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BILL ARP'S LETTER.

THE GLORIOUS FOURTH OF JULY.

How Uncle William Arp Spent the day.—He talks about Various Other Matters.

The 4th of July is a big thing. We had forgotten that it is so big and it is a good sign that our people are waking up to realize that the first rebellion gave it birth and we were proud of it but the last was such a failure and brought so much trouble that rebellions were at a discount and we quit celebrating—we hung our heads on the willows and like the Jewish captives, refused to sing the Lord's song in a strange land, but we are all harmonizing now and it is a sign of a new era.

There was no holiday, no merriment, no enthusiasm. The whole thing was like a funeral. Love for the fatherland and fear of her power were mingled with a burning sense of her tyranny and oppression. The older members dreaded to cut the cords that bound them, and had the declaration been left to a quiet vote it never would have carried, but when Patrick Henry closed his immortal speech, the house rose up as one man, and with quivering emotion inhaled his closing sentiment—Give me liberty or give me death.

Well, now, what was this all about? Nothing very much outside of principle. We would not call it a very great oppression now. The biggest thing was a tariff that did not protect Nobody drank tea but the New England yankees. The stamp act had been repealed two years before. But all the Southerners from Maryland down were just as mad about that tax as if it had been on whisky.

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POLITICAL ECHOES.

ORIGINAL, STOLEN AND OTHERWISE.

What We Glean From the Newspaper World as it Floats in Review Before Us.

Leading Irishmen in New York are saying that Harrison and Morton are a weak ticket and that Cleveland will sweep the country.

Dockery has declined to enter a joint canvass with Judge Fowle. He will bushwhack and he is dangerous—because an unscrupulous man.

There is yet wisdom in Charles R's unfortunate head. Hear him "Old Tippecanoe was a unique man in one respect. He was the only man named Harrison who ever was or ever will be President of the United States."—Charlotte Observer.

We have been asked why so many of the colored people in New York City are Democrats. We rather suspect that it is because they have a rash of brains to the head.—N. Y. Ledger.

Somebody asked the Goldsboro Argus what was an independent? whereupon the following reply was made: "He is a man who loves office better than he does principle and would sell his principles if he had any for office."

Can it possibly be true that Jeter Pritchard while in the Legislature voted against giving wounded soldiers a pitiful little pension? He stands charged with it and has never denied it. How does that suit the old soldiers?

If Franklin King is not carried by the Democrats this year, the white people of the county will be to blame. Remember that and let every white man see to it that he votes, and also that the vote he casts this year shall be cast for white supremacy and good government.—Times.

Nothing like scientific investigation. It makes wonderful discoveries. Here is the result of an experimental analysis: Harrison spelled backwards reads no sir rah and Morton not ro(m). Please observe that each name ends in a negative and these two negatives will never make an affirmative in American politics. No sir rah!

The Republican boast of the "American system" of protection—the author of which was Henry Clay. But the Illinois statesman prescribed 20 per cent as a tariff rate, which the Republican are opposed to the Mills bill which proposes to reduce the rate from 47 per cent to 40 per cent. O consistency!

No matter who may be the Republican candidate, the struggle will be between the problems of peace and the issues of war, between peace taxation and war taxation, between popular rights and the wrongs of rapacious combinations. To doubt the result is to doubt the hard sense and patriotism of the American people.

Out in Minnesota the folks are so enthusiastic over the old bandana that notices have been published in the churches warning the congregation from using handkerchiefs of the Thurman hue, as such an act would encourage the democrats present to cheer for Grover Cleveland and prove a serious interruption to the service.

Among all the men named there is not one "leader," no one whose personal or historical relation to the people would make a difference of 1,000 votes in the canvass. Sherman, Allison, Harrison, etc., have records that would be awkward on the tariff, the currency, the Chinese questions, etc.—Senator Ingalls about candidates at the Chicago Convention.

During the General Conference many of the delegates preached in the various Methodist churches of the East and Brooklyn. In one of the most fashionable churches of the latter city the fervent ejaculations once so common are supposed to be entirely eliminated. One of the visiting preachers however, evoked the old spirit. He said several times for one hour and a quarter and then said: "I am sorry I cannot enlarge on this point. Whereupon a brother startled all the people in his vicinity by a vigorous exclamation, "Praise the Lord!"

A Detroit paper tells of a man who "barely escaped death at the hands of an infuriated bull." The Indian who was so much pleased with the first locomotive he had ever seen that he tried to lasso it afterward told another Indian that never was so carried away with anything before in all his life.—Journal of Education.

Republicans for Gain Only.

