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COL. WORTHINGTON ON MAJOR STEDMAN

In his last published letter before his death, the late Col. Worthington endorsed Major Stedman for Governor. He said:

I would like to say something of the candidacy of Major Stedman, but what can I say of this noble man that you do not already know? He is not all things to all men, but the same to every body. I have watched for many years to see his star in the ascendant. For fifteen years his superb charm of manner has won my highest appreciation and I would follow him with the blind devotion with which the old brigade followed Jackson. He is sincere, modest, brave. If I were commencing a public career, in whom could I find a more judicious guide? He sees the light and follows with absolute fearlessness. That he is politically incisive is no fault of his. When evil brooded like a nightmare with its unnumbered accessories over the state and the vandal was at the door; when his sword leaped from its scabbard he did his heroic best; but when the final catastrophe came, he felt that he had simply been piercing the fabric of error and that the blood upon his sword was that of iconoclasts who would destroy our temples and our civilization. He has the honesty of the educated lawyer; an honesty that is classical and immovable. He keeps his friendship in constant repair. His look is kindly. A little girl meeting him in the street would not be afraid to inquire of him her way. He is one whom we can tie to and feel safe. He has the key to the hearts of the people, while his word, like capital square, opens on the south side. His administration of the State government would be neither fanatical nor strenuous, but it would be prudent, uplifting, wise, righteous.

The comradeship between chief executive and people would be sincere and they would love him more exceedingly for his exalted virtue. He has never paraded before the public the services he has rendered both in peace and in war, nor has he ever intimated that his honors have been too small for services so meritorious and distinguished, but like Cincinnatus, he has confided in the patriotism of every man. Why not make North Carolina the rival of New England in her civilization, her prosperity and her possibilities? Thousands of wise and patriotic men within her borders are looking hopefully forward to the nomination and election of Governor Charles M. Stedman.

D. WORTHINGTON.

Patterson Will Be Renominated.

Red Springs Citizen

At Maxton, next Tuesday, June 9th, the Sixth Congressional district convention will assemble. The delegates from this county were appointed at Thursday's convention held in Lumberton, and all of them will vote for Hon. Gilbert B. Patterson to represent this district for another term in Congress. Cumberland has also selected a solid Patterson delegation, while Brunswick, Bladen and Harnett are in line for him. In fact, from the best information at hand, Mr. Patterson will be nominated on the first ballot by an almost unanimous vote of the district.

STEDMAN AHEAD.

Greensboro Record.

The success of Major Stedman in his canvass for the gubernatorial nomination has been wonderful in view of the fact that he has made no speeches and has done no work himself, while as a matter of fact a large number of his friends right here in Greensboro have done nothing, though standing ready at any time to pull off their coats for him. Mr. A. L. Brooks has managed the campaign so far and managed it well and with but very little help. The canvass presents a unique spectacle here in Greensboro from the fact, as stated, that while Major Stedman has everybody at his back, it has not been deemed wisest to yell, tear shirts and become a nuisance, every one feeling the justice of his cause, knowing that he deserves the position, is entitled to it, and will honor it far greater than it will honor him; and so it is that no fears have ever been expressed that he would fail, and with the passing of the days this hope is strengthened. All this talk about certain of his opponents "sweeping" this county and that is great buncombe, but talk is cheap. The show down at the convention will tell the tale, and with this Major Stedman is satisfied.

Says the Charlotte Chronicle:

"Well now, let's get back to the gubernatorial question. Who is ahead? The Greensboro papers say Stedman and give the figures; the Winston papers say all doubt of Glenn's nomination on the first ballot has been removed; The Statesville Landmark is standing pat on Turner, while Davidson's friends are giving up nothing. If you will believe the Chronicle, however, the next Governor will deliver his inaugural address through a very becoming cut of gray whiskers."

It's not so much who is ahead as who is going to be ahead at the proper time. This is going to be Stedman. He is ahead so far, but this we are not caring so much about.

The Bishop Coadjutor.

Fayetteville Correspondent Wilmington Messenger]

A good many people here would have liked to see chosen as bishop coadjutor of the Diocese of East Carolina Rev. I. W. Hughes, rector of St. John's Episcopal church of this city—a cultured scholar and a man of delightful polish, both socially and as a speaker. But the selection of Rev. Dr. Robert Strange, one of the ablest ministers in the Episcopal church, is very gratifying to Fayetteville; for here, at "Myrtle Hill," one of the refined, hospitable homes of the upper Cape Fear, lived his grandfather, Judge Robert Strange, and there were passed the youth and and early manhood of his father, Col. Robert Strange, of Wilmington.

