Bill Nye

Often spoke his witticisms laden with the greatest truths. Among the most noticeable, most Nyeish and most apropos is the following:

A man may use a wart on the back of his neck for a collar button; ride on the back coach of a train to save interest on his money until the conductor comes around; stop his watch at night to save the wear and tear; leave his "i" and "t" without a dot or cross to save ink; pasture his mother's grave to save corn; but a man of this kind is a gentleman and a scholar compared to a fellow who will take a newspaper, and when asked to pay for it, puts it into the post-office and has it marked, "Refused."

We are again sending bills to our subscribers. In the aggregate they amount to a very large sum. A any of our subscribers are respon. 12g promptly. Others pay no attenti n to the bills. These latter do not seem to understand that they are under any legal or moral obligation to pay for a newspaper.

CAPTURED BY THE GOLD MEN.

The gold men are doubtless pretty well satisfied with the financial plank of the St. Louis platform, which they dictated and is as positive a declaration for gold as they could have expected. There is an attempt at a straddle where the reference is made to "international agreement," and another bit of humbug put in with the deliberate intention of fool ing bimetallists with the pledge to endeavor to secure international agreement. Take it as a whole, this plank is substantially, although in somewhat different phraseology, the plank of 1892, which said as much both directly and by implication as this one does.

The declaration of adherence to the gold standard, however, has more significance now than it had then, for then the issue was not so clean cut between gold monometallism and the double standard as it is now, nor the demand so general or emphatic for the free coinage of silver at the old ratio. Then we had silver coinage under the operation of the Sherman law, a law which it was generally understood would be continued if the Republican party remained in power, but the repeal of that law practically put a stop to the coinage of silver, and relegated it to the mere commercial metals, where it will remain if the candidates of the party which is to control our financial policies be elected on a platform containing this financial plank. It puts this country on as absolutely gold basis as Great Britain is, with no possible hope for the double standard unless the people at the polls defeat the party that utters it.

But it is more than a declaration for gold. It is substantially an announcement to the silver States of the West and to the bimetallists in the Republican party that the Republican managers are relying upon the votes of gold men and gold States to elect their ticket and propose to get along without the votes of the silver States or of such bimetallists as they can't humbug with the fake pledge that the party will endeavor to secure international agree-

The extent to which the gold men have strengthened their grip on the Republican party is shown by the different tactics pursued now and in 1890, when to placate the silver States of the West and the bimetallists in the Republican party the Republican statesmen, in spired by John Sherman, who doubtless had a hand in framing this financial plank, passed the Sherman bill as a substitute for the Bland-Allison bill which they repealed at the dictates of the gold men. Ever since that day the power of the gold men over the Republican party has increased, and the result is the advanced position in favor of gold him after the verdict was rendered taken in the platform of this year, and the almost contemptuous treatment of the silver States, which they ought to stand in law over the

and keep within the party.

It is not difficult to see through this. The Republican managers have always been remarkable for the way in which they play politics, and the unscrupulous cunning they show in humbugging the masses, and getting the backing of the money power, whose dollars they have found mighty in their political contests. With their declaration for the protective tariff they expect to secure the active co-operation of the manufacturers who desire more protection, and that co-operation means also the free contribution of money. By this declaration for the gold standard they are counting on securing the votes of the gold men who think more of gold than they do of party clumsy system,

attachments, and also to secure the active co-operation of the money power which also means a large amount of money put down to carry through the ticket nominated upon the gold platform. This is the secret of this platform, and this defiance of the sentiment of the silver States and and of the bimetallic masses. They are basing their hopes on money against the people and with money they count on making the fight and winning.

The Republican leaders in this State have been coquetting with the Populists and trying to seduce them into fusion under the pretence that the Republican party and Candidate Russell were for free silver. The Populists see nowwhere the Republican party stands and where the Republican party of North Carolina stands, unequivocally and emphatically committed to gold. This ought to end the fusion talk with any Populist who has two grains of mother wit.

The free silver advocates may be congratulated on the position taken by the St. Louis Convention on this question, for it clears away the fog and makes the issue a clearcut one between the single gold standard and the double standard, just what we wanted and just what we have been fighting for. With such an issue the people know what they are vot-

MINOR MENTION.

