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Surveyor: JOSEPH H. McREE. Constable-Wilmington Township: WILLIAM SHEEHAN, Sr. WHAT THEY ARE WORKING FOR.

A short while ago we quoted from the Raleigh News and Observer a portion of an interview with the Hon. Chas. B. Aycock, our candidate for Governor, on the situation and the outlook for the amendment and the State ticket, in which he expressed confidence in a splendid victory for both, unless the Democrats and other friends of the amendment throw it away by over-confidence.

From his observation, based on the interest shown at public meetings and conversations with people in the counties through which he travelled, he felt that it was now, if the friends of the amendment kept in line and showed the same zeal up to the day of election which they are showing now, more a question of the majority it would receive than of its being carried. Others who have taken an active part in the campaign, men of experience in political matters, familiar with the different sections of the State and the sentiments of the people, hold pretty much the same views. Among these are ex-Governor Jarvis and Hon. Thomas Argo, who are quoted by a reporter of the News and Observer in last Tuesday's issue. Gov. Jarvis had just returned from a two week's canvass in the counties of Granville, Person, Caswell, Rockingham, Stokes, Forsyth, Surry, Yadkin and Wilkes, speaking of which he said:

"I left the railroad at Roxboro and did not strike it again until I got to Wilkesboro. The territory I went through embraces several counties hitherto strongly Republican. In all of them I found the Amendment sentiment growing every day. As the false representations concerning it, made by the Fusionists, are explained, opposition to it disappears. The revenue officers and census takers got the start of us in the campaign and in many sections they have the people all torn up and scared, but as they learn what the Amendment really is and what it is for, they take all opposition to it among white men ceased.

In the west where I have been, the Democrats are united and many white Republicans are giving the Amendment their support. At almost every one of my appointments white Republicans have come up to me after their belief that it was best for the State that the Amendment be adopted. "There is no longer the slightest doubt about the Amendment being adopted by a large majority - in fact it is now simply a question of how large the majority will be."

Some of these counties are normally Republican counties, and it is there that the revenue pap-suckers get in much of their work not only with the negroes, whom they lead without trouble, but with the white people, many of whom they get into their power because they are considered "moonshiners" spirits made in some of these counties, and the moonshiners find that they can op-

erate with less danger and more impunity, by keeping in with the still-hunters. Of course this does not apply to all the people of these counties, nor to all the Republicans, but it applies to enough of them to give the revenue whoopers-up considerable material to work upon, and they work it for all it is worth. Any change of sentiment in such counties may be taken as a strong indication of a greater change in other counties on which the revenue men have not had such a strong grip, and where there is less incentive for the class of people they lead to be influenced by them.

The middle section of the State, of which these counties which Gov. Jarvis canvassed are a part, has always been a battle ground and as it went the State went and so it will probably be now, and hence the change of sentiment reported there may be put down as a harbinger of success for the amendment and the ticket in August. It may be incidentally remarked that ex-Governor Jarvis is not of an over sanguine, enthusiastic temperament, but is cool-headed and cautious in coming to his conclusions and therefore reliance may be put upon his statements as to the situation and the outlook.

Col. Thomas M. Argo, who is a Republican, but a white supremacy Republican, and therefore an advocate of the amendment, is thus quoted: "I have been studying the situation," he said, "and if the friends of the Amendment will simply register and vote I don't see any power on earth to beat them. It is now simply a question of majority, and the amendment leaders recognize the fact."

"Butler is sowing the State with his literature—sending out more, perhaps, than was ever sent out in the history of the State in an equal length of time. Does he hope to defeat the Amendment by it? No, he is aware that that cannot be done. He is simply trying to prevent a stampede of the Fusionists to the Amendment side and save something out of the wreck."

Col. Argo knows Marion Butler well, and he knows Pritchard, Holton & Co., for he has been with them and knows their trickery and scheming methods. He sees through Butler as like through a pane of glass, and tells us that Butler, having abandoned the hope of defeating the amendment, is trying to preserve some of his prestige by preventing a stampede of his following to the amendment and the Democratic party. Butler, Holton and others had a meeting in Raleigh Monday to patch up the State ticket, and have but one instead of two tickets in the field, which was predicted when the Republican and Populist conventions were held, but which was vociferously denounced by both the Republican and Populist leaders who are pulling with Butler. This is their last card, but not having much confidence in that they are planning and working by fusing and otherwise to elect a majority of the Legislature, which would give them control of the State, even if the Democratic State ticket be elected, and thus enable them to defeat the amendment, if carried at the election, by throwing out the vote of counties enough to defeat it. That's what we have to watch, and defeat that game.