Consecration.

Wilmington Star.

Rev. Dr. Robert Strange will be consecrated Bishop Coadjutor of the East Carolina Diocese with impressive ceremonies on All Saints day, on Nov. 11th.

RALEIGH LETTER.

Correspondence of the Observer.

Raleigh, June 6.

Well, that judicial pair of Ps did not succeed in throwing anybody into jail after all!

Another and bigger P of the U. S Circuit Court, to wit Judge Pritchard, put a quietus on the "lower case" p of the district court in short order, after his arrival here Friday afternoon, and not only released Editor Daniels from the custody, or companionship, of a deputy marshal, but discharged him absolutely, "without day," (as the lawyers say) and dismissed the case against him, on the ground that the editorial utterances complained of by Judge Purnell did not constitute a case of contempt within the meaning of the statute.

Thereupon, Editor Daniels vacated the luxurious apartments at the New Yarboro hotel, in which he had been "incarcerated" for three days, and returned to the bosom of his family and friends—many of the latter turning out to give him an ovation, such as should be gratifying to any man.

Result: Joe Daniels is today a "bigger man" than he ever was before in his life—and his friends owe Judge Purnell a vote of thanks. As for Judge Pritchard, he is now heralded as "the great liberator," and the News and Observer has printed a big picture of him on its first page. Judge Purnell in the meantime is said to be "feeling like thirty cents"—whatever that means. * * *

And Judge Peebles fanned out, too, when his superior officer called him to the bat. Each of the three strikes was aimed at one or the other of the three affidavit makers (Kerr, Carroll and Sontherland) whom he had sentenced to jail without giving them an opportunity to show cause in court why they should not be punished for contempt. That omision was fatal in law to Judge Peebles' action, and the habeas corpus petitioners were discharged by Supreme Court Justice Connor.

The contempt case of Judge Peebles vs. the Robeson county lawyers has also been settled, as a result of this hearing before Justice Connor—Justices Douglas and Walker sitting with him at his request. These judges handed down an opinion, soon after discharging Kerr, et al, in which they made it clear that they did not think that the action of the lawyers in declining to prepare a calendar a matter for proceeding against them for contempt of court. Counsel for Judge Peebles and the lawyers then conferred and agreed upon a plan to put an end to the case.

Counsel for the lawyers agreed to amend their answer by adding the words, "or personal integrity," so as to make the sentence read: "The respondents deny that it was their purpose, so far as they then knew or now know, to reflect upon the official character *or personal integrity* of Judge R. B. Peebles or to bring him into disrepute or contempt." Judge Peebles very properly holds that this language "purges" the lawyers of all contempt, and he stops the criminal proceedings against them. So the case is dismissed, apparently to the satisfaction of both bench and bar.

The A. & N. C. Railroad is again restored to its officers, and they are now in quiet possession of the property. When receivers Meares & McBee intimated that they would not recognize the order of Governor Aycock to Supt. Dill to take possession (after Chief Justice Fuller's decision was rendered) the Governor threatened to "call out the troops" and wired Attorney Guion to take the sheriff of Craven with him and take possession by force if necessary. When shown that prescription the 24-hours-old receivers concluded to take their medicine quietly, and vacated the offices of the railroad company.

The primaries held in this (Wake) county Saturday, and in Raleigh Saturday night, show that Stedman beat Glenn two to one in both city and country. In one city and two country precincts Stedman received every vote. In the city the vote was 438 for Stedman and 249 for Glenn. Wake is entitled to 38 votes in the state convention and Stedman will get 25 or 26 of these. Winston for Lieut.-Governor will receive nearly the whole vote of Wake, and Hoke for Associate Justice of the Supreme Court will get about 30 of the 38. Railroad Commissioner Rogers will receive the entire 38. Turner received votes in most of the precincts, but his strength lies in the fact that he is "second choice" of many delegates—if it comes to that in a prolonged contest or deadlock.

