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MR. KESTLER REPLIES.

His Questions Not Assertions—Sees Evidence of Criminal Trading Where His Own Name is Bridged—Wants All Reports Refuted or Admitted.

MR. EDITOR:—I take it that one occupying the exalted position that you do as a moulder of public opinion desires at all times to give every one, however humble, a fair deal in your paper. In the Salisbury Watchman, of last week, there appeared a certain question asked by its correspondent in regard to the candidacy of Mr. Swink and myself for county treasurer. If you will keep cool a moment and re-read the correspondence in question you will perceive that no charge whatever has been made against Mr. Swink. The questions are asked, "Did you hear so and so?" "Did you know such and such?" They were asked for the purpose of ascertaining the truth or falsehood of certain reports that had gained currency.

You, as a professional editor, must admit that the language will admit of no other construction. The following queries were asked also, and I await an answer from them: "Did you know that the Democrats were not in favor of having a treasurer a few years ago and brought suit to abolish the office, yet they are now running a man for this office?" "Did you know that the Democrats raised Kestler's bond to \$66,000 in order to keep him out?"

Mr. Swink says all the reports are false except one. I am not willing to agree with him when the evidences in the matter look so competent and just. Report 1. That I paid interest into the county treasury from county funds. Swink admits this fact and admits that he paid no interest because, he alleges, that he had no money on hand. The law compels the sheriff to settle the school fund the first Monday in January. This, last year, amounted to \$11,200. This money could not possibly be used for months afterwards, why did the county not get interest from it?

Report 2. That he belongs to no church. Fact admitted by Swink.

Report 3. That he traded off the balance of his ticket last year. Denied by Swink. I herewith append a ticket voted in the last election. You will notice that it is a co-operation ticket except it bore Mr. Swink's name on a printed sticker over my name. It must be admitted that he had his name printed on that paper and that he got some one to vote it. I am willing to leave this matter to any creditable politician in America to decide whether such work is not an injury to the rest of his ticket. A man can't have his name printed on two opposing tickets and be fair to both of them. I have a number of such tickets and can't see how he can question the truth of this allegation.

Report 4. He says that the above are falsehoods. This is the construction he puts upon the matter—others think different.

The correspondent to that paper asked several questions in order

to get certain facts. He did not say they were true or false. Let the public answer.

Hoping that you and Mr. Swink may not get too excited on the eve of the campaign in which more important news will be given you, I am, Very Respectfully,
G. ED. KESTLER.

P. S. In regard to the statement of Mr. Patterson I will say that he, also, ran upon the fusion ticket the last time and, of course, won't condemn others for what he did himself. I don't blame these gentlemen for wanting the honor of running on the fusion ticket, and all the condemnation Mr. Swink heaps on our ticket falls on his own head, for he endorsed it by having his name printed on our tickets and so voted. He surely thought it an honor to run on such a ticket. I append the evidence of the charge and it can't be denied. Can the Democrats vote for Swink, the fusionist? The ticket referred to above:

For Senate—Twenty-Fourth Senatorial District:
JAMES B. WHITE.

For House of Representatives:
AMBROSE F. BILEMAN.

For Sheriff:
MOSES L. BUCHANAN.

For Register Of Deeds:
WILLIAM M. WEDDINGTON.

For Treasurer:
CALEB W. SWINK.

THEIR PLACES FILLED.

Mr. J. F. Nesbit and Mr. A. E. Lentz on the Democratic Ticket.

The Democratic Executive Committee for the county of Cabarrus met at 2 o'clock, Tuesday, 11th, and nominated Mr. M. F. Nesbit to fill the place made vacant on the ticket by the resignation of Mr. W. F. Cannon and Mr. A. E. Lentz to fill the place of Mr. J. N. Brown also made vacant by resignation.

Complimentary to Miss Gibson.

