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EDITOR'S CHAIR

THANKS TO OUR FRIENDS. We are very much gratified at the continued growth of THE CAUCASIAN. We try to give our friends the best paper in the State, and to make it grow better each week.

A GAME OF BLUFF. Nearly every day we see in the editorial columns of some of the old party dailies statements to the effect that the Peoples Party has attained its full growth, that the Peoples Party is losing ground, &c.

Gov. Tillman is now reorganizing the military companies of the State and hiring them with loyal soldiers. If he had done this sooner the disgraced scenes of the last few weeks in that State would never have occurred.

The first installment of the Pollard Breckinridge scandal has closed. The jury returned a verdict of \$15,000 in favor of Miss Pollard. Breckinridge takes an appeal and we suppose that the public is to be nauseated with a rehearsal of all the slush and slime that has filled the daily press since the suit began.

Coxey is still naming his camps for noted cranks. On last Friday night he named his camp 'U. S. Grant,' on Saturday he named it Robert E. Lee. He certainly will not forget Thomas Jefferson and Hickory Jackson, two of the greatest cranks this country has yet seen.

A correspondent from Haywood Co. says that a few years ago the sheriff did not return a single insolvent man in the county, while this year the Sheriff's returns show 200 men insolvent, who had always paid their taxes before.

The attorneys of Hon. Thomas E. Watson were in Washington last week before the Committee on Elections. They presented facts and an unanswerable argument to show that Watson was elected and Black was counted in.

Special Offer. THE CAUCASIAN till after this election (if sent in clubs of ten) for ONLY FIFTY CENTS.

HE FALLS ASLEEP.

THE GREAT CAROLINIAN PASSES AWAY AS PEACEFULLY AS AN INFANT SLEEPING ON ITS MOTHER'S BREAST.

STRICKEN WITH APPOPLEXY SENATOR VANCE CONSCIOUS OF PAIN TO HIMSELF AND OF GRIEF TO OTHERS.

His Last Words were of Devotion to and Love for the People. His Great Heart was Full of North Carolina--A Pathetic Narrative of His Last Conversation and a Brief Sketch of His Life--some Facts from His Boyhood and Manhood Days.

WASHINGTON, April 16.--It was nearly midnight when the great soul of the patriotic Vance passed into eternity. About noon Saturday, he was stricken with apoplexy. Physicians were hurriedly summoned, but the mark of death was on the stricken man.

He was unconscious up to the hour of death and passed away as peacefully as an infant sleeping on its mother's breast. At his bedside was the tender, devoted wife, now prostrated by grief, and his devoted, loyal friend, Marshal Allison of the Western district. On one side of the dying man's couch knelt his own pastor, Dr. Pitzer, of the Southern Presbyterian church; on the other a Catholic priest. He slept well during Friday night and up to noon on Saturday he was cheerful and hopeful.

His LAST WORDS. We said to Mr. Allison on Friday evening, Expecting to leave the city on Saturday Mr. Allison called to say good-bye. After an hour's conversation he rose to leave, extended his hand and said good-bye, "No," said Senator Vance, "not good-bye; I am saying good-night, and come back to-morrow to say good-bye."

WRONGED AND MISUNDERSTOOD. He felt keenly the helplessness that kept him from his public duties. Speaking of this he said: "It is my decided inclination to resign. I think about it seriously; it is a duty I owe to the people, but it is a question of bread and meat, it is all I have got and though duty inclines me to give up my commission I cannot think the people whom I have so long and so faithfully served expect me to do it. I have been a long time in public life, but I am very poor. I don't think my worst enemy will say I am dishonest, but if I had my life to live over again I would lay something aside for old age and my children."

DEVOTION TO NORTH CAROLINA. Constantly during the conversation he alluded to his love for his native State.

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COL. L. L. POLK'S BIRTHDAY

SATURDAY, APRIL 28TH.

Every Institution of Learning in the State is needed and he is Proud of Them all. If he were a Baptist he would be Proud of the State University.

To the Baptists of North Carolina--Various communications have appeared recently in the Recorder and other papers, suggesting either directly or indirectly that the University is not friendly to the Baptist people and their interests. There seems to be a feeling in some quarters that the success of the University means the failure of Wake Forest College. Such a result has not been produced in other States, nor does it seem likely in North Carolina.

As an educator and a citizen of North Carolina I rejoice that Baptist philanthropy, Baptist energy and Baptist self-sacrifice, in establishing and endowing Wake Forest, have added over a quarter of a million dollars to the educational wealth of the State, thereby enabling some two hundred young men annually to enjoy the benefits of higher education.

Were I a Baptist, I would rejoice in the success of the State University. I would rejoice and be exceeding glad that so many Baptist boys are enjoying its great opportunities; that the two best scholars in the University are Baptist boys, devout church members, boys in humble financial condition, one a painter--the son of a painter, now educating himself by loans from the Deems Fund and from private sources; I would rejoice that so many of the leading trustees and that five full professors in the Faculty are Baptist. I would thank God and take courage that the Baptists are seizing and using such fine opportunities for culture and improvement.