A large number of distinguished visitors (some from the North, who came in a special car) and a big crowd of North Carolinians are in Durham attending Trinity College commencement. The annual sermon preached yesterday by Dr. Hyde, president of Bowdoin College, was a magnificent one. Dr. Kilgo received a hearty welcome home from the General Conference at Los Angeles, California, where he made such a favorable impression by his learned and eloquent address as fraternal messenger from the M. E. Church, South. An oil portrait of the late I. E. Avery is presented to the college by the Alpha Tau Omega fraternity, of which Mr. Avery was a member.

The selection of Mr. Robert M. Phillips to succeed the late R. M. Furman as editor of the Morning Post is a deserved compliment. Mr. Phillips has been attached to the staff of the Post for two or three years. He is an all-'round newspaper man—filling with equal facility the position of reporter, telegraph editor or editorial writer. His genial manners make him popular personally, and his friends prediet that he will prove a success in the new and elevated editorial chair to which he has been called.

LLEWXAM.

Triumphs of Modern Surgery.

Wonderful things are done for the human body by surgery. Organs are taken out and scraped and polished and put back, or they may be removed entirely; bones are sliced; pipes take the place of diseased sections of the veins; antiseptic dressings are applied to wounds, bruises, burns and like injuries before inflammation sets in, which causes them to heal without maturation and in one-third the time required by the old treatment. Chamberlain's Pain Balm acts on this same principle. It is an antiseptic and when applied to such injuries, causes them to heal very quickly. Keep a bottle of Pain Balm in your home and it will save you time and money, not to mention the inconvenience and suffering which such injuries entail. For sale by druggists.

For a Hundred Years.

For a hundred years or more Witch Hazel has been recognized as a superior remedy, but it remained for E. C. DeWitt & Co. of Chicago, to discover how to combine the virtues of Witch Hazel with other antiseptics, in the form of a salve. DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve is the best salve in the world for sores, cuts, burns, bruises and piles. The high standing of this salve has given rise to counterfeits, and the public is advised to look for the name "DeWitt" on the package, and accept no other. Sold by all druggists.

DELEGATES

To the Congressional and State Conventions.

JESSUPS MILL.

Congressional—J. D. Jessup; alternate, P. W. Smith.

State—J H Cogdell; alternate, J H Fisher.

BULLARD'S MILL.

Congressional—P P Hall; alternate, J J Bullard.

State—A S Hall; alternate, D W Beard.

CEDAR CREEK.

Congressional—J H Faircloth, G W Jackson.

State—N C Thagard, H B Downing.

LITTLE RIVER.

Congressional—D A Blue, Alex Smith, W M Cannady, W J Johnson.

State—J A Creech, A S Gilliland, D H McNeill, W M Cannady.

RHODES MILLS.

Congressional—J A Culbreth, J M Starling, Jesse Jones, Thos Royals, S J A Peeden.

State—W J Smith, W M Pope, D J McPhail, Isaac Strickland.

RAY'S

Congressional—Neill A Watson, Alex Leslie, A D McGill, J H Currie, N B Currie, N S McArthur, J M Owen.

State—J H Currie, D J Blue, D B Gillis, W S Townsend, J B Huske, D J Blue, A D McGill.

PEARCE'S MILL

Congressional—R H Upton, John Burns, W G Wood, J W Carroll, Chas Hedgepeth, L A Williamson.

State—R H Upton, Chas Hedgepeth, L A Williamson.

GODDIE'S GIN.

Congressional—John Holmes.

State—J W Bolton.

BLUE'S SAND HILL.

Congressional—J D Sessoms, F J Haywood, Oliver Evans, Ed Sessoms.

State—Jno Evans, E H Bullard, David Sessoms, J D Sessoms.

NEWTON'S.

Congressional—J A McPherson, J J Nott, A B McFadyen, N D M Clark, C A Martin, S D Bennett, N H Smith.

State—N H Smith, D M Fairley, N P Thomas, J A McPherson.

HOPE MILLS NO 2

Congressional—J W Hodges; alternate, N A McLean.

State—J W McNeill; alternate J C Culbreth.

HOPE MILLS NO. 1.

Congressional—J D Pearce, H Bullard, J D Reynolds, Z B Newton.

State—Z B Newton, John Mahoney, J O Reynolds.

LOCK'S CREEK

Congressional—J H Wyne.

State—Josiah Cook.

RAFFORD.

