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EDITORIAL NOTES.
 —The Prohibitionists of Durham, Wayne, Alamance and other counties ought to put tickets in the field by all means.
 —Will some Prohibitionist in Gaston, Yadkin, Rowan, Randolph, Beaufort and other counties keep prohibition tickets in the fields, keep us posted, especially until after the election.
 —How can a minister of the gospel or a member of the church vote to perpetuate the present license system and then solemnly pray God to stay the tide of intemperance that is blasting the hopes and drowning in perdition the souls of thousands?
 —You who vote the ticket of either of the old parties can say when standing around the corps of the victim of the saloon, that is my work! That victim may be some one near and dear to you. Think, brother, think lest with bitter tears you seek repentance when it is too late.
 —Under existing circumstances the man who votes the ticket of either of the old parties this fall votes to perpetuate the present license system. The man who votes to perpetuate the present license system, thereby becomes responsible for all the evils that grow out of the saloon. Are you willing, reader, to assume such a responsibility? Think before you act.
 —The attempt to bar Col. Winston out of the court house last night and prevent him from speaking was a disgrace to the town. The custodian of the building should investigate and find out who turned off the gas and locked the doors. The good name of our town for courtesy and airness demands this.—North State.
 The Prohibitionist endorses the criticism of the State, such conduct deserves the severest condemnation.
 —A comparison of the vote of the Republicans and Prohibitionists for the first 14 years of their existence shows that their growth was just about the same. Allowing that the Prohibitionists will continue to keep pace with the growth of the Republican party, we are now within six years of electing the President. But it is reasonable to suppose that in the future the Prohibition party will grow much more rapidly than did the Republicans at the same period

of this existence, as that party was confined to one section of the country while Prohibition concern alike the people of all sections. We confidently expect a Prohibition President in 1892. In the mean time, let every Prohibitionist work as if every thing depended upon his individual efforts.
 —Rev. J. D. Langston, of Beaufort, and Mr. J. E. Walker, of Randolph, have been nominated by the Prohibitionists of the 1st and 7th districts, respectively, for Congress, and we understand that these gentlemen are well qualified for the position. Now let the Prohibitionists of these districts stand up and be counted. Let them work earnestly from now until election and, regardless of what may be the consequences to either of the old parties, vote for their candidates. Heed not the cry: "you are throwing away your vote." You will be doing no such thing. God is in this movement, and no human being can tell how many He will influence to vote the prohibition ticket on the day of election. If you fail to vote it is just possible that that failure on your part may cause the defeat of the ticket. But should no one else vote it, this would be no reason why you should not. In no other way can a Prohibitionist express his sentiments at the polls than by voting for the candidates of the Prohibition party. So what the Prohibitionists need to do, is to vote their ticket and leave the result with God.

"INCONSISTENCY, OH! THOU ART."
 Under this heading the Patriot, of last weeks devotes more than a column of its valuable(?) space to the PROHIBITIONISTS. It says:
 The Prohibitionist, which has bin endorsed as the organ of the third party movement in Guilford county, in its issue after the Democratic convention dropped the name of Mr. A. G. Kirkman as the third party candidate for treasurer, simply because the Democrats nominated him and because in accepting the nomination, he said that the Prohibitionists must before have known that he was a temperance man, but a Democrat.

To use the figure of the Patriot, "we will just reach around and get a cartridge out of" his "box to shoot him with." In his issue of the 24th of September, which was printed two days before the Democratic convention met, he says:
 There is a perceptible abatement in the Prohibitionists enthusiasm over their "new born babe," the Prohibition party in Guilford county, since the editor of that paper failed to get a fat place on the county ticket in their convention here on the 15th inst. Probably the Waterloo the Prohibitionists met with in Maine a few days since has something to do with it, or Don Whit's acrobatic somersault back into the party of his first love, where all the Reds will go on election day, or was it Dr. Mendenhall's declining the nomination for the Senate on the Prohibition ticket; or was it A. G. Kirkman's emulating the example of the Doctor?

Now we inquire, Which of the above quotations is true? In the very nature of things both cannot be true. The Patriot is responsible for both. The fact is, neither is true. Mr. Kirkman declined the nomination tendered him by the Prohibition Convention after the Patriot of the 24th of September was printed and before the Democratic Convention met. Mr. Kirkman's name was dropped because he declined the nomination and not because of anything he said on accepting the nomination at the hands of the Democrats. We simply dropped the name of Mr. Kirkman. We have no unkind feelings towards him, no unkind word to say of him. He is not with us. He has accepted a nomination at the hands of a party which champions the present license system. We take it for granted therefore that he favors that system, hence Prohibitionists cannot consistently support him.

