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The Mt. Airy celebration was a grand success, in every way, we are glad to note. Thousands of people from all sections of the State were there.

Joseph Pulitzer, the *World* man, it is said is almost hopelessly blind. He has gone to Europe in the hope of a rescue from such a calamity.

The Supreme Lodge Knights of Pythias, in session at Cincinnati, Ohio, adjourned on Saturday sine die. They refused to organize the Knights of Pythias Sisterhood, but thought the same purpose would be accomplished if women established and governed their own order.

Some of the republicans are willing to admit that Cleveland and Thurman will be stronger before the people than the nominees of the Chicago Convention, but try to argue that the tariff issue will give their ticket sufficient prestage to elect their candidate.

Democratic members of Congress express the opinion that the nomination of General Harrispn is a weak one. He is said to be unmagnetic, unsympathetic and uninspiring. It is asserted that he is not popular with republican Congressmen, and that the latter think the convention made a mistake.

A letter has recently been received from Minister Jarvis, by a friend in the eastern part of the State, stating that the health of Mrs. Jarvis and himself continues so bad that he will be compelled to leave Brazil and may be expected home during the summer. While all North Carolinians will be glad to learn that Gov. and Mrs. Jarvis will again be in the State, they will certainly regret to know of their loss of health. But North Carolina atmosphere will soon restore them.

The great mistake men make is this: They strive to increase their earnings, but they do not try to increase their earning capacity. They complain of the selfishness of employers, when if they were wise they would see that in this selfishness lies their greatest opportunity. The selfish employer is always on the lookout for the man who will serve him the best and bring the most money into the treasury. He lies awake at night wondering where he can secure such a man. He is willing to reward capacity and fidelity liberally, not because he is generous, but because it is his interest to secure better service and better returns. Many our young men have been quick to understand the situation, and have risen in the world.

THE PLATFORM.

Adopted by the Democratic State Convention.

"We again congratulate the people of North Carolina on the continued enjoyment of peace, good government and general prosperity under Democratic administration of the affairs of the State which has now been unbroken for so many years; upon the just and impartial enforcement of the law; upon the increasing efficiency of our common school system, and the progress made in popular education; upon the improvement and enterprise manifested in all parts of the State. We again challenge a comparison between this state of things and the outrages, crimes and scandals which attended Republican ascendancy in our borders. We pledge ourselves to exert in the future as in the past our best efforts to promote the best interests of the people of all sections of the State. Affirming our adherence to Democratic principles as heretofore enunciated in the platforms of the party, it is hereby.

RESOLVED, That no government has the right to burden its people with taxes beyond the amount required to pay its necessary expenses and gradually extinguish its public debt; and that whenever the revenues, however derived, exceed this amount, they should be reduced, so as to avoid a surplus in the treasury. That any system of taxation which necessitates the payment of a premium of $270 by the government on each $1,000 of its bonds, taken up with the millions that would otherwise lie idle in its vaults, and paid to bondholders who purchased, in many instances, at less than par, is undemocratic, oppressive and iniquitous and should be reformed. The course of our Democratic Representatives in Congress, in their efforts to give relief to the people from burdensome internal revenue and tariff taxation, meets with the approval of the Democratic praty of this State and we respectfully recommend that if they find it impossible to give to our people all the relief demanded, they support any just and practical measure presented in Congress that will afford a partial relief from such existing burden.

RESOLVED, That while the details of the methods by which the constitutional revenue tariff shall be gradually reached are subjects which the representatives of our people at the national capital must be trusted to adjust, we think the customs duties should be levied for the production of public revenue, and the discriminations in their adjustment should be such as will place the highest rates on luxuries and the lowest on the necessaries of life, distribute as equally as possible the unavoidable burdens of taxation, and confer the greatest good on the greatest number.