Congressional—G S Edgerton.

State—J A Cameron.

CABIN BRANCH.

Congressional—J H Blue.

State—J W Johnson.

BUTLER'S SHOP.

Congressional—F C Yarboro, H E Marsh.

State—Preston Stamps, Wm Evans.

CUMBERLAND.

Congressional—S R Parker, Charles Davis.

State—J S Smith, W S Biggs.

EUREKA.

Congressional—W J Green, A McBuie, W A Tillinghast.

State—A McBuie.

KINGSBURY.

Congressional—W L Williams, W M Walker, A B Walker, John R Buie, D C Colbreth, Charles J Lee, H R Byrd, R H Bell.

State—John C Adams, W L Williams, D L McBryde, B T McBryde.

CROSS CREEK NO. 1.

Congressional—W E Kyle, W L Hawley, R H Buckingham, E R McKethan, J A Pemberton, J B Underwood, W H Tomlinson, W B Malloy, A S Wightman, J G Hollingsworth.

State—W E Kyle, W L Hawley, J A Pemberton, E R McKethan, R H Buckingham, A A McKethan, J B Underwood, W B Malloy, W H Tomlinson, A S Wightman, J G Hollingsworth.

CROSS CREEK NO. 2.

Congressional—W S Cook, Q K Nimocks, Chas Haigh, N B Alexander, N H McGeachy, J H Colbreth.

State—W S Cook, Q K Nimocks, H I McDuffie, N H McGeachy, C J Cooper, Leighton Huske.

CROSS CREEK NO. 3.

Congressional—J H Myrover, C B McMillan, V C Bullard, W H Flowers, A J Cook, D A McMillan, Dr. H W Lilly, W M Morgan, M McI Matthews, E H Williamson.

State—J H Myrover, E A Poe, J B Broadfoot, A J Cook, J M Lamb, M McI Matthews, H W Lilly, D A McMillan, W H Flowers, V C Bullard, C B McMillan, J N Prior, R L Williams, E H Williamson, W M Morgan, W S McRae.

CROSS CREEK NO. 4.

Congressional—Jas D McNeill, L B Hale, J F Johnson, N A Sinclair, H L Cook, R H Dye, J M Goddard, E J Hale, G M Rose, S H MacRae.

State—W G Hall, Jas D McNeill, Geo M Rose, E J Hale, D T Oates, J S Harper, R H Dye, J M Goddard, L B Hale, H L Cook, H R Horne, J B Tillinghast, S H Strange, Jno C Vann, I W Clark, J F Johnson, C G Rose, W L Holt, Jno G Shaw, N A Sinclair, J W Atkinson, S H MacRae.

Along the Line of Bladen, Cumberland and Robeson.

June 6th, 1904.

Owing to a misunderstanding as to the location, the question as to levying special tax for school in King Hyrum and Vernon districts was voted down last Tuesday.

Miss Mary Bell McMillan, of the Parkton vicinity, spent Sunday with Misses Annie Lee and Chrissie Mc Millan.

The Edonia Base Ball Club played Parkton last Friday afternoon, the score being 17 each.

The infant child of Dr. McKenzie died last week and was carried to its last resting place, beside its mother, at St. Paul's. Mrs. McKenzie died only a short time ago.

A few days ago the correspondent was told the following story about two little boys—little Jack and Billie Brannon. The elder, Jack, had caught a young bird and had it in confinement. This hurt little Billie so much to see it confined that he gave Jack two cents for the bird and released it. Dear reader, is not this like what our blessed Saviour did for us. We were under the boodage of sin: he came from glory and gave his own life that we might be free.

CHARLES MANLY STEDMAN

THE LATE COUNTY CONVENTION.

Correspondence of the Observer.

Fayetteville, N. C., June 6, 1904.

MR. EDITOR:—

It is wonderful what a powerful influence is wielded by the trusts, corporations and men in their employ. This influence was demonstrated in the Cumberland county convention last Saturday, when that good man and true patriot James M. Lamb proposed the adoption of a resolution of sympathy for Mrs. Josephus Daniels in her trouble on account of the fine imposed upon her husband by a tyranical judge and his detention in the custody of a U. S. Marshal, because he dared to publicly condemn his action in the matter of the appointment of receivers for the State's property.

