voters of said County for the elections to be held on Tuesday the 4th day of November 1890. The registration books will be opened on the 22d day of September next, and will be closed on the second Saturday preceding said election.

W. L. KLUTTZ, Chairman. H. N. WOODSON, Clerk. Aug. 11, 1890. 431f

SALE OF GRADE AND Jersey Cattle.

Owing to my impaired health I will sell at public outcry, Friday, August 20th, at my house fifteen head of cattle, consisting of Milch Cows, Dry Cattle of all sizes and ages for cash. My cattle are mostly the Jersey breed and there are some very pretty Jersey heifers. I will sell some horses and mules at the same time. T. J. SUMNER. Aug. 18, 1890.



OAK RIDGE INSTITUTE and BUSINESS COLLEGE.

This school is situated in one of the most healthful sections of the South. It is the largest Private School in North Carolina. 267 students during year just closed. Full Courses for preparation for College, Teaching, Music, Bookkeeping, Penmanship, shorthand, Telegraphy, Typewriting. Send for beautiful illustrated Catalogue. Address: 227 West Street, Raleigh, N. C.

Administrator's Notice.

Having qualified as administrator upon an estate of Ransom Jacobs, notice is hereby given to all persons indebted to said estate to make immediate settlement; and all persons having claims against said estate will present them to me for payment on or before the 7th day of August, 1891, or this notice will be plead in bar of their recovery. August 7th, 1890. A. L. HALL, Administrator.

STATE FAIR. ONE CENT A MILE. REMEMBER THE DATES, OCTOBER, 14, 15, 16 & 17.

It will be the BEST FAIR ever held in the South! Success of the last one guarantees it! Great Agricultural, Industrial, Educational and Social Features! For Premium List and Information, address the Secretary, Box 58, Raleigh, N. C.

KLUTTZ & RENDLEMAN'S DOUBLE STORES! DOUBLE STOCKS!

DRY GOODS DRESS GOODS NOTIONS CARPETS CLOTHING HATS MATTS CAPS RUGS SHOES MATTING

The family supply side, like the other, is inexhaustible. It is our peculiar business to dress and feed your family, and if you give us the slightest encouragement we will do it; supplying a greater variety of high class goods at a smaller cost than it can be done elsewhere. With every assurance.

KLUTTZ & RENDLEMAN.

T. F. YOUNG

DRY GOODS GROCERIES

My spring stock is now in and I have an elegant assortment of Seersuckers, Gingham, Lawns, Dress Goods, Plushes, White Goods, &c. Have the handsomest line of Seersuckers, in Solids, Stripes and Plaids in the city—All colors. In my GROCERY DEPARTMENT can be found everything good to eat: Hams, Breakfast Strips, Beef Tongues, Dried Beef, Chickens, Butter, Eggs, Pickles, etc., etc. FRUITS: FRUITS: Bananas, Oranges, Lemons, Apples, and Coconuts.—I buy and sell all kinds of country produce. Respectfully, FRANK YOUNG, McCUBBINS CORNER.