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IN STATE CONVENTION

THE NORTH CAROLINA BAPTISTS WILL MEET TO-DAY IN GREENSBORO

LARGE ATTENDANCE IS EXPECTED

Great Preparations Being Made by the Hospitable People for its Entertainment—Sessions Will be Held in the Baptist Church—Dr. Marsh Gives a Short Sketch of the Convention, and the Work of the Denomination in the State During the Past Year.

GREENSBORO, N. C., Dec. 4.—(Special.)—The Baptist State Convention meets here to-morrow. Great preparations are being made for its entertainment, all the people throwing open their homes to entertain the guests who are coming. A large attendance is expected. The sessions of the Convention will be held in the Baptist church, which is within two squares of the depot and the principal hotels and boarding houses.

The presiding officer of the Convention is Rev. Robert H. Marsh, D. D., of Oxford. He is one of the most popular men in the denomination—wise, safe and prudent. He has been successively re-elected president of the Convention since 1891. This is a compliment of the highest character that his brethren have given him, and is the best proof of his position as a leader in his strong and growing church. Mr. Marsh is a native of Chatham county, and graduated at the University of North Carolina in 1858. He received his theological training at the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary. He has resided in Oxford thirty years, and been pastor of one church twenty-seven years. His degree of D. D. came from Wake Forest College, of which he is a trustee and strong pillar.

Dr. Marsh is a quiet, reserved and well-educated man; a thoughtful, accomplished and popular preacher; enjoys the confidence not only of his own denomination, but of all Christians;

trusted to boards and committees, who report their doings to each annual session of the convention. In anticipation of these reports the work of the year can only be appreciated. State mission work is done by this convention exclusively and only within State bounds. This was the special work of the late lamented Durham. During the past year nearly one hundred missionaries have been employed at about 400 stations and mission churches at a cost of about \$15,000. As a part of "State Missions," since last April eleven houses of worship have been dedicated and some forty more are nearing completion.

In the foreign field the Southern Baptists contributed last year over \$130,000. This was the best ever done by them in a single year, and betokens increased effort and interest. In this field there are 85 churches, with a membership of 3,493—581 additional last year. The expense of managing this business, as reported by the treasurer, was only eight cents on the dollar contributed. The apportionment of North Carolina in this work is \$9,000—besides having furnished a double field portion of workers. In all North Carolina has two dozen Baptist missionaries in foreign lands.

The Home Mission Board has under its care and supervision the Southern States, the Indians, and Cuba. The report of its operations for the year ending May 15, 1895, is as follows:

Number of missionaries 425, an increase of 44 over last year. Baptized 5,921, an increase of 451 over last year. Cash receipts \$88,640.20, an increase of \$15,319.29 over last year. Of this amount North Carolina gave \$3,357.95.

In the work in Cuba may be found one of the marvels of modern missions. A young Cuban, Alberto Diaz, a patriot, an exile from Cuba, stricken with what seemed a mortal disease in Brooklyn, strangely converted through the faithfulness of a pious lady in a boarding house, raised up to life, found his heart on fire with a new thought. He wanted Cuba to know Christ. Having been baptized in Brooklyn, he landed in Havana in 1883 with nothing in the world but his box of Bibles and his faith in God. He was opposed and

lanta, this felt necessity was duly considered by 250 delegates, and a Baptist Young People's Union was organized. This body will meet regularly in connection with the Southern Baptist Convention. Next May the Board of Managers will be chosen, and permanent plans of working will be established.

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WHAT A YEAR HAS BROUGHT

Under this head this week's Biblical Recorder devotes nearly two columns to a succinct statement of what the great Baptist hosts have accomplished in the past year, together with reference to the most important matters relating to the ministers and laymen of the church. The facts in regard to church work show a year of great activity and success. We quote:

House of worship finished at Macon. House of worship finished at Warren Plains.

Church at Aberdeen organized, and house of worship dedicated.

Church organized in Duplin county by Rev. A. A. Butler.

