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LIVING ISSUES FORWARD.

More Endorsements of the Action of the Committee—Good Feeling Everywhere—People Are Coming to Us—"Stay In The Middle of The Road" is The Slogan.

Guthrie For Governor.

For The Caucasian.]

DURHAM, N. C.—In these days of conventions while the Democrats and Republicans are kicking up a big racket and having lots of fun, and we Populists are going along in the even tenor of our way, just let's shoot off a gun on the picket line to let them know that there is fun for them ahead.

While I have hoped with a silent wish that the national leaders of all the silver parties might succeed in the amalgamation of all the silver forces under one banner, if needs be under a new name, it seems that the day has about past. It remains for the Populists to nominate their own candidates on their own platform. While the name of one of our citizens has been often mentioned in Populist, Democratic and Republican papers for the high and honored position of Governor, I do not remember to have seen any article from any one in our city or county upon the subject.

I rise to place at the head of our ticket, the winner of the race, Major Wm. A. Guthrie, of the City of Durham.

He is a man in every respect well qualified to fill this high position to the credit of himself and honor to the State.

We know him in his daily walk as a true and noble man, one beloved by our people, a man in touch and sympathy with the people, a man with a big and brave heart, a good campaigner, personally popular, with broad views, and ideas abreast with the demands of the people. Give us Major Guthrie as our standard bearer and we will win the fight. Let the Populists of North Carolina think about this from now until our convention and come together with one thought that this is the ticket to win.

JOHN R. HUTCHINGS.

Guthrie and Teller.

For The Caucasian.]

GASTONIA, N. C., June 26, '96.—I can safely say to you that we endorse the action of the State executive committee in the fight for principle. We are "in the middle of the road" to stay, working for financial reform.

Well, Hon. Cy Watson is the man! Won't he have a time of it making the people believe that the Democratic party is for free silver, after their record is shown up that they defeated eleven free silver bills in the short space of nine years. If they would not vote for free silver when they had a "chance"—how can we expect anything from them now, when they will have "NO CHANCE?" The golden opportunity is gone forever, and there is no confidence.

Gaston county is a unit for William A. Guthie for Governor. I am ready to say hurrah for Teller for President.

S. M. ASBURY.

No Fusion For Spoils.

For The Caucasian.]

OLD FORT, N. C., June 30, '96.—The Peoples Party of McDowell county to a man endorses the course of Senator Butler and the majority of the executive committee for the policies of the party.

We favor co-operation with any men and all parties for principle; but with none for the spoils of office. All honor to Senator Teller with the band of patriots who denounced the flesh pots of spoils in the Republican convention and declared themselves Americans for America.

M. G. PENDERGRASS,
Chm'n Ex. Com. P. P. of McDowell Co.

Stay in the Middle of the Road.

For The Caucasian.]

COLERAINE, N. C., June 30, '96.—I have been a reader of THE CAUCASIAN a good while, and feel that I just can't do without it.

Populist strength is growing down here. The two old parties in this county are each praying for co-operation with us. Each have sent special committees to our county executive committee and offered to make terms. They seem to be very anxious. Stay "in the middle of the road" is the slogan.

L. P. FREEMAN.

Another Endorsement.

For The Caucasian.]

At a regular meeting of the executive committee of the Peoples Party of Mecklenburg county, held June 27th, the following resolutions were offered and adopted:

Resolved, That we most cordially endorse the course of Senator Marion Butler in the United States Senate, and we further most cordially endorse the action of the State executive committee of which Senator Butler is chairman.

N. GIBON, Chm'n.
J. P. SOSSAMAN, Sec'ty.

They Want Guthrie.

For The Caucasian.]

DUNN, N. C., July 2, '96.—The Pops in this section want Major Guthrie for Governor. Stay "in the middle of the road;" the Dems will come.

H. W. BIZZELL.

J. B. Lloyd For Congress.

For The Caucasian.]

TARBORO, N. C., June 30, '96.—In this, the Second Congressional district, the Republicans have nominated Geo. H. White, colored, and the Democrats F. A. Woodard, as their respective candidates. The Peoples Party cannot endorse or support either of these candidates. Either of them can get the full support of their respective parties. If the Peoples Party act wisely and select the right man, one who has not alienated friends, but has the confidence of the people, they ought to win in this district this year. I would suggest the name of Capt. James B. Lloyd, a young man of exemplary character, of tried political faith, ability and courage. He would make a vigorous canvass, has been laboring for the reform cause from its incipiency, and would make a capable and worthy representative.

W. E. FOUNTAIN.

"We Are All Solid."

For the Caucasian.]

CLEAR CREEK, June 30, '96.—We are all solid for reform down here. We are not in favor of the gold standard. McKinley men are scarce at Clear Creek postoffice. We all want to know who the Pops will nominate for Governor of North Carolina. We suggest the name of Hon. A. C. Shuford. We think he will make a good one.

