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ASHES TO ASHES, AND DUST TO DUST

This Sun to See Three
Hundred Buried.

THE CAPTAIN BLAMED

Statements to the Coroner to the Effect that the Slocum Sailed from Three to Four Miles After the Fire Broke Out.

(By the Associated Press.)
New York, June 17.—Despite the untiring work of the divers and grapplers, the watchfulness of scores of men who have given themselves over to the task of searching for the "missing," but few bodies of those who perished in the Slocum disaster were recovered today. It was stated by divers who went down into the wreck at dawn, that there are many bodies still under the entanglement of timbers and paddle-wheels and that it would be necessary to dynamite the bulk or raise it before they could be reached. To this end city officials communicated with a wrecking company and an announcement was made that the company would undertake the work of bringing the wreck to the surface. Later, however, a conference between the marine insurance companies and the wrecking company ended in a disagreement, with the result that for the present at least the matter is in abeyance.

At this conference, it was announced that the Knickerbocker Steamboat Company, which owns the General Slocum, had resigned all claim to the boat on the agreement that it should receive \$70,000, the amount for which the boat was insured. The insurance companies and the wrecking company failed to agree on terms, and if the boat is raised at all the cost probably will come out of the city treasury.

An Inquiry to be Made.
Secretary Cortelyou, of the Department of Commerce and Labor, will personally undertake the investigation into the disaster on behalf of the government. District Attorney Jerome's assistants are working energetically on the case and officials of the coroner's office have made considerable progress in the way of gathering evidence which will be presented on Monday, when the coroner's inquiry will begin.

There is in the coroner's possession a stand pipe taken at his direction by a diver from the submerged wreck. The valve of the pipe is closed tight, showing that no use was made of this pipe in fighting the flames on the Slocum.

Statements were made to the coroner today by several of the steamboat employees who will appear as witnesses in the inquiry. One of the men, who is believed to have been on the Slocum, said the distance between the 3 and 4 miles after the fire broke out before beaching her. Several watches showed that more than an hour was required to have the breaking out of the fire until the boat was run ashore, all the watches which were taken from bodies of the drowned stopping between 10:10 and 10:20 in the morning.

The Number of Dead.
Estimates as to the number of dead still vary greatly, and this may be accounted for by reason of the failure to report to the proper authorities on the part of many who although officially registered as missing were in reality saved.

Already 53 bodies have been recovered, of which about fifty remain unidentified. These include 273 children, 243 women and 23 men. Thirteen officers of the St. James' church are among the dead, one of them being a woman.

The first funeral from among the victims was held today. It was that of a young girl who is believed to have died of heart disease from fright. No signs of death from burning or drowning were found. Her funeral was followed by a score of others, which were attended by thousands of persons from the East Side community where most of the dead had lived.

Three Hundred Funerals.
Tomorrow there will be three hundred or more funerals, and thirty-two unrecognizable bodies which are now lying at the morgue, will be placed in a separate coffin and in a separate hearse and laid away in the Lutheran cemetery at Middle Village, L. I.

The city has arranged for their burial, a plot large enough for the interment of the bodies having been set aside in this cemetery. All the unknown dead will be placed here, side by side.

percent per annum to an aggregate of not exceeding \$25,000,000, and to execute as security for such bonds a mortgage or deed of trust upon the company's railways, equipments and other property and franchises, including all or any part of the railroad's property and franchises heretofore acquired and that hereafter shall be acquired by the company, by construction, purchase, otherwise, and to approve of the prices and terms upon which such bonds may be sold; and for the purpose of giving the consent of the stockholders to the execution of such mortgages or deeds of trust.

The meeting was presided over by Henry Fink, chairman of the board of directors and eighty per cent of the stock was represented. The vote on the \$25,000,000 bond proposition was unanimous. The bonds that will be issued will be designated as divisional and first lien, and will be a general mortgage. The Guaranty Trust Company of New York, was named as trustee. The proceeds from the sale of the bonds is to be devoted to the completion of double tracking work, the building of new lines and general improvements.