Church organized and house dedicated in Dare county. First and only Baptist church in this county. This enables us to say that there is a Baptist church in every county in this State.

New church built at Matthews.

House of worship in Hyde county dedicated; late Bro. Durham preaching.

Church built and dedicated at Haw River.

Church dedicated at Long Creek, near Charlotte; late Dr. Durham preaching.

Tabernacle Church, Newbern, built (C. S. Burgess, pastor).

Church at Bering's Grove dedicated; late Bro. Durham preaching at night.

House of worship at Lumber Bridge completed.

House of worship at Morganton completed.

Church organized and work began in Montgomery county.

Church organized at Pembroke.

Church organized at Cedar Grove, near Wilmington.

Second Church at Winston.

Church organized at White's Head, West End Church, Raleigh.

First Baptist Church at Durham added \$5,000 in improvements. Fourth Baptist Church at Durham organized and pastor called.

Church organized and dedicated at Falls of Tar River.

Church organized at Patterson Station, Cleveland county.

Church organized, "Webb's Chapel," near Shelby.

Work of enlargement at Burlington, Oak Grove, Pilot Mountain, dedicated.

House of worship at Walkertown completed.

Progress made at Washington.

Church at Oxford nearing completion.

Several other churches have been organized, and a number of buildings begun last year have been completed. Also, a goodly number of churches have added improvements, etc. Work has commenced on the Baptist Female University, of which the second story is now rising. The corner-stone of the Miller building at our orphanage was laid.

The young people's annual meeting convened to-night. Rev. J. W. Millard led devotional exercises. The attendance was large and the work starts off enthusiastically.

Prof. J. Y. Joyner delivered the address of welcome to which Rev. M. I. Kesler responded. Rev. R. Vandeventer was chosen chairman of the meeting. Rev. D. C. S. Blackwell, of Elizabeth City made a fine address on the college in the home and Rev. C. W. Blanchard followed with an excellent speech on the need for more associational academies.

The young people will hold a session to-morrow and will likely organize permanently. Four hundred delegates have been booked. This indicates an attendance of from six hundred to eight hundred upon the convention.

SOUTHERN RAILWAY INDICTED.

Charged with Running Freight Trains on Sunday.

ASHEVILLE, N. C., Dec. 4.—(Special.)—The Southern Railway Company, defendant in Justice Deaver's court and charged with running freight trains on Sunday, was bound over to court in a bond of \$1,000. Several employees of the Company, charged with working on Sunday, filed a demurrer which was overruled and the defendants appealed.

During November there were nineteen deaths in Asheville; fourteen of them were white, nine were non-residents.

TOBACCO FACTORY BURNED.

DANVILLE, Va., Dec. 4.—The leaf tobacco factory of the Sutherland-Mende Tobacco Company was burned here this afternoon. Loss on stock of tobacco \$18,000; insurance \$13,000. Building insured for \$7,000 which will cover loss. Origin of the fire unknown.

NO HAND IN THE FIGHT

POPULISTS WILL TAKE NO PART IN RE-ORGANIZATION OF THE SENATE.

OLD PARTIES MUST FIGHT IT OUT

At Least That is What Mr. Butler Says the Populist Senators Decided Upon in Caucus—The Effort to Get Silver Men of All Parties to Come Together to Effect an Organization Proved a Failure—Tillman the Only Democrat in the Conference.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 4.—(Special.)—It has been believed until this morning that the Populists would vote with the Republicans in the re-organization of the Senate, or at least enough to give the Republicans control. This morning it was made known that the Populists would not co-operate with the Republicans.

Senator Butler was seen to-night at his residence 1711, Q Street, N. W., and in speaking of the attitude of the Populists, he said:

"The Populist Senators will not co-operate with the Republicans in the re-organization of the Senate. We are now and have always been in favor of uniting with the silver members of both parties; and to that effect an address was issued inviting the silver Senators, or those elected as such, to meet the Populists in the Marble room of the capital last Monday morning. The invitation was signed by Senators Stewart, Peffer, Allen and myself. Senators Jones and Kyle arrived Sunday and endorsed the call.