J. W. K.

All In Good Trim.

For The Caucasian.]

PRONG, N. C., June 30, '96.—The Populists in this section are all in good trim for the fight for principle, and are getting recruits. Send on THE CAUCASIAN, for it is an eye opener to good, thinking men.

BUCK BROWN.

Another Endorsement.

For The Caucasian.]

HUNTS, N. C., June 30, '96.—The Populists of Nash county endorse the course of THE CAUCASIAN and also the Peoples Party State executive committee. There would be no trouble to get subscribers for THE CAUCASIAN if people had money.

GEO. R. MARSHBURN.

No Fusion in Bladen.

For The Caucasian.]

WINNIE, N. C., July 2.—Let me say that there will be no fusion this year in Bladen. Republicans wanted to fuse, principle or no principle, but wanted everything like they got last election; but the Peoples Party will not help to put any goldbug in office. The only office-holder we had that claimed to be a Populist, according to his own statement, has sold himself to the Republicans or to Russell, and is spending Russell's money in riotous living, buying votes or trying to, but they are wasting their "sweetness on the desert air." The people of Bladen can't be fooled any longer. The Peoples Party is sure to win even if there are three tickets in the field. Leading Democrats say they will vote with us if we will stay "in the middle of the road." I think we will make as much by not fusing as we would have made by fusing.

The leading Democrats have to own that Senator Butler's course in the Senate cannot be reproached; that his acts have been right in every instance.

It is hard for them to have to come under, but we are glad to see them own the truth even at the last hour. Bladen is for silver and will be victorious in November. D.

Fusion at an End.

For The Caucasian.]

DURHAM, N. C., Patterson's Township, July 2.—We heartily endorse the action of our executive committee. Our principles are based on truth and justice, our motto being "equal rights to all and special privileges to none." Therefore we cannot and will not condescend to cooperate with either of the old parties, as they both have gone on record as gold standard parties. Some say if there is any fusion of any kind in the approaching election they will vote the Democratic ticket, some say they will vote the Republican ticket, and some say they will not go to the election. So fusion is virtually at an end with us.

C. P. WHITFIELD.

A Colored Man Who Will Not Vote For McKinley.

For The Caucasian.]

WHITAKERS, N. C., July 2.—Let me tell you about a colored man who told me that he had been a Republican all his life, but now they had nominated McKinley, and had declared in favor of the gold standard, he would not vote the Republican ticket. He says he will cast his vote with the Populists, and would try to get his people to do the same thing. He says many of his people are already with him. He gave me permission to report this to your paper. His name is Granville Cherry, and he lives at Gethsemane, N. C.

Let us do our best to win this time. I am of the opinion that if we lose the coming fight, our case is almost hopeless. J. T. CAWTHORN.

Just Men Should Rule Over Us—Let's See.

For The Caucasian.]

CATHERINE LAKE, July 2, '96.—The Duke of Wellington said—when we educate men without religion, we make them clever devils. And I say when we elect clever devils to office, or as teachers, we are pleasing the devil by throwing his pickets in front of God's children, for they will act and do as Judas did with our Savior. They are betraying our government. Washington said in his farewell address that it was impossible to maintain morality without religion. I say electing men to office who have no religion, have not morality and are not those that God said should rule over his people. And if Andrew Jackson, of A. D. 1829, could rise from the tomb and see the change made in this government by unworthy men from what it was in his day, he would tremble and weep as our Savior did for the city of Jerusalem.

Is there no balm in Gilead? Yes, have men with religious principle rule this nation. And God will bless His people with much prosperity and happiness. Come out to the primary and send our true, honest men to the State and national conventions where they shall nominate the best men of our land. Then we who feel the need of better times will elect those to represent us. And I am sure that the good old days of Jackson will come again, and this our distressed country will smile with, or by a wonderful change, and the United States be redeemed from other kingdoms who are dragging our children down to bondage and slavery. O! for a few old Lots, of Sodom. Call them into office and they will save this country, for I am sure that they can redeem us from the jaws of oppression And the old flag that cost our old fathers so many days of hard toil and bloodshed, would again unfurl her trembling waves of beauty over the old fathers' children, and the sweet voice could be heard: Peace, be still, be still."

JOHN MARSHBURN.

ADVICE IN VERSE.

"Take Warning All Ye Pops"—A Prediction Made By an Old Sage.

For The Caucasian.]

JOY, Burke County, N. C., July 1.—I have been voting the Democratic ticket ever since the late war until four years ago. Then I got my eyes opened by seeing some of their ballot box stuffing, domineering over the poor and many other mean tricks that would make any honest man blush. I have been voting for the Pops ever since. I have been taking THE CAUCASIAN nearly two years; have given them out to my neighbors to read and it has put some of them to thinking. Many of them were old Dems, but they will support the Peoples Party from now on. I have gotten old; can't work any more and money is so scare I can't take any paper now. I don't see any chance for times to get any better until we get a silver President. I am almost sure we will do this this fall, for the Dems have done so badly I can't see any chance for them. They are too badly divided on the silver question.