Virginia is a great State, and she has furnished the country with many picturesque and interesting public personages, from Amelle Rives down; but in all the list of her citizens there are more amusing than the three "great" Republican leaders, Mahone, Riddleberger and Wise. Their performances remind one irresistibly of the two entertaining blackguards in "Erasmus," and the resemblance is considerably more than skin deep.

There was a story published recently that the Virginia Republicans had assembled under a huge olive branch and sworn to bury all their quarrels. The Democrats were warned that hereafter in that State they would have to meet a united foe, and that her electoral vote was in danger. It transpires that the basis for rumor was the fact that Mahone and Riddleberger have united in an effort to bury Wise. As long as there was a friendly National Administration there was a chance that the Virginia Republicans would hold together, for the sake of the spoils. That chance being taken away, they promptly fell to quarrelling. They are not willing to fight loyally for an unsuccessful cause, because they are Republicans for gain, not for principle.

Virginia will vote Democratic so long as the Republican party in that State is governed by men like Wise, Mahone and Riddleberger. And yet the Republican wonder why there is a solid South.—N. Y. Star.

Is Consumption Incurable. Read the following: Mr. C. H. Morris Newark, N. J., says: "Was down with Abscess of Lungs, and friends and physicians pronounced me incurable. Consumptive. Begun taking Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption, and now on my third bottle and am able to oversee the work on my farm. It is finest medicine ever made. Jesse Middlewell, Dealer Ohio says: "It has been for Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption I would have died of Lung Trouble. Was given up by doctors. Am now in best of health." Try it. Sample bottles free at A. W. Rowland's Drug Store.

What Do Wants. Mr. Harrison says that the Republican party has made a more perfect Union secure by making all men free, and then he adds that "Washington and Lincoln Yorktown and Appomattox, the Declaration of Independence and the Proclamation of Emancipation" are naturally associated in thought. Washington and Lincoln! Think of that. Yorktown and Appomattox! The Declaration of Independence and the Proclamation of Emancipation! The Declaration of Independence associated with a proclamation emancipating the negroes whom the author of the proclamation has taken an oath not to set free. He knew that he had no right to emancipate the slave. He had again and again declared that Congress had no power to abolish slavery even in the District of Columbia and the platform upon which he was elected President in 1860 declared that the Republican party did not propose to interfere with slavery in the State. In a word he went into office bound by solemn pledges as ever a man took not to issue an emancipation proclamation and yet found it in his heart to issue such a proclamation as a "war measure!" Yet Mr. Harrison couples that proclamation with the Declaration of Independence. He desires to get the negro vote.—Richmond Dispatch, Pro.

Enny good butter? inquired an old lady of the grocer. There's never any flies on our butter, ma'am. Then the old lady, whose knowledge of English is limited, said: Well, if flies won't eat it, 'tain't 'nough fer me and she went across the way where only the choice brands are sold.—New York Sun.

Marion I rejected Mr. Darringer last evening. Why, Kate? He was entirely too profane. Impossible! A lover couldn't be. And he was as gushing as he was voluminous. He praised my eyes, hair and complexion. He— "Oh, Kate, that was just lovely. But his grandma, Marion. That was the hidden reef which wrecked him. He said that. Goodness! I expected to hear him say: "Your nose aye!" I love him, and it makes my heart ache to think about it—but I can never marry him. No, never.—Detroit Free Press.

Blossom—Don't you think Dumpey gave us a rattling speech last night? Popinjay—Yes; it was so dry that it couldn't help rattling.

NEWS OF A WEEK.

WHAT IS HAPPENING IN THE WORLD AROUND US. A condensed report of the news as gathered from the columns of our contemporaries, State and National.

An Agricultural Fair will be held in Statesville in October. Tarboro has a Cotton Factory with a capital stock of \$100,000. Rutherford will have a county Teacher's Institute this summer. Stephen Freeman, the negro rapist, was hung in Wilmington last week.

The indications point to a short tobacco crop, we see from the Recorder. Crops in some parts of Chatham are greatly damaged by a continued drought. Over three thousand dollars have been subscribed to the Durham Exposition fund.

The last issue of the Scottish Chief was a credit to its editors; it was full of good matter. The Shelby Democratic Club held a big ratification meeting Monday night of last week. Asheville has voted to devote one hundred thousand dollars to build a system of sewerage. There are 31,821 Baptist churches in the United States, with a total membership of 3,917,315.

It is reported that Barrum will visit this State in November. Election and Barrum! Whoopie! Henry Grady will resign as editor of the Atlanta Constitution and start a paper at Birmingham, Ala. Abbot Leo Haid has been consecrated Bishop of Mississippi. He was appointed Vicar Apostolic of North Carolina.