From the unanimous applause which greeted the motion made by Mr. Lamb it was apparent that the whole assembly, with the exception, probably, of a very few corporation representatives, was in sympathy with both Mr. and Mrs. Daniels in their trouble, and that the resolution would have been unanimously adopted but for the opposition speeches of certain gentlemen—one representing the Atlantic Coast Line Railroad Co., as attorney, and the other the regular correspondent of the Charlotte Observer and the Raleigh Post. It is well known that all three of these gigantic corporations are and have been in full sympathy with the movement to twist the Atlantic & N. C. R. R. out of the hands of the State and the present officials, even by the methods employed; and it is a fact patent to all readers of the two papers named that not a line has appeared in said paper condemnatory of the action of Purnell in fining Joe Daniels, while nearly all the papers of the State have denounced his action as an outrage, and an infringement upon the freedom of the press; an attempt to stifle free speech and to deter the press from severely criticising men in high places for their wrong doing.

Mr. Daniels is the editor of the recognized organ of the Democratic party in North Carolina, and it was meet and proper that such a resolution as was proposed by Mr. Lamb should have been adopted in a Democratic Convention. This was another instance in which the voice of the people was stifled, and where they were dominated by an influence emanating from trusts and corporations who, when they take snuff, expect their hirelings to sneeze.

The people of Cumberland county are with Josephus Daniels "alle samee," and bid him God speed in his noble efforts for the people, the Democratic party and the preservation of State institutions. "Lay on McDuff, and d—d be he who first cries hold! enough!"

H. I. MCDUFFIE.

A Town and County Highly Favored.

Both enhancing its beauty and promoting its healthfulness, Fayetteville enjoys the blessing of two generous streams of which "Facts and Figures," the handsome little booklet recently issued by the Chamber of Commerce, has the following to say:

Cross Creek, a picturesque stream of clear sandhill water, supplying within the city limits 250 horse power, enters from the north-west, and flowing east by south, almost cuts the town in half. Blount's Creek, another clear sandhill stream, supplying within the city limits 150 horse-power, enters from the south-west, and flowing east by north through the upper plateau, and along the southern boundary, turns north into the lower plateau, and unites with Cross Creek in the north-eastern quarter of the town, whence they empty into the Cape Fear half a mile off.

Of the county's agricultural advantages "Facts and Figures" says:

The lands on the east side of the Cape Fear River belong to the class of gray sandy loams of the average piney woods uplands. Near the river, on both sides, are large tracts of semi swamp and oak and pine flats, which are very productive. The west side of the river, after rising from the river bottoms, is rolling sandy country, occasionally presenting broad flats of lands susceptible of high improvement, producing grains, cotton, fruits and vegetables of all varieties.

Only because we need the population to intelligently cultivate our lands they can now be bought very cheap—from $5.00 per acre to $50 00 per acre—which are really worth four times these prices, just as any land that can be made to yield a crop to net $100 per acre is worth more than $100 per acre.

Driven to Desperation.

Living at an out of the way place, remote from civilization, a family is often driven to desperation in case of accident, resulting in Burns, Cuts, Wounds, Ulcers, etc. Lay in a supply of Bucklen's Arnica Salve. It's the best on earth. 25c, at B E Sedberry & Sons drug store.

All Druggists

ask the readers of this paper to test the value of Kodol Dyspepsia Cure. Those persons who have used it and who have been cured by it, do not hesitate to recommend it to their friends. Kodol digests what you eat, cures indigestion, dyspepsia and all stomach troubles. Increases strength by enabling the stomach and digestive organs to contribute to the blood all of the nutriment contained in the food. Kodol Dyspepsia Cure is pleasant and palatable.

Kodol Dyspepsia Cure
"Digests what you eat."

TRIBUTE OF RESPECT.

Whereas, God, who doeth all things well, has called from her earthly to her heavenly home our beloved friend, Mrs. Margaret Cramer Thomson; and

Whereas the members of the Ladies' Aid Society of Hay St. M. E. Church, Fayetteville, N. C, feel deeply the loss of our loving friend and co worker: therefore, be it

Resolved, 1st, That in her death we mourn the loss of one who was for sixty years an active and consecrated worker in our Society, a friend of the poor and disconsolate, and whose goodness and purity was as a lamp to our wavering feet.