The work on which the money is to be expended has already been outlined in a circular letter sent to the stockholders.

HE GOT HIS BACK UP.

He "Shook" the Train and Defied the Earth—To Play Redskins.
(Special to News and Observer.)
Salisbury, N. C., June 17.—Parties who returned to this place on a excursion from Greensboro last night report that trouble occurred soon after leaving that city by a would-be passenger who claimed that his ticket had been taken up by the conductor. When asked for his ticket, it is stated, he said that he had surrendered both ends of a return trip ticket and therefore would continue his journey to Point. There he wished to stop. Officers were in the act of arresting him, it is learned, when he pulled the bell cord, stopped the train, got off and defied the crowd.

A revival is in progress at the Baptist church in Spencer, the preaching being done by Rev. J. M. Stanford, of Yadkin county. A singular fact is that Mr. Stanford is a brother of the Rev. A. L. Stanford, pastor of the Methodist church at Leaksville, N. C., and that he has accepted a call to the pastorate of the Baptist church in the same place, bringing about the unusual condition of two brothers, who receive \$7,000 a year in normal appearance and style of speaking, serving as pastors of different denominations in the same town.

Mr. J. H. Olson, of Chicago, manager of the Cherokee Indian baseball club, of Indian Territory, was at Spencer today arranging for a game with the Spencer team. The Indian players were educated at Carlisle, Pa., and have a good record and Spencer was glad of an opportunity to make a date. The games will be played on the 27th—one in the afternoon and another at night.

FOR BISHOP'S PARDON.

Mrs. Arthur L. Bishop Getting up a Petition in Charlotte.
(Special to News and Observer.)
Charlotte, N. C., June 17.—Mrs. Arthur L. Bishop, wife of a young man who killed Mr. Thomas Wilson in his home about eighteen months ago has arrived in Charlotte from Petersburg, Va.

Mrs. Bishop's visit to Charlotte is for the purpose of getting up a petition for the pardon of her husband who is now serving a five year sentence in the State penitentiary.

Mrs. Bishop will begin at once to secure signers to a petition asking that Governor Aycock pardon her husband. The crime for which Bishop is serving a sentence was committed in December, 1902. Bishop was sentenced to five years at hard labor in the State penitentiary. He has now served about sixteen months.

It will be remembered that Bishop, who was a traveling man, was in Charlotte passing himself off as a single man, and on the night of the crime was in a room in the house of his victim, Mr. Wilson, drinking wine with Mr. Wilson's daughter. Mr. Wilson came down and ordered him out. He refused to go and Mr. Wilson attempted to put him out. In the struggle Bishop shot Mr. Wilson, who died shortly afterward. The case attracted more attention than any other of its kind in North Carolina. Some thought Bishop ought to be hanged, and others thought he ought to go to the penitentiary for life. His crime aroused general indignation, and the June 17 it is said, the thousands of persons from the East Side community where most of the dead had lived.

A RAZOR LET OUT HIS LIFE.

A Prominent Attorney Cuts His Throat in a Bath Tub.
(By the Associated Press.)
Jacksonville, Fla., June 17.—Charles S. McCoy, a prominent attorney with offices in the Atwood building, Chicago, committed suicide this morning by cutting his throat with a razor in a bath tub at a hotel here.

McCoy, it is said, in the last few days had lost \$10,000 by speculating in stocks on Wall street through a local firm.

McCoy was in Jacksonville looking after a suit of John L. Davis against the Seminole Hard Rock Phosphate Company.

To Judge Challen, who was associated with him in the case he left a letter saying: "These months the demon of speculation has had me in its grip and I am as powerless to resist it as any drunkard his dram of gambler his game. The course I am taking is all considered the wise one. Please do what is needful. Communicate with Mrs. McCoy, 911 Longwood, Chicago."

ard after all; 10-05, still resisting. O God have mercy; the wages of the transgressor is hard and the wage of sin is death."

