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**LETTER NO. 5 FROM CHAIRMAN GREEN.**

**EDITOR COUNTY UNION:**

I answered the question you asked, but as you desire a more explicit explanation; I readily give it. We have cancelled as received by Sheriff in payment of taxes for 1896, \$3658.90 and have cancelled for which bonds have been issued \$3787.77 and from the best information I can get there is about \$1,600 yet due, a part of which has been filed for inspection and cancellation, this does not include a large number of orders allowed and that have not been called for by parties to whom payable, neither does it include what is due on the jury fund amounting to about \$350. You will see by examination the statement made on last campaign was not an exaggerated one.

Respectfully,  
J. A. GREEN.

The above letter from Chairman Green is not much more explicit than the one preceding it. What we wanted to know was how many orders allowed and issued prior to December 1st 1896 have been cancelled by his board and how many bonds had been issued. The bonds he gives as \$3,787.77. He also says that his board has cancelled \$3,658.90 worth of orders that the Sheriff received for taxes for 1896. Do you mean to say, Mr. Green, that all this \$3,658.90 worth of orders was issued prior to December 1st 1896? If so, say so definitely. And if not please state how many of them was issued prior to December 1st 1896.

He also states that he judges there are still about \$1,600 outstanding. Will he please inform the people in whose hands this \$1,600 is. If it was issued prior to December 1st 1896, why has it not been taken in and bonded?

We are informed that the amount of the floating debt of the county has been a matter of conjecture for quite a number of years and the amount of orders held by the people could not be fully ascertained. According to Mr. Green's statement last week it would amount to nearly \$9,000 but from the statement this week we infer that it is much less. The administration from 1888 to 1896 thinks that it ran about even and did not increase the county debt but little, notwithstanding that during that time two court houses were burned which incurred a great deal of expense and also that during that period the county suffered greatly from floods and freshets and many bridges had to be rebuilt and repaired—more probably than for years before. With all these disasters they think they kept about even with the county expenses—not increasing the debt but little each year.

But Mr. Green would make it appear that during this period nearly all the outstanding debt was made. He says that in 1888 the outstanding debt was estimated at only about \$500. If we have been informed correctly Mr. Green had at that time or soon after in his possession scrip amounting to that much or more that was issued many years prior to 1888. The administration that went out last year invites the closest scrutiny of their public acts and do not fear for any of them to be made public.

The people are wanting to see the compromise agreement and bond contracts that were made by the present board and which Mr. Green has promised to furnish us. How much longer before we can expect them?

SENATOR BUTLER asks the News and Observer if it wants such a white man's party as the legislature of 1891. That kind will do for us. That was called the Farmers' Alliance legislature and Senator Butler was a member. It had no negro doorkeeper and did not appoint any negro magistrates.

**A STRAIGHT FIGHT. NO FUSION FOR US.**

A good deal of discussion is now going on among the State Democratic press as to the attitude the Democratic party should take toward the Populists in the next campaign. Only a few, we are happy to note, favor a fusion with that party, claiming that as the only means by which the white men of the State can be unified and bring the State government back into the hands of the white men. As for THE UNION it is unalterably opposed to fusion with any party. It wants the Democratic party to meet in a convention, where every delegate shall have a voice and let every section of the State be represented, and let the convention make a platform for the best interests of the whole State and one which every white man in the State can accept. Let it treat all interests of every class fairly. This done we can go before the people with clean hands and ask the assistance of every good citizen.

It is true that the white men must vote together if we redeem the State government from the hands of the black and tan crowd that now control it. But shall the great Democratic party desert principle to get a few Populist office-seekers? The great mass of white men in the Populist party is already disgusted with the action of the last legislature and the administration. They will be glad to join us to get the crowd that is in out; they see that the leaders of their party have proved traitors to a large extent; they have found that a large percent of their leaders would wreck the whole State for office for themselves; they have seen and know that they deserted every principle of their party in their unholy combine with the Republicans last year and as a result they have had thrust upon them negro officers by scores in all the eastern counties, and with such records they know that they cannot survive as a party or expect the intelligent masses of white men to support them. With all these we think it folly to even think of a fusion with them next year.

