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## Looking Backward

Over the past eight years of our successful business life in Asheville we have demonstrated to us the fact that our determination to sell only pure goods, guaranteeing weights and quality, and asking a small profit on everything sold, commends itself to the good sense of purchasers.

Second, That desirable customers cannot be gained by the oft-tried practice of some dealers in cutting prices on a few leading articles, hoping to make it up on something else.

That hard work and close application to business is the price of success.

That our business for 1889 shows an increase over the previous year of 20 per cent., which is very gratifying, and for which we wish to thank our many friends in Asheville and Western North Carolina.

## Looking Forward

We are encouraged to enter upon the year before us with renewed energy and a determination to give our customers the benefit of our increased facilities for buying and selling the very finest goods to be had, at small profits.

Our stock is now the largest ever offered in this market and embraces everything in the line of Staple and Fancy Groceries, Table Delicacies, Fruits, Grain, Flour, etc. Respectfully,

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Less Than Cost Of Making.

Agent for some of the largest factories in the South, and can sell home-made jeans, all wool filled, for less than you can get them at any store in the State. Graham's home-made shoes, all styles, as low as can be bought in the State. Every pair guaranteed.

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Worcester Fire Insurance Co., 1,521,706.58

Knoxville Fire Insurance Co., 270,191.89

### Local Briefs

At a meeting of some of the leading gentlemen of the city steps were taken looking to a grand military encampment and contest for next summer. It is proposed to raise \$15,000 in prizes, etc.

Tennessee, Georgia, South Carolina, Virginia and North Carolina are expected to take part in the great Rifle and Gun Contests in Asheville next week. Let all come and see the finest shooting yet done in the South.

Some fifteen or twenty rifle and gun teams from this and other States will take part in the great Inter-State Contests in this city next week, beginning Wednesday, the 3d. Large crowds of visitors are also expected.

The Alliance and Sunday-school picnic which was to have taken place next Saturday at Alexander's Chapel, has been postponed indefinitely. The one on Swannanoa, near Coopers, Sept. 13th, promises to be a grand affair.

Few children can be induced to take physic without a struggle, and no wonder—most drugs are extremely nauseating. Ayer's Pills, on the contrary, being sugar-coated, are eagerly swallowed by the little ones, and are, therefore, the favorite family medicine.

The body of Miss Eva Ballard, who was fatally injured in the terrible railroad accident in Massachusetts last week, was brought to Asheville and the funeral ceremonies were observed at the house of her family on Haywood street last Saturday evening.

A perfect complexion, free from pimple or blemish, is very rarely seen, because few people have perfectly pure blood. And yet, all disfiguring eruptions are easily removed by the use of Ayer's Sarsaparilla. Try it, and surprise your friends with the result.

Our merchants are getting ready for immense stocks of fall and winter goods. The wholesale trade will receive special attention. Look out for THE DEMOCRAT, as all progressive merchants are availing themselves of our large city and outside circulation to reach the best class of people.

Mr. C. D. Blanton, the Mayor of Asheville, is in town for a few days, the guest of Mr. John Kenney. Mr. Blanton is the youngest Mayor in the United States, and stands prominent in the West, not only as a progressive young man in politics, but a merchant of high standing. Raleigh welcomes him.—News-Observer.

Work on the Kenilworth Inn is to begin at once. The incorporators are Joseph M. Gazzam of Philadelphia, A. G. Richey of Trenton, N. J., W. E. Breese of Asheville, Herman Wendel of Wayne, Pa., and Walter B. Smith. Dr. W. C. Browning, of Philadelphia, will be in charge of the work of building the hotel.

Mr. W. G. Corpening has begun work on his contract for 16 miles of the French Broad Valley Railroad between here and the Hendersonville line. His brothers, Mr. Zach. Corpening of Alabama, and L. H. Corpening, will be associated in the work. Mr. Zach. Corpening, we understand, is going to locate permanently in Asheville.

Mr. S. B. Wiley, an accomplished young journalist of Michigan, who has been connected with The Citizen for the past eight months, has gone back to his native State and takes a position on the Detroit Tribune. Mr. Wiley's ability and popular manners made him many friends in Asheville who wish him every success wherever he may be.

The Western Farmer and Mechanic is a new Republican paper just started in Asheville by Messrs. Stancill and Morris. It is handsomely printed, edited with care, and makes a neat beginning. It supports the McKinley tariff bill and other extravagant measures of the Republican party, just as the farmers and mechanics of all parties and all sections are denouncing them. Our neighbor has undertaken a big job.