As a rule the gold organs try to scare the working people of this country by calling their attention to the scale of wages in Japan, trying to create the impression that the low wages are the result of the silver standard which prevails in that country. But there are some of them honest enough to admit that the silver money of that country is not responsible for the low wages. Speaking of this the Philadelphia Ledger, a strong gold paper, candidly says: "The pittance received by Japanese skilled and unskilled labor is not due to the silver stand. ard. The Oriental standard of living is not comparable with that of American wage earners. The Japanese could work for very much less than the American under any monetary standard." This is a plain statement of fact and it applies not only to Japan but to China, Mexico, India and such other countries as have been cited as frightful warnings to the American wage earner. Wages, like everything else are governed by the law of supply and demand, and also, of course, by the supply of money, for where money is abundant the reward of labor wil be more liberal. Although there bas been a great industrial awakening in Japan there is a supply of labor entirely out of proportion to the demand for it, and while this is the case wages will be low, for employers are not going to pay high wages if they can have work done for low wages. That is business and in this respect the Japanese employer does not differ from the employer of other countries. High wages need not be expected in countries over-crowded with population, who have but little to do and are glad to work for any

Watch the stock market now. W do not pose as a prophet, but let us see if the gold men will not discover a marked improvement, a strengthening of "confidence" at home and abroad, as a result of the deliverance of the St. Louis platform makers on the financial question, and their determination to stand by the gold standard. This will be a part of the programme to influence popular seniment with those who are so far not decided in their convictions one way or the other, and it will be kept up until after the meeting of the Chicago Convention with the hope of influencing that to the adoption of a plank similar to that adopted at St. Louis. This programme can be played very easily by a combination between the Wall street manipulators and stock jobbers, who could afford to lose considerable money if they could accomplish their purpose. The plans of the manipulators embrace a good deal more than platform de-

wages they can get. If the gold

standard prevailed in that country

wages would be still lower.

clarations. If Judge Jackson, of Parkersburg, W. Va., is a sample of the judiciary of that State, it is an eminently level headed body. He recently sent to an asylum a man who was tried for the murder of his nephew and acquitted on the plea of insanity, although physicians who examined pronounced him of sound mind. The Judge thought the verdict of the jury then showed such a desire to placate opinion of an insanity expert, and if the murderer was crazy enough to murder his nephew he was crazy enough to go to an asylum.

> Typhold fever is raging in the neighborhood of Trenton, S. C., which reminds the Charleston News and Courier to suggest to those people the advisability of boiling their drinking water. Good advice wheththere be any typhoid fever around be cooked before swallowed.

Canada does not like England's clumsy currency system and wants | be from \$12,000 to \$25,000. -to have the civilized American decimal system adopted in place of it. It would be just like John Bull to insist that the Americans adopt his

The swallows of the town of Waco, Texas, have accomplished something that entitles them to distinction. The English sparrowhad about taken possession of the town when the swallows declared war against them, and after fights which raged in the heavens above and on the earth below, cleaned the sparrows out and drove the last one of them out of town and then proceeded to destroy the sparrows' nests.

They are finding many new uses for asbestos. Asbestos pads are beng used in the hospitals now as a substitute for warm poultices, the warmth being supplied by electricity. Asbestos pads are also being used in shoes, as a protection against both heat and cold, in addition to which they make the foot-gear more elastic. With such shoes one may step on live wires with impunity.

A Swedish inventor has invented butter making apparatus which called a radiator, which makes the butter directly from sterilized milk, and does the work in one minute. It has been used successfully in that country for more than six months and it is said will revolutionize the business of butter-making.

The pen is mightier than the word. More steel is used in the manufacture of pens than in the manufacture of swords, guns and needles. One firm in Birmingham, England, makes 150,000,000 pens a week, and women do nearly all the

Mr. Hanna indignantly denies that he has been holding conferences with Platt, of New York. Hanna's feeling for Platt is such that it is our opinion that he wouldn't like to be caught dead in the same house with

Word comes from St. Louis that Platt, of New York, will not bolt. The mischief he will not. He will take down candidates, platform and all at one gulp, although it may strain him somewhat.

Tanner, the faster, and all the other fasters so far, have been eclipsed by the Michigan woman who has lived one hundred and seven days without taking food of any

"The Powers" are talking about sending another protest to the Porte. The only protest the Porte will give a thought to must come in uniform and carrying a gun.

The editor of the Mobile Register declines an invitation to join a Hay Fever Association. Very few editors have time to fool with Hay Fever.

Judging from the reported utterances of Postmaster Hesing, of Chicago, our opinion is that he is

built after the Hessian style. SPIRITS TURPENTINE.

- Carthage Blade: The crops never looked better than at present. They are all pretty clean of grass and are growing by jumps and

- Charlotte News: Mrs. M. M. Fincher, formerly of Monroe, but who has been living with Mrs. H. D. Austin, on South Tryon street, in this city, for a year past, died this morning at 5 o'clock. She was 79 years of age. - Mr. J. B. Tod, from Maritzburg Natal, South Africa, registered at the Central to day, He is a gold miner by profession, having worked extensively in the gold fields of Africa, and is here to investigate the gold mines of Mecklenburg.