IT IS WHITE OR BLACK. Thousands of Populists and others who have not been acting with the Democratic party realize the fact that the issue presented to the people of North Carolina in the Constitutional Amendment is whether the white man or the black man is to rule, and that is why so many of them have come out of the parties with which they have been affiliating and declared for white supremacy. We have published announcements from many of these and herewith give another from H. Caswell Ray, a Populist of Franklin county, sent to the Raleigh News and Observer, from which we clip it:

"Editor News and Observer: When Mr. Cleveland sold out the Democracy to the gold bugs (I being a strong Union Party Republican) and with the Populist party and am free to say no man believes in the principles of that party more than I did, but I have the principle as they now stand? I say not. Long ago I made up my mind to stand by my white brethren in trying to rid the State of negro domination. I shall support the Democratic ticket, which is headed by the greatest man I have ever heard speak. Whatever white man has heard Mr. Aycock speak and is not for the amendment must have his face colored (as his heart is) and his hair signed so as to give it as near the kinky head of the race to whom he should belong. I am a white man, and am glad that the party to which my fathers belonged has placed itself in such a position that I can stand with both feet on its platform and say with pride, I am here to stay, gentlemen." Populists, if you are not for the amendment get out of your homes and get away from every white man should do his duty in this the most important crisis through which we will ever pass. White men, do for God's sake be white men."

"Very respectfully, 'Franklinton, N. C., July 13, 1900.' Mr. Ray speaks not only as he feels, but as thousands of other Populists feel, who have seen through the trickery of Marion Butler and object to being prostituted and arrayed against their own race to promote his political fortunes and ambition.

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INSTIGATED BY REVENUE MEN. In an editorial a couple of days ago on the bulldozing methods adopted by the anti-amendment machine runners, we asserted that the active agents in this business were the Revenue men and the deputy marshals who do the dirty work of the bosses and seem to take a pleasure in doing it, when they think it can be done with impunity. As proof that this was not a prejudiced or unfounded assertion we clip the following from the Raleigh News and Observer:

A private letter from Asheboro confirms the account of the attempted intimidation of the registrar at that place by a revenue officer by the name of Jim Tull. What business has a revenue officer to quit the business for which he is paid? He is paid by the State for the performance of his sworn duties? Here are additional facts about the Asheboro case. "Several of the negroes who failed to furnish satisfactory testimony as to their qualifications are criminals and ex convicts of the lowest class. The negro, Sam Bowden, is a criminal who has lived in Montgomery and Richmond counties, who has been in the county off and on for the past twelve months. The revenue officer is breathing threats against the registrar. The registrar has remained cool and has at no time lost his temper or presence of mind, but feeling is high against U. S. Marshal Millikin and his revenue crowd."

"All the trouble we have here comes from revenue officers and negroes." The last sentence is true all over North Carolina. All the trouble comes from revenue officers and negroes. Not one minute since in 1876, was read the declaration that North Carolina should not be controlled by "grasshopper and revenue dummies" have the people lost their heads and are allowing the revenue officers to control the politics of the State. The liberty loving people of this good State would not submit in 1876 to the political manipulation of revenue officers. They will not now submit to their dictation.

While there is an internal revenue service there must, of course, be men to serve in it, but it is a fact that owing to the very nature of this service, there is something demoralizing in it, and he is an exception who does not become demoralized even if he was not demoralized when he went into it. Still hunting, moonshine-intercepting, playing spy and informer, are congenial occupations only to the coarser element of men, and this is the element that these bulldozing machine runners find so useful in carrying out their orders and doing their dirty and infamous work.

