

CRAWFORD NAILS A LIE

A LIVELY MEETING AT HENDERSONVILLE.

Pritchard, as Usual, Makes no Argument—Radicals Fear to Hear the Truth, and They Run From Crawford.

HENDERSONVILLE, Oct. 14.—I reckon Pritchard is making the very best canvass possible under the circumstances. When it is remembered that the Republican party has howled high tariff and high taxes for thirty years, and the people of this district see and know how they have gotten poorer and poorer under it, and when it is remembered that the Republican party has demonetized silver and contracted the currency until there is not today \$7 per capita in circulation in North Carolina, and when the Republican party does not propose to give one particle of relief either by lowering the taxes or by increasing the money for the people, why no Republican can defend the record his party made, and is bound to dodge a heap, prevaricate like thunder, tell a few jokes and raise as big a racket as possible.

And this is just what Pritchard is doing, and I give him credit for doing the best he can. Nobody knows better than Pritchard that he is making a canvass without an argument to it.

There was a tremendous crowd present today. I am informed that it was the largest seen in Hendersonville since 1870 when Vance and Settle made their famous canvass for the governorship. I had heard that the Democrats in Henderson were apathetic and indifferent. They manifested about the same degree of indifference as I imagine attaches to a good healthy cyclone bill not yet in effect. I had heard that the Democrats in Henderson were apathetic and indifferent. They manifested about the same degree of indifference as I imagine attaches to a good healthy cyclone bill not yet in effect.

Pritchard and Brown have both been asserting every day that Crawford had denied signing the demands of the Farmers Alliance two years ago. As a matter of fact Crawford had never denied any such thing. Brown declared in his canvass through the western counties that the sub-treasury scheme and land loan lunacy were both in the Alliance demands two years ago. Crawford denounced this assertion as false and said that these measures were not in the demands two years ago, and that he had never given them his endorsement, and challenged Brown to go face to face and he had signed. Brown wrote to the secretary of the State Alliance at Raleigh, and that official sent him a card with Crawford's name printed on the bottom of it, which contained both the sub-treasury and land loan measures. Crawford denounced it as a fraudulent forgery. Today Crawford proved the correctness of all his assertions by producing a copy of the Country Homes, of October 1891, the official organ of the Alliance in this district at that time, in which was printed Crawford's letter to W. F. Tomlinson, announcing that he had signed the demands. By the side of this letter, the demands which Crawford signed were printed in full, and neither the sub-treasury nor the land loan scheme were included in them. Crawford also read a letter from Mr. Tomlinson, the man who was authorized to present the demands to Congressmen at that time for their signatures, in which he declared that the sub-treasury and land loan measures were not in the demands in 1890.

This nails to the wall one of the most villainous lies that this canvass has produced. The Secretary of the State Alliance has had a different set of demands printed and forged Crawford's name to them in order to create the impression in this district that Crawford had been untrue to the pledges he made the people two years ago. This matter should be taken into the courts as a deliberate forgery on the part of this official who put up this big card.

Henderson county will put out a mill straight Democratic county ticket tomorrow.

There will be no step backward in Henderson county. J. P. K. BREVARD, N. C., Oct. 15.—Another large crowd was present today to hear the discussion. There was some whiskey on hand, and before the speaking concluded things became very warm.

Pritchard spoke last, and when his crowd would cheer him, some few Democrats would hurrah for Crawford. One young Democrat standing in the middle of the court room, in the aisle, was conspicuous for his shouts. A well known Republican, somewhat notorious as a bully, left his place inside the bar while Pritchard was talking and walked up to the young Democrat and told him to be most hush, and began to pounce upon him. The crowd rushed up and it looked as if a row was coming, but it was soon quieted.

There was some confusion at the close of the speaking. Pritchard did not fill out his time by 15 or 20 minutes, and criticised the crowd severely for its conduct, saying that the time for browbeating and bulldozing the Republican party had passed in North Carolina. Pritchard, of course, tried to place all the blame on the Democrats, but as a matter of fact there never would have been any serious fuss but for the uncalled for and silly interference of his bullying friend.

The lines between the two parties are closely drawn in Transylvania, and neither party can hope to carry the county by anything more than a small majority. Two years ago Crawford carried the county by 37 majority. It took a hard fight to carry the county then, and it will require the same this year. There will not be 50 majority either way in Transylvania.

Capt. T. N. Cooper, was buried at Davidson river today. His death is a great loss to the county. He is spoken of by all the people as a man of much public and private charity, and his death is universally mourned. J. P. K.

M'KINLEY BILL CRUELITIES.

From Wayne McVeagh's Speech.