RESOLVED, That we, as heretofore, favor and will never cease to demand, the unconditional abolition of the whole internal revenue system, as a war tax, not to be justified in times of peace; as a grievous burden to our people and a source of annoyance in its practical operations. We call the attention of the people of the State to the hypocritical pretensions of the Republican party in their platforms, that they are in favor of the repeal of this onerous system of taxation, enacted by their party, while the Republicans in Congress are taxing their energies to obstruct all legislation inaugurated by the representatives of the Democratic party to relieve the peopl of all or a part of this odious system.

RESOLVED, That the course of the Democratic party, in furtherance of popular education, is a sufficient guaranty that we favor the education of the people, and we will promote and improve the present educational advantages so far as it can be done without burdening the people by excessive taxation.

RESOLVED, That, to meet an existing evil, we will accept, for educational purposes, from the Federal government, our pro rata share of the surplus in its treasury: Provided that it be disbursed trough State agents and the bill for the distribution be free from objectional features.

RESOLVED, That the United States being one government and ours a national party, we denounce the efforts of the Republicans to force sectional issues in Congress and elsewhere, and to promote dissension and ill-will between the people of the different sections of our common country.

RESOLVED, That it is due to the people of our eastern counties, who have so cheerfully borne their share of our common burdens, that the present or some equally effective system of county government shall be maintained.

RESOLVED, That the Democratic party is opposed to any further extension of the "No-fence law, unless such extension shall have first been authorized by a majority of the qualified voters within the territory to be affected thereby.

RESOLVED, That the Democratic party has ever been the party of the workingman, and has never fostered monopolies, nor have "trusts" or "combinations" or "pools" ever grown up under laws enacted by it. The contest in this country being between aggregated capital, seeking to crush out all competition, and the individul laborer, the Democratic party is, as it has ever been, against the monopolist and in favor of a just distribution of capital, and demands the enactment of laws that will bear equally upon all.

RESOLVED, That as all taxation bears most heavily upon the laborer, it is the duty of the legislator, as a direct benefit to the workingman, to keep the expenses of our public insitutions at the lowest limit consistent with wise and efficient management. The Democratic party opposes any competition between free and convict labor, but it insists that convicts shall not remain idle at the expense of honest labor.

RESOLVED, That ours being an agricultural State it is our duty as well as our pleasure to promote any and all legislation that is best calculated to advance the interests of agriculture; and that in so doing we will most effectually advance the interests of mechanics, manufacturers, and laborers.

RESOLVED, That the Democracy of North Carolina, cordially approve the administration of Hon. Alfred M. Scales as honest, patriotic and conservative.

RESOLVED, That the ability, wisdom, honesty, patriotism, independence, faithfulness to duty and manly courage of President Cleveland have won thea dmiration of all good men; and the interests of the country demand his re-nomination and his re-election

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PERSONAL GOSSIP.

Walter Besant has gone to Italy.

Mayor Duplex, of Wheatland, Cal., is colored.

Bancroft, the California historian, has a library worth $200,000.

Robert Louis Stevenson will cruise on the south seas this summer.

Robert Garrett will spend June in Paris, and will return to America in October.

Gen. Boulanger is steadily protesting against the warlike notions attributed to him.

Andrew Carnegie says that the coaching trip which he and Mr. Blaine will take will last at least until July 1.

Senator Walthall is six feet tall, erect, symmetrical, with a fine head of dark hair that falls in curls about his neck.

Mr. Rider Haggard is taking a vacation in Iceland. He is a keen lover of sport, and is a capital gunner, fisherman and horseman.

Sixty-two years ago ex-Governor Berry, of New Hampshire, now in his 91st year, organized the first temperance society in that state.

The hereditary prince of Monaco will shortly publish an illustrated account of the scientific results of his recent cruise in the Atlantic ocean.

Browning, the English poet, who is a warm admirer of Walt Whitman, has one of the largest collections in Europe of works by American verse writers.

King Charles of Roumania is one of the most expert trout fishermen in Europe, and seldom fails to pass a few weeks each summer in the region of well stocked brooks.

