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SOME MORE PLAIN FACTS

From a Man Who Has Affiliated With Democrats, But Now Acknowledges no Allegiance.

A DEMOCRATIC RECORD

Showing How the Southern Wing Has Been the Tail of the Northern Wing--What the Party Has Been Driven to Do in Consequence of this Fact--Some Pointed Questions.

POCOON, N. C., May 23--A series of communications have recently appeared in the 'Caucasian News,' the object of which is to show the political situation, both State and National, from the standpoint of a sincere friend of financial reform, who has heretofore acted with the Democratic party, and is still anxious to see white supremacy and an economical administration of the State government maintained in North Carolina, but at the present acknowledges no allegiance to any political party.

In the discussion it has been assumed that a large majority of the voters of the United States favor the free coinage of silver, and that in order to elect a free silver President, all that is necessary is to unite the free silver vote on the same candidate. The burning question of the hour is how this can be done. The real object of the discussion has been to find, if possible, an answer to that question. Incidentally, the question of the defeat of the Republican party and the maintenance of the supremacy in the State of North Carolina has been discussed also. From time to time the editor of the News has attempted to reply to some of the statements and arguments of his correspondent. He has displayed considerable ingenuity in attacking the less carefully guarded points, and, considering how bad a cause he was attempting to defend, has held up his end pretty well. In fact, candor compels me to admit that he has made much better use of the material at his command than his correspondent. But he has grown weary of "giving" much space to a display of Populist and Republican thunder, and "respectfully declines to be so generous in the future." That is all right. He has a right to control his own columns.

But the purpose of this communication is to call the attention of his readers to the fact that the last communication of the series, was not published entire, as it was written, but was sadly mutilated and the best part of it left out. I am not complaining of this at all, but I have determined, that, if possible, the omitted portion shall reach some, at least, of the readers of the News.

For the convenience of those readers who have not seen the omitted portions of the communication, I am publishing the popular agitation of the silver question and following the allusion to the Farmers' Alliance in writing:

The popular agitation of the subject, began by the Farmers' Alliance, was continued by the Peoples Party, the American Bimetallic League, the Silver Union and other similar organizations, Harvey's backs propped accomplishing more in the edition of public mind than any other factor. But the Democratic party, as an organization, has never claimed free coinage as one of its cardinal principles, or done anything to create or strengthen public sentiment in its favor. The North Carolina State Democratic convention in 1890 incorporated free coinage, with other demands of the Alliance in its platform; but this was the result of the agitation of the subject by the Alliance; and the Democratic party, even of the State, as an organization, disavowed it.

Immediately following what is said of the Chicago convention and platform, read as follows: "A recent Washington dispatch quotes a Democratic member of Congress from Texas as saying that the silver Democrats of the South were fighting to save the Southern States to the Democratic party, rather than with any hope of winning in the national election. This, of course, is what we all know before, but I am a little surprised that a Democratic leader publicly admitting it. And here I pause to inquire what consideration of interest or duty, principle or expediency, requires the Democrats of North Carolina or any other Southern State to be in any longer in affiliation with the so-called national Democratic party. The fear of negro domination was the whip that kept us to track for twenty odd years, while we played tail to New York's kite and patiently submitted to the dictation of the Northern wing of the party in every thing pertaining to party policy. When we ventured to intimate that, inasmuch as we furnished the votes we ought to have some voice in determining the party policy, we were coolly and contemptuously told (not in those words exactly, but virtually) to choose between the rule of the Northern Democrat and that of the negro. It was this threat that prevented a House of Representatives with its Democratic majority from passing a free coinage bill. It was this that prevented a Democratic Congress from repealing the law of 1875, under which the interest-bearing debt of the government has been increased more than 200 millions of dollars. It was this that prevented the Southern members from making any determined effort to compel the redemption of the party's pledge to repeal the ten per cent tariff on State banks. It was for this that, after a twenty years struggle for tariff reform, we submitted to be cheated of the fruits of victory and accept, in lieu thereof, a measure, which, through the combined wisdom of the manufacturers, the money-kings, the party leaders and the devil, finished the perfect solution of a very difficult problem, to-wit: to increase the profits of the

POLITICAL POURRI.