"Some responded to the call, Senators Fritchard, Teller, Mantle, (Republicans); and Tillman, of South Carolina, (Democrat), but said they were not ready to co-operate with us along independent lines to re-organize the Senate.

"The six Populists held their caucus and decided that, since the silver men of the other two parties will not co-operate with us, we will not help either party to organize as a party, but will nominate and vote for our own officers when the time for re-organization comes up. That is the Populists will make a straight fight and cast our six votes for our own nominees.

"The Populists will not attempt to filibuster. It is very probable that after balloting several times we will leave the field to the two old parties to fight it out."

"If the Populists stop voting will it not give the organization to the Republicans since they have a plurality?" was asked.

"That will depend entirely upon the Democrats. If the Populists refuse to vote after balloting several times, that will leave the Republicans entirely in the hands of the Democrats."

"In what way?"

"It is very plain," Mr. Butler replied, "that the Democrats by refusing to vote can break a quorum and thus hold the organization of the Senate through the remainder of the session, if they so desire."

"The People's Party will not directly or indirectly assist the Republicans to reorganize, neither will we assist the Democrats in any manner to hold the organization as it is. There are gold bugs on both sides and we have no choice between them.

"Senator Jones this morning was invited to attend the Republican caucus, but declined the invitation. Senator Jones' example will be followed by the other Populists, for we intend to stand firm."

Mr. Joe M. Gould, who has been spending his vacation in Wilson and at Atlanta attending the Exposition, has returned to his duties in the Patent Office.

Mr. H. G. Lucas, who holds a position in the War Department, left last night for his home in Hyde county, to remain until the first of January.

Mrs. Dr. R. L. Allen, of North Carolina, is visiting her parents at 1903, 23d street, N. W.

Mrs. Senator Vance has moved to Washington for the winter. She will be joined by her son, Harry Morton, and wife.

Mr. and Mrs. Blanchard Hearst, of L street, left this morning for Asheville, where they will spend several months for benefit of Mrs. Hearst's health.

Charles R. McKenney, of North St. Paul, Minn., has been appointed Enrolling Clerk of the House of Representatives. Mr. McKenney occupied a similar position in the Fifty-first Congress.

Mr. Daniel Chutten, of the Pension Office, was promoted this week from \$900 to \$1,000.

The appointment of Mr. Walter E. Faison as Solicitor of the State Department was sent by the President to the Senate this morning for confirmation.

Some rare birds come to Congress. They tell a story now of a new Western Senator who got a friend to introduce him to the old Senators, when this dialogue ensued:

"This is Mr. Gorman, Mr. Jones," said the gentleman in charge of the new member.

"I didn't catch the name," said Mr. Jones.

"Gorman," replied the distinguished Marylander.

"Member of the House?" inquired the new member.

"No, sir; Senator."

"Oh, yes; Senator Gorman; I see," replied the new member. "Let me see, from what State, Mr. Gorman?"

"Maryland," said Senator Gorman, who, by this time, was somewhat irritated by his newly made acquaintance's ignorance.

"Oh, yes," replied Mr. New Member. "Democrat or Republican?"

The last question was more than the Democratic leader of the Senate could stand, and, with a look of disgust on his face he turned on his heel and walked hurriedly away.

The old method of calling pages in the House by clapping of hands and wild gesticulation has been suppressed by a quieter one. On each member's desk is an electric push button, which sounds an annunciator in one of the cloak rooms and brings a page to the desk. The pages occupy benches in the cloak room and answer calls by turn. The new method is designed to prevent confusion around the Speaker's desk, where the pages used to congregate, and to give rapid transit to members in need of messengers.

WILL NOMINATE A TICKET.

Populists Will Stand Together in Re-organization of the Senate.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 4.—The Populist members of the Senate have decided to stand together in the re-organization of the Senate. This probably will prevent the reorganization of the straight Populists, and also Senators Peffer, Allen, Kyle and Butler, ranked as straight Populists, and also Senators Jones and Stewart, of Nevada, upon whom some of the Republicans have counted for assistance in case of an effort to organize, were all present. There was no dissent on the part of any one against a proposition to stand together on the question of organization and to give no support to either of the old parties in the election of officers of the Senate or in other party matters.

