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The Truth.

We call attention of our readers to the communication of "Truth" in this issue, concerning the Judgeship in this district. The writer is a man of discrimination and judgement and the opinion he expresses of the fitness of Judge Armfield for the Judicial emine is the opinion of the whole state wherever he has been. We believe that the people of Rowan county will vote to retain Judge Armfield in the high office he so acceptably fills. The Democratic party has need for all its strength in this campaign and Judge Armfield's name on the ticket would be worth many votes as he is universally popular.

The Charlotte Observer asks whether, "Democracy is going to stand its ground this year or surrender again." The question is timely and well put, and the reference brings us back to two years ago when it was the prevailing opinion that a certain class should receive the nominations "in order to lead the party to victory." The State Convention was called and on that ticket was nominated what some people call a "flirt" also a brainy young man who had stood for principle above all else in the past. Before that convention this gentleman made a speech which the wisest heads said would defeat the individual if not the party, what was the result? This gentleman ran ahead of the ticket. The Watchman is one that believes this to be a free country and falls out with no one because he does not agree with us, but does not believe in concessions in favor of any party or individual. We have principles that are, according to our lamented hero, immortal. Then if so why not vote accordingly and for men who represent these principles from choice and not for office. Let the campaign be fought on Democratic principles and if the old ship sinks "let her go gullager."

Mr. Walter Murphy, of this city, will be a candidate for State Senator from this Senatorial district which is composed of Rowan, Davidson and Forsyth. Rowan has not had a man in the Senate for some time but has been giving way to her sister counties, but thinks that it should be conceded that she is entitled to a man this year and in Mr. Murphy the district could find no better material for a Senator. Mr. Murphy is a young man with the ability and energy to make a vigorous campaign.

Mr. W. D. Rush, a prominent lawyer of Asheville is among the aspirants for the Solicitorship of this district. Mr. Rush is a lawyer of ability and perfectly capable to fill the position.

The papers in Charlotte, with no more circulation than of Salisbury, get from fifty to one hundred dollars for an inch or inch and a half space advertising room one year, and nearly everybody in business there advertises. In Salisbury those who do advertise pay less than one fourth its value and grumble at that. While they starve the printers they starve themselves and destroy the business of the town.—Truth.

Raleigh papers state that there is much destitution among the poor of that city, and that steps are being taken to relieve their sufferings.

Washington Letter.

Yesterday George Ransom and Arthur Barnes, the first mentioned being clerk of the Commerce Committee, the second messenger, testified on oath before the senate investigating committee that they had speculated in sugar in small amounts but that it was without the knowledge of Senator Ransom. Moreover they stated that they had done all they could to keep him in ignorance of it, because they knew he would disapprove of it. George Ransom is a young man about twenty-five and I have always found him to be unusually cautious and discreet. Arthur is about fifty years old. Everybody here of a speculative turn who has the money, speculates in stocks, just as they do in North Carolina and everywhere else. Senator Ransom has not owned one cent worth of stocks since he has been in the Senate. He could have been a multimillionaire if he had used the interior information his position as Chairman of the R. R. and Commerce Committee gave him. As it is his main source of revenue is his North Carolina farm because he is eternally giving office seekers and dead beats money. I've seen him give a worthless far heel \$20, to go home on and when I remarked that he was encouraging laziness, his son told me it was a common thing.