Andrew Lipton, of Pamlico Co., while out hunting shot and killed two bears. One of them weighed 300 pounds. Governor Scales has appointed Dr. W. C. Potter, of Greensboro a member of N. C. State Board of Pharmacy. J. W. Moore, of Beaufort county, has been appointed Commissioner of works for the 3rd district, Carteret county.

The Patriot says large shipments of peaches and apples are made from Greensboro every day to the Northern market. Judge James C. McRae will hold Catawba Superior Court next week. Judge Gilmer, who was laid up, is now better, being sick. The first bale of cotton of the new crop for 1888 was shipped by express from Albany, Ga., to New York, on the 5th inst.

The Washboro Silk Mills still continue their shipments of manufactured silk. It is of good quality and finds a ready sale. Durham county is troubled with a surplus of \$3,000 in the treasury and is talking of improving the roads of the county with it. There is not a licensed bar-room in the county of Robeson, the Maxton Union heralds to the world with apparent satisfaction. Durham is to have a new daily. It will be called The Evening Star and will have for its motto "Wake, old Mistress, day's a breaking".

The colored members of the Farmers' Alliance of Asson county met in Wadeboro last Thursday and organized a County Alliance. The negro who attempted to commit rape in the neighborhood of Manly last week has been captured and lodged in Carthage jail. Near Shelby, N. C., last week a boy named John Hinson, six years old, was kicked on the head by a horse, from which he died in a short time. The grand jury at Raleigh has presented the following bills against C. E. Cross and S. C. White, two cases of forgery and two of false pretence. It is highly probable Senator Vance will be present and deliver an address before the Inter-State Farmers' Convention in Raleigh in August. A daughter of Mr. J. G. Whittington, of Harnett county, was bitten by a rattlesnake last week. She was very ill afterwards, but is recovering. A new post office has been established in Harnett county. It is called Dickinson and is between Dunn and Lillington. Mr. McN. McKay is postmaster. Mr. J. S. Cunningham has been chosen Chief Marshal of the Roanoke and Tar River Agricultural Society. It will be held in Weldon the first week in November. There is a child ear Grantabro, Pamlico county, ten months old, with a head twice as large as an ordinary man's head. The child is healthy and growing rapidly. The Grand Commandery of Knight Templars will hold its annual convocation at Winston commencing August 1st, 1888 8 o'clock p. m. J. K. Hatch, a young man 22 years old, from near Rock Hill, died in Hilday, S. C., last week of hydrophobia, caused by a cat bite received nearly a year ago. The ex-Confederate soldiers of Chatham county will hold a reunion at Pittsboro the 1st Thursday in August next. It will be a grand occasion. Senators Vance and Ransom and Maj. Stedman will address the people.

COMING ELECTIONS.

There are no longer October elections in pivotal State to indicate or influence the vote for President in November. There are however, States that will hold elections prior to the November election. Tennessee elects a Governor on Thursday the 2nd of August. Alabama has its biennial election on the 1st Monday in August. The Arkansas State election occurs on the first Monday in September. Next comes Vermont on the first Tuesday in September. Maine follows with an election on the second Monday in September. Georgia is the only October State, as its election on the first Wednesday of that month.

Don't Experiment. You cannot afford to waste time in experimenting when your lungs are in danger. Consumption always seems, at first, only a cold. Do not permit any dealer to impose upon you with some cheap imitation of Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption, Coughs and Colds, but be sure you get the genuine. Because he can make more profit he may tell you he has something just as good, or just the same. Don't be deceived, but insist upon getting Dr. King's New Discovery which is guaranteed to give relief in all Throat Lung and Chest affections. Trial bottles free at A. W. Rowland Drug Store Large bottles \$1.

Jim Webster—What preacher's winter baptist date baby? Sam Johnson—Parson Whangadoodie Baxter. How much does he gift? Two dollars! You ought to git Parson Bledsoe. He'll do hit for dollars. Huh! what sorter baptism kin yer get for a dollar! Ef yer has got yer doubt about hit's efficacy you can hab de chile baptized twice for de money what yer pays Parson Whangadoodie Baxter.

Col. Don Platt has entered Senator Ingalls' chosen field to contend with him with his preferred weapon vituperation. The Senator's record is well known to be valuable and unassailable and Col. Platt with rejuvenescent power exposes it with the picturesque imagery and boldness of Western style. It looks like the Senator has met his match.

Don'ting Young Man—What proof have we sir that matches are made in heaven?—Ceryman—The best possible, one was thrown from there. Hey? er, you don't mean it now, do you? Assuredly Lucifer, you know struck and was fired, Birmingham Republican.