PAID FOR HIS TREACHERY! The Asheville Gazette, which was formerly a Democratic paper, and up to a certain date an advocate of the constitutional amendment, suddenly flipped and became a vociferous opponent of the amendment. It was publicly charged in Asheville that it had sold out to Pritchard, Holton & Co., which charge the editor denied and demanded the proof. One of the citizens of Asheville who made the charge and was called upon for the proof presented enough to convince any jury in a court of the truth of the charge, but since then further proof comes in the form of an affidavit of W. Ray Somerville, one of the stockholders in the Gazette, who swears that Norton, the editor and principal stockholder, "agreed with Senator Jeter C. Pritchard, Collector H. S. Harkins, Col. V. S. Lusk, District Attorney A. E. Holton, and other representatives of the Republican party, to oppose the constitutional amendment and Election Law drafted by the Democratic Legislature of 1899," in consideration of the sum of \$5,000, to be paid in \$1,000 instalments, and that in February, 1900, \$3,000 of this amount had been paid to Norton. The full amount was to be paid by April, 1900.

He further swears that Norton said to him that the only motive he had in opposing the amendment was the \$5,000 paid to him. These are some of the methods that these fellows are resorting to to deceive the people and defeat the amendment. To the honor of the press of North Carolina, they found only one venal enough to be bribed.

A LETTER TO THE PRESIDENT. Chairman Simmons has addressed a forcible letter to President McKinley calling attention to the fact that Federal office holders in this State are violating the Civil Service laws with their offensive partnership and insolent meddling with politics and endeavoring to intimidate registrars in the performance of their duties.

In the name of 178,000 white voters of this State Mr. Simmons enters his protest against this abuse of the trust reposed in these officers and this impudent and outrageous interference in politics and efforts to intimidate and dominate the State, in bold and gross violation of the Civil Service regulations under which they were appointed.

Mr. Bellamy is the West. Raleigh News and Observer: "Chairman Simmons yesterday received the following telegram from Congressman Bellamy, dated at Knoxville, Tenn. 'The Yancey county barbecue and rally yesterday was a grand success. Crowd estimated at 4,000. Gardner is jubilant over the prospects in Yancey, and if yesterday is an index to the intentions expect great victory in August.'"

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THE BATTLE IS ON. A Vigorous Campaign Is Being Maintained in the East for the Amendment. AT LUMBERTON TO-DAY. Wilmington's Rapid Fire Gun Left Yesterday to Be One of the Attractions. Speaking at Burgaw and Whiteville—Local Campaign.

The record of registration at the various polling places during the past few days has been most encouraging, and the prospects are now for a full registration before Saturday night. The speech of Hon. R. B. Glenn on Tuesday night and increased efforts on the part of the local committee have greatly accelerated the movement and New Hanover is now certain for a 3,000 majority for the Amendment and the State and county tickets.

A very important meeting of the White Supremacy Club of the Second Ward is called for tonight at 8.30 o'clock in the rooms of the Merchants' Association in the Seaboard Air Line building. It is especially desired that there shall be a full attendance of the registration committee of that ward as an important movement is to be made.

The fishery and public speaking at the seven-mile point in Harnett township yesterday morning was attended by much success. The committee of arrangements added a drawing feature in a big watermelon feast which was greatly enjoyed. The party from Wilmington consisted of Messrs. George Rountree, Frank H. Steadman, H. McCL. Green, Brooke G. Empe, W. B. McKay, S. H. Terry, H. W. Howell, Capt. George L. Morton and others. Speeches were made by Messrs. Rountree, Morton, Empe, Steadman and Green. The organization of a White Supremacy Club was dispensed with. Messrs. George Shepard and Sol. J. Jones were named as a registration committee and they signified their promise to make a house to house canvass for the Amendment before the end of the week.

Interest politically is centered to-day in the big Democratic demonstration at Lumberton. Advances from there last night were that the event would be the biggest of the campaign and that it would mean much towards an increased majority for the Amendment in that county which "to hold is to save the State." Hon. Chas. B. Aycock and R. B. Glenn will be the speakers and there will be a magnificent parade of 3,000 red shirts. Music will be furnished by the Dunn and Maxton brass bands. Reduced rates are offered on the railroads and nothing can mar the success of the occasion. Col. N. C. McNeill is Chief Marshal and Chairman. George B. McLeod has general control of affairs. Capt. C. H. White and Mr. Wm. A. Whitely left yesterday afternoon via the Seaboard Air Line with Wilmington's rapid fire gun which will be placed on exhibition during the day. There will be dinner and barbecue for 50,000 people.

