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TWO RECORD BREAKERS.

This is an era of record breaking regarding nominations for the presidency. Messrs. Cleveland and Roosevelt are the record breakers.

Never in the history of our country had a man who had been rejected at the polls as candidate for president been again taken up by his party and made its nominee when the democrats nominated Mr. Cleveland in 1892. Up to that time the defeat of a man for the office of president was supposed to sound his death knell politically. In 1824 Andrew Jackson was a candidate, but though he received the largest number of electoral votes of the four candidates he did not receive a majority and the election was thrown into the house of representatives, and there John Quincy Adams was elected. Jackson was the nominee of his party four and eight years later and was elected both times. Up to that time the system of national conventions for nominating candidates had not been adopted. We were then in the transition stage between the former plan of nomination by congressional caucus and the later system of candidates chosen by common consent of the party leaders or by an expression of the choice of the people through their party representatives in the legislature. It is also true that Harrison was voted for for president in 1836 and elected in 1840, but that was also before the parties had adopted the plan of meeting' in convention and choosing a candidate for president who should represent the entire party. In 1836 there were four whig candidates in the field against Van Buren.

These two instances are the only ones in the history of our country which come any where near forming exceptions to the rule that no party nomirates for president a man who has been defeated for the election. Neither of them was similar to Mr. Cleveland's case. He is the only man who has ever been nominated for the office by his party, has been defeated in the electoral college and again nominated by his party.

Mr. Roosevelt has broken another record. He is the only man who ever has, after being elected vice president and succeeding to the presidency by the death during his term of office of the president, been nominated by his party to succeed himself as president. Since the formation of our government we have had five vice presidents to become president because of the death of the chief executive, but up to this time all of them were forced to give way to some other person as their successor in the White house.

Should the democrats by any possible turn in party sentiment at their convention next month nominate Mr. Cleveland for president, it would make this a remarkable political contest. Each side would have as its standard bearer a man who had filled the office of president under peculiar conditions and was through his nomination the breaker of the political records of the country.

Mr. Cleveland's nomination would break another record-that of nominating a man for president after he had held the office for two terms. This was a record that even General Grant, with all his popularity, could not break.

We do not look for Mr. Cleveland's nomination. We consider it almost an impossibility for him to secure it, or rather for those who think him the strongest man before the people that the democrats could nominate to secure

We were originally for Mr. Cleveland because we thought that he would poll a larger vote than any man the democrats could nominate. But long ago we came to the conclusion that was impossible then The Messenger gave allegiance to Judge Parker,not choosing him as a makeshift, as some papers and politicians have charged those who gave him their support, but because we considered him the strongest man the democrats could unite on to place before the public as their candidate. With the party united on Cleveland we believe it could sweep the country. He is out of the question now. The next best man is Judge Parker. With him as their candidate we think the party can be successful. It certainly cannot hope for success with a nominee representing the Bryan ideas of democracy. It is folly for any one to suppose that it can.

The "big four" who have been running from the nomination for vice president on the ticket with Mr. Roosevelt are happy-all but one. Of the four-Root, Taft, Cannon and Fairbanks-the last named drew the unlucky number, so he had to accept the position that was going begging among republicans. A cartoon in a northern newspaper a few days ago well illustrated the situation. It pictured Mr. Roosevelt in cowboy dress, on horseback, chasing Mr. Cannon and in the act of throwing the lasso over his head, while the congressman was making a desperate effort to reach cover in a body of woods close by.

What have you to say now as to who will be the next governor of North Carolina? Has anything happened in the last twenty-four hours to "clarify the atmosphere," as the political speakers say? We still stick to our prediction that if Glenn or Stedman gets the nomination, he must do so early in the balloting or the nomination will go to some one else.