- Mount 'Airy News: Mr. L. Whittington, of Wilkes, who found the gold mine near his home recently, seems to be lucky in gold finding. He is now at work on a new vein in that county which promises to be richer than the first one. He has an option on the land until September 1st, and if at that time he is pleased with the ore, he pays the owner \$3,000 for his land. Until that time he hires the owner by the day and gives him 1-10 of all the gold found. It is said that pieces of gold as large as a grain of corn have been found there. This gold discovery is not very far from the thriving, go ahead town of North Wilkes-

- Wilkesboro Chronicle : There was a sad suicide near Clingman last Saturday. Mr. Lena Hanes, wife of the late Bud Hanes, took her own life Saturday afternoon by hanging herself to the joist. She had had symptoms of insanity, but was thought to be all right again. She and her four little children were alone that evening, when she told them she had lived long enough and sent them to their grandpa's. The children told about what their mother said and some of the folks went to the house immediately, but found the joist, dead. She was the daughter of Martha Shores. Her mother same manner and in the same neigh-

- Raleigh Press Visitor : The town of Wake Forest was the center of a hail storm Saturday night, the this section. Growing crops were laid on the ground and much damage was done to property. The sad feature of the storm was the frightful destruction of crops, principally cotton. No representation is equal to the reality. Fields of green, healthy, growing cotton were utterly destroyed, and all the evidence of this that remains is hundreds of badly beaten stalks, entirely barren of leaves. The eye can rest on a field of cotton and not a leaf is visior not. The microbes should always | ble anywhere. The area covered by the storm has not been ascertained, but the damage done crops so far as is learned is estimated variously to Saturday night lightning struck a large oak near Mr. Crocker Dunn's place on the Louisburg road. The lightning entered a stable adjoining the oak, which was an extremely

beautiful tree, killing two cows.

RALEIGH HAPPENINGS.

POLITICAL GOSSIP AND OTHER MATTERS

AT THE STATE CAPITAL.

Some Democrats Think Teller Should be Nominated For President by the Chi esgo Convention - Anti-Bussell Mass Meeting Called to Meet in Raleigh-Patal Accident-Gov. Care in Norfolk. [Special Star Correspondence.]

RALEIGH, N. C., June 17. It is not certain whether the inmates of the Soldiers' Home will attend the reunion of the Confederate veterans at Richmond or not. It does not seem that they will be able to go unless transportation is provided them. Raleigh will send a delegation of 200.

Governor's Carr's party left at noon on a special car for Norfolk, Va., to attend the Hughes-Davis wedding.

Posters are being distributed over the State announcing the anti-Russell mass meeting which is called to convene here July 2nd.

shot in the head last evening by the accidental discharge of a Flobert rifle, and he is now in a dangerous condition. The Street Railway Company put on an illuminated car last evening, which was beautifully radiant with electric lights studded all over the car.

A young boy named Ted Physioc was

day from Special Agent Perry, who was commissioned by Gov. Carr to arrest Bud Chapman, a mountain highwayman. Perry states in his report that he was very sorry that it became necessary to shoot Chapman in trying to effect his capture and that it resulted fatally.

The Governor received a report to-

There are a number of Democrats in Raleigh who think Teller should be nominated at Chicago by the Democratic National Convention for President. They say he alone can solidify the silver vote. Col. M. T. Leach is for Teller.

It would not seem that Col. Jule Carr would accept the nomination for Governor, from what some of his friends say. I am inclined to think that he will refuse the nomination which it seems now will be offered him.

Prof. Meserve, president of Shaw University, left for New York to-day to attend a meeting of the trustees of the University Special Star Telegram.

It is stated that the call for the Populist State Convention will not be issued until after the Democratic Convention. VISITORS FROM NEWBERN.

Excursion of the Bicycle Club to Wilmington and to Ocean View - Over the Turnpike - A Delightful Trip to the

Beaside. There was an excursion from Newbern to Ocean View yesterday, run by the Newbern Bicycle Club, consisting of ninety wheels, and a good number who were without wheels. They arrived at the Seacoast and W., N. & N. rall road crosssing about 10 a. m., where they mounted their cycles and rode down the turnpike to Atlantic View. There they took the Seacoast train for Ocean View. Oa arriving at Ocean View many of the party, on invitation, stopped at the Clarendon Yacht Club house, to rest and enjoy the refreshing sea breeze from the porch of that delightful Summer resort. Others went on to the pavilion, the bath house, the

hotels and other places along the beach. A large number called on Mrs. Mayo, of the Ocean View Hotel, and Mrs. Yopp, of the Atlas House, for dinner, which was served to the utmost satisfaction, notwithstanding that they had only two honrs' notice to prepare for their extra guests. After dinner the party devoted an hour to surf bathing, gathering shells, etc, until 4 p. m., when they proceeded to the first toll house on the shell road, where they were met by the Wilmington Bicycle Club and escorted to the city and through the principal streets. At 8 p. m. they took the train for their homes in Newbern,