They also decided to nominate their own candidates for the various offices in case the other parties place candidates in the field. Selections will be deferred until action is made necessary by the Republicans and Democrats. In case the Republicans initiate a movement in this direction the Populists will place a full ticket in the field, and they agreed that with this step one taken they would stand by their candidates solidly to the end.

The Republicans now lack three of a majority and will ask one of the Utah Senators to come in.

HAVE THEY GIVEN UP?

Republican Caucus Did Not Discuss Re-organization

WASHINGTON, Dec. 4.—The Republican Senatorial caucus was in session for about fifteen minutes to-day and the only business done was the adoption of a resolution introduced by Senator Proctor authorizing Senator Sherman, as chairman of the caucus, to nominate the committee on committees and providing that the list selected by him shall be submitted to the full caucus for confirmation.

There is no reference to the nomination of a president pro tempore or other officers of the Senate and the caucus adjourned subject to the call of the chairman.

THE MESSAGE ABROAD.

London Papers Discuss its Utterances in Regard to Venezuela.

LONDON, Dec. 4.—Referring to President Cleveland's message to Congress, the St. James Gazette this afternoon says: "There is nothing whatever of the jingo in Mr. Cleveland's message. In spite of all assertions to the contrary there is not the least probability that the United States will put any obstacle in the way of a proper settlement in Venezuela."

The Pall Mall Gazette remarks: "So far as our relations with America are concerned, the message is not likely to raise any important questions; but we fail to see how Mr. Cleveland's definition of Monroeism applies to Venezuela."

The Globe says: "There is nothing surprising in the fact that the Monroe doctrine bulks rather largely in the message, nor in the hostile tone adopted towards England. Is not the Presidential election drawing nigh? Pulling the lion's tail may look to the Old World a curious way of trying to catch fish, but it has been found to answer in the turgid waters of American politics."

ON THEIR WAY TO DIXIE

Maryland Going to the Exposition Nearly 2,200 Strong

BALTIMORE, Md., Dec. 4.—The Maryland delegation to the Atlanta Exposition left Baltimore to-night over the Pennsylvania railroad and Seaboard Air-Line. The delegation, including the military, numbers nearly 2,200 persons and is thoroughly representative of the city's and State's interest. In addition there was a number of social organizations in the party and nearly one hundred ladies. The delegation is headed by Gov. Brown and staff, Mayor Hooper and members of the city council of Baltimore.

The militia comprising the Brigadier General, Colonels Willard Howard and Frank Marlowe and a battalion of the Maryland Naval Reserve, with Commander Isaac E. Emerson and staff also left to-night, going from here to Portsmouth, Va., by steamboat and thence by rail to Atlanta.

The citizens' party will reach Atlanta to-morrow afternoon at 5 o'clock. The soldiers are scheduled to arrive there early Friday morning.

GONZALES SHOT AS A TRAITOR.

HAVANA, Dec. 4.—Gil Gonzales, the insurgent leader, after having been tried by court martial and convicted of taking up arms against the government, was shot to-day at Matanzas.

GEORGE WASHINGTON HANGED.

An Immense Crowd Witnessed the Execution.

TARBORO, N. C., Dec. 4.—(Special.)—George Washington, Jr., was hanged here to-day. He was tried and convicted at the last term of the Edgecombe Criminal court, for the murder of one Charles Neville, a pump man at the water tank of the Atlantic Coast Line Railway.

The murderer a young negro of eighteen years of age, and was raised in Tarboro. He has always been regarded as a boy of exceedingly weak mind, easily led to do almost anything by anybody. His father states that his son has never been real bright, and at times, he becomes despondent and moody, when it is impossible to do anything with him.

In this case, the evidence of witnesses and the boy's own confessions were so conclusive and overwhelming, that no doubt whatever has ever been raised, as to his guilt.