Friday, July 27th, will be "Aycock Day" at Burgaw, and great preparations are being made for the event. A number of committees have been appointed to take charge of the affair and the event is being thoroughly advertised. R. G. Grady, Esq., county organizer of White Supremacy clubs, is making the arrangements. Columbus county is also making arrangements to receive Mr. Aycock in a royal manner Saturday, July 28th. The Second Regiment Band, of Wilmington, will furnish music for the occasion and a cannon in charge of B. A. Matthews will be sent from Wilmington, with which to fire salutes.

FIREMEN ARE GRATEFUL. FAYETTEVILLE, N. C., July 16. Editor Star: At the adjourned session of our convention, a committee was duly appointed to draft suitable resolutions expressive of our appreciation of the most cordial and hospitable manner in which the visiting firemen have been treated by the people of Wilmington, and it was the unanimous verdict of hundreds of firemen on the trains, homeward bound, that resolutions were not in order, the occasion requiring something more expressive of our sincerity. The writer was therefore personally requested by scores of visitors from the Western and Middle sections especially, to try and express to your people our heartfelt thanks and appreciation for the many kindnesses and courtesies extended to us. Rest assured that we will never forget them and the pleasant memories of 1900 will remain with us for all time. We have been honored and treated handsomely in the past, but we feel that it is no reflection on our country that we should meet in a meeting is the most pleasant of all previous ones and that all records have been broken.

The local attractions of your lovely city in themselves were calculated to make the occasion a most pleasant one, but our chief pleasure existed in the hearty welcome that we received from every one. To the press we are extremely grateful for their courteous mention and to the able reports of the convention, thereby keeping our friends fully advised of our daily records.

The boys will never forget Wilmington and her generous and courteous citizenship. With personal thanks to your staff. I am, yours, JAMES D. McNEILL, Pres. N. C. S. F. Ass'n.

Present indications are that a large crowd will go on the excursion to Charleston, July 28th, via the A. C. L. Train will leave Front street station at 3 P. M. Returning, will leave Charleston at 6 A. M., July 29th.

JUDGE GRANTS INJUNCTION. Restraining Collection of Taxes Upon Assessment of Property of W. U. Telegraph Company. (Special Star Telegram.)

RALEIGH, N. C., July 18.—Judge Simonton grants the Western Union Telegraph Company an injunction restraining the Corporation Commissioners, the State Auditor and the State Treasurer from levying assessment upon one million dollars of said property of the complainant and from certifying the same down to any of the tax officials of said State of North Carolina. This order is issued upon the condition that the complainant, at the proper time, tender and pay to the proper officers of the State authorized to receive taxes, upon an assessment of \$600,000 of the property, and further that the complainant do enter into bond with surety to be approved by any judge of this court in the sum of \$5,000, with condition to pay the defendant such damages as may be assessed against it by reason of this restraining order. Defendants are ordered to appear before Judge Simonton at Flat Rock, N. C., on July 23rd, to show cause why the injunction should not be granted.

Also, the Atlantic Coast Line, the Southern and the Seaboard file exceptions to their valuation, and it is understood that they will likewise secure injunctions. The exceptions of all these roads are substantially alike. They respectfully suggest that their objections and exceptions are the same as those for the year 1899. They are embraced in the bills of complaint filed in the Circuit Court of the United States for the Eastern District of North Carolina, in which court it is to be hoped they will be speedily determined.

FROM SCOTLAND COUNTY. The Way the Good People There Feel About the Impending Campaign. The Seawell Incident. (Special Star Correspondence.) LAURINBURG, N. C., July 16.—Scotland county may now be written down very near the top of the White Roll of Honor which will be perfected on the day that the Amendment is adopted. The determination of the white men in 1898 may not be so continuously manifest to the casual observer this year, but deep in their hearts it is written and it only needs some incident to bring it out. Some time ago our negro paper, in a very cheap effort to be noticed, made some references to a white woman in his columns. He will not. He was also advised to make his business arrangements so that he could leave this community before he should do something that would bring about his expulsion instanter.