We admit that the Democratic party has faults and that it probably has not done as well as it should, but with all its errors its record of twenty years of State rule is white as snow when compared with the two years of Rad-Pop fusion rule. How can any white Populist point with pride to the negro magistrates, constables, school committees and State officers which his party helped to put in office? These are things for which white men to consider.

Then let us not think of fusion with them, but lay down a platform on which all white men can unite. Let bygones be bygones and entreat them to come back to the fold of democracy and white supremacy. Let's go to the people with clear cut principles and for a State government by Anglo-Saxons, and fighting for the great principles of our forefathers. If we lose we will have the satisfaction of knowing that we were defeated contending for true principles, which will win eventually, and that we did not surrender principle for office. A straight fight for government for North Carolina by white men and we will win. Let "white supremacy" be the battle slogan.

PRESIDENT MCKINLEY is the negroes friend in the South. His administration is giving more negroes office than any former administration. In the second congressional district in this State which is represented by the only negro in the Congress has more negro postmasters than have ever been appointed in the State before. Halifax county alone has a dozen negro postmasters. Rocky Mount, Littleton, Scotland Neck, Halifax and several other towns have negro postmasters.

THE Populist who whipped a negro woman for insulting his wife and was arrested by a negro constable and tried before a negro magistrate and fined was served right. He voted for the crowd that made them officers and robbed them with official prestige. He is drinking the bitter from his own cup. Of course he was greatly mortified.

**People and Their Movement.**

Mr. J. W. Smith, of Wake, was in town Saturday. Dr. J. R. Fleming returned from Raleigh yesterday. Messrs. E. F. and Russell Young left to-day for Wilson. Mrs. P. J. Jefferys left Saturday to visit relatives at Fremont.

Messrs. H. H. McKay and C. F. Honeycutt spent Sunday night in Fayetteville. Mr. and Mrs. K. L. Howard left last Saturday to visit relatives at Pee Dee, S. C.

Mr. D. H. McLean left this morning to attend to some legal business in Smithfield. Mrs. M. F. Gainey and children left this morning to visit relatives in Rocky Mount.

Mr. G. C. Bass, of Dobbersville, Sampson county, is visiting his brother, Mr. J. R. Bass.

Mr. L. H. Lee left yesterday for Ayden, to attend the funeral of his brother-in-law, Elder T. F. Harrison.

Mrs. L. J. McKay spent several days with relatives at Summerville last week. She returned home yesterday.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Newberry, of Fayetteville, came up this morning to be present at the marriage of their son to-night.

Daniel Stewart, Esq., of Stewart's Academy, one of the largest and most successful planters of the county, spent Monday night in town.

Mr. Algernon Pearsall of Red Springs visited relatives here this week. He returned Monday afternoon accompanied by Miss Annie Pearsall.

Mr. B. H. Woodell, Secretary of the Grand Lodge of I. O. O. F., of North Carolina, spent Monday night in town and lectured before the Lodge here.

Mr. G. W. Lawrence, Secretary and Treasurer of Cumberland County Fair, of Fayetteville, spent several days in town this week with Mr. H. N. Bizzell.

**Married in a Gin House.**

A marriage in a gin house is something new to us but we learn that one did occur in a gin house on Sunday evening a week ago, in Sampson county. It seems a young man named Daniel Starling and a young lady named Johana Tew had concluded that their lives were inseparable and the young man had obtained a license and on that Sunday afternoon they started out to find a Justice of the peace to consummate the bonds of matrimony. They found one in the person of Mr. Autry Baggett at the home of Mr. W. D. Hawley. Quite a number of young people had gathered at Mr. Hawley's that afternoon and were there when the two lovers rode up. The young man made his mission known to Mr. Baggett but his timidity was too great he thought to face all the people present, so Mr. Baggett was asked to retire to the gin house nearby and bind the happy twain. In the midst of the ceremony the young people from the house walked in and witnessed the consummation of the marriage vows, much to the consternation of the happy young man.