2nd, That we thank our Heavenly Father for her pure and beautiful life, for her calm and peaceful death, for surely it was as "one who fell on sleep." We thank Him that we know she has gone to occupy the mansion prepared for her, and that she is now numbered with the saints around the Great White Throne.

3rd, That to those who loved her best, we give our tenderest and loving sympathy, and pray that "the Father of mercies and the God of all comfort, who comforteth us in all our tribulations," may be with and abide with them forever.

4th, That a copy of these resolutions be placed on the minutes of the society, a copy sent to the bereaved family and a copy sent to the Fayetteville Daily Observer for publication.

Mrs. T. H. Sutton,
Mrs. Q K. Nimocks,
Mrs. John Troy,
Mrs Bond Sedberry,
Mrs. Hunter Smith,
Mrs. M. J. Simpson,
Committee.

Fayetteville, N. C., June 3 1904.

"Old Time 4th."

Communicated.

In the old time the 4th of July was observed by patriots, men who had bled for home and country. Has that true American blood turned to water, and the youth of such noble sires forgotten that our forefathers freely shed their blood and gave their lives for the liberty we now enjoy? We would kindly anew the fires of true patriotism, and come together on the approaching fourth and renew our vows, pledging our lives, our fortune and our sacred honor for the preservation of this time honored celebration, the anniversary of the birth of the greatest nation the sun shines upon.

Let us have a barbecue, and a bag race, and a bike race, a ball game, a pig race, a goat race, a horse race, and many other attractions, and at even time the best fireworks display that money can buy. In order to do this we feel that it is only necessary to ask the good people of this historic town to contribute, and the money will come all sufficient to carry out this programme on a very elaborate plan.

W.

For Com. of Celebration 4th July.

RELEASE OF MR DANIELS.

A special to the Wilmington Messenger of Saturday, says:

The contempt proceedings of Federal Judge Purnell against Editor Josephus Daniels, of the News and Observer, who has been in custody since Monday for refusal to pay a $2,000 fine, was ended short off this afternoon, Mr. Daniels being released.

The habeas corpus writ was heared by Judge Jeter C. Pritchard, the new justice of the fourth district, who came from Washington, D. C. for the purpose. United States Marshal H. C. Dockery brought Mr. Daniels into court at 3 o'clock. A great crowd was present to hear the case.

Justice Pritchard sat alone, though this week the Federal court is in session and Judge Purnell is on hand. Argument was made for Mr. Daniels by ex-Judge R. W. Winston, and by instructions of Judge Pritchard, District Attorney Skinner represented Judge Purnell.

After argument Judge Pritchard dismissed the case and released Mr. Daniels, saying he failed to find anything in Section 725, Revised United States Statutes, to warrant the action, and hence he ordered the respondent dismissed.

Mr. Daniels was fined by Judge Purnell for editorially criticising the judge for his actions in appointing receivers for the Atlantic and North Carolina railroad.

The appointment of receivers was overruled by Chief Justice Fuller, and now Judge Pritchard releases Mr. Daniels.

The whole State is rejoicing, and telegrams of congratulation are pouring in on Mr. Daniels.

Startling Evidence.

Fresh testimony in great quantity is constantly coming in, declaring Dr King's New Discovery for Consumption, Coughs and Colds to be unequaled. A recent expression from T J McFarland, Bentorville, Va, serves as example. He writes: "I had Bronchitis for three years and doctored all the time without being benefitted. Then I began taking Dr King's New Discovery, and a few bottles wholly cured me." Equally effective in curing all Lung and Throat troubles, Consumption, Pneumonia and Grip. Guaranteed by B E Sedberry & Sons, druggists. Trial bottles free, regular sizes 50c and $1 00.

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SAMPSON GLEANINGS

Autryville, N. C., R. F. D. No. 1.
June 4th 1904

Ye lovers of the weird and ghoulish, lookout for Godwin's "Great Trio," "Zeke," "Soddie" and "Kentucky," for their letters are a feature in the Observer now. "Kentucky" seems to be afflicted with a western muse that sits on his shoulder and whispers quotations from the gifted pen of Judge Mulligan. Isn't it a little singular that the university president should use this "Bunnegrass" correspondent as a mouthpiece to prove that

His poem, plucky
Had beginning in Kentucky

and not in Sampson? Old friend, you are so far back in the vast assembly that you think you see the performance, when it is only the picture on the curtain that greets the "windows of your soul." Just get a compound interest on your physical being and occupy a front seat and "Gallagher" will lift the curtain and things you never knew will loom up before you

First Scene. Judge Mulligan writes a poem, "In Kentucky."