highly delighted with their trip. The following are the names of those belonging to the Cycle Club who appear on the visitors' book at the Clarendon Yacht Club house: T. G. Hyman, Mrs. I. B. Hayman, Messrs. Brady and Hyman, Jno. Dunn, Miss Mary Oliver, W. W. Clark, J. Watkins, Mrs. J. C. Watkins, Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Petts, Mrs. R. S. Primrose, B. B. Neal, Miss Jennie Watson, T. W. Drewry, Mrs. T. W. Drewry; J. M. Howard, Mrs. M. M. Marks, Miss M. Daniels, Miss L. Fowler, Miss B. Williams, E. R. Williams, J. B. Ives, H. M. Grooms, Mrs. T. A. Green, Mrs. C. Clark, Mrs. M. Clark, M. S. Mace, G.W. Waters, A. E. Hibbard, P. A. Willis, Miss M. Simmons, N. C. Hughes, Miss E. Disosway, Miss L. Hughes, Miss S. Hollister, Miss E. Stevenson, J. S. W. Burruss, W. H. Chadbourn, Jr., E. N. Bishop, Miss H. Hollister, J. W. Stewart, Miss Janie Stewart, J. C. Daniels, Miss M. Bryan.

Arrivals at the Ocean View Hotel vesterday were: P. M. Miller, Sr., Mrs. L. D. Hargrave, P. M. Miller, Jr., and wife, R. W. Gray and niece, Charlotte, N. C; Mrs. Witcover and children, Marion, S. C.; J. D. Black, Benj. Frank Little, Kalamazoo, Mich.; O. T. Bugg, New York, and 68 of the Cycle Company of Newbern, N. C.

Messrs. Jas. E. Holton, Wm. T. Mc-Carthy and Ed. Baugert, of Newbern. while on their way to the W., N. & N. R. R. depot last evening, were arrested while on their bicycles, for riding without lanterns. The Mayor telephoned her hanging by a rope fastened to from his Sound residence to dismiss them, as they were not acquainted with the law, and they were let loose just too killed hersel a few years ago in the late to catch the train. The boys who got left were in a pickle, as the excursion train left while they were in

> - The prayerful attention of our bor-in-law George Geewhilliking Zadoc Zebedee French is called to the telegram from Bangor, Maine, printed in the STAR to-day, narrating the painful fact that the Democratic Convention of the Fourth Congressional District of Maine went for free silver with a

- Speaker Tom Reed never perpetrated a better joke than he did in appointing Pop. Parson Martin as member of the Committee on Military Affairs. "Hang our banners on the outer walls."

- Mr. B. F. Keith requests the STAR to make the following announcement: "Senator Butler will speak here to the silver men on Friday night, the 26th inst. All are invited.

Hood's Sarsaparilla purifies the blood, overcomes that tired feeling, creates an appetite, and gives refreshing sleep.

no pay required. It is give perfect satisfaction funded. Price 25 cents sale by R. R. Bellamy.

CAROLINA BEACH.

Formal Opening of the Oceanic Hotel-Grand Ball-A Large Number of Visitors The Steamer Wilmington Made Three Trips-Delightful Music-Bervice at the Hotel Unsurpassed.

The announcement of an opening ball Carolina Beach attracted large crowds to that popular Summer resort. Three trips were made by the boat, the last two at 5 and 8 o'clock p. m. The last boat took down the Italian string band which furnished delightful music for the occa-

That very clever and courteous veteran hotel proprietor, Mr. R. A. Jenkins, of Winston-Salem, has opened the Hotel 'Oceanic." Its rooms are well filled with guests. He is having a good patonage and deserves it, for he is giving irst class service, furnishing all the salt water delicacies usually found at seaside resorts: neat and pretty lady waitresses attend the tables and everything is as clean and nice as could be desired by Capt. Harper has entire management

of the Beach property now. He has

added a great many improvements. The

engine and cars of the train have been

overhauled and are in charge of the poite and clever conductor, Capt. Smith. Most of the cottages are rented and this eason bids fair to be the most success ful the Beach has ever experienced. A better or cheaper outing could not he had than a trip to the Beach these hot sultry days. For twenty-five cents one gets an hour's ride on one of the most elegant Summer boats in this part

of the country, and then a short and comfortable ride through pine trees to one of the finest beaches on the Atlantic

Mebane-Fullwood,

Yesterday morning at a quarter to nine o'clock Mr. Harry S. Fullwood of Baltimore and Miss Anna Mebane, daughter of Mr. C. P. Mebane, of this city, were united in the bonds of matrimony at the First Presbyterian church, Rev. Dr. Hoge officiating.

A large number of the friends of the bride and groom witnessed the ceremony. The wedding was very quietly conducted, and the bridal couple left at 9.20 for Norfolk, Baltimore and other Northern points on a short tour. Miss Lila Morrison was maid of honor and Mr. R. B. Pegram, of Richmond, best man. The ushers were Messrs. W. W. Roberts, J. V. B. Metts, E. P. Willard and Jas. M. Stevenson. Miss Lucy Chadbourn presided at the organ,

Mr. and Mrs. Fullwood will make their home in Baltimore. Mr. Fullwood is a travelling agent for the Standard Oil Company.

