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SOME VIEWS SUGGESTED BY THE APPROACHING STATE CONVENTION.

If we are not deceived the outlook for a Democratic victory in November in North Carolina is steadily improving. We are all prone to make our wishes father to our thoughts, and it may be that in surveying the political field we are misled by reports and opinions and draw too favorable augury from certain signs.

Whoever is not for the Democratic ticket is against it. It will be then seen, we must hope, that the bolters are not very numerous, and it will be known too how utterly powerless are so-called Democrats to mislead or beguile their fellows when they have broken ranks and deserted to the enemy.

Another thing to be considered is organization. There has never been anything like real organization in the Democratic party in North Carolina. If a person is fatuous enough to think so then he knows very little of what organization is.

If it were possible—and why not?—to organize every county as Jarvis organized his party in Pitt, we sincerely believe that the Democrats would carry North Carolina by full thirty thousand votes—possibly by many more.

It seems to us that the Convention ought not to adjourn until it has perfected a plan of thorough organization. A part of the plan of an effective campaign is to have the whole State thoroughly canvassed. In every township, and in every county the best speakers should take a hand.

after discussing great questions and showing the people why they should stand by the old Democratic flag, to get people to the polls. This can only be done by perfect, systematic, thorough organization.

Another thing, we may mention in this connection, that the State Convention should certainly do, is to adopt a plan of representation for that body. A rule should be adopted so as to prevent all future bodies from being unnecessarily large and unwieldy.

We shall refer to another important matter hereafter—the platform to be adopted. We recently expressed our views at some length, but just now it is allowable to give line upon line. Our sole aim is to save the State to the Democrats.

At a meeting of the members of Company E, 18th Regiment N. C. V., held at Point Caswell May 27th, Capt. J. R. Hawes was elected President, Capt. Thompson and Capt. John Moore, Vice Presidents, D. J. Corbett and H. A. Calvin, Secretaries, and Capt. John Moore, Treasurer.

At a meeting of the citizens of Point Caswell it was resolved to cordially invite the public generally to a basket picnic to be given at Point Caswell on the 4th day of July, on the occasion of the re-union of the surviving members of the 18th N. C. Regiment, by special invitation of Company E, of said regiment, and the following were appointed on the part of the citizens as a committee of arrangements:

At a meeting of the citizens of Pender County Farmers' Meeting. We are requested by Mr. James M. Westbrook, President, to notify the gentlemen appointed at the late meeting of farmers held at Spring Garden, to act as the Executive Committee of the Farmers' Association of Pender county, that there will be a meeting of said committee at Burgaw, Pender county, on the 20th day of June, 1892, and all of said committee are earnestly requested to be present, together with as many farmers generally as can or will attend, and in perfecting a useful and effective Farmers' Association, and cooperate in the effort to raise the profession to a higher degree of respectability, usefulness and influence.

The Revival at Burgaw. The great revival at Burgaw, referred to by us a few days ago as still in progress, is unabated. We hear these meetings are not attended by any excitement, but are none the less effective on that account. In fact, we learn that about fifty penitents presented themselves at the altar for prayer on Sunday night last, and about the same number on Monday night, many of the young men exhibiting a most interesting interest in the meetings.

Description of the Orton Murderer. As there seems to be no special effort made to capture and bring to justice Pharoah Sykes, the alleged murderer of Isabella Jones, at Orton, Brunswick county, on Wednesday of last week, and as no reward has been offered for his apprehension, we give herewith, as furnished by one of our magistrates, a description of the murderer, so that there may be a possibility of his capture by some one not specially interested except in seeing the law enforced and justice vindicated.

No lady or gentleman need suffer long with eczema, tetter, ring-worm, or any pimply rough dry scaly skin disease for Dr. C. V. Benson's Skin Cure is a perfect and reliable remedy for all skin diseases. Sold by all druggists at \$1 per package.

TERRIBLE ACCIDENT.

An Old Citizen Has His Skull Fearfully Crushed by a Falling Block of Wood, &c.

Mr. A. G. Black, formerly of Fayetteville, but for the past two or three years an esteemed citizen of this place, met with a terrible accident yesterday morning, about 9:30 o'clock. It appears that Mr. Black, who was employed at Capt. Sam. Skinner's marine railway, went to Wilson's steam saw mill to get some large block, for use at the shipyard; and also to pay a bill which was due by Capt. Skinner to Mr. Wilson.

Following this was Whiteville circuit, with cheering report by Brother Puest, the pastor, he at the same time recommending the two circuits be formed from his charge. The resolution was offered recommending the publications of the American Tract Society, which was adopted.

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M. E. DISTRICT CONFERENCE.

Proceedings of the Wilmington District Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church at Salem Church, Cumberland County.

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preached with that clearness and force for which he is noted. Rev. W. H. North preached in the grove. Mr. North is a young man of fine promise, devoted to his work, preaches as a young man of research, pleasant in his address, and is surely one of the rising young men of the Conference.

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THE LUTHERANS.

Proceedings of the Southern General Synod—Installation Ceremonies—Howard University Endorsed—Foreign Missions—Houston with the Northern Synod Rescinded.

CHARLOTTE, N. C., May 29.—On Sunday the various pulpits of the city were supplied by members of the General Synod. Pulpits of other places—at Concord, China Grove and Salisbury—were also supplied.

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Spirits Turpentine.

The Oxford Torchlight speaks highly of Prof. Winston's and Hon. Joseph J. Davis's addresses before the Horner School.

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