We are glad to see that The Charlotte News is in favor of a legalized primary system for nominating candidates to office in this state. The issue of that paper on Wednesday copied the editorial from The Messenger of Tuesday on the subject of the proposed plank in the democratic platform, advocating a law providing for compulsory voting and adds this com-

Why, certainly, beloved. Also if the immortal three shall deem it necessary to argue that the moon is not made of green cheese, and wish the aid of The Charlotte News, we shall cheerfully give in and "follow their lead." The News is in favor of a legalized primary for the state of North Carolina and we hope the convention at Greensboro will make it a part of the democratic platform and the next legislature carry it out. But as for the "compulsion," we really did not suppose it was worth while turning our guns on that poor little man of straw. The News is not as hard up for issues to win on as them same three fellers.

Nothing has occurred in a long time which tickled our vanity more than the above. To have the editor of The News to admit that we have advanced a proposition which he is willing to endorse is an honor we, the editor of this paper, never dared to aspire to. And then to have him to refer to us as one of the "immortal three" is just-well, we cannot express our feelings of gratitude and thanks to him for his complimentary remarks. Words fail us on this occasion. We are overcome with embarrassment and overwhelmed with confusion at such praise.

AN OLD SOLDIER DEAD.

Captain Rowland Williams Passes Away at Oak Ridge.

Oak Ridge, N. C., June 28.-Captain Rowland S. Williams of Rockingham county died Monday morning of this week and was buried yesterday afternoon at the old family burying ground about 8 miles from Madison. Captain Williams was in his 64th year, and was

a well known Confederate soldier among the bravest of the brave. He was acting captain of company "I," 13th North Carolina Regiment, which regiment was actively engaged in the battles from Williamsburg to Appomattox. Captain Williams was the author of the history of the 13th regiment in the North Carolina Records, and though a man without the usual literary training, succeeded in writing a history of his regiment, which in readableness is probably unsurpassed by any regimental history in those volumes. It

has been so pronounced by good judges. Captain Williams was engaged until within a year in the mercantile business at this place, but sold out and moved to his native county about one year ago. He had built himself a beautiful home and was apparently well fixed to spend his remaining days in comfort and happiness. He was a man who won the respect of all who knew him by his rigid honesty and the upright character of his life.

One by one the old Confederate heroes are rapidly passing away. They honored their country in their day as few countries have been honored. J. ALLEN HOLT.

Healthy Mothers.

Mothers should always keep in good bodily health. They owe it to their children. Yet it is no unusual sight to see a mother, with babe in arms, coughing violently and exhibiting all the symptoms of a consumptive tendency. And why should this dangerous condition exist, dangerous alike to mother and child, when Dr. a stop to it at once? No mother Discovery, and a few bottles wholly should be without this old and tried cured me." Equally effective in curing remedy in the house-for its timely all Lung and Throat troubles, Conthroat or bronchial trouble in her- anteed by R. R. Bellamy, Druggist. self or her children. The worst cough Trial bottles free, regular sizes 50c. or cold can be speedily cured by Ger- and \$1.00. man Syrup; so can hoarseness and congestion of the bronchial tubes. It the cough-racked consumptive. New from Russia.-Atlanta Constituion, trial bottles, 25c.; large size, 75c. At all druggists.

The case of Russian and Japan seems to be analogous to John Esten Gook's t obe analogous to John Esten Cooke's "hammer and rapier" description of the armies of Grant and Lee.-Atlanta Constitution.

Worst of all Experiences.

Can anything be worse than to feel that every minute will be your last? Such was the experience of Mrs. S. H. Newson, Decatur, Ala. "For three years," she writes, "I endured insufferable pain from indigestion, stomach and bowel trouble. Death seemed inevitable when doctored and all remedies failed. At length I was induced to try Electric Bitters and the result was miraculous. I inproved at once, and now I'm completely recovered." For Liver, Kidney, Stomach and Bowel troubles Electric Bitters is the only medicine. Only 50c. It's guaranteed by lamy, Druggist. R. R. Bellamy, Druggist.