Miss Elizabeth Gibson was given a charming surprise party Monday night. Eleven of her lady friends arranged a dainty feast and presented themselves at her room. She was invited to take a hand at whist and three tables were arranged. First, Miss Elizabeth Gibson, Miss Belle Means, Miss Janie Ervin and Mrs. Young; second, Mrs. R. E. Gibson, Miss Margaret Cannon, Mrs. Gowan Dusenberry and Miss Kate Means; third, Miss Lallah Hill, Miss Jarrett, Miss Emily Gibson and Miss Kate Gibson. Refreshments were served at 10 o'clock and Miss Elizabeth delighted her friends by pronouncing it the most delightful evening of the summer.

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The Reading Circle Meets.

The Much-Ado-About-Nothing reading circle met yesterday afternoon with Miss Mary Montgomery. Almost every member was present, and their subject for discussion was "Colonial Days." Besides the discussion, the names of Misses Kate Gibson, Margaret Cannon and Agnes Moss were presented for membership. They were duly elected members. The organization will meet next time with Miss Nan Cannon.

PERSONAL POINTERS.

—Mr. M. L. Ritch returned to Salisbury last night.

—Mrs. Fred Stephens returned to Charlotte this morning, after visiting relatives here.

—Miss Fan Burwell, of Charlotte, arrived this morning to visit her friend, Miss Emily Gibson.

A FRESH SUPPLY OF

CHEESE WAFERS And Cakes

Received. They are fine. Try them.

Ervin & Morrison GROCERS

Good Audiences Greet Them Everywhere.

It is very gratifying and shows that a great deal of interest is being taken in Democracy, when a good audience greets our speakers in the different parts of the county. Patterson's mill and Mt. Pleasant gave them the largest audiences, but their circumstances are different. One of the best of crowds in the country attended Tuesday night at Mt. Gilead, in No. 5 township. It is hoped that a good crowd will also meet them at Stallings' school house on next Saturday night.

Yellow Fever Won't Down.

Yellow fever in Mississippi and Louisiana is beyond the hope of being suppressed till frost comes to the rescue. In Mississippi there are said to have been up to date 470 cases with 36 deaths, which is a little more than one death to 13 cases. It is quite disturbing to business and mental tranquillity.

Congressman White Gets Gay.

On last Saturday, Congressman Geo. H. White, colored, attended a circus at Scotland Neck, and instead of taking a seat with the other negroes, he went and seated himself on the place prepared for white people. One of the managers of the circus informed him that he would have to move. The black Congressman did not like to be talked to in that manner, and informed the circus man that he was a Congressman. Rightfully this made no difference, and a policeman was called upon to deal with the negro. However, though, the negro took his children and himself out of the tent, very probably feeling that his standing was somewhat lower than that of the circus man.

Revival Meeting Closed.

Not in a long time has there been such an interesting and successful revival meeting as has been in progress at Forest Hill Methodist church for the past two weeks, conducted by the pastor, Rev. J. D. Arnold, and assisted by Rev. Bagby, of Gastonia. As a result of the meetings over 60 new names have been added to the roll of membership, besides a number of others who will probably connect themselves with other churches. The meeting closed on Tuesday night.

For the Little folks Boys and Girls.

Just opened and ready for sale, 87 dozen Caps and Hats for little people—school girls and boys—every style.

Etons, Golfs, Band Golfs, Yachts, Yacht Golfs, Brightons, Tams, Turbans, Yales, Klondikes.

Fine Cloth, Velvets, Leather, Plush. Caps worth 50, 75 and \$1, all go at 25 cents. Etons, Golfs and Yachts at 10 and 15 cents. You can't match them for less than 25 cents.

Cannon & Fetzer Company,

P. S. Special attention is called to elegant line of Fine Cloth Tam O'Shanter, mostly very fine silk-lined goods, worth 75 cents and \$1, all go in the 25 cent line.



A POINTER IN SHOES.

You can buy shoes for a dollar that would be dear at 50c., others for \$3.00 which would be cheap at \$4.00. You will look in vain for the former here: you are certain of finding the latter and plenty of other bargains of the same proportion. Our line of childrens shoes is complete. We have the kind that wear. Our line of Ladies fine shoes at 1.45, 2, 2.50, and 3.00 might interest you.

The way to buy shoes is to see shoes and the place to see shoes is right here.

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