Condensed Mention Of What People Are Saying And What Parties Are Doing.

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IS THIS THE GAME?

Craven County Democrats Declare For Silver--But Elect Goldbug Delegates For The Caucus.

THURMAN, N. C., June 3--On Saturday, May 30th, we attended the Democratic convention of Craven County at New Bern. No TARIFF WORD WAS SPOKEN. The old 30 year issue was a thing of the past, and "free silver" was the tune of the convention. We stood looking on in amazement, to think how short a time had passed since some of those very fellows were avowed "sound money men" whose voice now rang out in thunder tones for FREE SILVER. Are they really honest? And is it a fact that they have changed their views so instantly? Or have they realized the fact that the great masses of the people are demanding a change; and to keep in the lead they have just pretended to agree with the masses? We don't know, but we think they will find out in time.

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REFUGES AMIS TALKS AGAIN.

HE ANALYZES THE REPUBLICAN STATE PLATFORM--AND SHOWS ITS SNARES AND TRAPS.

Plain Talk on a Vital and Interesting Subject--A Piece of Unmeaning Clap Trap--Entirely Unworthy of The Party--Main Points Clearly Presented.

GRANVILLE, COUNTY, N. C., June 3--In a previous article I asserted that the platform, put forth by the Republican convention at Raleigh, was a vague and unmeaning piece of clap trap, and entirely unworthy of the party; and by whom? I called myself, an American Republican and would not dare to make such an assertion without the proof at hand, and it is due to all concerned that it should be forthcoming.

The platform says: "We favor the use of gold and silver as standard money, and the restoration of silver to its functions and dignity, as a money metal." That is to say, gold is now the only standard money metal, and silver is not. It is admitted that silver has lost "its functions and dignity and needs to be restored." We are speaking of the leaders; we do not censure the masses, because they would have it different if they could, but so long as they follow those who have so many times deceived them, what hope have we to continue in the same old way?

I am sorely bereaved. One of my old time friends is dead. Many a blessing have I shared with the sufferer, and the sufferer has shared with me. He once delighted in befriending the poor. He was liberal toward the dependent. He was a friend to be proud of. There are many who, like myself, hardly know how to realize the loss of this friend. He was a man of many parts. He was a man of many parts. He was a man of many parts.

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THE MEETING WAS A "ROUSICATOR"

W. R. Henry Makes the Welkin Ring in Mecklenburg Like the Fathers of Old.

PLEDGE OF 2,000 PEOPLE.

They Will Vote For No Bond-Lending, People-Bobbing, Monopoly Tool--They Take the Pledge by Holding Up Their Right Hands--Red Hat Resolutions Resolving For Reform.

Those who attended the speaking on May 30th, at Spurrers, will not soon forget the pleasure, the inspiration, and the educational work accomplished. At no time in the history of this part of Mecklenburg county have the people had a better day. The crowd was immense: four hundred number by most conservative Democrats, Republicans and Populists was not less than 1,500 people. Many think not less than 2,000.

Mr. J. W. Cross conveyed the speaker from Charlotte to the speaker. By 10 o'clock in the morning the speaker was in front of a neatly and elegantly decorated stand, were crowded with spectators--men and women, boys and girls, merrily chatting and laughing away the time.

At half past 11 o'clock, Mr. Henry appeared on the stage. All eyes fastened upon him. His speech was next in order by that elegant band from Mount Holly, trained and accomplished through the leadership of Capt. W. F. Holland, the champion cornetist. A better country band is not to be found.

The speaker was introduced by Mr. W. C. Underwood. One could see clearly that he had already captured the confidence of his audience, and as he arose, cheer after cheer rang out in tones expressive of the unmistakable appreciation of his honesty and sincerity of purpose.

He began by referring to the fact that his subject virtually concerned the honor of the people of this State. He addressed his subject as, "More Money" or "The People vs. Plutocracy," which he discussed in a most logical and masterly manner, backing up his statements by facts and figures and extracts from the Congressional Record. He declared that he would not have a great deal to say of Mr. Cleveland now. As 15 out of the 17 different kinds of Democrats (which he defined) were called him "Old Grover," and "Old Cleveland," &c., it was really not necessary to refer to him.