The bed was undisturbed, showing that the man had not slept during the day.

McCoy was said to be a man of exemplary habits.

Moran Won the Race.

(By the Associated Press.)
Revere, Mass., June 17.—A twenty mile motor-paced match between Jas. F. Moran and Hugh McLean and the sprint race for the national half mile championship were the features at the cycle track today. Moran won the match race in 29:02 3-5.

Frank Kramer was an easy winner in the half mile national championship race. Time 1:06.

As Some Maids of Uncertain Age.

(By the Associated Press.)
New Orleans, June 17.—One of the bales of new cotton produced in Cameron county, Texas, was received here today by H. & B. Beer from Galveston. Some doubts are expressed by members of the Cotton Exchange as to its proper designation. The general impression seems to be that it is made up of "volunteer" or stubble cotton and not from cotton planted this year. The date of the receipt of the first new cotton last year was August 10.

Harry Caldwell a Winner.

(By the Associated Press.)
Cambridge, Mass., June 17.—Harry Caldwell of Manchester, N. H., easily won the 25 mile motor-paced race at Charles River Park today. Benny Monroe was forced to retire early in the race. Time 54:54 1-5.

Roislul Speaks, 'Tis Done.

(By the Associated Press.)
Tanger, June 17.—News has been sent to Ralsuil through the Sheriff of Eaztan that all his demands have been complied with.

Conference of Charities.

(By the Associated Press.)
Portland, Me., June 17.—A number of interesting papers were read at today's session of the National Conference of Charities and Corrections.

HONORS TO TAYLOR

British Universities Bestow Distinction on Eminent Tar Heel.
(BY FRED L. MERRITT.)
Washington, D. C., June 17.—Great honor has come to a distinguished North Carolinian, now resident in Washington. The University of Dublin will confer upon Mannis Taylor, of this city, formerly United States Minister to Spain, the honorary robes of an LL. D., June 30, and July 23 the University of Edinburgh will confer upon him the same honor. Seldom, if ever before, has any American lawyer received at almost the same moment, such a distinction from two of the most eminent British Universities.

These prizes are to be bestowed as recognition of the fame of two works, to whose composition the author devoted himself for nearly thirty years. The first to appear was "The Origin and Growth of the English Constitution," which is recognized as a standard authority throughout the English-speaking world. About three years ago Mr. Taylor published his "International Public Law," which received instant recognition at the hands of the Supreme court at the United States, where it was quoted as authority in an important case by Justice Brown.

Mr. Taylor occupies the chair of constitutional and international law in the Columbian University in this city. Neither Kent Storr, Cooley, nor any other American law writer has received more marked recognition abroad than has been awarded to Mr. Taylor.

Enfield Beats Black Creek.

(Special to News and Observer.)
Enfield, N. C., June 17.—Enfield defeated Black Creek yesterday at baseball by a score of 8 to 7. The game was rather loosely played at times, but was interesting throughout. The special features were: Batteries—For Enfield: Dunn and Lucas; for Black Creek: Watson, Brooks and Pollard, Horne and Mason.

Cortelyou Makes an Address.

(By the Associated Press.)
Westfield, Mass., June 17.—Secretary of the Department of Commerce and Labor, George B. Cortelyou, received an ovation here today when he revisited the town where he formerly attended school.

GIVE US DAVIDSON, CRIES THE WEST

An Urgent Appeal to the Democrats.

BACKED BY ARGUMENT

This Appeal to Nominate for Governor One Living West of the Blue Ridge Signed by Mayor of Asheville and Other Leading Citizens.

To the Editor: The undersigned citizens of Asheville, N. C., desire to make an urgent appeal to the Democrats of the State to permit their nomination for Governor to come west of the Blue Ridge this year. And we urge the Democratic party with all the earnestness we can command to nominate Hon. Theo. F. Davidson for this position.