TAKE WARNING ALL YE POPS.

Now I say to you good men one and all,
Keep your eyes open along this fall;
Rather than have their party sever,
They will act the rascal worse than ever.

Cheer up ye yeomanry, don't give way;
The silver cocks are crowing for day;
Talk and laugh and do all you can,
Holler, "Hurrah" for "Mary Ann."

For in him lies a part of our fate,
He is the champion of our State;
Let us holler, laugh and have our fun,
For we have the old Dems on the run.

Tis amusing to a little Pop,
To know where the Dems aim to stop;
But I think from their latest report
They'll seek the old Republican fort.

Then won't we have lots of good fun
Chasing them out with our Popgun?

W. M. BROWN.

BUTLER AT WILMINGTON.

The Decrepit Old Democratic Messenger Is Mad Because Democrats Approve The Senator's Speech.

Wilmington Messenger June 27.]

Pursuant to call there was a mass-meeting of free silver men at the opera house last night to select delegates to the National Silver convention which meets at St. Louis, July 22. Mr. B. F. Keith acted as chairman. On motion, Mr. T. W. Wood, county chairman of the Silver Party, and Messrs R. H. Beery and J. W. Taylor were empowered to appoint the delegates to St. Louis.

After the meeting had transacted the above business, Mr. B. F. Keith introduced United States Senator Butler, who spoke for three hours on the money question, advocating the free coinage of silver. In discussing the question from his standpoint, he constantly arraigned the Democratic party, denounced Democrats as traitors and hypocrites, and denounced a Democratic President. Outside of frequent allusions to John Sherman, however, he had very little to say of the Republican party. He also urged men to desert their party and join forces for silver, and not only denounced the National Democratic party as opposed to silver, but predicted that if the Democratic National convention declared for free silver at Chicago, they would prove false to their pledge. He even declared that the gold men controlled the Democratic State convention at Raleigh. At times his remarks were heartily applauded.

After Senator Butler had finished his speech, Mr. Charles L. Gaskill, editor of the Evening Dispatch, moved that the assemblage arise and extend a vote of thanks to him for his "able and instructive address."

The opera house was crowded with men, and besides the Populists and Silver Party men who participated in the mass-meeting, there were many white and colored Republicans and numerous Democrats. Strange to say, almost the entire audience, Democrats along with the rest, arose in response to Mr. Gaskill's motion. After the meeting adjourned many Democrats also shook hands with the maligner of their party, thanked him for his speech and extended their congratulations.

Thus, an audience composed largely of men who call themselves Democrats extend a vote of thanks to a man who destroyed white supremacy in North Carolina, and thus endorsed his denunciation of the Democrats as traitors and hypocrites. They either did not think what they were doing, or it was a species of disloyalty to their party. Many declare, however, that they simply meant to thank him for his instructive remarks on the money question.

Democratic Money Plank of 1892.

We are requested to print the Democratic money plank of 1892. Here it is:

"We hold to the use of both gold and silver as the standard money of the country and to the coinage of both gold and silver without discriminating against either metal or charge for mintage, but the dollar unit of coinage of both metals must be of equal intrinsic and unchangeable value, or to be adjusted through international agreement, or by such safeguards of legislation as shall insure the maintenance of the parity of the two metals and the equal power of every dollar at all times in the markets and in the payments of debts."

"You can fool part of the people all the time; you can fool all of the people part of the time, but you can never fool all of the people all the time."—Abraham Lincoln.

IN ALABAMA AND TEXAS.

Panic-Stricken and Desperate Democratic Speakers Are Spreading Falsehoods Invented in North Carolina.

THE PEOPLES PARTY IS THREATENING THE DEMOLITION OF THE ROTTEN SO CALLED DEMOCRATIC PARTY—AND THE OLD PARTYITES ARE TRYING TO BOLSTER UP THEIR GANG WITH LIES.

Some Things the Democratic Speakers are Saying—Facts and Official Records Which Show How Far They are From the Truth—The Speakers Can Bring Nothing Against the Pops In Their Own State—And as a Last Effort Resort to a Repetition of Lies That Have Been Told in a Distant State.

☞ *To those Democratic speakers.*

"Thou lovest evil more than good; and lying rather than to speak righteousness." Psa. 52:3.

"Because YE have said, we have made a covenant with death and with hell we are at agreement; when the overflowing scourge shall pass through, it shall not come to us; for we have made lies our refuge, and under falsehood have we hid ourselves." Isa. 28:15.