MAXTON NEWS ITEMS.

Maxton Correspondent of the Lumberton Robesonian]

Miss Fair Payne is spending her vacation at home, and is beloing to make our community lively and more happy Miss Meddie Stewart has gone to Asheville to attend the sessions of the Teachers' Assembly. She expects to section.

We find the name of Numa Reid Stansel, son of Mr. B Stansel, of this county. on the honor roll of the Sophomore class at the College of Agriculture and Mechanic Arts. This is pleasing to his

A. J. McKinnon, of Maxton: J. T. ohn, Ir., of Johns Station, and Douglass Jennings, of Bennettsville, S. C. have arranged for an excursion which will eave Bennettsville at 8 o'clock Tuesday morning, June 30th, passing Maxton at 904 and arriving at Wilmington at 1.46 p. m. This excursion differs from those uncomfortable one-day affairs, in that will remain on the coast until ? clock p. m., Thursday, July 2d.

An enthusiastic meeting of the Democrats of precinct No. 1 of Maxton lownship was held last Saturday afternoon. There was a good attendance and a confident feeling pervaded the convention. Hon. J. F. Payne presided and made a clear and forcible speech. Messrs. J. K. Hill and W. B. Harker avoring free coinage of silver and gold and instructing the delegates to vote as unit in accordance with that resoluion; favoring a tariff for revenue only and an income tax: and for the repeal of the ten per cent, tax on State banks of ssue, were unanimously passed.

IDAHO FOR SILVER.

Democratic State Convention Demand Prompt Bastoration of Bimetalliam. POCATELLO, IDAHO, June 16 .- The Democratic State Convention was in session to day. It adopted these reso-

utions: WHEREAS, The Democrats of Idaho are profoundly impressed with the overshadowing importance of the financial question and believe that all the politial questions should be subordinated to

Resolved. That we affirm our devotion to the principles of Democracy as taught by I fferson and Jackson, and that we demand the immediate restoration of the free and unlimited coinage of gold to 1, as such coinage existed prior to 1873, without waiting for the action of any other nation on earth: that such gold and silver to be full legal tender for all debts, public and private.

SILVER DEMOCRATS IN MAINE.

Fourth Congressional District Voted Dow Gold Resolutions.

BANGOR, ME., June 16,-At the ourth Congressional District Damocratic Convention. to-day, Ara Warren, f Bangor, and Richard W. Sawyer, of Calais, were elected delegates to the National Convention at Chicago Alternates-Dr. C Gilmore Wells, of Oldsown, and James H. Gray, of Lubre For Representative in Congress, A. Chase, of Sibre, was nominated. The convention voted down a resolution declaring for the gold standard, and

> LOUISIANA FOR SILVER. Among the Delegates at Lirge.

adopted a free coinage resolution.

BATON ROUGE, June 16 .- The Democratic State Convention at a late hour last night adopted a platform including the following: Resolved. That we are in favor of the

soundest and best money the ingenuity Alexinder-Motte. of man can invent. And that as experience has demonstrated that this money consists of both gold and silver, with rual rights of coinage and full equ tender power, on the basis of sixteen ounces of silver to one of gold, the delegates from the convention to the Chicago convention are hereby instructed to support a plank in the national platform declaring for the free and unlimited coinage of silver at said ratio, with full legal tender power and without reference to the action of the other nations, and to support the candidacy before said convention of such men only as are in full and pronounced sympathy with said plank, and in order that our views may be more effectively enforced.

the said delegates are hereby instructed to vote as a unit. Bucklen's Arnica Salve.

THE BEST SALVE in the world for Cuts, Bruises, Sores, Ulcers, Salt Rheum. Fever Sores, Tetter, Chapped Hands, Chilblains, Corns, and all Skin Eruptions and positively cures Piles or

SEVE ? E HAIL STORM.

DESTRUCTIVE TO GROWING CROPS IN WAKE COUNTY.

Damage Estimated at Over \$15,000-Teacherst Assembly at Asheville-Death of M. L. Rosenthal-Frightful Accident at Rale'gh-A Octored Man and Child Killed by a Bullcoad Train. [Special Star Correspondence.]

RALEIGH. N. C., Juge 15.

The most destructive hail storm ever known in this section occurred Saturday night at Wake Forest, this county. The damage to crops was frightfully large. Young cotton, corn, oats and all growing crops were torn to pieces over an area of two by six miles. In some instances the storm made skips and left some portions of crops unhart. The young cotton was in most instances ectirely stripped of all signs of vegetation and nothing but bare stalks remain. These will die. Farmers are making preparations to plant peas and corn in place of the cotton and other destroyed crops. The damage is estimated at between \$15,000 and \$25,000. Window lights were broken out. The size of the stones was about that of small bird eggs. Yesterday morning. fifteen hours after the storm, hailstones to the depth of fourteen inches were measured in drifts around the college

buildings. Prof. Chas. J. Parker, secretary of the Teachers' Assembly, leaves to-night for Asheville to make preparations for the opening of the session of the Assembly there Tuesday night. About sixty people from Raleigh will go. The session promises to be very successful.