Senator Jarvis made a short but strong and pointed speech in the senate yesterday in favor of the income tax. He makes a very dignified Senator and has impressed every one here very favorably. The debate in the Senate has been very exciting since Thursday when Hill made his forcible speech against the income tax. The "Post" of this morning says: "The debate also gave an opportunity for the debut of the new senators. Mr. Patton of Michigan and Mr. Jarvis of North Carolina. Mr. Patton who is a comparatively young man quiet address read a speech which touched generally upon the tariff question. He made no attempt to display any graces of oratory or rhetoric, but was listened to with close attention by the Senators on the Republican side as he proceeded with his logical and forceful remarks. Senator Jarvis on the other hand being a typical Southerner, with command of all the arts with which the orator of that section are so generally and thoroughly equipped made quite a triumphal debut. Tall, of fine presence and with a resonant voice and splendid delivery, he soon compelled the attention of the entire Senate, and his remarks were frequently applauded by the auditors in the galleries. Mr. Patton opposed the income tax, while Mr. Jarvis favored it. The North Carolinian whose witty intimation of his keen sense of humor, caused a laugh by saying at the very beginning of his address that while poets and patriots had sung since the days of Horace that it was sweet to die for one's country, no one had ever said that it was sweet to be taxed for one's country. Then laying down the principal that money had to be obtained somehow for the support of the government, he twitted Mr. Sherman with saying that it ought to be raised from sugar the New England Senators with wanting to put the burden on manufactured goods and the Senators from New York with selecting colliers and cuffs that the poor people wear. Some of the sentences which elicited the greatest applause from the galleries were:

"In imposing the burdens of taxation, the heaviest portions should be put upon those best able to bear them and the lightest on those least able to bear them."

If the democratic party has no higher mission than to bow at the footstool and worship at the shrine of the accumulated wealth of the country, the sooner it dies, the better. Instead of this bill sounding the death knell I believe that it is the first step onward to a higher prosperity and a more glorious career for the democratic party. And if it will only have the courage to move forward on the lines that have been selected, I believe that instead of our Republican friends in 1887 seeing a Republican President inaugurated, the standard of Democracy will be advanced still higher, and our banner will float over the Senate, the House of Representatives and the White House."

Senator Harris is leading the Democrats in this tariff fight with all his skill and splendid parliamentary ability. I laughingly told him I felt a great deal of sympathy with him, with such a fight on hand and the

thermometer over 90 in the shade. He improves under the strain and his son tells me nothing agrees with him better than the excitement of a contest such as this. He is seventy-five years old but has the vim and vigor of as strong man of twenty-five.

The session of the Senate came to an end yesterday at 7:15 without any material progress having been made in the consideration of the income tax feature of the tariff bill, a condition of affairs which led Mr. Harris to give notice that he should not consent to an adjournment to-day although the situation can be simplified by the adoption of all the committee amendments in a bulk. This however, would require unanimous consent. Mr. Hill was on the skirmish line all day assailing with persistence and alertness the position of Republicans, Democrats and Populists who favored the bill. He gave so plain an indication of the determined character of his opposition last evening that it hardly seems likely that he will allow any points to be gained by the managers of the bill to-day unless he finds himself in a hopeless situation. As far as preventing an adjournment goes, Mr. Harris himself tonight in a like predicament.

The public buildings committee authorized a favorable report on Representative Branch's Elizabeth City public building bill for \$75,000. The advisory committee only recommended \$50,000 but Representative Gray who is member induced the full committee to report for the full amount of the bill.

Representative Bower has been hard at work this week for several of his constituents. Among other things accomplished he has given a big mail contractor here to understand that he cannot delay coming to time with the money due those who have small star routes" in his district—not even if he has to turn collector himself.

The controversy over the remains of Senator Vance is so deplorable that I prefer to have nothing to say about it. Mr. Charles Vance states as his ultimatum that his mother is to rest beside the body of her illustrious husband.

Senator Jarvis' Plan.
Following is Senator Jarvis' letter in full to Hon. F. M. Simmons, chairman of the Democratic State Executive Committee:

DEAR SIR:—I see from the newspapers that the State Executive Committee of the Democratic party is called to meet in Raleigh on the 12th instant to put necessary machinery in motion for the meeting of the State Convention "and for the transaction of such other business as may properly come before it."

As a member of the Democratic party and a candidate for its honors I beg to submit some suggestions for the consideration of the Committee.