The total depreciation in the value of farm lands in this county since 1870 is greater, in my judgment, than the cost of any manufactory in it, and yet when the farmer of today comes to bind his wheat, which he must sell for the price fixed in Liverpool and less than it costs him, he is confronted by the fact that the McKinley bill puts an artificial price upon the twine he must use in order to give a bounty to the wealthy cordage manufacturers who contributed to the election of President Harrison in 1888.

In return for the recent laws breaking down all barriers between the treasury and any person who asks for a pension, the pension agents are expected to bring to the support of the Republican party a vast army of voters who can be relied on to support the new system of government by bounties to favored interests because they themselves were shiners in it, and under the influence of such an alliance economy in expenditure become a by-word of reproach and appeal to patriotism a mockery.

A leading National Republican Senator declared four years ago that the manufacturers of Pennsylvania were more highly protected than anybody else, and made large fortunes every year when times are prosperous. To persuade one's self of the truth of this statement it is only necessary to consider how frightfully the prices of the necessities of life are increased to those who can only purchase them in very small quantities at a time. In our self-complacency we think of them buying coal and sugar and clothing and tinware at the same percentage of bounty to the protected industries as we pay, but the truth is that in many cases their ability to pay being infinitely less and compelled to buy very little at a time, the burden of payment upon them is infinitely greater. When we pay \$7 for a ton of coal they often pay \$20.

And yet these great bounties, from labor, so far from satisfying the desire for wealth in the classes who receive them under the McKinley bill, have actually driven a vast number of our people into a hopeless condition. Some 30,000,000 of our people are now in a state of poverty and distress, and the McKinley bill is the cause of it. It has driven a vast number of our people into a state of poverty and distress, and the McKinley bill is the cause of it.

A REMARKABLE CONVICT.

He Was A Kind of Sculptor, But Was Unappreciated.

Edward J. Murphy, Member of Michigan's State Board of Prison Control. I was going through the Marquette prison one day, when the warden, pointing to a convict at work at a carpenter's bench, said: "Go up to that fellow and take a close look at the color of his eyes, hair and complexion and shape of his face." Wondering what it meant I nevertheless did as directed. The eyes were blue, the complexion sallow and the hair thick and dark. Then the warden took me into his office and showed me a piece of wood in the form of a hemisphere. I was first shown the flat side; then reversing it he disclosed the curved features of the convict I had just seen, a close resemblance, even the color of eyes, complexion and hair being there. By its side was a realistic, also in wood, of the prisoner's long, bony hand.

"This work," said the warden, "was done by that man, and his only tool was an old piece of bottle glass. He must have spent months, perhaps years, working it into shape. How he colored the face and hid upon so close a resemblance to himself I don't know. In making that image the prisoner had but one object—escape. His scheme was to lay it on his pillow, pull the coverlet close up to it, place the wooden hand outside upon the quilt and thus deceive any who might enter into the belief that he was still there, while he himself secreted himself outside and made his escape according to a scheme of which only he knew. But, like many attempts, equally ingenious, the plan failed, and he is still in prison."

FREE RAW MATERIAL.

How It Has Helped a Manufacturing Town.

From the Charlotte News and Courier. W. L. Douglass, the Massachusetts shoe manufacturer, who se pipe adorns so many of the newspapers in this country, knocked the McKinley tariff out in one round at Brockton the other night. Kising Sun Morse, who made so great an ass of himself at the last session of Congress, said some time ago that Mr. Douglass "was getting so prosperous under the McKinley tariff bill that he could not afford to run" for Congress.

In his speech at Brockton, Mr. Douglass informed Mr. Morse that "the McKinley bill had nothing to do with the prosperity of the shoe business, as I can prove to him by an examination of my books. The McKinley tariff went into effect November 14, 1890, and for three months following my business fell off 30 per cent. How did I regain it?" continued Mr. Douglass. "By doubling my force of salesmen and increasing the amount of my newspaper advertising."

Mr. Douglass discussed the free hides question and its relation to the shoe industry. He said that Brockton's prosperity was due to free raw material and what was good for the shoe industry was also good for the iron, building and woolen industries.

It Was a Sight!

From the New York Sun.

The reviewing officials had not brought lunches, but they did not go unprovided. A black-jacketed waiter came with a hamper, and thereafter one of the most remarkable spectacles ever seen on a reviewing stand was presented. The Vice-President, the Governor, and the General in his gold lace, all stood up sandwiches in hand and jaws wagging while division after division passed by. When a General or a Colonel or some other man saluted they put down their sandwiches calmly and returned the salute and then resumed the sandwiches. After a little they sat down and eat and rose up to salute by turns, and then all became athirst.

NORTH CAROLINA'S NEWS

WHAT A BUSY PEOPLE HAVE DONE RECENTLY.