The present Sam Ward, of the Washington lobby, is described as a tall, fine looking gentleman of courtly manners, a Virginian by birth, and during the war a Confederate surgeon.

The grand vizier of Turkey had to pawn some of the silverware belonging to the sultan to raise the sultan's contribution toward the expenses of the annual pilgrimage of poor Mussulmans to Mecca.

Gen. Boulanger goes to the barber once a week, pays the artist ten francs and gives five francs to the assistant. He never speaks, and the barber, knowing his preference, does not presume to open a conversation.

Mr. S. W. Burnham, of Chicago, who is going to California to take charge of the great telescope at the Lick observatory, has phenomenal eyes, which are said to have naturally as great a light grasping power as ordinary eyes get through a six inch telescope.

Senator Quay, of Pennsylvania, has been very quiet since he entered the senate chamber, but in a sub rosa way he has accomplished a triumph of statesmanship. He has obtained the photographs and autographs of his seventy-five senatorial colleagues. It took a good deal of diplomacy to do this, as certain senators never give their pictures to any one. How Mr. Quay obtained some of the photographs is a mystery.

STRAY BITS.

Paris has adopted the American ambulance system.

A Georgia man has celebrated his golden wedding with his second wife.

A planter in Brooksville, Fla., cleared $10,000 off a cabbage patch of 100 acres.

"Woolenite" is a new word used to designate the man who wears garments entirely of wool.

More than a million men are employed by the various railway lines in the United States.

There are about 800,000 childrer in the United States, under 12 years old, whose lives are insured

An ounce of silver may now be purchased in England for 41⅞ pence, the lowest price of the present century.

A judge at Harrisburg, Pa., has sent a young fellow to jail for kissing his affianced wife on the street against the lady's will.

A student at a civil service examination in England stated that "Sir John Moore was killed in a battle just before he set sail for England."

T. R. Bennett, of Wilkesbarre, Pa., has a Bible that was published by John D. Hayes, Cambridge, England, in 1676, being now 212 years old.

An Alaska Indian, sentenced to prison for ninety-nine years for murder, wants to know if the government is going to keep him alive long enough to serve the whole term.

A well known London firm of refreshment contractors recently advertised for 4,000 additional waiters, and 10,000 applications were received in response, the whole of the candidates claiming to have had experience.

The gum chewing mania is still increasing rapidly among the youthful belles of the aristocracy, the proper and correct gift for a young lady being now a box of gum, decorated in dainty fashion and tied with pretty ribbon.

A triumph in electric lighting was achieved recently in Vienna, when, during a performance at the opera, more than 6,000 seventeen candle power lamps were burning for more than four hours without a flicker from first to last.

Boston had no Indian Rights association in 1631. But it is recorded that on the 27th of September Mr. Josias, convicted of stealing from the Indians, was sentenced to the punishment of being deprived of his title, and to be thereafter known simply as Josias.

Alfred M. Horton, of Middletown, N. Y., although totally blind, is expert in the use of carpenter's tools, and does repairs about his house and stables. He is fond of horses, and buys and sells them with good judgment, judging them entirely by his sense of touch.

Frank A. Hardy claims to be the oldest fireman in the United States. He joined a fire company in Hollis, N. H., on March 17, 1837, and has been a member of some department continuously during the succeeding fifty-one years. He is now secretary of the fire department of Piqua, O.

Some fashionable New York women have solved the difficulties of the oft recurring dressmaker's bill by paying their dressmakers fixed sums by the month or year, hiring them in fact, as the Chinese do their physicians. One woman pays her dressmaker $50 a month, and for this sum she obtains all the gowns she wants.

The female employes of the government printing office and of the bureau of engraving at Washington do all kinds of work, dirty as well as clean. They help manage the presses, their sleeves are rolled up high above their elbows, and their plump, round arms receive many an ink spot during the day About 1,500 women are employed in the two offices, and colored women work side by side with white women without clashing.

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