M. L. Rosenthal, a well known and wealthy citizen, died here last evening. Mr. Rosenthal's estate is valued at \$75,-000, which is equally divided between three children, to remain intact until all become of age. His remains were carried to Baltimore.

Yesterday afternoon a frightful accient occurred just south of the city by the train from Goldsboro running over and killing Joe Hardy and a nine-year-old girl, both colored. Hardy was about sixty years old. The girl and a small boy were on the track in front of the engine endeavoring to scare a goat off. The old man saw their peril and attempted to save them, but he and the young girl were run down by the engine. Their remains were brought here.

A STRONG TESTIMONIAL.

OFFICE OF CRONLY & MORRIS. Auctioneers,

STOCK AND REAL ESTATE BROKERS. No. 120 Princess Street. WILMINGTON, N. C., June 10, 1896. Dr. Louis H. Matthez, City:

DEAR SIR-The glasses received on Monday, I must say, are perfect; and I do appreciate them. Have had none-before to equal them for my sight or comfort and must also feel obliged for your

nations as a perfect optician. Your explanations, and "why" for every one of them, were certainly fully appreciated. You are certainly energetic, skilful and very courteous, and any one who

visits your rooms for treatment must be fully satisfied. Very truly yours, M. CRONLY.

CIRCUIT CRIMINAL COURT. Special Term-Judge Mesres Presiding-The Grand Jury.

A special term of the Circuit Criminal Court, Judge Meares presiding, convened yesterday at 10 a. m. in the court The grand jury (the same as at the

last term of court) is as follows: Jno. T. Brown, S. D. Strickland, C. R. Branch, S. A. Brewer, Monto Hewett, Anson Alligood, O. H. Kennedy, Geo. Irving, C. D. Ford, J. Berg, C. H. Gilbert, E. S. McGowan, Geo. Haar, Thos. Lossing, G. T. B'and. The grand jury returned true bills

against Deddy Gardner, Wm. Gilliam, Joe Hill and Jao. Henry Williams, for larceny. The following cases were disposed of:

Jas. Howe. Jr., charged with resisting an officer, submitted and judgment was suspended upon payment of costs. Thos. Multord and W. H. Bress charged with obstructing railroad cars. Mulford submitted to a verdict of trespass and judgment as to him was suspended upon payment of costs. Nol. pros. was entered as to defendant Bress. At 5 p. m. Court took recess until 10 a. m. to-day.

ROBESON COUNTY.

Democratic Convention-Free Coinage Res olutions Adopted - Delegates to State Convention Uninstructed - Lockhart Endorsed For Congress - Sentence of Gus Thompson Commuted.

[Special Star Telegram.]

LUMBERTON, N. C., June 5.-The Democratic Convention of Robeson county for the election of delegates to the State and Congressional Conventions was held here to-day and was well attended, sixteen of the eighteen townships being represented. Resolutions favoring the free and unlimited coinage of silver were unanimously adopted, and Hon. Jas. A. Lockhart was endorsed for Congress The delegates to the State

Convention were uninstructed. The sentence of Gus Thompson, who was to be hanged here next Friday, has been commuted to life imprisonment.

A white man who has been in the city

for two or three days, and who was evidently under the influence of liquor tried to drown himself at the C. F. & Y. V. railroad wharf yesterday morning. He had taken off nearly all his clothes and was lowering himself into the water. when he was caught and pulled back by some of the railroad employes. The man was turned over to the police and locked up until sober. He refused to ive his name, but said his home was in Fayetteville.

Mr. Arthur B. Motte, of this city, was united in marriage last Monday night at columbia, S. C., to Miss Nannie Belle Alexander, of that city. The marriage took place at Marion Street Methodist parsonage, Rev. P. L. Kirton conducting the ceremony. Mr. Motte is a son of Mr. Benj. Motte, foreman of the STAR composing rooms, and has a large number of friends here who extend congratulations to the happy couple. They will make Wilmington their home. Free Pills.

Send your address to H. E. Bucklen Co., Chicago, and get a free sample box of Dr. King's New Life Pills. A trial will convince you of their merits. These pills are easy in action and are particularly effective in the cure of Constipation and Sick Headache. For Malaria and Liver troubles they have been proved invaluable. They are guaranteed to be perfectly free from every deleterious substance and to be purely vegetable. They do not weaken by their acno pay required. It is guaranteed to give perfect satisfaction or money refunded. Price 25 cents per box. For R. R. BELLAMY, Druggist.

ST. LOUIS CONVENTION

THE FINANCIAL PLANK OF THE PLAT-FORM CAUSING TROUBLE.

