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THE DEMOCRATIC TICKET.

OR CHIEF JUSTICE OF THE SUPREME COURT. James E. Shepherd, of Deafour.

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THE SITUATION.

The joint canvass of the county has been completed. Only a few extra appointments remain to be filled.

Close observation leads us to believe that the Populists are no stronger comparatively than they were two years ago.

There is no use underestimating the strength of the opposition. It is composed of all the disaffected element.

Democracy can't defeat this combination without work. If our people fail to do their duty and underestimate the strength of our enemy we will be defeated.

WANT THE LEGISLATURE.

In a speech delivered at Raleigh recently Oliver Dockery, a life long Republican, who has held positions of honor in his party, said: Our operation is solely for the purpose of getting control of the legislature.

Any man who votes the Populist ticket is voting for a party that will if it succeeds place a Republican and a P. in the United States Senate.

legislative ticket. That is the important point.

There is where the fight will be made. Watch the legislative ticket and see that you vote for every one of the nominees.

Democracy of Mecklenburg look to your legislative ticket. Do not allow our enemies to capture the legislature.

RICHMOND PEARSON, the Populist-Republican candidate for Congress in the 9th district boasts that he will send fifteen legislators to Raleigh to vote for Pritchard, (Rep.) and Butler (Pop.)

Mr. A. D. Cowles, of Statesville, is a life-long Republican of note and influence. He is opposed to fusion, and closes a letter against it in these words:

Against this policy are arrayed the Democratic and Populist parties. In 1892 we were in combat with both.

Expediency is the only bond of union. I have tried to reconcile it with conscience and principle.

I can't do it. Being as I am a Republican to the core I can't be a Populist even skin deep—not even for revenue only.

Remember this fellow Republicans proclaim on the streets, cry it from the house tops, that the national Republican congressional committee states its objections to the Populist party in these words:

1. That being based on an assumption of the poverty and destitution of the masses, it is in danger of becoming an organized attack on all rights of private property and must end in Anarchy or Communism.

Remember, Republicans, poor bleeding Kansas and take the advice of the national Republican committee. Hold to your true principles, defend your colors, vote the Republican ticket and be saved.

John E. Brothers, the Democratic registrar of Salem township, Passquotank county, who was shot twice on the 22nd inst. by James S. Wilson, ex-sheriff and a prominent Republican politician, died the next day, as is learned from the Raleigh News and Observer.

Populism Illustrated.

A fine object lesson is at hand. The scene is Colorado. The Drama is Personae are the Populists. The chief actor is Governor Waite.

"He was ready to wade in blood to his bridle bit, and probably is yet. Possibly he is sorry he has not the chance. But what has been the result of the reign of Populism upon the commercial standing of Colorado.

We have information from Colorado that throws the needed light to let every eye in the South know precisely how Populism has worked in Colorado, how great a curse and disappointment it has proved to the people.

Populism will be free from disastrous results in Georgia than in Colorado or in Kansas. If men who are incompetent and fanatical are put in charge of any government they can wreck its prosperity, it matters not how bright the sun is shining when they take charge."

Take heed and flee from the curse of Populism, made far more dangerous and vicious when united with and blended with Radicalism, especially of the old, "fire-tried" North Carolina kind!

But this is not all Populism has proved a great curse and blight in Oregon and Washington States. It has worked the same mischief there that it has done in Kansas and Colorado.

Men who possess capital will not invest where it is to be subject to Populist control."

Kansas has so felt the injury of Populism so that last year, it is estimated, 200,000 people left the State for homes in more favored States.

In view of all this and the great and overshadowing danger that threatens the very existence of this nation, it is the plain and imperative duty of every true and loyal American citizen, who sees opportunity at the polls is offered, to place his seal of condemnation upon the dangerous doctrine and principles of the Populist party.

What is Populism?

The people of Kansas have had a taste of Populism and they know what it is. Here is what the Topeka (a Populist paper) of July 21st 1894 says about the condition of things in that State.

"Since the inauguration of Governor Lewelling down to the 3rd of July last he has been busy in carrying out or trying with the contracts made with Democracy at Wichita and since."

"But the Democratic convention turned a deaf ear to their sympathetic pleadings, and refused to endorse a single nominee of the so-called Populist convention."

"Kansas Populism stands for un-restricted operation of saloons and Governor Lewelling so declares it."

"Kansas Populism stands for 'moral, financial and material ruin,' and Governor Lewelling so declares it."

Webster's Weekly in a recent issue says: The best test of a tree is its fruit. The best test of a theory is its practical results.

The best argument of the Democratic party is the practical results of Democracy in North Carolina. What ever may be the failings of the administration at Washington, it would be poor business to intensify our troubles by unsettling affairs at home.

Suppose for an instant that the fusionists could carry the Legislature of North Carolina, and elect two United States Senators. According to their plan one Senator would be Marion Butler, the Populist, and some prominent Republican would be the other.

The grave of the Populist party is already dug, no matter what the result of this campaign. It will be laid away to rest in the bosom of the Radical party just as in the case of the Liberal party ten years ago.

A Shameful Bargain.

A recent issue of the Roxboro Courier has this to say about the Republican-Populist deal in Settle's district. Honest men of all parties will repudiate such trickery.

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