The Seawell episode was not the result of a personal difficulty, as one of our correspondents had written, but the calm, determined action of more than two hundred men who represent the best business, social, educational and professional citizenship of this town and surrounding country, acting in concert and according to prearranged plan to pass Seawell along as surely and as quietly as possible. Seawell's return to the train was accelerated by the fact that he moved too slowly, which he seemed anxious to turn into a personal difficulty and make it appear that the whole matter was simply "a little personal matter," but it was well that he heeded the advice given that he get back on the train.

The people of Scotland county have not forgotten the above named ticket, in consideration of the fact that Dr. D. B. McNeill has alienated himself from the Democratic party by the unfortunate position he took at Lockwood's Rally on the 23d of May in making a public declaration to the effect that he would not support the proposed Amendment to the Constitution of the State of North Carolina, which is held by the Democracy as the most important and vital plank in its platform; and

Whereas, he still declares himself as unalterably opposed to the said Amendment, and refuses to support it, notwithstanding a resolution was introduced at the Convention in which he was nominated, and carried, that no aspirant for office should receive Democratic support who failed to support the said Amendment. Now, therefore, we deem it our duty, in view of the action of Dr. McNeill, to nominate as the Democratic candidate for the Legislature from Brunswick county, a man who will stand firmly on the Democratic platform and advocate its success and principles.

We, therefore, suggest the name of Francis M. Moore in place of Dr. D. B. McNeill as a candidate for the Legislature from this county, and we earnestly request all those desiring the success of the Democratic party and believing in White Supremacy to support him, and the following ticket, who favor the proposed Constitutional Amendment, which will ensure White Supremacy forever in our grand old county, viz: For Sheriff—James Holmes, For Register of Deeds—Charles Leonard, For Treasurer—George Gray, For Surveyor—Forney Gore, For Coroner—J. S. Henry, For County Commissioner—Wm. C. Guthrie, Jesse Lancaster, Samuel Dandorf.

We furthermore appeal to all white men to support the above named ticket, assuring them, if elected, that peace, good will and an era of prosperity will prevail. By order of the Democratic Executive Committee of Brunswick county. M. C. GUTHRIE, Chmn. JOHN H. MINTZ, Sec'y.

Robbery at Wrightsville. On Monday afternoon, a thief stole a lady's gold watch, a gold necklace, a pair of shoes and several suits of clothing, from Mr. Jno. S. Divine's residence on Wrightsville Road. A negro, Purdy Radolph Brown, was working on the place, was seen in the room from which the missing articles were taken and the suspicion of having stolen the goods fell upon him. The matter has been placed in the hands of the authorities, but no arrest has been made yet.

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GERMAN KALI WORKS, 93 Nassau St., New York. DEMOCRATIC RALLY AT DUNN. Four Thousand People—From Johnston, Harnett and Sampson—Speeches for the Amendment. (Special Star Telegram.)

DUNN, N. C., July 17.—The grand Democratic rally at Dunn, N. C., to-day, was a great success. The number present was estimated at four thousand. It was an enthusiastic and representative gathering from this section of the State. The town had made ample preparations for the great gathering and it was indeed a gala day for the Democrats. The grand procession which escorted the speakers to the place where the speaking was held was headed by a four-horse wagon which carried eighteen of Harnett and Johnston counties finest young ladies. This was followed by the speakers' carriage and several other conveyances. The rear being brought up by a wagon of the untierified from Sampson county bearing the county's favorite inscription, "Sweet Sampson." All of the conveyances were beautifully decorated with red, white and blue. There were three speakers present—Hon. E. W. Poutie, of Smithfield, Major Wm. A. Guthrie and Claude Kitchen, Esq. Guthrie spoke first and made a telling speech for the amendment. He was followed by Kitchen, who greatly enthused the people and elicited their applause. Poutie made the closing speech, which was beyond doubt the speech of the day and was a great vote winner. He made a convincing plea for the amendment and completely demolished every objection to the amendment which the enemy has raised. A number of the white men who could not read or write arose in the crowd and declared their purpose to support the amendment. It was an old time Democratic experience meeting and well-kept. Many were converted to the amendment and much good was done. The Democracy of Harnett is in fine shape.

