

The Democratic party, even in the gold bug State of New York, will stand by the Chicago platform...

The impression that Senator Ben Tillman's pitchfork had grown rusty, on account of disuse, was rudely dispelled last Friday when that doughy statesman unsheathed it in the Senate chamber...

Decorations Day was celebrated at Salisbury last Monday, and a correspondent from that city writes the Charlotte Observer that Claudius Dockery, the orator of the occasion, made a speech in which he lauded the Union Soldier and the negro...

Judge Simonon has just rendered a decision in the circuit court of South Carolina, that will effectually kill the State dispensary, unless it is reversed by the Supreme Court of the country.

"Any State may, in the exercise of the police power, declare that the manufacture, sale, barter and exchange, or the use as a beverage of alcoholic liquors, are public evils, and having thus declared, can forbid such manufacture, sale, barter and exchange, or use, within her territory."

Cotton Ties in the Senate - Pritchard Votes to Tax Them. A discussion arose on paragraph 25, relating to hoop, band and scroll iron, including the bands used in making cotton.

Mr. Bacon, of Georgia, called on the committee to explain the distinction between the wheat growers of the North and the cotton growers of the South.

Mr. Mills, of Texas, also opposed the rate, saying it was equivalent to 10 cents a bale on cotton or \$900,000 on a cotton crop of 9,000,000 bales.

On the Vest amendment on cotton ties, Messrs. Pritchard, of North Carolina, and Deboe, of Kentucky, were the only men from Southern sections voting in the negative.

The Manufacturer's Record, under the direction of the Seaboard Air Line, has issued what is called the "Special Seaboard Air Line Supplement."

WATSON OUT FOR FIGHT.

He swings his club over the hated Butler - He would overthrow the Old Pop Party, and Smash the Old Pop Party, and Set Up as Dictator of a New Pop Organization - His Convention in Nashville on July 4.

ATLANTA, Ga., May 30. - The Populists of the South, led by the Hon. Thomas E. Watson, the late Vice-Presidential candidate, have joined in a movement to overthrow Marion Butler and the National Committee of the party in order to prevent any further attempt at fusion with either of the two great national parties.

The movement really started some weeks ago when the reformed press called for a national convention to be held on the 4th of July in Nashville for this purpose.

Mr. Watson looks upon them as being in the party merely for the offices which they can gain through its influence. He declares that they should be ousted from the seats of power, and that the movement of the People's party, which has been so seriously handicapped by its leaders, should start afresh, ignoring all past organization, but taking its cue from the proceedings of the convention to be held in Nashville.

Mr. Watson says that a man who is waiting for regular action next year, trying to catch the opinion of the people and otherwise fighting for delay, is simply in the way of the enemy and should be got rid of at once.

The purpose of the Watson people is indicated in the following resolution, which has been passed by every county in this State, and will be acted on in the convention meeting in response to Watson's call:

"Resolved, That we urge the national conference, when assembled, to declare against all future efforts to fuse with either old party and to reaffirm every principle of the Omaha platform with the initiate and referendum added thereto, and proceed to reorganize the party by electing a new national committee, to the end that every Populist voter may know that the officials of the party are neither Democrats, Republicans, nor mongrels, but genuine Populists on whose integrity and devotion to principle every member of the party may confidently rely."

The leaders now here all declare that there will never be any more national conventions under the call of Marion Butler, as Mr. Watson will be elected National Chairman by the Nashville Convention, and from that on will control the party.

A so-called "Divine Healer," Miller by name, is operating in Asheville and the adjacent of that city, are flocking to him in great numbers. According to the patient and nurses Miller looks at the patient and moves his lips as if in silent prayer; then he makes mesmerism-like motions with his hands over the body, occasionally rubbing the afflicted parts with his hands, sometimes blowing his breath on the victim and making him bend his body in various shapes.

VALUABLE CARGO FOR CUBANS.

The tug Alexander Jones Took Out War Supplies Estimated to Be Worth \$75,000.

RALEIGH, N. C., May 30. - Details of a very successful trip of the tug Alexander Jones, of Wilmington, with war supplies for Cuba, have been received here.

The Jones took out from Wilmington a cargo valued at \$75,000, the second in value yet landed in Cuba. This was transferred to the filibuster Dauntless in open sea near the Bahamas.

The students resisted and some broke through the line. A general riot followed in the course of which a policeman was knocked senseless and a student named McCall had his head crushed, from the effects of which he may die.

Heavy frosts have damaged corn, vegetables and small fruits in the Northwest. Of the entire force of 2,978 persons employed in the government printing office 2,466 are democrats.

A Brooklyn undertaker, who was preparing the body of a five-week-old baby for burial, discovered that the infant was alive and saved it from being put in the grave.

Eight children of Luther Bridges, at Bangor, Me., have been drinking the milk of one cow. Three of them have lately died of tubercular pneumonia; three are dying, and the two others are ill.

It has been discovered that a female patient in Johns Hopkins Hospital, Baltimore has leprosy. She has been isolated and will be cared for by the hospital authorities until the health authorities can make arrangements for her elsewhere.

Advertisement for Gladness Comes, featuring a woman's portrait and text describing a health remedy.

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At 8:20 o'clock p. m. came the debate by the Hesperian Literary Society at the Academy. The subject was a timely one, viz: "Resolved, That the migration of the agricultural classes to the towns and cities is beneficial to the people."

The closing exercises were completed by the concert at night by the academic department of the school. This program was also well chosen, and rendered with honor to the whole school.

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Whirlwinds News.

The heaviest rain of the season fell here last Sunday night, washed the lands dreadfully.

A destructive cyclone, accompanied by a terrible hail, passed right close here last Saturday evening, destroying the crops, fruit trees and nearly everything in its path.

Mr. D. W. Smith returned last week from the University. His many friends in Polkton are glad to welcome him home again.

Mr. Beaton Maness, who has been in Charlotte for some time, came here last Monday morning. His sickness is not thought to be serious, however. A few days rest and recreation will bring him round all right again.

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Polkton Items.

The copious rains Saturday and Sunday evening were very beneficial to growing crops. With favorable weather during the next three months we hope to have average crops of corn and cotton.

A number of our people noticed the earthquake last Monday. They were somewhat scared and some of them have scarcely recovered their nerves yet.

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Large advertisement for 'THE NEW STORE, GLASS FRONT, EMPORIUM - RACKET!' featuring various goods like silver dollars, shoes, and laundry, with contact information for C. M. Burns.