The Asheville-Charlotte combination of mountain tourists reached home Tuesday, after a trip of quite one hundred and twenty-five miles, taking in Highlands, Haybrick, Cashiers Valley, Caesar's Head, and many other points of attractions. They carried their own camp equipage and supplies. They speak in the highest terms of the kindly attentions of the people throughout; and the scenery cannot be surpassed.

Gov. Fowle and Miss Helen Fowle are at the Battery Park and will make a stay of some time. The reception and cotillion tendered Gov. Fowle and daughter at the Greenbrier White Sulphur Springs of Virginia, last week, by members of his staff and others, including Attorney-General Theodore Davidson and Capt. V. E. McBee, was pronounced one of the most brilliant entertainments which have occurred at that far-famed resort in many a day.

## WESTWARD!

### THE STAR OF EMPIRE TAKES ITS FLIGHT

### CRAWFORD THE MAN.

### HON. W. T. CRAWFORD, OF HAYWOOD, NOMINATED ON THE FOURTEENTH BALLOT.

### The Defiant Democracy of the Ninth Congressional District in Convention—A Large Crowd—A New Force Bill, Bill Crawford After Ewart.

On Tuesday evening the delegates from the Western Reserve of this district to the Democratic Congressional convention reached the city several hundred strong, and all strong for their respective candidates Mr. Elias of Macon or Mr. Crawford of Haywood. Wednesday morning's trains added largely to the number, from McDowell, Henderson, Transylvania, Polk and Madison. It was the largest convention ever held in the district, composed of true, representative citizens and Democrats.

Tuesday night and Wednesday morning the friends of respective candidates were busily engaged in "feeling their way," but up to the hour of meeting it was a very uncertain matter as to who the lightning would strike.

Promptly at 12 o'clock the convention was called to order in the Grand Opera House which had been very properly and necessarily secured for the occasion by Capt. C. M. McLoud, of the district executive committee. The delegates only occupied the lower floor, while the stage and galleries were given up to visitors. A sea of faces greeted the chairman when he rapped to order, and triumph for Democracy was strongly depicted on every face, let the leader be whom he may.

Rev. Dr. Rankin offered up a fervent prayer.

Mr. R. L. Leatherwood, of Swain was elected permanent president, with R. M. Furman and representatives of the Democratic press secretaries.

When nominations were called for Hon. H. A. Gudger presented the name of Gen. Vance.

Hon. W. H. Hargrove presented Hon. W. T. Crawford, of Haywood.

Locke Craig presented Hon. J. H. Merrimon.

E. D. Carter presented Hon. J. M. Gudger.

M. W. Egerton presented Hon. Thos. D. Johnston.

J. F. Ray, nominated Hon. Kope Elias.

Hon. Reuben McBrayer nominated Col. Frank Cox.

Seconding speeches were made as follows: Col. J. J. Osborne for Vance; W. A. Smith for Merrimon; Natt Atkinson for Johnston; J. W. Nash for Crawford; General Hampton for Elias; R. W. Scott for Cox; R. E. Gardner for Gudger; N. Newby for Elias.

The first ballot resulted—Vance, 121 1-10; Johnson, 29 2-10; Cox, 20 8-10; Merrimon, 21 8-10; Gudger, 24 4-10; Crawford, 40 6-10; Elias, 48 5-10.

Last (14th) ballot, Messrs. Johnson and Elias having withdrawn—Vance, 34 8-10; Cox, 53 8-10; Merrimon, 52 4-10; Gudger, 21; Crawford, 161 3-10.

Whereupon Mr. Crawford was declared nominated amidst great enthusiasm.

[We held THE DEMOCRAT back to enable us to state the result merely. Full proceedings will be published next week.]

### A Huge Mistake.

The usually accurate Baltimore Manufacturers' Record makes a huge mistake in its item concerning the contract recently made by Mr. Vanderbilt with the South Carolina contractors. The contract as made was only for the granite foundation of the magnificent edifice and is to cost over \$400,000. The Record will readily see there is a vast difference between the foundation and the entire building. The latter will cost, as near as present estimates can be made, over four million of dollars. Our esteemed friend and fellow countryman, Mr. Vanderbilt, thinks too highly of Western Carolina to waste his time on a residence to cost no more than a half million. We have all gotten beyond that point down here, Mr. Record.

