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The Value of Constancy.  
A constant drop of water  
is away the hardest stone;  
a constant gnaw of Towser  
destroys the toughest bone;  
a constant cooling lover  
ruins the blushing maid;  
a constant advertiser  
wins who gets the trade.

### FARMERS' COLUMN

Nothing department in the Racket  
has been over run for the last 9  
months or a big lot of sample and  
papers thrown on their counters at  
7-11-21-22

Second hand cotton press, in  
condition. Address Robt. L. Abern-  
ethy, 25 S. & T. St. N. C.

High quality of sample and damaged pans  
received at half price.—Williams  
7-11-21-22

New Advertisements.  
Prices on Wagons and Bug-  
gies. Wadsworth's Sons.  
Your Railroad Fare—Char-  
ter Commercial College.  
Wilmington High School—Grey  
by, Principals.  
Summer Silks at Cost—Wil-  
hood & Co.

### ANNOUNCEMENTS.

REGISTER OF DEEDS.  
I announce myself a candidate  
for the office of Register of Deeds of  
Mecklenburg county, subject to the ac-  
tion of the Democratic voters in their  
annual county convention.

J. ARTHUR HENDERSON.  
I announce myself a candidate  
for the office of Register of Deeds of  
Mecklenburg county, subject to the ac-  
tion of the Democratic nominating con-  
vention.

A. MORRIS McDONALD.  
I announce myself a candidate  
for the office of Register of Deeds of  
Mecklenburg county, subject to the ac-  
tion of the Democratic nominating con-  
vention.

J. W. COBB.  
FOR SHERIFF.  
I announce myself a candidate  
for the office of Sheriff of Mecklenburg  
county, subject to the action of the Dem-  
ocratic nominating convention.

J. O. GLUYAS.  
I announce myself a candidate  
for the office of Sheriff of Mecklenburg  
county, subject to the action of the Dem-  
ocratic and county convention.

Z. T. SMITH.  
FOR TREASURER.  
I announce myself a candidate  
for the office of Treasurer of Mecklen-  
burg county, subject to the action of the  
Democratic and county con-  
vention.

EDGAR H. WALKER.  
COUNTY SURVEYOR.  
I announce myself a candidate  
for the office of County Surveyor, sub-  
ject to the action of the Democrats in  
their annual county conven-  
tion.

J. B. SPRATT.  
I announce myself a candidate  
for the office of County Surveyor, Meck-  
lenburg county, subject to the action of  
the Democratic nominating convention.

S. T. STOWE.  
FOR CORONER.  
I announce myself a candidate  
for the office of Coroner of Mecklenburg  
county, subject to the action of the Dem-  
ocratic convention.

A. A. CATHEY.  
Meeting at Crab Orchard.

Meeting of the  
of Crab Orchard town-  
ship, Friday  
at 7 o'clock.  
Speakers were made by  
J. B. Spratt and J. D.  
Henderson and Cy Watson  
and Morris Mc-  
Donald. President, P. M.  
and Pat Mun-

Meeting of some of  
the men of Crab  
Orchard, all enthusi-  
astic for the Democratic  
cause. The Democratic  
cause was fresh  
in the minds of the  
people at Raleigh, and  
the action  
of the electoral fusion  
was considered  
to do and advised  
of the committee be

Meeting of  
C. Smith and family of  
Wilmington returned from a  
trip to the mountains and York-

Meeting of  
of Steele Creek,  
with fever.

Meeting of  
of Steele Creek, is  
supplied in McKin-

Meeting of  
of Steele Creek, and that  
the hands of

## THE FIRST STEP TAKEN. THE COUNTY ELECTIONS.

ELECTORAL FUSION WITH THE POPULISTS AGREED ON.  
LIST OF THE OFFICES TO BE FILLED THIS YEAR.

Result of the Meeting of the State Demo-  
cratic Executive Committee—Defeat  
Thought to be Sure Unless all the Silver  
Forces Should be U. it-d.