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THE PRODUCE EXCHANGE. Secretary Elected and Standing Committee Named for the Ensuing Year at Meeting Yesterday Morning. The Produce Exchange yesterday held its first meeting since the acceptance of the presidency by Mr. W. B. Cooper, and of course many matters of importance regarding the ensuing year's work came up. The most important matter, probably, was the re-election of Col. John L. Cantwell as secretary, which position he has held with great efficiency for twenty odd years. Standing committees were named for the ensuing year.

The list of officers and committees of the Exchange as completed by the meeting yesterday is as follows: President—W. B. Cooper. Vice President—P. Peasall. Secretary and Treasurer—John L. Cantwell. Board of Managers—M. J. Heyer, D. McEachern, H. W. Malloy, Walker Taylor, L. F. McKenzie. Arbitration Committee—C. W. Worth, B. F. Hall, H. C. McQueen, James H. Chadbourne, M. J. Corbett. Finance Committee—P. Peasall, M. J. Corbett, John L. Cantwell. Law Committee—Wm. Calder, Jno. E. Crow.

Information and Statistics—G. J. Boney, T. M. Emerson, John Frank. Marine—M. J. Heyer, W. R. Kennan. A. H. Brenner. Cotton Classification—S. P. McNair, W. H. Sprunt, L. C. McQueen. Lumber and Shingles—L. P. McKenney, H. G. McEachern, H. L. Myers, H. W. Malloy, T. D. Meares. Railroad Transportation—L. P. McKenney, J. W. Norwood, W. R. Barkard, Jno. M. Rann, F. E. Haehagen. Membership—H. W. Malloy, Van B. Metts, M. J. Heyer, C. W. Worth.

Legislative Reports—Wm. Calder, S. P. McNair, Walker Taylor. Southport Shipping—J. T. Harper, J. H. Chadbourne, M. J. Corbett. Inspection—H. W. Malloy, J. W. Norwood, W. R. Barkard. Questions—B. F. Hall, H. K. Nash, H. C. McQueen, P. Peasall, M. J. Corbett, H. L. Vollers, Jas. Sprunt, G. J. Boney, S. P. McNair.

Speaking at Laurinburg. "Red Shirt Day" will be observed at Laurinburg on Friday, July 20th, Hon. R. B. Glenn will speak in Fields Hall at 10 o'clock and there will be a parade of "rough riders." The committee of arrangements is composed of Messrs. J. T. McEachern, Mack Cameron and F. L. Bundy.

JAPANESE ROUTED CHINESE. Broke Noes and Cut Off Queues Until the Latter Fled. VANCOUVER, B. C., July 17.—A desperate fight took place last night at the fishing town of Stevenson, on the Fraser river, between 800 Japanese and Chinese. There is a big fisherman's strike on at Stevenson, involving 7,000 Japanese and white men and 3,000 Chinese. The Japanese and Chinese were idle. A street row between Japanese and a Chinaman occurred over a dispute as to whether or not a Japanese army of 10,000 men could whip a Chinese army of 10,000 in the present war in China. The Japanese cut off the Chinaman's queue to emphasize his argument, and in five minutes 800 Japanese engaged in a hand-to-hand fight with 500 Chinese. The small posse of police were powerless to interfere and thousands of white fishermen watched the fun. In 20 minutes the Japanese had broken so many Chinese noses and cut off so many queues that the Chinamen fled.

NOT WEATHER IN NEW YORK. Caused the Death Yesterday of More Than Seventy Persons. BY TELEGRAPH TO THE MORNING STAR. NEW YORK, July 18.—The hot weather to day caused or contributed towards the death of more than seventy persons in this city and vicinity. As many more stricken ones are in the hospitals and some of them will die before the weather improves, more than half the fatalities were among babies and little children and there are now about forty bodies of the little ones lying in the morgue at Bellevue. This was the result of the spell of intense heat. Late in the night the temperature moderated.