The main idea we have now in mind is that of impressing upon our people the supreme importance of this nomination as a matter of party wisdom. Governor Vance removed from this country to Charlotte shortly after the war between the States, and it does seem to us that the plainest principles of party justice demand that a Democratic nomination for Governor should come to a resident of the mountain section once in a full generation.

Some years back Hon. J. C. Pritchard received that the mountain section was the place best suited in which to undertake to make inroads on Democratic strength. Still following up this policy now, the Republicans have nominated as their candidate for Governor this year Hon. Chas. J. Harris from an extreme western county. Why they do not hope to elect him, they are expecting to make our country a desperate fight on our candidate for Congress, as the chances are they may lose representatives from other States, and at the same time a supreme endeavor to capture the west, by the single election of a Democrat as possible. And it ought not to be forgotten that nearly twenty-eight counties are included in the mountain section, counting those that lie immediately east and touching the Blue Ridge.

This situation, therefore, becomes at once so serious and grave that it not only challenges attention, but demands a desperate fight on our candidate for Congress, as the chances are they may lose representatives from other States, and at the same time a supreme endeavor to capture the west, by the single election of a Democrat as possible. And it ought not to be forgotten that nearly twenty-eight counties are included in the mountain section, counting those that lie immediately east and touching the Blue Ridge.

Without disparaging in the least our candidates for this great office, we firmly believe that Gen. Davidson, who has spent the entire of his life in the very shadow of our western mountains, is best fitted by nature and experience to contend against the forces now at work against Democratic success in this end of the State, far west of the Blue Ridge. It is distinctly understood that if this section of the State has been somewhat overlooked by the Democrats, still we feel sure it grew out of a condition peculiar to the position of this section of the State. We write not in the spirit of criticism whatever, but as sincere and earnest Democrats, interested not only in the present, but in the future of the party, as well.

We have no sort of grievance to air, and make this appeal in loving kindness with no bitterness whatever. Knowing, however, that the Republicans are using this alleged neglect or our end of the State as an argument against us, we feel it a high duty we owe the party, that we shall make our nomination for Governor with all the facts before us and in the full glare of all the light possible. And we have every reason to believe that when this matter is finally decided by the convention at Greensboro the victory will be won by Gen. Davidson, because we feel sure our argument has not been and cannot be answered.

The geographical center of the State lies somewhere about Lexington. As it is through Mount Airy, Mocksville, Salisbury, Concord and Monroe, crossing the State, is about as near the center of the white population of North Carolina as any place. When we consider the fact that the eastern portion of the State is much wider than the western part, taken as a whole, it is all the more remarkable that the center of the white population should be as far west as Salisbury. We select Martin as a typical eastern county; with an area of 500 square miles, it has a white population in round numbers of 8,000.

Take Jackson county for Governor, as Republican nominee for Governor, as a type of the mountain counties; with an area of only 200 square miles, it has a white population in round numbers of 11,000. Pender, an eastern county,

containing 80 square miles, has a white population in round numbers of only 6,500, while Henderson, a western county of only 360 square miles, has a white population of nearly 12,500; and Burke, a county east of the Blue Ridge, but still very near it, with an area of only 400 square miles, contains a white population in round numbers of 15,000. These figures are given us by a census official of the government, and we believe them to be substantially correct.

Thanks to the Constitutional Amendment, our party friends in the east will always be able to maintain white county government there. We give these figures and other data to show the possible effect of the course which the Democrats prefer to pursue, with reference to its effect upon the Legislature and the vote for the State ticket, not only in this election, but in the future as well.

Whether, in your wisdom, you nominate our candidate or not, count upon our being in the very thickest of the fight, where we have always been. We only ask encouragement; we only beg you to nerve our hearts and hold up our hands by nominating a mountain man for Governor.

