

successful administration of the office of Register of Deeds, Mr. Weddington is sixty years old, and people will see at a glance that at that age he could never learn the business of the office. Mr. Patterson, however, with the natural ability and with an eye to the business, meets the very best service the public can demand. It would be a risky business to put in a new man and especially one who lacks the ability for the duties of the office. Everybody knows Jno. A. Cline. He stands before the people of Cabarrus, a plain, conservative, safe, calm, quiet citizen. As an officer he is faithful, accurate and perfectly correct. Mr. Keistler is a harmless little fellow in his own way. It is not his fault that he is flighty and spasmodic. It is nature with him. He can sell goods; write fancy, poetic stuff and make wild and gentle Zephyr speeches, but Mr. Keistler cannot rise beyond it. He means to be honest, but he has heard so many things, read so much trash until he believes it. The county certainly will not run the fearful risk of changing Mr. Cline for Mr. Keistler. Everybody has praised Esq. Archibald. There has been no better officer. He weighs cotton accurately and to the satisfaction of seller and buyer. Mr. Robt. Biggers, of No. 10, wants the job. The Standard knows but little about him. He is a quiet man, personally, but politically he is a wild theorist and anything but conservative. A man that can't weigh political matters coolly and calmly cannot weigh cotton accurately. The candidates for coroner and surveyor are good, competent men and the interests over which they will preside will be in safe hands.

A BACK NUMBER.

Really, does Cabarrus county want the Honorable Ambrose Franklin Hileman elected to the Legislature? The Standard can not think so. The county repudiated him two years ago by a decisive majority, and he represented some principles that were none, we can not see how in the name of reason, the county could afford to elect him. In his own personal way, Mr. Hileman is a good man; but politically he is unworthy of confidence. Having his head turned by a recognition once upon a time, and getting in love with his own self and being fond of Raleigh company he has drifted here and there in his effort to remain in public life. Mr. Hileman may think he's an independent man; but he's not. He's under the thumb of Marion Butler—whatever Mr. Butler would tell him to do, he'd do it or burst himself. Why is Mr. Hileman unworthy of political confidence? This is an easy question. He has changed every two years since his name has been known outside of his immediate neighborhood. He's a weather vane, nothing more. He has no political ideas of his own—he represents some idiot, some chosen master, Marion Butler. Since Mr. Hileman has been known outside of his neighborhood, he has been known as: 1 Democrat. 2 Independent Democrat. 3 Democrat. 4 Alliance Democrat. 5 Jeffersonian Democrat. 6 Half-Democrat. Half-Populist. 7 Populist. 8 Fusionist. Mr. Hileman can not deny this. Two years ago he advocated government ownership of railroad; sub-treasury and many other things. He was not afraid to talk about Republican legislation. What does he advocate now? He wouldn't offend a Republican for anything. He is carrying out the plan made by Marion Butler and others. God only knows where Mr. Hileman will stand politically two years hence, if he can stand at all. The Standard has never doubted Mr. Hileman's being sincere in his aid to the spreading of whatever Mr. Marion Butler ordered him. It believed Mr. Hileman thought he was doing right and was serving his country. The Standard has not the faith in Mr. Hileman's sincerity now. A few nights ago he said something, the inference of which puts him on record as grossly ignorant or a low demagogue. Being called out in a Fusion experience meeting, he said among other things: "I am in favor of a honest ballot and a fair count." Nobody knows better than Mr. Hileman does that elections in this county are honestly held and the counts are just and accurate. He left the impression that he thought the ballots were not honestly counted. This impression any man would put on his mind. He is a liar, and

yet knowing this, he stands upon his native soil and slanders the integrity of Cabarrus citizenship, when he implies by his demagogical quotation, "I am in favor of an honest ballot and a fair count." Mr. Hileman believes in the Australian ballot system if he believes his own platform. If Mr. Hileman is sincere in his desires and profession for a change in the election law, why did he not, when he was a member of the General Assembly, introduce a bill or influence the introduction of one, looking to the change in the law, the very one he was elected under. Mr. Hileman believes in a voting system that would deprive two-thirds of the colored men of this county from the privileges of voting. He believes in the Australian ballot system; and yet he asks the colored men to support him. No sir, Mr. Hileman will not represent Cabarrus county in the next General Assembly.

MADE AN HONEST EFFORT.

No honest man can truthfully say that the Democratic party has not done all in its power to fulfill the pledges of the platform. They have repealed the Sherman law, which was stigmatized as a "miserable makeshift." They have repealed the obnoxious federal election laws, under which the people of this generation had seen bayonets around the ballot boxes. They have passed a tariff law that has taken over sixty millions of dollars from the burden of taxation. They have passed the income tax bill which would raise thirty millions dollars of revenue for the government from those men who could most easily pay it. No reasonable man could expect the Democrats at one stroke to undo all the iniquitous legislation that has accumulated in thirty years. Prosperity is returning. It cannot come all at once; it did not leave that way. The government's obligations must be met, and retrenchment, changes do must come slow. Some people are foolish enough and others are knaves enough to declare that the party has not attempted to carry into effect its pledges, simply because prosperity has not come at one jump. No man is fool enough to expect immediate results from a dose of medicine. You could give Hon. Ambrose Hileman a dose of quinine and it would be sometime before wheels would begin to turn in his head. The good work has begun. The Populists may have the power to check it, but God forbid the coming of that day when dishonest and un-principle leaders may succeed in fooling sincere men to that number that a check will be given to the good work already inaugurated. The Standard does not question the sincerity of the masses of Populists. They have been led on to this by a systematic effort on the part of leaders. All over the State, day after day, some good man, seeing the drift, the sellout, is coming back and repudiating the wholesale sellout by the leaders.