### A Special Excursion

Will be run from Durham, Hillsboro, Greensboro, Salisbury, Charlotte and other points on the 3d, to enable people who wish, to attend the big sale of city lots to take place in this city next week, beginning Wednesday.

Fifteen hundred dollars in prizes are to be distributed at the great State and Inter-State Rifle and Gun Contests, to take place in this city next week.

### ASHEVILLE'S GALA WEEK.

#### Gun and Rifle Shooting—Large Sale of City Lots.

Next week promises to be a most important one in the history of the city. Great attractions will be offered by Rifle and Gun Contests, in which teams from several States, as well as a number from this State, will participate. Fifteen hundred dollars will be distributed as prizes, and everything will be done to add to the pleasure of visitors and participants. Among these special arrangements will be the extraordinary public sale of that extraordinarily valuable property in North Asheville, on Merrimon avenue, belonging to Messrs. Atkinson, Reynolds & Co. This property has been divided into residence lots of from one-half acre to five acres each, all covered with beautiful original oak forest, with wide, well shaded streets, all commanding splendid views of the entire surrounding country. Really, too much cannot be said of this property; in location, surroundings, and all advantages of a well appointed home, it cannot be surpassed. The sale of lots will begin next Wednesday and continue until two hundred of the handsomest residence lots in the Union will be disposed of, on terms that none can resist. Only ten per cent. of purchase money cash, ten per cent. in sixty days, ten per cent. in one year, the same each in two and three years, the remainder in five years. Every person who feels the slightest desire to invest, either for speculation or other purposes, should inspect carefully this property, and attend the sale.

In 1880 Asheville was the 8th town in the State in population; in 1890 it is 4th and runs for the 3d place closely. We have no doubt whatever, and it is the opinion of every person at all acquainted with the growth and attractions of the place, that Asheville will contain in five years the largest population in the State. Its preeminence as a health and pleasure resort, its future as a most important commercial and industrial center, are assured. And no better opportunity will be offered for safe and profitable investment, or the securing of a most delightful home site, than will be offered in or near this thriving, bustling, hustling, mountain metropolis. Attend the sale.

### All Say Pleasant Things.

Our friend C. C. Daniels, editor of the Wilson Advance, gives a most pleasant sketch of his recent visit to Rutherfordton, Bryson City, Murphy, and Asheville. Like all who visit Western Carolina the more he saw the more he was pleased. His personal allusions are so agreeable that we feel life is worth living after all. Come again, friend. The references to some of the places visited will be used hereafter. Referring to our townsman, Col. Cameron, Mr. Daniels well says:

"Col. Cameron is one of the best equipped editors North Carolina has ever had, and he possesses one of the kindest of hearts."

Referring to two other prominent citizens of the great and growing West, he says truly:

"It was our pleasure to meet Mr. R. L. Leatherwood, of Bryson City. He was defeated for the nomination for Solicitor of his district by Mr. George Jones, of Macon county. Mr. Leatherwood is a good lawyer and an excellent man, and it was indeed an honor to be nominated over such a competitor. Mr. Jones is one of the best lawyers and men of his section and will redeem the district from Republicanism, we do not doubt. He was the member of the last House of Representatives from Macon county and he made a useful, earnest member, always true to the interest of his people."

### Completed to the North Carolina Line

JOHNSTON CITY, Tenn., August 22.—The last rail was laid on the Three C's road in Unicoi county at seventeen minutes to twelve last night, the last day allowed to get through and win the bonds voted by the county. To-day the road was inspected by the chief engineer and the chairman of the Unicoi county court. A number of prominent citizens of Johnson City were invited to make the trip and a pleasant one it was.

The Stateline was reached at 2 o'clock. Lunch was served and the train started on the return trip. A stop was made at Unaka Springs and Chairman Hannum accepted the road for the county and signed an order for the delivery of the bonds. The road is in good condition and is now open for business to the State line. Wm. Kenefick has the contract for fifty miles through North Carolina and will commence work in twelve months. Work on the north end is again being pushed vigorously, and within three months trains will be running to Minneapolis, Va.—Knoxville Journal.