J. E. RANKIN,
S. G. BERNARD,
T. S. MORRISON,
ST. LEON SCULL,
J. S. ADAMS,
J. FRAZIER GLENN,
LOCKE CRAIG,
MARCUS ERWIN,
THOS. A. JONES.

VICE-PRESIDENTS ELECTED.

One for Each Congressional District by Retail Merchants Association.
(Special to News and Observer.)
Winston-Salem, N. C., June 17.—The vice-presidents elected from each congressional district by the Retail Merchants Association are as follows: First district—J. F. Tayloe, Washington, D. C.

Second—W. D. LaRouque, Kinston. Third—John Dunn, New Bern. Fourth—D. T. Johnson, Raleigh. Fifth—J. H. Scott, Winston. Sixth—R. H. McDuffie, Fayetteville. Seventh—J. K. Hoskins, Lexington. Eighth—A. K. Evans, Statesville. Ninth—W. A. Avant, Charlotte. Tenth—C. C. Reid, Rutherfordton.

SAVED BY "DIXIE"

Cry of "Fire" in Theatre of Music.
(By the Associated Press.)
Americus Ga., June 17.—A catastrophe that might have been terrible in its results was narrowly averted here late last night. The Americus theatre was packed beyond its capacity. Twelve hundred people, principally ladies and children, filled the building when an alarm of fire was given from without. Hundreds rushed for the single entrance, which is twenty feet above the pavement and reached by a single wooden stairway. Efforts of police and teachers upon the stage were unavailing until the orchestra, with its wonderful inspiration, struck up "Dixie." This served to restore quiet. In the stampede on the other stairway, several women fainted.

DIXIE'S INTER-STATE SHOOT.

North Carolina Was Heard from in Yesterday's Contests.
(By the Associated Press.)
Warm Springs, Ga., June 17.—The Southern Inter-State Tournament came to an end today, the last event being the seventh annual live-bird handicap. J. W. Hightower and J. Arnold tied for the handsome piece of sterling silver plate awarded for the highest score, each killing twenty-five birds. In the shoot-off Arnold missed his second bird and the trophy fell to Hightower. The latter shot from a distance of thirty-three yards, killing all twenty-seven birds straight. This is the second trophy for live-bird events Mr. Hightower has captured here, he having won the same trophy at last season's tournament.

G. G. Vaughan, of Selma, Ala., J. C. Anthony, of Charlotte, N. C., and Harold Moore, of Colorado Springs, were second in today's contests, each killing 25 birds.

THE VOTE IN FLORIDA.

For Senator J. P. Taliaferro, for Governor N. B. Broward.
(By the Associated Press.)
Jacksonville, Fla., June 17.—The State and Congressional committees met separately here today to canvass and report the vote in the last primary. The vote was officially announced as follows: For Senator, J. P. Taliaferro, 24,056; J. N. C. Stockton, 20,695. Taliaferro's majority 3,261. For Governor, N. B. Broward 22,579; R. W. Davis 22,265. Broward's majority 714.

For Representative in Congress, Second District, Frank Clark 9,806; J. M. Barrs, 7,320. Clark's majority 2,476.

Kuropatkin to Assume Command.

(By the Associated Press.)
London, June 18.—The correspondent of the Daily Chronicle at Yankov in a dispatch dated June 17 says that General Kuropatkin left Liao Yang Wednesday last to assume command of the army operating towards Port Arthur.

The Van Collides With Russia.

London, June 18.—(Saturday.)—The Daily Mail's New Chwang correspondent says: "The advanced guards of General

Kuroki's army are colliding with the Russian forces fifteen miles south of Tashichiao."

The Daily Mail in an editorial says it thinks that the correspondent is mistaken and that the force is a fresh Japanese army under General Nodzu, moving from Siu-Yen to intercept Gen. Fokelberg's retreat.

WILLIAM H. CHICK DEAD.