We know whereof we affirm when we state that Ayer's Pills, taken promptly, at the first symptoms of colds and fevers, arrest further progress of these disorders, and speedily restore the stomach, liver, and bowels, to their normal and regular action.

**Marriage in Sampson.**

On last Thursday evening at the home of the bride's father, Mr. J. C. Williford, in the Giles' Mill section in Sampson county, Rev. Addison Bain and Miss Etta Williford were happily united in marriage, Rev. J. A. Campbell performing the marriage rites.

The wedding was a quiet one, only a few invited guests and friends of the family being present. The attendants were Miss Mary Strickland with Mr. W. M. Hawley; Miss Georgia Williford with Mr. John D. Bain. THE UNION extends congratulations.

Grove's Tasteless Chili Tonic is a perfect Malarial Liver Tonic and blood purifier. Removes Biliuness without purging. As pleasant as Lemon Syrup. It is as large as any other tonic and retails for 50c. To get the GENUINE ask for Grove's—For sale and guarantee by Hood & Grantham, Dunn, N. C.

**GOVERNOR RUSSELL**

says he rides on a free pass because Judge Simonton does. Evidently the Governor thinks he is as large and as worthy of favors from the railroads as any Federal Judge or officer. Russell is said to be fighting the railroads and Simonton is called by him a railroad judge. Which is the most consistent? Russell or Simonton? They both ride on free passes.

I fear the hair has been made to grow natural color on bald heads in hundreds of cases, by using Hall's Hair Renewer, why will it not in your case?

**GOVERNOR RUSSELL**

rides on free passes over the railroads, yet he receives \$2,000 a year salary from the taxpayers of the State, a large per cent of whom are farmers many of which make cotton and sell it for five cents a pound and when they ride on the railroads they have to pay from 24 to 34 cents per mile.

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For Infants and Children.

**HIGHEST CASH prices paid for CHICKENS AND EGGS and all Country Produce by S. G. MARKS & CO.**

**LOWEST CASH PRICES**

If you have anything to sell, or anything to buy in the way of Dry Goods, Notions, Hats, Shoes, Groceries, Crockery, Tinware, Glassware, Wood and Willow-ware, Hardware, &c., &c. We will make it to your interest to call on us.

Yours truly,  
S. G. MARKS & CO.

**AT Same Old stand.**

I am still located at the same old stand and have in stock a choice selection of HEAVY AND FANCY GROCERIES—AND—Family Supplies.

It is too tedious to mention all the good things I keep but when you want anything that is kept in a FIRST-CLASS GROCERY STORE call on me, I have what you want.

I have also connected with my Grocery Store an OYSTER SALOON and can furnish Oysters in any style you desire. Your orders will have prompt attention when left at my store.

Yours truly  
D. Mc. BROWN.  
Dunn, N. C.

**BICYCLES-BICYCLES.**

The time has been when "dads" would kiss their "gals" if he caught her on a Bike. And these blonnes the girls wore. The mothers didn't like. But now those foggy notions have mostly come to blight. A small quart wheel is a boon to health. Wealth and appetite. I am in the Bicycle Business all over and I can sell you a beautiful wheel fully guaranteed, with a guarantee that guarantees, on easy terms, just what you want, requiring only a small amount cash. A wheel to equal this would cost you from \$10.00 to \$25.00 more than I charge, even in the northern markets. See me before you buy. My wheels give entire satisfaction. Yours for a Cycle Chat,  
W. B. AUSTIN

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Improved, which we sell on easy terms. We make Specialty of Plain Gold Wedding Rings. We can come as near satisfying you as any one can or anything of the above goods, both in prices and styles.

**GAINEY & JORDAN,**

DUNN, N. C.

**New Millinery GOODS.**

**AT SAME OLD STAND.**

While I did not visit the northern markets this season to purchase my Millinery Goods, I used great caution in my selection from the salesmen, and bought nothing but that in the Latest Styles, and have nothing in my departments but what will please my friends.