Every man, whether he be a gentleman or an infernal scoundrel, who is capable of intelligent comprehension, KNOWS that nothing of a detrimental character can be truthfully said against the Peoples Party or the masses of people who compose it. Its record has been honest and consistent, and its enemies, not being able to bring truthful charges of a damaging character against it, resort to malignant, partisan abuse and desperate and unblushing LYING.

* * *

There are some vivid cases in point. In Alabama and Texas vigorous campaigns are now being waged. The Peoples Party is threatening the demolition of the disgraceful, discredited and damnable Democratic party in those States. The Dems are resorting to desperate schemes to prevent their annihilation. But in those States, as well as elsewhere, nothing truthful can be brought against the Populists, and the Democrats in their panicky despair are resorting to the use of the LIES invented and circulated by the Democratic party press of North Carolina in 1895—such wild, baseless and malevolent LIES as the Almighty never allowed man to invent, and live, since the days of Annanias. Where lying is not done, a distortion of facts is attempted.

How We Know This.

We know this because we have received the following letters:

ONE FROM ALABAMA.

ATHENS, Ala., June 20, 1896.

The Caucasian, Raleigh, N. C.:

Herewith find clipping from the speech of Jas. F. Johnston, Democratic nominee for Governor in Alabama. Will you kindly give me the facts in order that the several charges may be met or explained?

Yours truly,

W. R. WALKER.

[The Clipping.]

Two years ago the Peoples Party in North Caaolina fused with the Republicans and delivered the General Assembly of that State into the hands of this combine, and these are some of the fruits that quickly ripened.

1. It increased taxation and raised the appropriations over $100,000, adding nothing for schools.

2. It elected one Republican and one Populist to the Senate of the United States.

3. It passed an election law that allows only five days for registration and forbids inspectors of election from refusing to receive a known illegal vote.

4. It turned out a one-legged Confederate soldier as door-keeper and put a burly negro in his place.

5. It created 3,600 new offices in order to fill them with their partisans.

6. It appointed nearly 100 negroes as magistrates throughout the State to sit upon the rights and liberties of white men.

7. But its crowning infamy was in refusing to adjourn in honor of the memory of Washington and Lee, and adjourning in honor of the memory of the negro miscegenationist, Fred Douglass.

ONE FROM TEXAS.

DALLAS, TEXAS, June 21, 1896.

The Caucasian, Raleigh, N. C.:

Democratic speakers in Texas are using a pamphlet purporting to be a brief history of the acts of the last Legislature of North Carolina, alleging that the last North Carolina Legislature refused to adjourn in honor of the birth of Washington and R. E. Lee, and they did adjourn in honor of the death of Fred Douglas [a negro.] That their appropriations were $100,000 in excess of any previous Legislature; that they removed the tax off the banking institutions; that they levied taxes on church and school property; that they increased appropriations for a negro asylum $60,000 over previous appropriations; that they refused any appropriation for a Confederate home; that they voted down a resolution instructing the North Carolina Representatives in Congress to vote for the free and unlimited coinage of silver at 16 to 1.

In view of these slanderous statements I ask that you publish the facts pertaining to these statements in the CAUCASIAN, and send me a few copies for distribution, also for publication in the Southern Mercury, and oblige. Yours truly.

HARRY TRACY.

THAT "BRIEF HISTORY."

It will be remembered that some time ago a screed which bore the title, "History of the General Assembly of North Carolina," appeared and was circulated. It will also be remembered that the name of the author *did not appear* in that screed. No wonder! The most miserable, abandoned, contemptible, lying skunk unhung would not dare father the production of the screed. It is well known that it was received with absolute discredit in this State. An attempt was first made to sell it for ten cents a copy. Nobody would buy it. Then it was offered free to any body who would send for it. Nobody seemed to want it. An effort was then made to give it away and that failed, for people in the State would not have it. And now it seems to have found its way to "foreign parts" where nobody knows the facts, and Democratic speakers in those parts are seizing on to this ANONYMOUS production and trying to make the public believe it presents facts.

FACTS AS THEY ARE.

A lie can be told in a few words. It does not require many words to convey a false impression; but it does require many words to fully correct a false or lying assertion.

HONORARY ADJOURNMENT.

The lie in connection with this affair is that THE LEGISLATURE adjourned in honor of Fred Douglass, and refused to adjourn in honor of George Washington and R. E. Lee.

There are numerous ways to prove the unqualified falsity of this statement, but the official records will serve every purpose.

January 19th was R. E. Lee's birthday. The whole proceedings in the House of Representatives on that day are recorded in less than half a page of the Journal. They may be found on page 70. The closing paragraph of the proceedings is as follows:

"On motion of Mr. Young, of Wake, it being the birthday of Robert E. Lee, a day declared to be a public holiday by the laws of North Carolina, the House adjourned to meet at 3 p. m., Monday, January 21, 1895."

The House was in session less than thirty minutes.