It will be conceded, I suppose, that there is much discontent and dissatisfaction among the great body of the people of North Carolina, and that the Democratic voters share largely in this dissatisfaction. If this be true then it is of the first importance that our methods of the party management should be such that the voters whose votes we must have if we succeed should have the fullest opportunity to express their will as to policy and candidates.

Among other important positions to be filled by the results of the November election are those of two United States Senators. The importance of choosing two Democrats to these positions cannot be over estimated. The loss of them may change the whole political complexion of the Senate and open the way to the ruinous financial and tariff policies of the Republican party. This question cannot be kept out of the approaching campaign even if the candidates for the Senate and the party managers should be united in their efforts to do so. The people will and, in my opinion, ought to have something to say about it. If this be true then it is the part of wisdom to go direct to the people with this question and let them settle it. To this end I suggest that when your Committee meets that it provide the machinery for holding a primary election in such manner that the Democratic voters may determine for themselves who shall be the Democratic candidates for the United States Senate. This election can be held at the time the Democrats meet in their township or precinct meetings to elect delegates to the County Conventions in July or at such other times as your Committee may select. The returns can be made to the State Committee and the result declared. I merely suggest this time and method. Any other which gives the Democratic voters ample opportunity to express their preferences will be entirely satisfactory with me. If the Committee

shall say it has not authority, even with the request of the candidates, to take this action, then I beg to suggest that the Committee prepare a plan for such election and submit it to the State Convention when it meets.

I am aware of the fact that there has been a suggestion that such a course as I propose will tend to disorganize the party. I do not take any stock in that objection. I do not believe there is anything in it. It does not seem to me that a party can be disorganized by letting the voters themselves say who shall be the candidates of the party. On the contrary, I believe that such a course on our part will tend to unite the party and restore confidence on the part of the people in our methods and our efforts to ascertain and execute their will. There is a feeling among the people (in which feeling I must confess I sympathize) that the election of United States Senators is too far removed from them. I would be glad to see our State Convention insert in its platform a provision directing our Senators and Representatives to support an amendment to the Constitution of the United States providing for the election of the Senators by a direct vote of the people. I believe that such a provision in our platform, coupled with the primary election, showing our sincerity in the matter, will give us as a party great strength before the people, and enable us to present a united, aggressive front to the enemy.

For myself I wish to be on record as in favor of taking the sense of the Democratic voters to who shall be the candidates of the party for the United States Senate. If the party managers agree with me, as I hope they will, there can be no difficulty in providing the machinery for this purpose. That is an easy matter. This office, as well as all others, belongs to the people. We therefore cannot make a mistake in requesting the Democratic voters to assemble at their respective voting places and name the candidates of their party for this as well as other offices. It will be my pleasure to abide and support the will of the voters thus obtained, no matter whether I be chosen or not, and no matter from what section the chosen candidates may be selected; and I take it all other candidates are ready to do the same.

Very truly yours,
(Signed) THOS. J. JARVIS.

The Carolina Senatorship.
Atlanta Journal.

The press, North, South, East and West, is expressing its disgust at the manner in which the so-called joint debates between Senator Butler and Governor Tillman are conducted.

The Journal was one of the first papers in the country to comment on the low tone and the utter unprofitableness of these discussions. They will not help the Democracy of South Carolina and cannot possibly do anybody any good. Surely no vote has been made or changed by this mud-slinging match.

The New York Evening Post has this caustic but deserved editorial allusion to the matter.