The Happenings, More or Less of Consequence, Up and Down the Line From the Sea Shore To The Mountains.

Raleigh is to have another very elaborate crysanthemum fair, during the present month.

Rev. Dr. Thomas H. Pritchard writes that he accepts the call to the pastorate of Tryon street church of Charlotte.

A revision of the estimate of the loss by the fire of Friday at Clinton makes it \$57,000, with only \$3,000 insurance.

The cotton pickers are now at their busiest. This season 35 cents per 100 pounds is the price paid them in this section.

Though \$500 in prizes is offered to military companies for drills next week at the Raleigh centennial there are yet no entries.

Editor James P. Cook, of the Concord Standard, will be married on the 19th to Miss Margaret J. Norfleet, of Suffolk, Va.

Charlotte Observer: Mr. J. Dowd has returned from Asheville. He spent several days at Gomborn with Senator and Mrs. Vance. The Senator is improving.

Mr. O. H. Foster of Raleigh says he expects to compress 100,000 bales of cotton there this season. Last season only 29,000 bales were compressed at Raleigh.

At Morganton Tuesday afternoon Miss Susie Avery, daughter of Associate Justice Avery, was married to Mr. Thomas McLean, a well known young man of Lincoln.

Elkin correspondent Winston Sentinel: "Mrs. Jane Ferriss departed this life Friday night, September 30, aged 90 years. She was the oldest person living in this township."

A large and appreciative audience gathered around the position at the Battle Ground Greensboro Saturday and witnessed the moving of the historic Maryland monument.

The Hickory Journal says that Robert Bowman, of Alexander, and Mrs. Tina Teague, a widow of two months, were united in the holy bonds of matrimony at Hickory Thursday.

Governor Holt has made the annual return of the naval militia of North Carolina. There is a battalion of four divisions, containing 21 officers, 48 petty officers and 227 enlisted men.

Friday witnessed a wholesale discharge of employees at the railroad shops in Salisbury. All the carpenters, and several of the blacksmiths and yard hands were discharged and it is said others will be removed.

Gerald McCarthy, State botanist, who was struck by an engine and so narrowly escaped death, is getting on fairly well. He was thrown against the side of a rocky cutting, and to this was due the injuries of the head.

The dedicatory exercises at Trinity College, were successfully carried out according to the programme. Rev. Dr. E. E. Hoss, of Nashville, Tenn., the editor of the Nashville Christian Advocate, preached the sermon at the Main Street Methodist church.

The man named Creel, who was arrested at Chapel Hill for supposed complicity in the murder of J. F. Matthews, the Burlington merchant, last Sunday morning, has been discharged. Sewell, a painter, who was the first man arrested is yet in jail.

The Fayetteville Gazette says that in Harnett county there lives a man, himself one of twins, who married one of twins. His mother is the mother of ten children, five boys and five girls. So is her's. His mother twice gave birth to twins, as did her's also.

Some persons who were fishing at night in Cut creek near Wilkesboro, found themselves enveloped in flames, their torches having set fire to the gas which bubbled out of the water. State Geologist Holmes will go to the place and examine into the matter.

Mr. D. B. Magness, successor to T. B. Washburn & Co., dealers in general merchandise at Shelby has made an assignment. Mr. Magness' liabilities are \$7,000, assets \$2,000. Mr. Magness purchased the stock of T. B. Washburn & Co., about a week ago.

Arrora: Cotton sold promptly for eight cents in Shelby last week the first of this week, and some bales commanded 8.05 for best grade. So cotton was on a boom and the farmers rushed it into market, and now receipts are heavy and prices have declined.

Governor Holt says: "I will name August 18th as North Carolina day at the World's Fair. I have selected this day because it is the anniversary of the birthday of Virginia Dare, the first white child born in America and for whom a county in our State is named."

Kings Mountain correspondence Shelby Review: On last Thursday evening, Mr. John Lynch's little son, about ten years old, was kicked on the head and shoulder by a mule, fracturing his skull and shattering his shoulder. The boy never regained consciousness.

The North State, Republican newspaper, published in Greensboro, was sold at public auction in that city Wednesday to satisfy a mortgage held by Joseph Hopkins, of Guilford. The plant was sold to a Mr. Wray, of Reidsville, for \$980, his being the only bid made.

These members of the Governor's staff will accompany him to Chicago, leaving Raleigh on the 18th inst.: Gen. J. D. Glenn, Colonels E. G. Harris, Julian S. Carr, Hubert Haywood, Benches Cameron, Wm. H. Williams and Thomas W. Strange, and Majors Wm. B. Grimes and Samuel P. Teltair. The party will be absent a week.