Dramatic Scene in the Room of the Committee on Resolutions-Senators Teller, Dubois and Cennon Announce That They Will Leave the Party if the Gold Sundard is Adopted-Convention Adjourned Until To-day After Beceiving Report of the Committe on Creder tials.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star. ST. LOUIS, June 17.-It was 10.80 when Chairman Foraker called the full Committee on Resolutions together. The platform was read by paragraphs, the agreement being that each paragraph should be voted upon separately. The preamble was objected to and the phraseology was ordered to be changed, so that the wording of the paragraph

should be less obscure. Mr. Teller, of Colorado, arose and stated that he had prepared a minority report on the financial plank, which he would present when the subject was reached. The remainder of the platform, he added, was entirely satisfactory to him. The tariff plank was agreed to unanimously. So also was the sugar plank. A strong declaration was made for a protective duty on wools and woollens. The protection of American shipbuilding and the development of American commerce was also demanded. All of Mr. Teller's amendments to the inancial plank were voted down.

There was a pathetic scene in th committee room when the financial plank was reached and Senator Teller, of Colorado, presented his minority report. It took the form of a substitute and declared in general terms for the free and unlimited coinage of silver at a ratio of 16 to 1. Senator Teller spoke for thirty minutes. His utterances were followed with deep interest, for all present realized that the hour had arived when one of the founders of the Republican party, a man who has been conspicuous in Republican councils for a third of a century, was taking a step which would separate him from his party friends.

Mr. Teller spoke with deep emotion and the sincerity of his purpose was so manifest that his words produced a deep impression. He spoke of his long connection with the Republican party. it was the party of his young manhood, the party of his choice. It was the party with which he had affiliated for thirty-five years. It was a party that had given him great honors and he had served it loyally. "But," he exclaimed, in a voice of deep earnestness, "the time has come when I shall be obliged to leave it if it declares for the single gold standard.

He explained in conclusion, that he had not originally intended to speak at such length, but that he was carried way by the importance of his subject. It was purely a matter of conscience and principle. There was no question of personal ambition involved. Time alone could tell whether he or the framers of this plank were right.

Senator Lodge, of Massachusetts, explained that no choice was left to the committee but to adopt the plank in uestion. He expressed his high appreciation of Mr. Teller, and stated his belief that he was acting from conscientious motives, but that the Republicans had come to the parting of the ways, and that in separating from Mr. Teller and his associates, he wished to announce that they carried with them

the full respect of the committee.

Mr. Cleveland, of Nevada, asserted

that with such a plank his State could not be kept in the Republican column Mr. Lemon, of California, said that the Western men had come here under the belief that the committee would be friendly to silver. He explained his connection with the last three Republican campaigns in California; that they had done what they could to keep the Sia'e in line, but the effect of this action would be to wipe out a Republican majority of 40 000 and make the State Democratic Mr. Cannon, of Utah, like Mr. Teller, created a profound sentation by the earnestness of his remarks. His voice was choked with emotion several times and he proceeded with great difficulty. He pointed out that Utah had been converted from a Democratic Territory into a Republican State, but that it would be irretrievably lost if the party were committed to the gold standard. He bitterly deplored the necessity which compelled

him to leave the party of his-choice, but existing circumstances left him no alter-Mr. Mott, of North Carolina, asserted that he had gone into this campaign for McKinley believing that gentleman was friendly to silver. He had failed to find any utterance of McKinley's to the contrary. If Mr. McKinley was unfavorable to silver there was nothing in his record

to show it. Before a sote was taken on Mr Teller's 16 to 1 substitute, Mr. Darling ton of Pennsylvania arose and replied specifically to Senator Teller's declaration that the Republican party had fallen under the domination of Lombard

and Wall streets. THE CONVENTION was called to order at 10.45, three-quarters of an hour behind time, when prayer was offered by the Rev. Dr. W. G. Wil-

The report of the Committee on Permanent Organization was presented and read. It named Senator | M. Thurston of Nebraska, as chairman, made the secretaries, sergeant-at-arms and other temporary officers, permanent officers of the convention, and gave a list of vice presi dents, one from each State, as agreed on by the delegation. Senator Thurston took the chair amid

tumultuous applause and addressed the convention. On motion of Gov. Bushnell, of Ohio the convention then adjourned until It was 2.45 when the chairman's (Mr

Thurston) hammer knocked for order and announced that the afternoon session would be opened with prayer by Bishop Arnett, of Wilberforce College, Mr. Madden, of Chicago, was recog nized by the chair for a special purpose.

of the house in which Lincoln once The chairman, in accepting it, expressed the hope that the inspiration of the immortal Lincoln might fill the hearts of the convention to higher pa-

Mr. Madden then, in appropriate terms.

presented a gavel made from a portion

Judge Penny, of Kentucky, presented second gavel made from the wood which formed part of the homestead of Henry Clay, the father of protection. The report of the Committee on Credentials was then presented by its chairnan. Mr. Fort, of New Jersey. port was in favor of seating the Higgins delegates from Delaware, and the delegates at large and delegates from Texas on the list headed by John Grant. The rest of the report, read by the secretary,

the temporary organization, be approved as the permanent roll of this convention. The chairman of the Committee on Resolutions was recognized and reported

that the platform would be ready at

recommended that the roll of delegates

and alternates of the convention from

the several States and Territories, as

prepared by the National Committee for

Discussion was then commenced under the previous question on the mafority and minority reports, each side being allowed twenty minutes. Mr. Fort, of New Jersey, opened the discussion. He said that the minority of the committee made their propositions, first, to open all the contested cases; second, to seat the Addicks delegates from Delaware, and third, to seat

the Euney delegation from Texas.