If Miss Sone hadn't gone on the lecture platform there might be more public enthusiasm felt for the release of Citizen Perdicaris.-Atlanta Consti-

The Good Old Summer Time! In the good old summer time, when bycicles throng the thoroughfares, and farm animals and roadsters are all kept busy, accidents to man and beast are of frequent occurrance. Elliott's Emulsified Oil Liniment is the most serviceable accident and emergency liniment in use. It relieves quickly and heals speedily cuts, contusions, bruises, sprains, etc. You get one-half pint for 25c.; and you get your money back if not satisfied. R. R. Bellamy.

Senator Fairbanks is looking to Alabama to take alphabetical advantage of the psychological moment.-Atlanta Constitution.

Mothers lose their dread for "that terrible second summer" when they have Dr. Fowler's Extract of Wild Strawberry in the house. Nature's specific for bowel complaints of every

A Lumber Company Chartered.

(Special to The Messenger.) Raleigh, N. C., June 23 .- The state charters the Buchanan Lumber Company of Judson, capital stock \$50,000.

RALEIGH NEWS LETTER.

Nearly All the State Officials at Greensboro-Additions to the Hall of History-Rains Benefit Crops.

Messenger Bureau.

Raleigh, N. C., June 23. The public offices are almost deserted today, Dr. B. F. Dixon, State Auditor, being the only official at his desk, all the others being at the great state convenion at Greensboro. Mrs. Dixon has been sick some days , with intermittent fever, and this prevented Dr. Dixon from going to Greensboro. Mrs. Dixon's condition was better today.

A charter is granted the Carolina Canteloupe Company of Warsaw, capital stock \$10,000, D. B. Faison and others stockholders.

Clerk Wilson, of the secretary of State's office, says that the corporation charters are very numerous this year,

and 1904 will be a record breaker. State Chemist Kilgore, who has been sick for a fortnight and unable to be at work, was much better today, and will soon be out again. He has done a great deal of hard work and never fully recovered from an attack of sick-

ness last summer.

The second floor front of the agricultural department building is being specially fitted up for the use of two important heads of sub-departments, these being State Horticulturist H. H. Hume and State Entomologist Franklin Sheman. Mr. Hume will have a very complete photographic equipment, portions of which will be used in field work, which is to be pushed with great energy. Mr. Sherman is making special studies of injurous insects, the result of which will later form some interesting bulletins. He has not done much collecting himself lately, but has two very fine collections of insects, one of which is in the State Museum, where it attracts much attenion.

Yeserday afternoon Mr. C. E. Houston of Monroe and Miss Miriam Stamps of Raleigh were married. The bride is a daughter of the late E. R. Stamps, Esq. Rev. W. B. Savage of Churchland. Va., officiated, the marriage taking place in the Presbyterian church. Members of labor organizations here are greatly pleased at the election of Willia E. Faison as national councillor of the Junior Order of United American Mechanics. He is a native of Raleigh and a prominent Mason and Odd Fellow, and is secretary to the State Labor

The farmers bring in news of very general rains this week, which they say have materially improved the crop prospects. The melon crop in this section is to be a very fine one. There is a large acreage in watermelons a few miles south of here, in some of these melon fields the wilt has made its appearance and an expert from the agricultural department is making a study

Some very interesting relics have been placed in the Hall of History this week, among these being the artillery uniform of Major Thomas Sparrow, a loan, from his grandson, the flag of the First company from Washington, N. C., to enter the Confederate service, and a carbine which was taken from a Federal soldier by the late Dr. Charles J. O'Hagan, of Pitt county. The growth of the collection during the past three months has been extremely gratifying, and some very valuable additions are soon to be made.

Up to this date seventy one counties have borrowed money from the loan fund, in aid of building and improving public school houses, mainly in the country districts.

Startling Evidence.

Fresh testimony in great quantity is constantly coming in, declaring Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption, Coughs and Colds to be unequaled. A recent expression from T. P. MacFarland, Bentonville, Va., serves as example. He writes: "I had Bronchitis for three years and doctored all the time without being benefited. Boschee's German Syrup would put Then I began taking Dr. King's New use will promptly cure any lung, sumption, Pneumonia and Grip. Guar-

I is not likely that Japan will buy makes expectoration easy, and gives the Philippines before she has received instant relief and refreshing rest to the first installment of her indemnity

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Jimmy Blaine is young yet, but he promises to vie with Lillian Russell n the establishment of a divorce record .- Atlanta Constituoin.