Second Scene: An annoymous correspondent of the Sampson Democrat writes a parody savoring of plagiarism on the Judge's poem, with the catchy title "In Sampson."

Third Scene: The Sampson correspondent of the Fayetteville Observer writes a reply to the parody on the judge's poem with no apology to anybody. Do you see what you have seen? If this be plagiarism, then make the most of it, and go and kick yourself for not being posted on current events. "Kentucky" is a gifted and breezy writer. Come again old boy.

To "Zeke" we will say, just leave the entrance to the right auricle of your heart open that we may drive our ox cart in and "hitch" to one of the tricuspid valves and we will proceed to unload the luscious fruit of "Reedy Poocosin," while the man from Arizona, with his flying machine explores the innermost recesses of the left auricle, to see how many crates are needed for that receptacle. In regard to making jobs for the undertaker, "Zeke" has the advantage of us, as we have been informed that he writes a big M. D. after his name.

Oh, yes, "Scotch Lassie," we have found out your name, but feminine names often change, and you need not mind me because of my wife, for I'll tell her "its political," and she'll be as cool as a cucumber in a minute. Your articles are always good and no doubt you have long since learned who will be our next president. Lookout for A C P. He'll surprise you one of these days, for you will always find him on the alert and not easy to handle.

Dry weather is still holding the fort in this section and the voice of the lightning rod agent is a mournful dirge to the woe-be-gone farmer, who mourneth for a copious shower from the rumbling heavens.

Au revoir,
—SMILING JONAS.

Items from Carver's Creek.

June 7, 1904.

We are pleased to note the lively, good-humor sparring of the Observer correspondence family; and conducted, as it is, with an underlying kindly spirit, will be productive of good Nothing so invigorating to the mental man or woman as well timed wit and sparkling repartee, an occasional indulgence in fair criticism, unmixed with venom, and a spice of sarcasm.

We'll admit that the above mentioned are dangerous weapons when wielded by inexperienced hands, and should be left severely alone by such. Nothing but a coward would take refuge behind a nome-de-plume to reflect on others of the same ilk. Our *idea*, although an unsophisticated country girl, is that a fraternal feeling should exist to an eminent degree among members of the same family. "*Verbum sat sapienti*"

The farmers of this section are wearing bright smiles as they watch the rapidly developing crops of corn and cotton.

There is a dearth of railroad news. The "Meridian," fathered by Mr. Addington, of Fayetteville, seems to have collapsed. However, we hope on that some, "some sweet day" we may hear the shrill neigh of the "iron horse" and pay our respects to the same.

Mr. Gray Colbreth, who has been attending school at Coharie, has returned home.

Best wishes for the Observer.

VERA.

"The Late County Convention."

For the Fayetteville Observer.

FAYETTEVILLE, June 8.

MR. EDITOR:

In reply to the article of Mr. H. I. McDuffie in the Daily OBSERVER of yesterday, I have only to say that, with an experience and acquaintance of about 36 years with the Democracy of Cumberland, I am glad to believe that he was probably the only Democrat of the body assembled in the court-room last Saturday, who would unwarrantably and ungenerously impute an unworthy motive to a fellow Democrat and delegate for a difference of opinion.

J. H. MYROVER.

Brant Items.

Crops are looking fine in our community, but we are needing rain very bad.

There was quite a number of people from all parts of the country at the June communion at Mt. Pisgah last Sunday, and our pastor, Rev. J. M. Page, preached an eloquent sermon. His subject was on the Sunday school.

Misses Meta and Bettie Marsh of Alderman spent last Sunday with Miss Amelia Hall.

Miss Mollie Webster of Wadesboro, is visiting her sister, Mrs. Nichols.

Miss Laverta Stephens of Cedar Creek spent Saturday and Sunday with Miss Louia Marsh.

Little Ester Brafford has been on the sick list, but is now improving.

Mr. J. F. Webster, of Hope Mills, who is known by all, was in our community Sunday.

We are having very hot weather now.

As I have not written in some time to the good old Observer, I must close, hoping to see this in print.

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