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LETTERS FROM THE PEOPLE.

Various Matters on Which The Popular Opinion is Expressed--All Sections Interested.

LIVING ISSUES FORWARD.

More Endorsements of the Action of the Committee--Good Feeling Everywhere--People Are Coming to Us--"We Want the Middle of the Road"--In the Street.

Don't Mix With The Enemy. For The Caucasian.] WOODVILLE, N. C., June 3.--I endorse what our State Executive Committee did in conference at Raleigh. I have always been opposed to operation with the gold party. Don't see how we can fuse with parties that don't want reform. It looks like we might as well go in partnership with the devil to run Christ's church.

The little preachers have started out to try to fool the colored people. I don't think it will work as they think. The "true blues" are coming from both old parties. We can carry the State. All we have got to do is to keep in the middle of the road and let them come to us. We have got the principles necessary to run a free government. Let us stick to them. They will redeem this country from the power of the moneyed influence of England. I hear old party leaders say they don't understand the money question, but they will go for free silver if it keeps them from teaching the money question. That is left out of old party politics and left entirely with the money thieves. Please don't mix with the enemy of truth.

The Opinion of a Colored Preacher. For The Caucasian.] WINFALL, N. C., June 5.--Allow me to state that all the people of this section belonging to the Populist Party heartily endorse the course of the committee, Senator Butler and THE CAUCASIAN, with the exception of a few office seekers, especially our door keepers. However Butler's head is level. We will follow him. GO ON BUTLER.

Rockingham Approves. For The Caucasian.] DOUGLASS, N. C., June 3.--The following resolution was adopted at a meeting of the Executive Committee of the Peoples Party of Rockingham county.

Resolved, That we fully agree with the State Executive Committee in its action on operation with the Republican party, on the terms offered. W. D. WALL, Chairman.

He Means Business. For The Caucasian.] GREENSBORO, N. C., June 2.--My subscription was out on the 11th of May. I would have sent the money before now, but times are hard, and one dollar is as hard to get as two was twenty years ago. There is something wrong. I want to see better times, more money in circulation. If the Peoples Party put up a good, honest silver man for President I will vote for him, but I will not vote for a goldbug. The laboring people and farmers have no show at all--get nothing for their work or their produce. JOHN G. MOORE.

Co-operation This Year. For The Caucasian.] TULLS, N. C., June 3.--Two years ago we operated with the Republican party. This year the voters of both the old parties will co-operate with us to beat the "stuffing" out of the office-seekers in both the old parties and by a much larger majority. We heartily endorse our Senator Butler, and our State and as chairman of the Pops. P. H. FLORA.

The Old Lie Up Again. For The Caucasian.] PERDUE, N. C., June 3.--The colored people are silverites as a rule. They say that anything that will benefit the farmer will benefit them. Very good. Now, Mr. Editor, I want to say this, and I will expect an answer through THE CAUCASIAN. A Democrat said to a neighbor of mine the other day that Cleveland was gaining more money than any man endorsed the silver measure. Please tell me where he got such news. E. C. STILLWELL.

[In the campaign of '92 some Democrats claimed that Cleveland had written letters to leading Democrats in the State in which he said he was in favor of free silver. This was a lie. It was intended to deceive the people. Any statement now that Cleveland favors free silver is as big a lie as was the Democratic statement of 1892. Cleveland is a vile, abject tool of Wall and operation with him has stultified his manhood, he has made himself rich by using his office to further their policy and demands. Ed.]

Question and Answer. For The Caucasian.] GREENVILLE, N. C., June 3.--Please answer this question and oblige. Does the free and unlimited coinage of silver mean that the other nations of the world will have a right to coin their silver at the mint of the United States? If not, what does the free and unlimited coinage of silver mean? J. E. BROWN.

[Free and unlimited coinage of silver means that silver may be brought from anywhere by anybody and coined at the mints of the United States just as gold is now brought from anywhere by anybody and coined at those mints. Ed.]

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