The action of the Senate is stated as follows: On page 52 of the Senate Journal, proceedings of January 18th, is the following:

"Mr. Long moved to amend that when the Senate adjourns to-day that it meet to-morrow at 10 o'clock and adjourn at 12 m. in honor of the birthday of the late General Robert E. Lee. The amendment of Mr. Long was adopted."

On page 57 of the Senate Journal, proceedings of January 19th, appears the following:

"On motion of Mr. Adams, the Senate adjourned in honor of the birthday of the lamented Robert E. Lee until Monday at 3 p. m."

It is thus clear that both House and Senate adjourned in honor of General Robert E. Lee.

WASHINGTON.

On page 489, House Journal, proceedings of February 22d, is the following:

"By Mr. Lusk, H. R., 1085, a resolution in commemoration of the birthday of Geo. Washington, founder of the Republic."

The resolution read as follows:

"Resolved, That when this House adjourns to-day, it adjourn in respect to the birthday of the foundor of the Republic."

On pages 493 and 494 of the House Journal, proceedings of February 22d, is the following:

"The following bills and resolutions were taken up and disposed of as follows:

H. R. 1085, a resolution in commemoration of the birthday of George Washington, the founder of the American Republic."

"The resolution offered by Mr. Lusk is adopted."

The action of the Senate was as follows:

On page 290, Senate Journal, proceedings of February 22d, under head of Introduction of Bills and Resolutions is the following:

"By Mr. Starbuck, S. R. 641, a resolution of respect to the memory of George Washington, and providing for adjournment at 1 o'clock."

On page 296, same day, occurs this:

"S. R. 641, on its second reading. The resolution was adopted."

These facts make it absolutely clear that both House and Senate adjourned in honor of Washington.

THE DOUGLASS INCIDENT.

On February 21st, Representative Crews, colored, introduced the following resolution:

"Whereas, The late Fred Douglass departed this life on the 20th instant; and,

Whereas, We greatly deplore the same; now therefore,

Resolved, That this House adjourn at 12 m., in respect to the deceased.

"Resolved, That a copy of this resolution be spread upon the Journal of the House."

In reporting the introduction of this resolution into the House, the Democratic newspaper which afterwards invented and led the lying report that adjournment had been refused in honor of Lee and Washington, said:

"Before putting the vote the resolution was changed so as to provide that the House would not adjourn at 12 o'clock, but when it did adjourn, it do so in in respect to the memory of the late Fred Douglass. The motion was put and carried—ayes 32, noes 29."

NO QUORUM voted and therefore the resolution did not pass. The matter never came before the Senate at all, and therefore there was no adjournment by the "Legisiature" in honor of Douglass.

Among those who voted in favor of the resolution were leading Democrats. This is shown by the remarks of Representative Monroe, of Wayne, (Democrat) who, after the Democratic press had begun its campaign of hitherto unequalled lying about the matter, arose to a question of personal privilege in the House and said:

"Mr. Speaker: I wish to speak for a minute or two to a question of personal privilege. Douglass' ghost, like Banquo's, will not down at our bidding. I had hoped yesterday that this House; that the whole country had heard the last of this matter, but, as I have been informed that on yesterday it was stated that I was publicly charged with having voted for this famous resolution, and that I did not deny it, and as the papers this morning are full of it, I wish to make a brief statement of the whole matter.

"When the resolution was offered, having no prejudice against Douglass simply because he was a negro, thinking nothing of his wife, white or otherwise, and intending in no way to endorse intermarriage between the races and wishing to please the negroes in this House, and to remove their prejudice against my party, my first impulse was to vote for the resolution, and I so indicated it by standing up; but when there was some confusion, knowing that it was not unanimous and spontaneous, that the compliment was worse than sounding brass and a tinkling cymbal, and not wishing to be mixed up in the matter, at the final count, I did not vote at all.

"When a little boy I read with delight the beautiful story of General Washington pulling off his hat and bowing profoundly to a negro, because, he said that he did not care to be outdone in politeness by a simple old negro. Somewhat in the same spirit, I felt that as the negroes in the House, and in other legislative halls of this country, have for decades been pulling off their hats to my ideals, that it was not too much for me to doff mine once to theirs.

"If by so doing I have unwittingly compared Douglass to Lee and Washington, the one "the noblest figure that ever stood in the forefront of the nation's history," the other, the grandest figure that ever shed luster upon a lost cause, oh, shades of the heroes of Valley Forge and Gettysburg, I beg pardon! If I have sinned against the sense of propriety, of the people of my own party, not only in this State, but in others, I can only plead that my action sprang from a generous impulse in a pure and patriotic heart, and i can but express the hope that when the excitement, rancor and hate engendered of this discussion, shall have died and been forgotten, that the generous impulse that actuated me may in some mysterious, unseen way continue to soften and bless the lives of men."