It is hardly necessary to say anything as to the importance of erecting a handsome monument. To build a monument in keeping with the love the people had for Col. Polk would require an unreasonable sum of money. Yet we cannot and will not be satisfied with an ordinary monument. His work, his personality will live in our hearts, but our children ought to know how we appreciated one so true and brave.

Can we raise the money? I for one say we can. If every one of President Polk's friends and admirers through the State and United States would but contribute a cent each, a beautiful monument could be erected at once. Let the reform press push this matter, not in a half hearted way, but with energy, persistently. Every man, woman and child can do something. Each family can contribute the price of a bushel of grain or an equal amount from some other source and never miss it. If a great many dollars were required from each one in these hard times it could not be raised. But a small amount can and should be sent to Mr. Hal W. Ayer, Raleigh, or President Marion Butler, Goldsboro, N. C., and sent right away. Let us go to work.

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THE MCKENZIE DECLARATION OF INDEPENDENCE OF 1894.

Henry Hinton Endorses the Idea--But May be an Asset for Politicians in Raleigh and Washington--We must Repulse Cleveland and the People will Repulse Cleveland--Joe Caldwell in Danger.

To be free is to know one's rights and to maintain them. Two things needful; to know and to do. That is all; but 'tis a phrase that fills the world, time and sternly with the magnitude of its import. In 1793 Mecklenburg made a declaration of independence from the King of England. Now Col. Caldwell, highlander or lowlander, we know not, puts forth another declaration of independence from King Grover and all his peevishers.

Whereas, The Polk Memorial Association has not yet succeeded in raising sufficient funds to erect a monument, and whereas we believe that our Alliance brethren are willing and anxious to aid them in this noble purpose, therefore be it Resolved, By the North Carolina Farmers' State Alliance, That April 28, 1894, it being the birthday of Col. L. L. Polk, be set apart as Polk Memorial day, and that each Sub-Alliance in the State be requested to meet on that day for the purpose of raising and collecting funds for this purpose. Exercise to be conducted in such a manner as shall suit the pleasure and convenience of each Alliance.

Resolved, further, That after the success of this object is assured, the Supreme Council of the National Farmers' Alliance and Industrial Union be petitioned to meet in annual session in the city of Raleigh and take part either in laying the cornerstone of said monument or unveiling the same.

THE POLK MEMORIAL FUND.

How to Raise the Fund--A Little Sum From Each One Will Suffice. Mr. Editor--A neat little sum has already been paid in for the purpose of erecting a splendid monument at the grave of our lamented leader, Col. L. L. Polk, in Oakwood Cemetery, Raleigh. Some has been pledged but has not yet come in.

In order that the work may begin all the money that can be raised must be forthcoming. Many true reformers throughout the United States intend to contribute, but are waiting for the Board of Trustees to let out the contract. The money must be in sight before this can be done.

We should call special attention to President Butler's proclamation to Allianceans published in another column. He exhorts them to celebrate Col. Polk's birthday, April 28th; by meeting together and making a contribution to the memorial fund. This is a most worthy object, and though our people are poor they should do all in their power to honor the memory of one who gave himself for their cause. Big-hearted, beloved Polk! Let the memorial be worthy of the man.

WILL AFTER THE ELECTION. For only fifty cents. Send in clubs of ten with five dollars and THE CAUCASIAN will go to every week.

The Eagle Cotton Mills of Iredell were burned Monday. Loss \$50,000. No insurance.

COL. L. L. POLK'S BIRTHDAY

SATURDAY, APRIL 28TH.



where Col. Polk is buried, if the Polk Monument could be completed by that time, and further called upon the membership of the Alliance to join the Union to assist in the commendable enterprise.

Certainly every Alliance man in America should not only feel it a duty but consider it a special privilege and pleasure to contribute to the building of this monument as a tangible evidence of our esteem and love for our late National President.

MOORE COUNTY WILL OBSERVE THE DAY.

To show to the brethren of the Farmers' Alliance through the State that we still live in the good cause, I am requested by Pine Knot Sub-Alliance to say that to show our respect to our lamented brother, L. L. Polk, we intend to dedicate our new hall on the 28th day of April, 1894, that being the birthday of our departed brother who laid the foundation of our brotherhood.

By order of Pine Knot Sub-Alliance. No. 2,243, Southern Pines, Moore County, N. C. C. T. Sunbury, Pres't. E. Dixon, Sec'y. N. B.--There will be a collection for the Memorial Fund.

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Having chalked out the way and the camping ground, let us press on to victory; organize our forces, appoint captains and general commands. There is nothing like organization and discipline in the face of a vigilant enemy. The road to office

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STEWART TO COXEY.

THE VENERABLE SENATOR SENDS A GREAT MESSAGE TO THE LEADER OF THE UNEMPLOYED.

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