

ple, knowing as they grow strong and progress in industrial and material matters we shall grow with them and the election of that old exponent of the people's rights, The Carolina Watchman, will be sure

GENTLEMEN AND FELLOW CITIZENS: This is to be a campaign without bitterness, without petty jealousies and little deeds, at least so on our part, but we will be frank, and render our best efforts in behalf of our peo-



The Carolina Watchman's Campaign Opens Under Most Auspicious Circumstances.

THE AUSTRALIAN BALLOT.

Some Interesting Points Concerning This Method of Voting.

The example set, says the Raleigh Post, by other states in adopting the Australian ballot system shows that system is growing in popular favor. There are many men in North Carolina who believe the time is close at hand when the public weal will be enhanced by the adoption of that form of voting in this state. The Asheville Citizen, in an editorial on the subject, says:

The Citizen is advocating the adoption of the Australian ballot law because the interests of the state demand it. Its passage will work no injury to any particular party, but it will certainly militate against the party which is in the minority and therefore stands in need of any artifice which will help its cause. As many times stated in these columns, there is absolutely no opportunity for fraud to operate under the system for which we are urging consideration. It eliminates the "floater" because nobody will approach him when his field is wiped out of existence. Democrats, in particular, have nothing to lose by the enactment of a law adopting the Australian ballot. On the contrary, they have everything to gain—by reason of the fact that since they, as a party, have no need of fraudulent methods to win their battles, they can witness with satisfaction and profit the removal of their main danger in time of election—the use of "boodle." In every state where the Australian ballot law has been adopted it has produced beneficial results. Both of the great political parties unite in voicing praises, and there is no reason in the world why North Carolina should not enroll itself under the banner of the greatest reforming agency in the political world. The Old North State has within her borders communities fully as intelligent as those of any other section of the country. From her educational institutions have graduated men of more than ordinary genius, and it should not be said that this state is not competent to take care of a system of voting which has appealed to the majority of the states in the union.

In conclusion, the Citizen has no hesitancy in saying that the man with any political ambitions at all can ill afford to let so golden an opportunity for earning a lasting name for himself pass by. We know whereof we speak when we predict that the representative who in the coming legislature attaches his name to the Australian ballot bill will find his reward at the hands of the people.

Necessities and Luxuries.

The Norfolk Landmark of yesterday contains a short editorial under the above heading and is worth being copied and read and carefully studied, says the Raleigh Post. About the sorriest spectacle in a community is the man who attempts, on a thousand dollar salary, to carry his family through all the finesses and frills of fashion, to join in the whirl and trot the pace set by the man whose income is ten times as great. Right here the sensible man can find a granite rock upon which to found his resolutions for the coming year. The Landmark says:

"If the truth were known, the world would be startled at the number of people who stint themselves of the necessities of life in order to provide themselves with its luxuries. This habit is rapidly increasing as the country gets older and the leaders of fashion rival each other in luxuriousness. Among the wealthy, luxury may be obtained without a sacrifice of essentials; but among the thousands of imitators of the wealthy who wish to make the appearance of having money when they have it not, necessities are unhesitatingly neglected.

"It is a standing joke that many families pinch themselves bitterly during the fall and winter and spring in order to take a trip in the summer to some fashionable watering place. But there may be more truth than humor in this jest. Luxury obtained by sacrificing necessities is a poor kind of pleasure. The process is like that of going without eating for a week in order to buy one magnificent meal when Sunday comes. The moral system suffers as much by the one process as the physical system suffers by the other. Luxuries bought with this price of omitted necessities may look like

luxuries, but they or not. Be honest in your way of living. Be satisfied to make only the showing which you can afford, and you will be healthier, wealthier, and happier."

Tom Dewey Surrenders.

New Bern, N. C., Dec. 28.—Thomas W. Dewey, who wrecked the Merchants and Farmers Bank of this city over a year ago, and upon whose head the state had a reward of \$400, and whose whereabouts has been unknown save by a few intimate friends until a few weeks ago, arrived in this city on the morning train from Goldsboro, accompanied by Messrs. Frank Daniels, his attorney, his brothers, Charles and Ernest Dewey, and the Messrs. Borden of Goldsboro, and surrendered to Sheriff Biddle, who was at the depot, he having been advised that Dewey was on the train, coming down to give himself up.

The state asked for fifty thousand and under the first and twenty-five thousand under the second indictment. Dewey asked for \$25,000 and \$15,000. The judge set the bond at \$25,000 and \$15,000, totalling \$40,000, as Dewey has voluntarily given himself up.

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