REUNION IN ATLANTA. Vanguard of Veterans Who Wore the Blue and the Grey Arriving. ATLANTA, GA., July 18.—The vanguard of veterans who wore the blue and the grey in the battles around Atlanta during the civil war arrived in the city this morning. The formal exercises of the blue and grey reunion will begin to-morrow when the several hundred distinguished veterans of the city will be on over the battlefields upon which thirty six years ago, they engaged in bloody conflict. Many distinguished guests have arrived and are expected to-morrow. Every soldier of the country will be represented by distinguished ex-Union and ex-Confederate soldiers.

Notification Committee Requested to Meet in Indianapolis on August 8th, 1900. BY TELEGRAPH TO THE MORNING STAR. CHICAGO, July 18.—Secretary Walsh of the National Democratic Committee, at the request of Hon. James D. Richardson, gave out the following official notice to-day to the press: "The notification meeting to notify presidential and vice-presidential candidates named by the Kansas City convention, will be held at Indianapolis, Ind., on August 8th, 1900. All members of the notification committees are requested to meet at the Grand Hotel, Indianapolis, on the morning of that date."

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GRADY REPLIES TO PORTER. BURGAW, N. C., July 14, 1900. MR. EDITOR: Since the appearance of Dr. Porter's card in the Star to-day it becomes necessary to find myself and many of the Democrats of Pender from the charge of being bolters and gamblers which is wholly untrue and a base slander upon the democracy of our County. I will give you a few facts concerning his indictment for the Senate. Dr. Porter, who was Chairman of the Democratic Executive Committee of this County, and Bruce Williams, Secretary, called a Convention of the Democrats on the 25th of May for the purpose of electing delegates to the State Convention. The largest Democratic townships in county were not notified to hold primaries and elect delegates to the convention, or if so, such notices were never received. If a full representation of the democracy of each township had been present, the delegates would have received the endorsement of a brother-in-law of Dr. Porter. In the convention and cast the vote of two voting precincts for Dr. Porter while the chairman of the township never had any notice of primary or county convention. There were only about a dozen (delegates) present at the convention. To the surprise of the people of our county and many of the delegates in that convention a resolution was introduced by Bruce Williams endorsing Dr. Porter for the Senate. After much wrangling the chair declared the resolution carried by a vote.

It has been the custom of our county and in accordance with Democratic plan of Organization to nominate a candidate for the State at the regular County Convention to nominate candidates for County Offices and the Legislature. This action of attempting to endorse a Senator at this meeting, when the full Democracy of our county was not represented when it was not known that he a candidate was unfair and an offense to every one and at once how began which lasted until appearance of Dr. Porter's card in the Star. The charge of Dr. Porter that my friends and I were bolters and disorganizers is malicious and false. The men who went to vote saw from this county in opposition to Porter were true, tried and loyal Democrats who did not feel that they were being consistently snubbed by those who had not forgotten the nobleness of the party.

Dr. Porter says: "I could not have been nominated on the first ballot but being an old man and liveliest above personal prejudices and political aspirations I relinquished claim to the nomination. This was the true position of Dr. Porter and himself. Duplin was signed against Porter. Wayne suggested that in order to harmonize matters both withdraw. I submitted a proposition to Dr. Porter that we both withdraw and let our delegates name a man. This he refused. The convention then organized and at the suggestion of G. W. Hays from Wayne committee of six, from each county was appointed to harmonize matters and recommend some course for the convention to pursue.

Before this committee retired I addressed the convention and forthwith gave suggestions of organization my proposition to the convention to Dr. Porter that both withdrew. He again refused and appealed the Convention not to defeat him. The committee then retired as soon sent for Dr. Porter and myself to appear before it, and they commended that we both withdrew. To this I again consented and Dr. Porter refused. And then agreed withdraw provided he be allowed name the man. This was objected to. It was suggested that a man be submitted to the Convention. To this he agreed but I objected and insisted that as neither of us were delegates we should not speak name the man and that our delegates only had that power. The matter was finally left with the Pender delegates who submitted two names to the Convention. Mr. J. T. McEachern was nominated on the first ballot and Porters vote of Duplin, and one third of Pender. It was best that the party that Mr. Foy was nominated and he will receive the unanimous support of all democrats of the County. R. G. GRADY

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