A Musician, Celebrated for Excellence of His Voice.
(Special to News and Observer.)
Winston-Salem, N. C., June 17.—Mr. William H. Chick, after a lingering illness, died at eight o'clock this morning at his home at the age of 52 years. Mr. Chick had been in bad health for two or three years. A few months ago he went to Hot Springs, Ark., where he received a course of treatment for rheumatism. He returned home apparently greatly improved, but complications developed and he steadily grew worse until the end. The deceased had an excellent voice and as a tenor singer had few equals in the State.

Mr. Chick was a native of Richmond, Va. His father moved to Columbia, S. C., about 1862. The son, who was mere lad at the time was employed by Walker Evans and Cogswell, who printed money for the Confederacy. After coming to this city he joined the Forsyth Riflemen, serving in the Spanish-American war with his company as artificer and musician with the regimental band. He retained his membership with the riflemen until failing health necessitated his withdrawal.

On the Diamond.

National League.
(By the Associated Press.)
At Pittsburgh—R. H. E. Pittsburgh . . . 0 0 1 0 0 2 0 x—6 12 1 St. Louis . . . 0 0 1 0 0 0 1 1—3 10 3 Batteries: Flaherty and Smith; McFarland, Dunleavy and Grady.

At Boston (Morning Game) R. H. E. Boston . . . 0 0 1 0 1 0 1 1 x—4 3 2 Philadelphia 0 0 0 0 1 0 1 0 0—2 9 4 Batteries: Wilhelm and Moran; Frazier and Roth.

(Afternoon Game) R. H. E. Philadelphia 2 1 0 5 3 0 0 1—12 13 7 Boston . . . 0 2 1 1 0 1 0 2 0—7 11 3 Batteries: Mitchell and Roth; Pittinger and Moran.

At New York—R. H. E. Brooklyn . . . 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0—0 4 4 New York . . . 2 0 0 0 0 0 0 0—2 5 1 Batteries: Poole and Ritter; Taylor and Bowerman.

American League.

(By the Associated Press.)
At Detroit—R. H. E. Detroit . . . 0 0 0 0 0 1 0 0—1 8 1 Philadelphia 9 1 2 0 0 0 0 2—7 12 1 Batteries: Killian and Buelow; Waddell and Schreckengost.

At Cleveland—R. H. E. Cleveland . . . 5 0 0 0 2 0 3 0 x—10 13 3 Washington . . . 1 1 0 0 0 0 0 0—2 3 2 Batteries: Moore and Abbott; Patten and Drill.

South Atlantic League.
(By the Associated Press.)
At Jacksonville—R. H. E. Savannah . . . 0 2 0 1 0 0 2 0 0—8 6 2 Jacksonville 4 0 0 1 0 0 2 2 x—9 9 5 Batteries: Ogle and Holmes; Chappelle and Robinson.

At Macon—R. H. E. Charleston 0 2 0 0 0 1 0 0 0 4—7 6 2 Macon . . . 0 0 1 0 1 0 1 0 0—3 9 8 Batteries: Childs and Chandler; Mayne and Quinn.

At Columbia—R. H. E. Columbia . . . 1 0 1 1 0 2 0 1 0—8 6 2 Augusta . . . 0 0 0 2 5 0 0 0 x—7 6 2 Batteries: Engel and Shea; McLaughlin and Roth.

Southern League.
At Atlanta—R. H. E. Atlanta . . . 0 0 0 1 0 0 0 0 x—1 4 2 New Orleans 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0—0 6 5 Batteries: Ely and Clarke; French and Fox.

At Birmingham—R. H. E. Birmingham 2 2 0 0 1 0 2 1 x—8 9 3 Memphis . . . 3 0 0 2 0 0 0 0—5 9 6 Batteries: Minneman and Matthews; Goodwin and Law.

At Little Rock—R. H. E. Little Rock . . . 2 0 2 2 3 0 1 1 0—11 11 1 Nashville . . . 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 1—12 7 Batteries: Watt and Anderson; Willis and Winters.