We have never understood why the Democratic press rushed so wildly into this lie. It must have known that it would be caught lyihg in this case at least. Lying is a chronic disease with

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THEY HAVE NOT GONE BACK.

The Nine Coley Brothers Have Not Returned To The Democrats—And They Say That The Report Is a Slander.

For The Caucasian.]

STONY CREEK TOWNSHIP, Nash County N. C. June 29.—Please publish the following so that we may correct a Democratic error that is circulated in Nash and Edgecombe counties by the Demo-Republican slanderers, to the effect that we, the Coley brothers, have gone back to the Democratic party.

No, we NINE BROTHERS left the Democratic party and voted with the Populist Party so that we could help fight for certain cardinal principles—the principles of Jefferson, Jackson and Lincoln, which principles were not found in the Democratic party; and we are STILL FIGHTING, and will continue to fight for those principles in the Populist Party, or in any other party that will let its record be truth and justice.

No, we cannot return to a party of such work as has been resorted too to keep in office. Just see all manner of cheating, ballot box stuffing, throwing out townships, transposing figures to change majorities, refusing to appoint honest men for pollholders to count honest men's votes.

No! no!! we will never return to a party whose record is as black as the Demo-Republican party of old.

Let me say here, that all the Populists in my section (and most all are Populists) have got their heads set one way, and the Demo-Republicans cannot change them one way or the other. We are "in the middle of the road," and say no fusion with either one of the old parties.

In conclusion we cordially invite all honest, patriotic men of whatever party or politics who will place principle above party, to join us in freeing ourselves and country from all such party organizations.

JAS. J. COLEY & BROS.

A WINNING CANDIDATE.

Mr. A. A. Anderson Wants to be "Hired" by the People—And It Looks as Though He Will Get His Job.

Statesville Landmark.—Gold Dem.]

Mr. A. A. Anderson, of Calahaln, Davie county, familiarly known to most Statesville people as Ab. Anderson, has the following card in the Mocksville Times of last week:

Fellow-Citizens of Davie, Yadkin and Iredell Counties:

Please hire me (by voting for me) to work for you as one of your Senators to the next Legislature of North Carolina, and I will keep wide awake, work well and be very thankful to you all for the job. I am a Washington-Clay Whig, a Jackson Democrat, and a Lincoln Republican. I am for the coinage of silver and gold—"Uncle Sam" (the United States) to have toll for grinding the metals into dollars and putting his brand on them.

I want the United States to make money enough to pay its pensioners, and all its hired hands from President down to constable, and stop borrowing GOLD from Wall street and London at big interest.

Very truly yours,
A. A. ANDERSON.

Referring to this card the Times says:

"We call the attention of our readers to the card in this issue of A. A. Anderson, of Calahaln, this county, in which he announces his candidacy for the State Senate from this senatorial district. Mr. Anderson is a farmer and is one of our most influential and well known citizens. He was born and raised in Davie county, learned some in the blue-back speller at the free schools and at Olin in Iredell county, went to school at East Bend, Yadkin county, and married one of Yadkin's most attractive young ladies, consequently has been more or less connected with all the counties in this senatorial district all of his life.

"Without committing itself to Mr. Anderson's support the Landmark desires to say that his card seems to fill the bill. Being a 'Washington Clay Whig, a Jackson Democrat and a Lincoln Republican,' should make him popular with all parties, (he should, however, have rung in something about Jefferson). If we understand his financial views aright he is in favor of the government charging toll for grinding both silver and gold, and with this toll paying all its hired hands, from President down. This is a happy solution of the financial question. Hurrah for Ab!"

Mr. Anderson's Idea for Raising Government Revenue.

To the Editor of The Landmark:

I thank you very much for sending me a marked copy of the good old Landmark. Please allow me space in its columns to say: We do not expect to get toll enough for grinding (coining) silver and gold to pay Uncle Samuel's expenses (duck hunting and all), but we would draw on his many other resources, such as McKinley Bill (Bill McKinley tariff), Wilson Bill (Bill Wilson tariff), internal revenue, etc., etc. We would also like a slice off of incomes like John D. Rockafeller's ($40,000 a day). Should there still be a shortage we would advise Uncle Samuel to issue Abe Lincoln greenbacks and not gold bonds.

Very truly yours,
A. A. ANDERSON.

Calahaln, N. C., June 26, 1896.

Yadkin Ripple.—Rep.]

Mr. Anderson being well known in this Senatorial district and also being a "Washington Clay Whig, a Jackson Democrat and a Lincoln Republican" and of our own knowledge a highly respected citizen, should in our opinion be a good recomendation to start with and make him popular with all classes.

Statesville Mascot.—Silver Dem.]

The reading of Mr. Anderson's card is a sufficient endorsement of him, and we say hurrah for "Ab" Anderson of Davie.

WHAT FREE COINAGE WILL DO.