Gov. Gray and Ex-Senator McDonald don't agree generally in their opinions but both of them are confident that the Democrats will carry Indiana. What it is gratifying to notice the amount of facts they exhibit the value of work is as great as ever. No doubt they will get to work in due time.

Great Britain is being treated to some extraordinary weather for July. There was snow in London Wednesday.

Happiness is only relative, and some people find that it is distant relative indeed.

THE TOBACCO ASSOCIATION.

The Tobacco Association of North Carolina composed of all tobacco planters dealers and manufacturers will meet at Morehead in annual convention August 25th.

Minnie Carter, a milaio woman of this town, was shot by David Watkins in Fayetteville last week. She will recover. Watkins was bound over for his appearance at court.

Ten years ago there was no manufacturing enterprise in Goldsboro. To-day there ten flourishing industries and the Wayne County Agricultural Association, Vanity Goldsboro is booming.

A baby has been born in Madison county with a natural bustle on it. In the same county last week a mother gave birth to three at one clatter, but the bustle attachment was left off. The bustle must go.

During the past few weeks a surface land here has been buried under a mass of sand. The quality of the ore is as good as any on the American Continent.

Durham is to have a grand Exposition of her trade, industries and resources in October next.—The Thurman will be invited to be present. We hope he will come.

The Old Dominion steamer have carried 6,000 barrels of potatoes from Washington, N. C., during the present season. It is probable the Clyde Line have carried equally as many.

The contract for the construction of the buildings for the Wayne Agricultural Works has been signed. They will be for brick, four in number, two for the works and warehouse and two for boiler house and engine room.

Last week Governor Scales pardoned J. K. Ballard, of Anson county, for larceny and C. A. Eiland, of this county. The latter, a policeman at Bell's Ferry, was in the performance of his duty struck a man from the effects of which he died.

Active arrangements are being made at Mt. Holly for the Grange Encampment to be held there in August. New buildings are being erected and there will be better accommodations for the crowd than there were last year. The programme is an unusually attractive one.

The Watobman has an interesting sketch of Salisbury. It is the oldest town in Western North Carolina, than the only one younger than the colony in Western Carolina. It was settled in 1724. It never had 2,000 people until 1870. Its present population is 5,150.

As an evidence of the success of the present trucking season, says the New Bern Journal, a small piece of land containing less than three acres, which only cost \$250 per acre, has produced a bean crop which has netted over \$700.

A Young Men's Democratic Club has been organized in Snow Hill. Its officers are: President, T. C. Wooten; Vice President, L. Geo. W. Scales; Secretary, J. H. Watson; Capt. W. A. Darden will address the next meeting of the Club.

James Reynolds, of New Bedford county, went down in South Carolina to get married last week. He took along to defray expenses, \$60 belonging to A. R. Eaves of Kershaw Co. He was arrested on Sunday morning and is now in jail awaiting a trial in a bridal chamber, in jail awaiting a request from Governor Scales.

At a local option election in Missouri the ladies were seen driving to the polls with young men whom they had induced to vote. Local option. Others were near the voting place with banners on which was inscribed "Temperance beaus or no beaus at all." They won by a big majority.

Hon. Walter Clark was elected President and Dr. D. E. Everitt Secretary and Treasurer, of the Shotwell Monument Association, a branch of the Shotwell Monument Association. Our readers know the objects of this Association is to raise funds to erect a suitable monument to the memory of Capt. Shotwell. Judge Fowle resigned the Presidency on account of the canvass.

All the prisoners confined in jail at Clinton escaped last week.—One of them succeeded in getting out of his cell, when he liberated the others. They then burst the door until the lock and bolts could be prized off. The next morning while the Sheriff was examining the extent of the damages two of the prisoners, Holmes and Johnson who were in on a charge of burglary and supposed to be implicated in the burning of the Methodist church, returned and asked to be allowed to occupy their cells in court convened, as they were innocent and wanted to be vindicated.

Greenville celebrated the Glorious Fourth in grand style. She had a brilliant parade headed by an antique chariot, with thirteen girls representing the original thirteen States. Dr. C. J. O'Hanran was Chief Marshal, Mr. C. U. Hill, ordinary man's head. The declaration of Independence, Mr. E. E. Tyson read the Mecklenburg Declaration. The address was delivered by Donnel Gilliam, Esq. of Taboro. A base ball game between Washington and Greenville was played in the afternoon, a protestable play and German at night completed the celebration, so we learn from the Reflector.

Wife—you say you shot the duck yourself, John? I can find no marks on it. Husband (who hadn't thought of that)—Well—er—my dear, the bird was very high up, you know, and perhaps the fall killed it.—Life.

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