**HATS, CAPS & TRIMMINGS**

all up-to-date. My goods were not brought for display only but to sell and you should by no means make any purchase in our line before calling and examining my goods and prices.

Your past favors have been fully appreciated and I earnestly solicit a continuance of the same.

Yours truly,  
MRS. J. H. POPE.

**DUNN MARKET.**

CORRECTED EVERY WEDNESDAY.

Sugar	..... 5 1/2 to 6 1/2.
Coffee	..... 10 to 20c.
Flour, per Bbl	..... \$5.00 to \$5.50
Bulk Meat	..... 7 to 8c.
N. C. Meat	..... 8 to 10c.
Lard	..... 9c.
Corn	..... 55 to 60c
Fodder	..... to 12c.
Eggs	..... 10 to 15c.
Chickens	..... 12 1/2 to 20c
Butter	..... 15 to 20c.
Beeswax	..... 18 to 20c.
Hides, dry flint, per lb	..... 7 1/2
" green	..... 2 1/2 to 3 1/2
Shingles, per M,	\$1.50 to \$1.75

**MRS. H. M. ANDERSON,**

**has just received and opened an ALL-ROUND-UP-TO-DATE stock of the latest designs in**

**Fall Millinery Goods.**

I visited the Northern markets and selected my stock in person and bought at prices that enables me to sell very cheap.

**Trimmed Hats** 50c.  
**Ladies' ready make skirts** \$1.25  
**Nice Capes for** 1.25.  
Beautiful Line of Dress Trimmings, Velvets, Silks, Braids, &c.  
I have with me Miss Foy Barnes, an experienced milliner who will be pleased to wait on you. Our store is in the Culbreth building formerly occupied by Mr. R. G. Taylor.

My Shops are Headquarters this season for Home-made and Northern Buggies. The best quality of material is used in these buggies, and for high running they cannot be excelled. See me before you buy. Repairing done on short notice.  
W. D. THORNTON.



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are still selling groceries, and that they will take either Free Silver or Gold and give you bargains never before heard of in BENSON.

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Make our store headquarters when you come to Benson, and we will make it both profitable and pleasant for you.

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**LEE'S HARNESS SHOP.**

J. F. OWEN who has been so long in the Harness Business is not NOT DEAD BUT MOVED to new quarters, Lee's New Harness Shop next door to Gerald's New Stables.

He will make and sell all kinds of Harness, Saddles, Robes, Whips &c. REPAIRING!

**LAND SALE.**

By virtue of the power contained in a mortgage deed executed on the 19th day of December 1892 by E. G. Byrd to R. I. Lassiter and transferred by said Lassiter to the Navassa Guano Company of Wilmington, N. C. and recorded in Book F. No. 2 pages 75, 76 and 77 of the Register of deeds office of Harnett county, I will sell for cash at the Court House door in Lillington on Monday the 29th day of November 1897 the following described tract of land lying in Harnett County, N. C. and adjoining the lands of D. S. Williams, George E. Byrd and others, bounded as follows: Beginning at a stake, D. S. Williams' corner on the edge of the road near Dry Creek, and runs thence with the line S. 75. E 29.80 chains to a stake in said line, thence N. 2. E 20.60 chains to a stake in the old survey line, thence with that line N. 70. W 24.25 chains to a Post oak and pines, Williams' corner, thence with his line S. 20. W 22.50 chains to the beginning and containing 55 1/2 acres more or less. The sale is made to close up said mortgage. The title is considered perfectly good. This 18th day of October 1897.  
J. H. POPE, Sheriff Harnett County.

**EXECUTOR'S NOTICE!**

The undersigned having qualified as executor of the last will and testament of George W. Rising, deceased, hereby notifies all persons having claims against the estate of his said testator to present the same to him, duly proved on or before the 1st day of November 1897, or this notice, in the office of the County Clerk, or all persons indebted to said estate are hereby notified to make immediate payment. This the 13th day of Oct. 1897.  
J. H. BROWN, Executor.  
W. E. MURCHISON, Attorney.

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