And It Is Coming If Corruption Is Not Stronger Than The Will of The People.

The Cincinnati Enquirer gives the following as some of the things free coinage of silver will bring:

The free and unlimited coinage of silver means that neither the President nor his Secretary of the Treasury would be allowed any longer to boycott the four hundred and twenty eight millions of standard silver dollars now in existence. The power that could reestablish silver coinage would compel the use of silver with gold in the redemption of greenbacks. This would do away with the false pretense that bonds must be sold with which to buy gold to redeem greenbacks. It would remove constant menace by the gold gang that the legal tender quality shall be taken away from the vast amount of silver dollars now in existence. It would add enough to the money in circulation in the country each year to keep pace with the increase of population and the requirements for domestic exchange. It would make all the silver bullion in the world worth just as much as though it were already coined into dollars. It would stop greenbacks from being presented at the treasury because Heidelbach, Ickelheimer & Co. and the rest of the breed of gold speculators would be offered silver when they demanded gold, and they would not want it. Free coinage would guarantee the stability of the currency. The grinding contraction now going on would cease. The borrowed surplus in the Treasury of nearly $209,000,000 would be expended in grand public improvements, including coast defenses, and thus be restored to circulation among the people. It would gradually raise the general level of prices.

The production of wheat and other farm products would be resumed on the former scale. Manufacturers of every description would no longer engage in a mere hand to mouth production, but would manufacture for the requirements of the coming year. This would give work to those now in distress, and would enable laboring people themselves to buy what they are now doing without, under the harsh compulsion of poverty. The commerce between forty-five States would be resumed; railroads would be taken out of the hands of receivers, because they could again earn interest on their debts and expenses and something more. The occupation of the panic maker would be gone. With free coinage would come a President and Secretary of the Treasury who would not spend half their time bawling to the world that their government is bankrupt and compelled to sell its bonds at 20 per cent. discount from the interest rates of the world to enrich favorable syndicates for some unfathomable reason. Free coinage would stop the borrowing of money in times of peace for the purpose of obtaining gold with which to pay obligations not payable in gold.

In brief, free coinage would mean a back seat for syndicates and their official instruments—a back seat for the bears of New York stock markets and for the pawnbrokers throughout the country. It would mean that money would be more profitable when invested in business enterprises than when laid away in a napkin to breed upon itself. It would mean fair play among men, and only 100 cents on the dollar in payment of debts.

And free coinage is coming unless bribery and corruption are stronger in the land than the honest expression of the people's will.

A NEW ENTOMOLOGY.

Some Varieties of Ticks and Bugs That Are Disturbing Wilkes County.

For the Caucasian.]

LOVELACE, N. C., June 30, '96.—I take no part in politics as I profess to be a minister of the Gospel, and have been for about thirty years. I find the Word of God commands us, as His servants, to rebuke, reprove and exhort with all long suffering and doctrine; therefore I do not think it wrong to reprove the corruption of the two old parties, neither the same in the Peoples Party if they are guilty, &c.

Mr. Editor, we have four kinds of ticks up here in Wilkes—the seed ticks, "yearlin" ticks, bear ticks and "pollyticks;" and none of them disturbs the people so much as the "pollyticks." One disturbs the mind, the others the flesh. And while we have four kinds of ticks, we are infested with three kinds of bugs—the potato bugs, the cabbage bugs and the goldbugs. The first two are making headway with vegetables, but the goldbugs are getting scarcer every day, and I believe they will all be dead by November, with the exception of a few petty office seekers, such as the revenue storekeepers, marshals, raiders, &c.; but enough of that. I am 65 years old, and have never in my life seen such a time financially. I have not seen a gold coin of any sort or size since the gold standard has been established. It has locked the wheels of every industry in the country, and has ruined both the old parties, so there is no confidence in either of them. I would not put any confidence in what they promise. They are both dead and next November they will be buried. I don't know who will hold the burial exercises, unless it is some syndicate from England. The mass of the people are for free coinage of silver at the ratio of 16 to 1, with a good and lawful currency sufficient to do the business of the country.

The Republicans say they are going for McKinley for President—that is the office seeking part, and they say he is a free silver man; but I tell them it is a mistake; he is a goldbug, and I tell them that these free silver chaps will fool them again.

The Democrats have not had any convention here, and I don't know whether they will or not. The most of them will support the Peoples Party candidates, if the party does not fuse with the Republican party. But if there is such fusion, the free coinage Democrats will not vote.

Now, Mr. Editor, I will say, as to myself, I am no party man. I am for a principle—not a name; and as I believe in the Farmers' Alliance as a principle, I am an Allianceman, and as I see the platform, as adopted by the Peoples Party and the National Alliance at Washington, D. C., and believing them to be the principles of our forefathers, I shall support them.

S. S. GOFORTH.

WHAT DOES THIS MEAN?