The murderer was taken from the jail this morning at twelve and carried to the place of execution. He evinced no signs of fear. From the day of his sentence, he has shown no evidence of fright, but has from time to time referred to his execution in the most careless way possible.

At the gallows was an immense crowd, composed for the most part of colored people. On the platform were the sheriff and a few others. A few minutes after twelve, the cord, connected with the trap-door was pulled and the murderer was dangling between heaven and earth. His death was from strangulation. His neck was not broken. He was buried this afternoon.

ARE OTHERS INVOLVED?

Some weeks ago George Washington, Jr., related how he came to commit this murder. He said he was induced to do it, at the solicitation of a colored man who lives near the depot. He said he was met that morning by this man, on the railroad, who told him, that everything was ready, and that he had fixed the gun, that it could be found at Charles Allen's house. He also stated, that this man directed him how to get to the pump-house, undiscovered. He was to go to the north of the railroad, and cross the creek at a spot where a cross mark had been made, thence he was to proceed to a thick clump of bushes, to the west of the pump-house, not more than twenty feet distant. There he was to wait for the signal.

He was told that Neville would be at the house, and that he must kill him just before the mail from Norfolk passed by. He said that he shot Neville, as he was entering the door to the pump-house and then came back to town, expecting to meet his accomplice to divide the money. He was arrested that night and has never seen this man since.

This is his statement. Whether it be true or not, no one will ever know.

A FAILURE IN WINSTON.

The Trial of the Alleghany Lynchers Again Postponed

WINSTON, N. C., Dec. 4.—(Special.)—Scott & Hudson, one of Winston's to-day, naming W. M. Hendren trustee. Assets and liabilities are not known. Both members of the firm think they will be able to re-open in a few days.

Evangelist Oakes began his Bible reading lectures in the Lutheran church here to-night.

An intoxicated farmer named Smith, from Stokes county, created considerable excitement here last night by drawing a pistol and threatening to kill a showman. The latter protected himself by knocking the farmer senseless with his fist. For some time it was thought Smith would die, but his friends managed to get him out of town early this morning.

The trial of the Alleghany lynchers, which was to come up here to-morrow has been postponed till the May term.

Salem Philharmonic Society gave a highly meritorious musical concert in the Academy chapel to-night.

Robert Watkins, a married man 27 years old, was found frozen to death in his wagon near Hay Meadow, Wilkes county, yesterday morning. He had been over the mountains with a load of produce. When found he was sitting in the wagon, his feet on the double tree and his head leaning against the side of the wagon.

HEAVY FAILURE IN CHARLESTON.

CHARLESTON, S. C., Dec. 4.—Jacobs and Sons, one of the largest retail dry goods and shoe firms in Charleston, running five stores, made an assignment to-day for the benefit of its creditors to be B. P. Gadsden. Liabilities and assets unknown.

NEARLY 54 MILES AN HOUR.

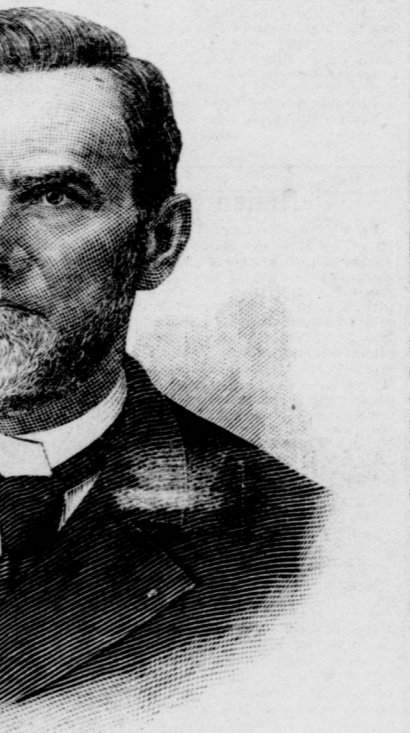
BUFFALO, N. Y., Dec. 4.—The Empire State express reached Buffalo this afternoon at 4:30 p. m., five minutes ahead of its new schedule time, having made the run from New York in 8 hours and ten minutes, 440 miles in 44 or an average of nearly 54 miles an hour.