"Senator Butler, of South Carolina having entered into competition with Governor Tillman for the populist vote, is now under the necessity of using very bad language on the stump. Very likely Tillman is deserving of the choice collection of epithets applied to him by Butler, but the use of such epithets will not bring Butler any votes from the Tillman crowd. 'Brigade, bully and coward' are among the terms used by Butler to define Tillman. Time was when no man could be a candidate for office in South Carolina and receive such decorations from an adversary without fighting. Tillman retorts by calling the opposing candidate 'Coxey Butler,' and Butler does not object to that phrase, but seems to be rather proud of it. It is all very queer, and we wonder if this can be the South Carolina of Hayes and Calhoun, of Rhett and the Elder Butler. Apparently not—as little as the Massachusetts Lodge can be that of Webster, or the Pennsylvania of Thaddeus Stevens can be that of Matt Quay. The decadence of the senate is one of the most mournful signs of the times. It is really material for any public purpose whether Butler or Tillman represent South Carolina in that body now. For special purposes Butler may be preferable, but since both are likely to vote the same way, it is desirable that the votes should be given by the avowed populist rather than the sham one."

The Post's reference to the decadence of the United States senate is only too well justified by the fact that in the civilized world has there

been such a falling off in any representative body in the last fifteen years, as there has been in the United States senate. Pigmies now rattle about in many seats which, but recently, giants filled, and there is a varied array of cranks in that highest council of the nation.

Took Off His Shoes in the Senate.
Washington Dispatch.

Senator Call, of Florida, has broken the record for free-and-easy manners in the United States Senate chamber. Since the season of hot weather began, Senators, as a rule, have been more devoted to comfort than style in their personal appearance, and short coats, no vests, negligee shirts, and seaside fashions generally have been the proper thing in both houses of Congress. This morning, however Senator Call surprised even Senator George by removing his shoes and placing his extensive feet on the top of his rosewood desk beneath the very nose of the Populist Senator, Mr. Kyle, of Dakota, who was in the midst of a long speech, picturing to his brother Senators the delights of an income tax. After the performance of the Florida statesman had entertained the Senators and the galleries for several minutes a page carried a message to him and he took his feet down from the desk and put on his shoes.

It is not known what admonition was whispered in Mr. Call's ear, but perhaps Vice President Stevenson drew his attention to the unwritten law against sockless statesmen in the Senate; just as Speaker Reed, in the Fifty first Congress, persuaded Uncle Joe Walker to put on his coat, which he had removed while making a speech on finance.

Food for Thought.

The Washington Post contains two thoughtful articles, one on the avarice that kills, in which that paper points out that British capitalists have overreached themselves in degrading silver. On this the Post remarks:

"Indications multiply to the effect that the London capitalists who control the money markets of the world have overreached themselves in degrading silver for the purpose of enhancing the value of their gold property. The consummation they had in view has not materialized. Instead of collecting what was due them in a highly appreciated coin, they now discover that so far as concerns a large class of debtors such as those of India, South and Central America and Mexico, they have simply destroyed the capacity to pay at all by impairing the value of the only medium through which those countries can achieve solvency."

Concord Times: We commend the action of Judge Armfield and Mr. L. C. Caldwell of placing their announcement cards in the papers throughout the district. Heretofore, it has seldom been the case that other but county officers favored the newspapers with their announcements. The newspapers during a campaign are always called on to do an immense amount of work for which they receive no pay, and they should receive all the legitimate compensation to which they are entitled. Let the other candidates in the district follow the example set by Judge Armfield and Mr. Caldwell.

Col. John C. Tipton, of Shelby, has been authorized by the Department of Agriculture to come to Mecklenburg and make a thorough inspection of the county's public roads, and her system of road building, and then make two reports of the same—one of the Department and the other to be read before the National Road Congress, which meets at Asbury Park, N. J., on July 5 and 6.—Charlotte News.

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When Senator Butler started out at Chester Thursday with his black guard and thief, the inference was that he proposed to back Governor Tillman or if the latter resented his insults, knock him into the middle of the crowd. Not so, however. When Tillman, at Lancaster, Friday denounced Butler as a black-guard, and told him he was no gentleman, the latter was as quiet as a lamb. It looks now as if it were to be a campaign of "you're a liar," "you're another," and nothing done.—Charlotte Observer

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