Governor Holt has offered \$300 reward for the person who murdered J. F. Matthews, a young merchant of Burlington recently. Matthews discovered that an attempt had been made to rob his store. He crept out into the alley, and there the burglar shot him. Matthews fell riddled with shot and the burglar fled. Two arrests have been made.

A Shelby citizen of Polk county informs the Shelby Aurora that Lewis

Smalley in Polk county has captured twenty large rattlesnakes this season. He has one huge rattlesnake with thirteen buttons. He keeps them confined in large boxes. He takes great pleasure in his venomous pets, which he proposes to carry to Chicago's Columbian exposition.

Gov. Holt has commuted to life imprisonment the death sentence of Leah Nixon, a negro woman, who was convicted of the murder by poison of Mollie Nixon in Perquimans county and sentenced to be hanged December 2. The judge and solicitor asked for a commutation, on the ground that Leah was a mere tool of Martha Holly, being half-witted.

A Scotland Neck telegram says: "Augustus Bowers, a lad about 15 years old, who clerks for Mr. J. D. Kay, was burning flies off a string with a match. There was a coffee pot just under him. A spark from the match dropped into the spot and it exploded. The boy was badly burned in the face. There was no conflagration, but the shock knocked out the large show-windows in the front of the store."

The boiler in the brick yard of the Charlotte Brick and Tile company exploded Friday killing Wm. Hunsucker, aged 24 years, and injuring J. B. Clanton, and a colored man. Hunsucker was found at the foot of a tree 50 yards away from where he was last seen alive. He was just breathing, but died in a few minutes. His injuries were frightful. Both hips were broken; his left ribs crushed in; his left arm broken in two places, and his skull fractured.

NEWS FROM GEORGIA.

Have you heard the news from Georgia? Since Weaver made his raid, and found the fruit of his labor, Was hien fruit much decayed? He thought by virtue of his lease, The Cracker State to hold, But found that even leases Are worthless when ten old.

But wasn't that a coxcomb That struck the Cracker State? Weaver left it coming on, And hurried up his gait. He found the Georgians leered With Democracy to the loam, He didn't eggs actly like them, And they left the same by nam.

But broke loose in Georgia, There is sulphur in the air, The news has reached old Saulton, And the kids are on a tear. They are busting things in Saulton, And will work to get the votes Of every Red, and negro. It exhausts the stack of goats, H in Goldboro Argus.

LEAST SAID THE BETTER.

A Scene in the United States Supreme Court

From the Detroit News.

Attorney General Ellis, of Michigan, closed for the State. He said it was only the exigency of a political emergency which had caused the point to be raised that the district system was unconstitutional. In 1876 party spirit ran so high that an electoral commission was appointed and Samuel J. Tilden was counted out and Rutherford B. Hayes counted in, but nobody had questioned the fact that Colorado electors had been appointed by the legislature. He was reading some opinions of Republican members of the electoral commission on this matter when Justice Field asked to have the authority given. It was done and the justice replied: "Most people think the least said about that the better."

Free Trade and Protection Wages

From the Chattanooga Times.

The present fiscal system of Great Britain went into force, in a limited way, in 1842; was broadened out in 1846, and made what it now is, as to the tariff, in 1850. England is the one "free trade" country of civilization. Since 1846 wages have advanced, in England, an average of 40 per cent., the whole advance being in the manufacturing industries, agricultural wages remaining stationary, or have fallen a trifle. In the forty six years since her adoption of "free trade" England has received many thousands of skilled and common laborers from protected Germany and France, where wages under protection, have not advanced 2 per cent. in a hundred years.

Cleveland's Chances.

From the Charlotte Observer.

In a private letter written a month ago Judge Walter Q. Gresham said: "Cleveland will carry all the old Southern States, Indiana, New Jersey and part of Michigan. I am told that he will carry New York. He has every chance in Illinois, a good show in Wisconsin, and may carry several Western States. In short, I think he will be elected. His chances would be better if the late Congress had acted more wisely. Indiana is as certainly Democratic this year as Kentucky. I know whereof I speak."

Republican Doctrine.

M. L. Mott's Speech at Asheville, Oct. 15.

This so-called free bill? I call it an election bill. Yes, I'm for it. The bill simply provides that every man shall cast a fair ballot and a Democratic or Republican judge must count it, whether he wants to or not. I am for a free ballot and a fair count if it takes ten thousands and heads in North Carolina—every head in the Democratic party.

The Present Crisis.

From the Taylorsville Index.

For God's sake pay us up or we perish. We thought when we took charge of the paper that we would not commence pleading for money at the outset; but our stomachs has begun to p-nch us, and the babies are barefooted, and we can't hold in no longer.

Where?

From the Chicago Post.

The political campaign is so quiet that one can faintly hear the price of pearl buttons and American tin drop.

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