The Democrats have taken the  
step which several days ago it was  
said they would take—that is, to  
seek fusion on the electoral ticket  
with the Populists. The vote of the  
State Committee at Raleigh on the  
adoption of the resolution was 29 to  
5, so the "middle-of-the-road" men  
were literally "snowed under."  
Those voting nay were Paul B.  
Means, Samuel J. Pemberton, H. C.  
Bourne, S. Gallert, and Mr. Lee (a  
proxy). There was a discussion  
which really lasted from 10:30 to 2.  
At one time it seemed sure there  
would be a recess until this morning.  
Here is the text of the resolution  
adopted:

Whereas, both the Democratic and  
Populist parties, in the national con-  
ventions, have nominated William  
J. Bryan for the presidency; and  
whereas an electoral ticket for Bryan  
and Sewall and another for Bryan  
and Watson will endanger  
the election of Bryan and promote  
the chances of McKinley obtaining  
the electoral vote of North Carolina;  
now, therefore, to the end that all  
persons favoring the election of Mr.  
Bryan may have their vote counted  
in the electoral college for him.

Resolved, That the Democratic  
party hereby offers to the Populist  
party a fair and just division of the  
Bryan electors, and that the chair-  
man of the committee is authorized  
to confer with the chairman of the  
Executive Committee of the People's  
party looking to a union of the two  
parties upon the one electoral ticket,  
and report to this committee as  
early as practicable.

The Richmond Dispatch correspond-  
ent says: It was frankly said  
by many speakers that the defeat of  
the party was certain unless all the  
silver elements got together. It was  
quite noticeable that Populists were  
eager for news of the proceedings.  
This was particularly the case with  
Otho Wilson, who is Senator But-  
ler's most trusted counsellor here.  
Wilson was this morning in a close  
conference with a Democratic nomi-  
nee, who is regarded as perhaps the  
best posted man in the party.

It was hard to get news last night.  
For a time the committee was in  
executive session. There were only  
two short of the full committee—  
that is, thirty-four votes were rep-  
resented. Members say that Hon. F.  
M. Simmons' speech was as easily  
the gem of the meeting as Bryan's  
was the gem of the national conven-  
tion. Cy. Watson made an earnest  
speech in favor of unity.

The new State chairman, Matt  
Manly, is given power to appoint an  
advisory committee of four members.  
This committee will really do the  
hard work of the campaign. There  
are a good many surmises as to who  
will compose it. Among the names  
prominently mentioned are F. M.  
Simmons, J. H. Poe, Julian S.  
Carr, and E. C. Smith—three of  
them ex-chairmen. Chairman Manly  
will be ex-officio chairman of the  
Central Committee of nine.

In the way of campaigning nothing  
will be done, it seems until after  
the Populist Convention, August  
13th. What will the Populists do?  
Judge Avery, one of the ablest  
Democrats, and one of the acutest  
observers says that he finds the  
masses of the silver people want  
fusion. He finds this even in such  
counties as Burke and Rowan. His  
opinions always have great weight  
with the party.

County Affairs.  
At the meeting of the county  
commissioners yesterday afternoon,  
Mr. P. C. Henderson was appointed  
to receive bids for the erection of  
a bridge over Mallard Creek, near  
M. B. Hunter's residence.

It was decided to put the county  
road working squads on the Longgan  
ferry and Walker's ferry roads, and  
grade and macadamize them for a  
distance of five miles from the city.  
Mr. J. S. Myers having agreed to  
supply the necessary material, it  
was ordered that before the camps  
broken up on the Providence road,  
the convicts repair the road  
near McWatkins.

Messrs. R. B. Morrow, Chas. E.  
Kelly and W. P. Baumgartner were  
appointed school committeemen in  
district 39, in place of A. L. Sher-  
rill, J. D. Nixon and G. W. Court-  
ney, who resigned. J. W. Glosson  
was appointed committeeman in  
district 7.

## ONLY A QUESTION OF SIZE. AT TWO HEADQUARTERS.

ALABAMA IS TREMENDOUSLY DEMO-  
CRATIC.

Gains All Over the State—Johnson's Ma-  
jority is Between 50,000 and 60,000—In  
the Legislature 59 on Joint Ballot.

BIRMINGHAM, Ala., Aug 4.—The  
size of the Democratic majority seems  
to be the only thing remaining in  
doubt regarding the result of yester-  
day's election. The majority for  
Johnson is variously estimated at  
from fifty to sixty thousand. Gains  
are made everywhere, except in Mo-  
bile and Macon counties. The Dem-  
ocrats have a majority of 59 in the  
Legislature on joint ballot.