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The vote was first taken on the Delaware case, those favoring Addicks voting aye and those opposed no. The noes were declared to have it, and the

minority report on the Delaware case was rejected. A similar result with even greater emphasis awaited the minority report as to Texas, also that portion of the minority report referring the other contests back to the committee, the minority report in each case being overwhelmingly de-

eated. The majority report was then dopted amid applause. Mr. Grosvenor moved to adjourn to 10 o'clock to morrow morning. The chairman declared in favor of the ayes. and at 5.07 the convention adjourned

accordingly. Notwithstanding the radical position assumed by the silver men, it is noticeable that only four-Senaters Teller. Dubois and Cannon, and Mr. Cleveland of Montana-announced that they would leave the party. Two other members of the committee-Hartman, of Montana, and Dr. Mott, of North Carolinastated that they were still Republicans

and would stick to the party. When the convention adjourned until to-morrow, instead of taking a recess till 8 p. m., as it expected to do, in order to hear the report of the Committee on Resolutions, which it was stated would be ready by that hour, rumors were circulated in the convention hall that this course had been taken because several States had threatened to bolt because of the financial plank. Investigation failed to disclose any foundation for this rumor. The vote of 545 to 359 by which the convention at the bidding of the Credentials Committee refused to repen any contested cases, settled by the National Convention, clearly showed that the Ohio leaders had the convention well in hand even in matters where many of the delegates felt a strong per-

sonal interest. Mr. Dubois, of Idaho, also announced that he would follow his associates. Messrs. Teller and Cannon, in leaving the party, although he regretted that necessity compelled him to take this step. He spoke at some length of the loyalty of the extreme Western States to the Republican party. Each has now two Republicans in the Senate, but the same could not be said of many of the Eastern States, whose representatives were adopting a course that was driving the silver men from their party associates. He showed that New York was represented in the Senate by two Democrats, that Indiana has two and Ohio and Illinois one each. If this gold plank was adopted, the Republican party would, he said, lose control of the senate and not regain it in a quarter of

Mr. Hartman, of Montana, boldly announced that he could not and would not support a candidate standing on this platform. The Republican platform of 1893 had declared for gold and silver as the standard money. This platform contained a doctrine for gold only, and the silver men demanded both. The silver men stood by party principles, and until such time as the party minght toturn to the double-standard, they could not support the candidate. McKinley was an honest man and wou'd honestly interpret the platform. The silver men were not antagonizing men but principles in this struggle, and in this campaign McKinley would stand for gold. The vote was then taken on the Teller substitute and it was defeatedyeas 10 pays 41. Those voting in the affirmative were the delegates from Colorado, California, Utah, Montana, Idano, Wyoming, Arizona, Nevada, North Car-

olina and New Mexico. The corridors of the Southern Hotel reffilled to-night with Vice Presidental gossip. It is openly asserted at New York headquarters and it is believed by politicians generally, that Gov. Morton will accept the nomination if the convention decide to honor him with the second place on the ticket. The Platt men in the New York delegation don't agree in their conclusions respecting Gov. Morton's chance. Mr. Lauterbach figures that after the silver men shall have bolted the convention, to which the exact number of delegates remaining will be 884, of whom 445 are necessary to a choice. If the figures reported by Gov. Morton's friends are correct he will win by a bare majority if Mr. Lau-

terback's estimate is realized. ARKANSAS DEMOCRATS.

Free Eilver Men in the Majority in the State Convention.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star. LITTLE ROCK, June 17 .- The Democratic State Convention convened in this city to-day, with 748 delegates present. Col. Dan W. Jones, of Little Rock. was nominated for Governor. H. G. Bunn, for Chief Justice; A. C. Hull, for Secretary of State: Ransom Gullick, for Treasurer: Junius Jordan, for Superintendent of Public Instruction: . G. Ritchie for Commissioner of State ands, and W. G Vincenholler for Commissioner of Mines. Agriculture and Manufactures, were also nominated. A stubborn contest took place over the adoption of a resolution endorsing Bland of Missouri, for President. The call of the roll developed that the "apostle of silver" bad a majority of the delegates avorable to his candidacy, but the necessary two thirds in order to suspend the rules for the consideration of the resolution was not forthcoming.

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