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The only thing that is causing Fairbanks to hesitate is a question touchin' on and appertainin' to a barrel .- Atlanta Constitution.

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By an irony of fate Colonel Watterson reached Kansas to lecture when there was water, water everywhere.-Atlanta Constitution.

Driven to Desperation.

Living at an out of the way place, mote from civilization, a family is often driven to desperation in case of accident, resulting in Burns, Cuts. Wounds, Ulcers, etc. Lay in a supply of Bucklen's Arnica Salve. It's the best on earth, 25c. at R. R. Bellamy's, Druggist.

The General Slocum holocaust should result in redoubled official vigilance as to excursion transportation.-Atlanta 15.12 Constituion.

'Tisn't safe to be a day without Dr. Thomas' Eclectric Oil in the house. Never can tell what moment an accident is going to happen.

CANNOT MAKE LOAN.

Defendants Enjoined from Making a Mortgage on the Property of the Chesapeake Transit Co.

New York, June 23 .- Justice Greenbaum, in the Supreme Court today handed down a decision in the suit of Walter S. Johnson against the Norfolk and Southern Railway Company and other defendants, enjoining the defendants from placing a mortgage of \$4,000,000 on the property of the Chesapeake Transit Company.

Justice Greenbaum says: "The circumstances disclosed in the affidavit all tend to show that the proposed loan is not intended to be made in good faith and for the best interests of the company, but is for some ulterior purpose, and that the welfare of the company will best be subserved by restraining the present management at least during the pendency of this action and from carrying into effect the contemplated mortgage loan."

The defendants named were the Norfolk and Southern Railway Company, the Chesapeake Transit Company and John T. Bacon, Albert H. Flint and J. Chaplin, individualls, and the

Colonial Trust Company, of Pittsburg. Mr. Bacon is a director of both railroad companies and a partner in the firm of Flint, Bacon and Company. Flint is the president of both companies and Chaplin the treasurer of the Norfolk and Southern Company and vice president of the Colonial Trust Company, of Pittsburg, and of the Chesapeake Transit Company.

DESTROYED BY FIRE.

A Schooner Sighted Off the North Carolina Coast Burning.

New York, June 23 .- The fruit steamer Agnes, which arrived today from Baracoa, reports that in latitude 36.32, longitude 74.03, June 10, on the outward voyage she sighted a vessel on fire. On bearing down to the craft she found it to be a two masted schooner. There were no signs of life on board. A lantern was burning on the fore part of the vessel and a bright light was suspended aloft, on the main mast. After standing by for 20 minutes without seeing any Person on board the burning craft the Agnes proceeded, without learning the name of the schooner. Several days ago a quantity of burned wreckage, cabin furniture several 5-gallon cans of oil and a passenger check of Ocean Steamship Company of Savannah, Ga., number 7,567 washed ashore between False cape and Currituck life saving stations. North Caro-

This wreckage probably was washed ashore from the burned schooner reported by the Agnes, as the position given is off the coast of North Caro-

FARMER KILLS HIMSELF.

First Made a Desperate Attempt to Murder His Wife.

(Special to The Messenger.) Weldon, N. C., June 23 .- V. R. Valentine, a prominent farmer of Northampton county , committed suicide by shooting himself with a shot gun last night. He first attacked his wife and shot the back of her head off and she will die. The terrible tragedy caused widespread

Mr. Valentine was at one time a freight conductor on the Seaboard Air Line. He had been drinking heavily and was crazed from the effects of the

W. J. Vickery Appointed Chief Postoffice Inspector.

Washington, June 23 .- William J. Vickery, now in charge of the Cincinnati division of postoffice inspectors, today was appointed chief postoffice inspector to succeed William E. Cochran, recently appointed to the newly created office of general purchasing agent of the Postal Service.

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