### POPULISTS AND DEMOCRATS FIGHT.

One Man Killed and Five Wounded Near  
Columbus, Ga.  
COLUMBUS, Ga., Aug. 4.—A special  
to the Enquirer-Sun from La-  
fayette, Ala., says: News has just  
reached this city by wire of a terri-  
ble tragedy which occurred at Five  
Points, 10 miles above here this af-  
ternoon, in which one man was killed  
and five others dangerously  
wounded. It was a battle between  
Populists and Democrats. George  
Cumbee, Democrat, was killed in-  
stantly and his brother, Reuben,  
dangerously wounded. Lem Satter-  
white, Democrat, was shot in the  
hip. A. P. Trammell and two other  
Trammells, Populists, were  
wounded. A large posse from here  
has gone to the scene. A second  
posse from Roanoke has also gone.  
A private message over the wire  
from Five Points at 8 p. m. says that  
pistol shots are now ringing out on  
the night air. The Democrats had  
been to Lafayette to bring in the  
election returns and were on their  
way home when they were met at  
Five Points by a crowd of enraged  
Populists, who attacked the Cumbee  
boys and cut, shot and beat them  
and a general row ensued. The posse  
that has gone to the scene is much  
enraged and if the guilty Populists  
are apprehended much blood will  
be shed and probably more men killed.  
The Cumbee boys are sons of Rev.  
John Cumbee of this county and are  
sturdy, moral, upright men and are  
among the best citizens of the coun-  
ty. They have never been in diffi-  
culties of any kind before.

### SENATOR JONES DENIES IT.

Says He Was Misquoted on His Expressions  
About the Populists—Gov. Stone to De-  
liver the Address  
NEW YORK, Aug. 5.—Senator  
Jones, Chairman of the Democratic  
Committee, this afternoon said that  
Gov. Stone, of Missouri, will prob-  
ably deliver the notification address.  
The Senator refused to reply to Wat-  
son's recent criticisms. He said he  
had been misquoted. He would not  
discuss the suggestions that he had  
been told by Senator Gorman and  
other campaign managers that he  
must deny the interview, nor did he  
explain why he did not repudiate it  
on the day of publication. He will  
leave for Washington this afternoon.  
So far as known, he didn't confer  
with the Democratic leaders here.

### A \$40,000 Office Building in Prospect.

"What will the lawyers do?" is a  
question that has been asked in  
view of the removal of the court  
house. They occupy a brick office  
building in rear of the old court  
house. The building was erected  
by the late Col. John L. Brown and  
was designed for two purposes: First,  
for the lawyers, and afterwards (for  
Col. Brown foresaw the removal of  
the court house) for conversion into  
a flat for families. This can be  
easily done, for it is already a flat.  
All that is necessary is for the law-  
yers to move out and there is a  
house arranged for twelve fami-  
lies.

### But to the question as to what the lawyers will do when the new court house is opened. If the plans of the Carolina Mutual Insurance Company, of which Mr. Furber Jones is agent, are carried out, the lawyers will occupy a \$40,000 office building on South Tryon street near the new court house. The matter has been discussed for some time past, and the lawyers have agreed to rent the offices in the proposed building for a term of five years.

If the plans succeed, and there  
doesn't appear to be anything in the  
way just now, this will be the only  
strictly office building in Charlotte.  
THE NEWS expects to be able to  
make a definite announcement about  
it in a few days.

### Miss Claribel Whitesides of Rich- mond, S. C., arrived in the city Sat- urday evening and is visiting her sister Mrs. J. Arthur Henderson.

### Hebronites Turned Down.

The county commissioners met  
this morning to hear the petition of  
the patrons of Hebron school, No.  
2, in Sharon, to allow them to elect  
their school teacher, expressing dis-  
satisfaction with the choice of the  
committeemen. The commissioners  
dismissed the petition.

### Address by Mr. Reid.

Mr. J. Sol Reid will address the  
Bryan & Watson Club at Provi-  
dence Hall, next Friday night. A  
good speech may be expected, for  
Mr. Reid is one of the best.

## BIG FORCE AT ONE; LITTLE FORCE AT THE OTHER.

Harrison to Speak at the Republican Nat-  
ional Meeting—Gov. Stone, of Missouri,  
will Probably Preside at the Democratic  
National Meeting.