A NATIONAL BANK PRESIDENT CONDEMNS BANKS IN WILSON COUNTY DEMOCRACY.

Stealing The Peoples Party Platform To Try To Fool Populists—Goldbugs Say "Me Too" To Silver Resolutions—Are The People Foolish Enough To Be Fooled Again?

For The Caucasian.]

ELM CITY, JUNE 26.—This writer attended the Democratic county convention at Wilson June 20th, and if I had been among strangers and had heard no party name mentioned, I should have been sure I was at a Populist convention. They are trying to steal the Populist platform without the crossing an "i or dotting a "t." They passed strong resolutions condemning bond issues and national banks, and for the free and unlimited coinage of silver at 16 to 1 without the consent of or regardless of the action of any other nation.

Now Mr. Editor what does this all mean? Why such a change? There were men in that convention who were well known goldbugs, but those resolutions were passed unanimously. Why do goldbugs vote in conventions for silver resolutions? The president of a national bank sat in that convention and voted to condemn national banks and against any enlargement of national banking powers or sat silent and let it be condemned by his party, for the resolutions were passed without a dissenting vote.

Now, Mr. Editor, this is all done for two purposes: First, to hold what few silver men there is left in the party, and second, to win back the Populists. I wonder if there is a single Populist in North Carolina that can be fooled by any such nonsense! The record of the Democratic party is made and the only record they will ever have a chance to make is made. They have defeated eleven free coinage bills in Congress in nine years, and the people will never be fooled into giving them another chance to fool them the twelfth time. No earnest free silver man can any longer stay in the Democratic party, for to do so is only to divide the silver vote and make McKinleys (a goldbug) election a certainty.

Democrats here are making big claims that Populist are going back to the Democratic party but when asked to name some of the men, they say, well we will show you when the votes are counted, &c.

Now, Mr. Editor, I am not a prophet nor the son of a prophet, but I will venture to guess that when the election is over next November Wilson county will, for the first time in twenty-five years, be out of the control of Democrats anywhere from five hundred to one thousand majority.

JNO. D. MEARES.

P. S. Let the Populist State convention nominate Maj. Wm. A. Guthrie for Governor and the Second Congressional District nominate the Rev. J. T. B. Hoover for Congress, and we will win, fusion or no fusion, Wilson county will be solid for Guthrie.

J. D. M.

COLUMBUS COUNTY DEMOCRATS.

They Hold a Convention With Closed Doors—No Reformer Sent To The State Convention.

For The Caucasian.]

HALLSBORO, N. C., July 2.—The people of Columbus county are not taking much stock in the Democratic conventions, and some of those do so with the understanding that they will withdraw from the party if the nominees and platform do not come square out for silver at 16 to 1. The people are determined not to support any party who does not offer relief.

For some unknown reason the Democratic convention held its meeting in Whiteville on June 17th with closed doors. Some Republicans and Populist were asked to leave the court house, something that is unknown in the history of political conventions in this county. It is supposed that it was a part of the famous "Gideon's band" that they condemned so four years ago.

The delegates to the State convention did not include a single reform man and no farmers. So the wealth producers are not to be in it. The convention instructed its delegates for J. A. Lockhart for Congress. I suppose they would like to throw out some more townships to count their candidate in. Three of the most important officers had to sue and contest for their offices which they were fairly elected to, viz: Clerk of Superior Court A. H. Lemmon, Solicitor H. F. Seawell and Congressman Martin. The people have not forgotten these outrages committed with the most trivial excuses. No wonder the people are not going to be trapped again. They have their eyes opened at last.

Yours for reform.

H. WYCHE.

ARE THE DEMOCRATS FOR SILVER?

Southern Gold Men Enrolling Themselves Under the Republican Banner.

Washington Post.]

BIRMINGHAM, Ala., June 19.—Not for many years has a Presidential nomination caused as much enthusiasm and activity among all Republicans as has that of McKinley. Party workers opened the campaign to-night by the reorganization of the white Home Market club here with a big membership. Monday night the colored Home Market club will be revived.

Lists for the formation of Democratic sound money McKinley clubs are in circulation. Those who are signing them say that while they will support local Democratic candidates, they cannot give their aid to free silver, which they regard as ruinous to their interests. The organization of these clubs will be effected in a short time.

Kansas Republicans Leaving the Party.

Special to The Post.]

TOPEKA, Kan., June 29.—During the past week more than twenty well-known Kansas Republicans have bolted the party, and declare they will not support a gold platform. To-day four withdrew, one of them being R. W. Turner, ex-Consul to Cadiz, Spain. The Atchison county Republican convention, the home of ex-Senator Ingalls, voted down almost unanimously resolutions indorsing the national platform.

Liberty cannot long endure in any country where the tendency is to concentrate wealth in the hands of a few. —Daniel Webster.