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STRANGE ENOUGH.

The State Democratic Executive Committee met in Raleigh and on last Friday morning at 2 o'clock adopted the following strange and humiliating preamble and resolutions which may well suggest the question "Where are we at?"

"Whereas, Both the Democratic and Populist parties, in their national conventions, 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 chairman 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 one electoral ticket, and to report to this committee as early as practicable."

Is it possible that the Democratic party cannot rest its destiny on the eternal decrees of right and wait the slow but sure return of justice and right to restore to us the supremacy of the only party that has commanded the respect of true North Carolinians since the existence of her great rival, the Republican party? Can it be that the once dauntless Democracy of the old North State can be led to make humiliating overtures to a party whose existence had never been but for the stirring of passion and prejudice by unworthy aspirants to office? These overtures, too, to a party that fused two years ago with the party most opposed to what we always held to be Democratic.

Can it be that Democracy is ready to forget all her dignity and all her glory and clothe herself in the shame of courting an element that wedded itself two years ago to a party largely of the black race and actually take to her bosom in political wedlock that besmirched element?

What prophet would have dared two years ago even to predict such a thing?

Who would then have been so hardy or insulting as to accuse a Democrat of willingness to fuse with the Populists when they stultified themselves in fusing with the party they exercised their might against until Butler and his ilk diverted them from their former convictions by a tirade of perversion, imputations, insinuations, slander and vituperation against the Democratic administrations, State and national? [But stir up the baser passions of men and they may be impelled to go anywhere.]

But who says we shall fuse and vote for electors who will not vote in harmony with the Chicago convention? If the Chicago convention was Democratic as is claimed, (and it humbles our pride to question it) who is going to say that we are to vote for the men named by Populist leaders who are unworthy to lead a good large number of men, worthy and good, not because they are Populist but in spite of the fact, and disregard the nominations made by our own representatives in convention assembled?

Before the Chicago convention, we heard with regret of those who would not submit to a platform and candidates not in harmony with their views. Our own convictions we thought were strong enough and we regretted that the mind of the national Democratic convention ran counter to our own, but we sipped one sweet from the cup of humiliation. It was the ability to submit and show our loyalty to majority rule thereby. But we draw the line when it comes to compromising our Democracy and voting for men not in our party but conspicuous in vilifying it. We want harmony and we want Democratic success, and for the sake of the wishes and the favorable hopes of the Democracy for free and unlimited coinage, we want the triumph of free silver, and the election of the man who vowed by all that is sacred that he would not abide by the action of the Democratic convention if it crossed his notions. We regard it as a time to bear and forbear, therefore we were the more cheerful in our efforts to promote the interests

of free silver, that we feared would be an evil, and the election of a man in whom there is much to regret. Now we are asked to pet this young party, that claims everything and has nothing good that it did not take along with it when it left Democracy, and humiliate ourselves and our candidates by pulling down Mr. Sewall and setting up Mr. Tom Watson.

We are willing to do almost anything in the party that is not absolutely dishonorable, but when our party asks us to acquiesce in pulling down our own nominees and in setting up those of a party whose better class would have eventually come to us in a dignified way and whose worse class we do not want as a thorn in the flesh, which they would, be we say no, and the very proposition suggests a cancelling of all party obligation.

If there is to be a smashing of party antonomy and a wrecking of all party distinctions we can afford to stand quietly aloof and wait till the darkness of confusion has broken away and new party names to old sound principles shall indicate where our home is.

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