NEW YORK, August 3.—The  
regular campaign work was begun  
at the Republican national head-  
quarters on Madison Avenue this  
morning. Hanna was on hand  
early and was joined by N. B. Scott,  
of West Va., and Powell Clayton, of  
Arkansas. The latter will have charge  
of the speaking arrangement of the  
campaign. Scott will give his at-  
tention chiefly to the Southern  
States. The document and mailing  
room is being fitted up and arrange-  
ments are being made for a big ratifi-  
cation. Ex-President Harrison  
will be the principal speaker.

WASHINGTON, August 3.—There  
is a marked difference in the amount  
of activity displayed by the two  
congressional committees. The Re-  
publicans have a large paid working  
force, while the Democratic force  
numbers about ten, and a small  
volunteer force. The Democratic  
National Committee will meet in  
New York on the eleventh, the day  
before the notification. Chairman  
Jones says the main headquarters  
will be decided upon at this meeting.  
Gov. Stone, of Missouri, will prob-  
ably preside at the notification meet-  
ing.

### THROUGH A BRIDGE.

Railroad Accident Near Durham—Engi-  
neer and Fireman Fatally Injured and  
Train Burned.

WINSTON, N. C., Aug 3.—A  
freight train on the Oxford &  
Clarksville railroad went through  
a bridge twelve miles from Durham,  
last night. The engineer and fire-  
man were fatally injured. The  
train was burned.

### Mecklenburg Camp Confederate Veterans.

The annual meeting of Mecklen-  
burg Camp No. 382, United Con-  
federate Veterans, was held in the  
city hall today at noon.  
The report of W. B. Taylor, treas-  
urer, showed \$11.60 on hand. The  
amount paid out by order of the  
Commander since the last meeting  
was \$55.75, and the amount collect-  
ed was \$23.95.

Officers were elected for the en-  
suing year as follows:  
Commander, S. H. Hilton, Lieu-  
tenant Commander, R. B. Hunter,  
Lieutenant Commanders for the  
wards and townships: Ward 1, J.  
M. Earnhardt; Ward 2, W. W. Ran-  
kin; Ward 3, J. M. Kendrick; Ward  
4, W. I. Friday; Berryhill, W. J.  
Brown; Steel Creek, T. W. Neely;  
Sharon, S. A. Kirkpatrick; Pineville,  
J. A. Younts; Providence, J. H.  
Howe; Meroving Star, John R. Hood;  
Crab Creek, D. A. Junston; Crab  
Orchard, P. C. Harkey; Mallard  
Creek, John G. Alexander; De-weese,  
C. E. Boss; L-mley, A. J. D-err; Long  
Creek, W. P. Craven; Paw Creek,  
John F. Frazier; Huntersville, J. B.  
Nicholson; Chaplin, Rev. E. A.  
Osborne; Surgeon, Dr. J. P. Mc-  
Comb; Quartermaster, C. W. Riven-  
bark; Treasurer, W. B. Taylor; Sec-  
retary and Adjutant, D. G. Max-  
well.

Thanks were extended Louis  
Leon, the retiring Commander for  
his services for the past two years.  
Thanks were returned to the city  
of Richmond and W. H. Johnston,  
A. R. Gates and F. M. Parks, speci-  
ally, for the recent entertainment.

The retiring Commander called  
attention to the neglected condition  
of the graves at Winchester. Louis  
Leon, R. B. Hunter and C. W. Riv-  
enbark were appointed to commu-  
nicate with other Camps to devise  
means for raising funds to purchase  
headstones for the North Carolina  
soldiers buried there.

### The Congressional Convention

The Democratic congressional con-  
vention of this, the 6th district, meets  
at Rockingham next Wednesday 12th.  
It is a foregone conclusion that the  
result will be the unanimous nomi-  
nation of Hon. Jas. A. Lockhart, of  
Wadesboro, the standard bearer in  
the last campaign, whose seat was  
given to the Populist Martin, by the  
committee on contests.

### Jailed for Attempted Assault.

Officer Hodges yesterday afternoon  
came in from Crab Orchard township  
with a negro named John Mays  
charged with an attempt to assault a  
colored girl named Ella Cochrane.  
Mays was arraigned before Esquire  
J. L. C. Junkin for a preliminary  
hearing, and was committed to jail  
in default of bond.