DEMOCRATS BEWARE!

Mr. J. A. Sims, who is aspiring to office of Sheriff for Cabarrus county, and who is an avowed enemy to Democracy, has had printed his name on the straight Democratic county ticket. We warn all Democrats to be on the alert for this bold trick. Look sharp for the deceiving tickets that may fall into your hands. Read your ticket before you cast it. If it has not the names of the nominees of the Democratic county convention don't you cast it. Mr. Sims, as you all know, is a shrewd man, but this little deceitful scheme of his is well guarded by just as shrewd men. Mr. Sims is not a Democrat, he harpers on the Democratic principles of our county government, yet he associates his name with the Democrats on the Democratic ticket. Keep an eye open, Democrats, and don't be caught napping. Do not only observe the county ticket, but all the whole State ticket. Our opposition does not hesitate to do or say anything. Democrats, beware!

ARE THERE HERE THERE.

Every citizen should make it a special duty that he himself attends the polls next Tuesday. It is a duty every citizen should take a pride in, and especially at this critical time. While the Populists and Republicans admit that they are defeated, we wish to swell the majesty to such an extent we will never bear again this croaking calamity—howling, deceiving, unclean, disastrous, Fusion movement. The God

loving and law abiding citizens cannot and will not vote for the old sore heads, who seek office alone and who sacrifice every principle in order to gain the few votes they do from the weak and easily persuaded people. Some men we know even preach anarchy and some that do not preach it advocate its teaching. Can you vote for the destruction of your good government? No. Vote the straight Democratic ticket. Go to the polls.

BUTLER'S ADVICE AND WARNING IN 1892.

Two short years ago Big Boss Butler was "mightily agitating the Radicals." In fact, he was so dead against the "confusion" then that he warned the Pops against trying to defeat the Democratic ticket? What? Yes, in 1892, he was for the Democratic ticket. He told his submissive, pliant followers not to support the Reform ticket. He said to them: "What is there to be gained for reform by defeating the Democratic State ticket? Nothing, but much to lose, let the result be what it may. If you elect your ticket, you do it at the sufferance of the Republican party, and you are at their mercy now and in the future. If you are the cause of the Republican party capturing the State you have given a blow to the cause of reform and put the management of your State in unworthy and incapable hands." It was true then and it is true now. If the Populists cause Republicans to get in they have done just what Butler said—they "have given a heavy blow to the cause of reform, and put the management of your State in unworthy and incapable hands." He never wrote as much truth in the same compass. Think of any one really desiring "reform," making terms with the Radicals who plundered the State and beggared it. The "unworthy and incapable hands" have been held out to Butler and his set and they have shaken and yelped. And now we are all invited to join in this conspiracy that gives the State over to the "unworthy and incapable hands." Every day reveals more and more the condition of Populism in North Carolina and the deep, damning infamy of the sell out.—Wilmington Messenger.

THE CHANGEABLE STATESMAN.

It is a matter of history that the Honorable Ambrose Franklin Hileman changes political views every two years, or as often as his master may dictate. He says he has the congestion of the lungs. This is evidently true. At the opening of the county canvass, he asked Mr. Puryear to limit the speaking time to thirty minutes as he was suffering with congestion of the lungs. Belying him and being persuaded that he was very puny, Mr. Puryear agreed to it—prompted by sympathy. They met at No. 1 first. The changeable statesman was very puny. Notwithstanding his sick claim, notwithstanding his agreement with Mr. Puryear and notwithstanding his congestion of the lungs, Honorable Ambrose Hileman went off the night of the very same day and addressed a meeting of his own kind for two long hours. He's like an owl; he can see and speak at night, but when he has to meet his opponent, who shows him up in his weakness and demogogery he gets the congestion of the lungs! Pity the man that is sick, but God forgive the man who has the congestion of principles to that extent that he will use the "congestion of lungs" business to dodge his opponent during the day and then slip around during the night and howl for two hours. Cabarrus county does not need Mr. Hileman in the Legislature. It cannot afford to have such a man in the Legislature when such important matters are to be attended to.

LITTLE SNAPS.

For several days Mr. Hileman tried to beg off from the joint canvass with Mr. Puryear, claiming he was sick. He did not turn up at the speaking Saturday in Concord. Mr. Hileman is not too sick to wove about at night in his midnight work. The State has no better Register of Deeds than Jno. K. Patterson. Why change him for an inexperienced man? Cabarrus county will not do it. Cabarrus county will not turn down its faithful and courteous sheriff for one who could never make a superior officer, nor his equal. Sheriff Morrison carries on

one leg the evidence of what he is willing to do for his country. The old treasurer is sure to be re-elected. A square, fair, conservative, honest man he is. No one supposes for a moment that Cabarrus county needs or desires the services of Mr. Keistler. Gus Archibald has the sweet assurances of knowing that he has weighed cotton to suit the seller and the buyer. He knows his business. Certainly the county does not want Bob Biggers. Bill Moody will be moodier than ever when he sees how little Cabarrus and Stanly estimates his ability. Charlie Sherwood is getting ready to hold an inquest over Hon. Ambrose Hileman and the other Butler slaves on November 6. Would it not be an awful joke to turn down Jim Gibson, one of the best, for a man, who seeks to run on a ticket composed of men who he sometime ago characterized as "rot-gut." Mr. Buchanan is a clever fellow, but that petition has fooled him awfully.

Two Lives Saved.

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