AMERICAN MISSIONARIES SAFE.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 4.—Minister Terrell has cabled the State Department that all of the American missionaries in Turkey are safe and are properly protected.

THE VIRGINIA LEGISLATURE.

RICHMOND, Va., Dec. 4.—The biennial session of the Virginia legislature began to-day. The Senate organized by electing William Lovensstein, president pro tem and Jos. Burton, clerk. The House elected John F. Ryan, speaker and J. B. Biggers, clerk.



Dr. R. H. Marsh, President Baptist State Convention.

and is as good a type as the State can produce of the well-balanced, conservative and all-round useful preacher.

By request, Dr. Marsh has furnished the following interesting facts in relation to the Convention and its work: "There are two general organizations among the Baptists in North Carolina—the Western Convention and the State Convention. These are separated by the Blue Ridge, and are independent bodies, harmoniously doing missionary and educational work. In both Conventions there are about 900 ministers, 1,500 churches and 160,000 members.

The Baptist State Convention was organized in Greenville in 1830, and meets annually. This year's session opens at Greensboro, beginning on Thursday night of this week, immediately after the introductory sermon by Rev. Dr. A. M. Simms, of Raleigh.

"The primary objects of the Convention shall be to encourage and support Wake Forest College; to educate young men called of God to the ministry, and approved by the churches to which they belong; to encourage education among all the people of the State; to support the gospel in all destitute sections of the State and of the Southern Baptist Convention; to send the gospel to the nations who have it not; to encourage the distribution and study of the Bible and a sound religious literature; to assist Baptist churches in the erection of suitable houses of worship; to encourage the proper care of indigent orphan children and destitute and aged ministers of the gospel, and to co-operate with the Southern Baptist Convention in all its departments of labor."

The Southern Baptist Convention was formed in 1845, by the union of State organizations in the South, and since that time the North Carolina Convention has conducted, through it, its Home and Foreign Missions. Baptist conventions are not legislative or judicial, but simply co-operative in matters of general beneficence. They are composed of associational representatives and delegates who represent their respective local churches, on a non-voted basis, in the conduct of missionary and educational enterprises. The execution of the plans and instructions of the convention is entrusted

persecuted and thrown into prison. Our government interfered. He was released. A company of believers was gathered—his own mother among the number, after she had refused to speak to her son for six months because of his heresy. In fifteen months 200 souls had broken with Romanism and were baptized. In 1889 there were reported twenty missionaries; twenty-seven churches and stations; a total membership of 1,493, and in 1894 the membership was about 2,500.

From Wake College, a child of this convention, will go up a most encouraging report—252 students on hand and Royal Chair in sight. Out of 59 ministerial students 36 were aided by the Board of Education at a cost of about \$100 apiece.

The Orphanage at Thomasville comes in for a full share of the sympathy and support of the denomination. Last year there were over 130 children—expenses about \$3 per month on each child. The new superintendent is hopeful and hard at work.

The walls of the splendid building of the Baptist Female University in Raleigh will soon be finished up to and including the second story, and there is much enthusiasm.

Missions among the colored people will enlist much interest in the convention. Hitherto but little has been attempted in that direction. The time has now come for hopeful work and the plan of co-operation with the Home Mission Society of the North, commends itself. The result of the different conferences between the representatives of the two sections will be presented for ratification by the convention, and no doubt all will agree most heartily in the proposed plans. Under these as perfected, there will be four co-operative bodies: Home Mission Society, of North, the Home Mission Board of South, the White State Convention, and the Colored State Convention. Out of this is confidently expected to come, closer fraternal relations and the possible combination of talent and resources.

For ten years the young people of our churches have been a factor of increasing importance. Societies for christian work and training under the supervision of the church, have been in demand. Lately, on Nov. 21st at At-

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