## COUNTY DEMOCRACY.

### AN ENTHUSIASTIC MEETING OF BUNCOMBE DEMOCRATS.

### Delegates Selected to the Congressional Convention—To Hold Primary Elections.

The County Democratic Convention to select delegates to the Congressional convention met in the court house on Saturday. Every township was represented by enthusiastic Democrats.

Capt. McLoud, chairman county executive committee called the meeting to order and requested R. M. Furman to act as temporary secretary.

On motion, Mr. E. D. Carter was chosen permanent chairman and R. M. Furman with the representatives of the Democratic press secretaries.

It was resolved by the convention that each delegation should select for its respective precinct or township, the number of delegates to the Congressional convention which it is entitled.

It was then decided by a large vote that a vote be taken by precinct and township as to choice for Congressman, and that the vote as thus cast should be observed by the delegates to the Congressional convention, giving to each candidate his relative strength.

Upon call of the roll the result was as follows:

For R. B. Vance 58 1/2.  
Thos. D. Johnston 19 1-5.  
W. T. Crawford 14.  
Frank Cox 10 1-5.  
J. H. Merrimon 9 3-5.  
J. M. Gudger 8 1/2.  
The total vote was 120.

Delegates were then chosen as follows:

Asheville, East Ward—J. M. Westall, H. A. Gudger, J. R. Rich, S. H. Reed, J. T. Bostic, T. A. Jones, Locke Craig.  
West Ward—J. Y. Jordan, B. A. Newland, J. M. Campbell, J. M. Ingle, R. L. Graham, R. McBrayer, T. C. Starnes, T. C. McCoy, W. A. Boyce, G. A. Shuford, J. E. Hampton. Alternates: E. W. Burkholder, J. B. Bostic, H. E. Fulenwider, C. D. Blanton, T. J. Hargan, A. P. LaBarbe, A. Featherston, J. M. Green, Tom Triplett, J. G. Merrimon, J. H. Carter.

Beaverdam—F. D. Poik, H. M. Smith.

Haw Creek—M. L. Reed.

Biltmore—W. C. Sales, B. J. Alexander, J. M. Jones.

Hazel—J. M. Ledford, Natt Atkinson.

Alternates: N. Plumadore, W. M. Smith.

Avery's Creek—Samuel Brooks.

Black Mountain—T. P. Sutton, J. M. Stepp.

Fairview—R. L. Pittillo, John Tweed, J. Will Jones. Alternates—J. S. Williams, T. J. Houg, J. L. Ashworth.

French Broad—W. C. Garrison, W. J. Clontz, Dr. Whittington. Alternates: J. B. Hunter, Thos. Revis, W. M. Allen.

Flat Creek—G. W. Lankford, N. B. McLean.

Ivy—J. H. Woodward, J. B. Whittimore, Mr. Dillingham.

Leicester—J. W. Nash, R. E. Sams, P. Israel, M. D. Redmond, J. S. Brown, M. P. Duckett.

Limestone—J. A. Frady, D. P. Lance.

Lower Hominy—W. L. Henry, R. L. Jones, T. D. Brittain. Alternates: J. W. Daniels, F. M. Jones, A. L. Bright.

Reems Creek—W. E. Weaver, W. W. Vandiver. Alternates: J. N. Gill, J. N. Rogers.

Sandy Mush—J. F. Wells, J. P. Lowry.

Swannanoa—W. R. Alexander, W. Y. Porter, R. H. Young. Alternates: R. J. Wilson, W. M. Gudger, I. H. Reed.

Upper Hominy—W. H. Green, P. P. Morgan, J. C. Curtis, J. K. Hoyt.

Capt. Atkinson introduced a resolution requiring the executive committee of the county to order and hold a primary election throughout the county whereby Democrats can express their preference at the polls for the various democratic nominations to be made by the party for county and legislative officers. It was adopted.

The convention adjourned.

### The Truth from Florida.

ESOS, Fla., August 21. Editors Democrat—There is but one voice in this portion of the South in regard to the Force Bill. Republicans as well as Democrats are opposed to this unnecessary meddling with Southern affairs.

A jealousy more wide-spread than some suppose has sprung up in portions of the North—awakened by the rapid and steady growth of the South. Our real sin is not so much in fraudulent elections as in manufacturing too much iron and building too many cotton mills. But let us hold a steady course with justice to all and undiminished integrity, in all our acts and the South will come speedily and to our aid. There is no danger that the Caucasian will ever submit to Ethiopian rule.

J. L. ENOS.

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