WHAT HE, GUARDS, WHO COMES HERE

The Ghost of a Lily White, Your Bustership.

AVAUNT MONSTROSITY

And Hark Ye, Feed and Groom my Bronco "Black and Tan." I'll Ride Him Through that Convention If I Split It Wide Open.

(By FRED L. MERRITT.)
Washington, June 17.—"Sink or swim, survive or perish" in the coming campaign, "Terrible Teddy," evidently intends to live up to the Booker Washington record. He insisted on Republican conventions in Southern States putting negroes on their national delegations. Most of the States declined to do it, and in two of them—Louisiana and Alabama—the negroes sent up contesting delegations.

As related in this morning's dispatches from Chicago, the national committee has decided these contests in favor of the "Black and Tan." That this action is taken not only with Roosevelt's consent, but by his express order no one in Washington for a moment doubts. It is well known here, as no doubt is all over the country, that every detail of the contest week's convention has been supervised and endorsed by him in advance. He has passed on all contests, named the presiding officers, elected the platform and selected the speakers. In fact, he has rehearsed and managed the entire business of the convention to its minutest detail, until many of the leaders, in a more or less respectful mood, are asking, what's the use of a convention anyway.

Lily Whites Smashed Like Eggs.
But to return to the Southern contests. The "Lily Whites," from Louisiana, were headed by ex-Gov. Warmouth and composed of the best and most substantial white Republicans in the State. The same is true of the Alabama delegation. In fact, so high was the personnel of the delegation and so regular had been its selection that it was not beyond the contest could be decided in any way other than favorable to the "Lily Whites." But the President's order to "throw them out," was supreme. The committee's action in these two cases and the comments of the President's friends thereon leave no doubt in the mind of any one here that had a "Black and Tan" delegation from North Carolina party, if they do not test it, too, would have been seated. For instance, the Washington Star, a thick and thin administration organ and regarded here as voicing the President's sentiments says editorially today:

"The Lily Whites of the South have lost in their contests at Chicago before the Republican National committee. They are in these two cases and the comments of the President's friends thereon leave no doubt in the mind of any one here that had a "Black and Tan" delegation from North Carolina party, if they do not test it, too, would have been seated. For instance, the Washington Star, a thick and thin administration organ and regarded here as voicing the President's sentiments says editorially today:

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Poor coalition in that for the Southern "Lily White" but a lot of votes in it for Mr. Roosevelt from Northern and Western States having a large colored vote, so Mr. Roosevelt thinks.

The political meaning of this action is of course that the "Black and Tan" party is recognized as the larger wing of the party in the matter of distribution of patronage, which is the only thing which comes to the decision in favor of political equality between the whites and negroes of the South and will very much cripple the efforts of those Republicans who have been endeavoring to establish a white man's Republican party in that section. It is in line, however, with the President's policy. The decision of the other contests have been in keeping with this. The "Black and Tan," the Hon. "Gas" Addicks and J. Reat Fasset, this is the aggregation of contestants for seats in the Chicago convention which the Republican national committee has decided to recognize.

Steamboat Collector Stranahan, General Clarkson, the surveyor of the port, and local supervising inspectors Rodie and Dumont had a conference this afternoon and agreed for entry into the Slocum disaster which has been ordered by Secretary Cortelyou.

WINDS UP BUSINESS.

N. F. Parker Stops on Advice of His Physician.
(Special to News and Observer.)
Wilmington, N. C., June 17.—N. F. Parker, wholesale and retail furniture dealer here, today made a deed of trust to L. V. Grady, Esq., for the purpose of winding up his business for the benefit of his creditors. Mr. Parker being compelled to retire at once from business upon the advice of his physician. He schedules his assets at \$9,238; liabilities at \$4,250; and says that each merchandise creditor will be paid in full.

Good actors and good architects draw good houses.