The Democrats showed that they were consistent, with the principles they professed, that they wanted to nominate good men for office regardless of their views on temperance, so they were Democrats and good men, fit and competent to serve the people.
 They did did they? Why then did they not nominate Dr. Mendenhall?
 Can there be taught said against any man on the Democratic ticket?
 Yes, sir. They favor the present license system. And that is enough to make them objectionable to all who oppose it.
 Speaking of the Democratic county convention, the Prohibitionist says:
 "The convention was quite enthusiastic, but it was evident that much of the enthusiasm manifested was forced. A communication from the W. C. U. was read, asking the convention to define itself on the subject of the liquor traffic. In answer to this communication, the convention gave the temperance woman to understand that, as they had no votes, they had just that much influence with the convention. So the Democratic party of Guilford boldly comes before the public as the champion

of the present license system, which is curing the land. The petition of godly women, whose cheeks are scalded by tears whose hearts are bleeding because of the ruin wrought by rum and whose prayers are going up to God for deliverance, was treated with a degree of contempt that reflected no credit upon that body."
 Now, we will just reach around and get a cartridge out of the Prohibitionist's box to shoot him with. First, he says "a communication from the W. C. U. was read, asking the convention to define itself on the subject of the liquor traffic, and in answer to this communication the convention gave the temperance woman to understand that as they had no votes they had just that much influence with the convention." Now, Mr. WALKER, the editor of the Prohibitionist was present at the convention and heard Col. MORGENTHAU move to refer the matter to the committee on resolutions: The editor of the Prohibitionist was present and heard the report of the committee, which was as follows:
 "In regard to this communication your committee begs to state that according to its understanding the Democratic party has always acted in advance of, or at least up to the requirements of the people, on the question of the control of the liquor traffic, and that it proposes to take no step backward."
 As will be seen from the above the committee in reply to the communication in question USED EXACTLY THE IDENTICAL WORDS USED BY DR. NEREUS MENDENHALL IN HIS LETTER TO PROF. HOYT, a man whom the prohibitionist continues to fly at its mast head for Senator on the third party ticket. Here we find the Prohibitionist, denouncing, in the strongest language he can employ, the platform of the man it endorses for Senator. Here is that portion of the letter from Dr. Mendenhall, which refers to the action of the committee:
 "Hitherto in this State, the Democratic legislatures on this question seem to have acted, if not in advance of, at least fully up to, the requirements of the people, and it would be time enough to abandon that party when it proves subservient to the whiskey influence."

Now, we inquire whether any sensible man can read the above with care and not be forced to the conclusion that that convention did show, and show purposely, its contempt for the W. C. T. U. and Dr. Mendenhall both. Look at those caps in that quotation.
 Now, a word about that cartridge taken out of the PROHIBITIONIST'S box. We keep none but good cartridges in our box, no blanks, and a good cartridge, fired from a good gun, aimed by a proper marksman, never fails to do execution, but the Patriot's fire failed to inflict even a flesh wound. What was the matter? This: The Patriot tore that cartridge in two, and took only that portion which contained the powder. Why did he not take the whole thing? Was he afraid the charge would be too heavy for his punny cast barreled bird gun, and that it would endanger an explosion that might put his ranks into confusion in presence of the enemy, or if not that it would cost him at least a black eye, a bruised shoulder and the trouble of getting up again? Be that as it may, he left the ball, steel pointed as it is, in our box. The time has now come to fire it, and since the Patriot was afraid of it, the PROHIBITIONISTS will try it, and now if the Patriot does not want to get hurt he would better betake himself to his bombproof and drag his party to his after him. So here goes: "I would be unwilling however if my name is brought up, to let the convention be ignorant of the fact that I have determined never to come before the public again in a political way without advocating a reform in our road laws,—thus also touching the question of our criminal code. I should also as opportunity presented itself contend that the temperance question is a living one, one which must be met, that this, as well as the condition of our public schools, is, for North Carolina, a far more important one than the tariff or some other questions which concern the general government. My position on the above named points being understood, health and other circumstances permitting, I know of no reason why I should not accept a nomination from the Guilford County Democratic Convention if tendered." This quotation is from Dr. Mendenhall's letter, and is the part of the cartridge the Patriot took care not to publish. Did Dr. Mendenhall intimate that he would accept a nomination at the hands of the Democratic party on such a platform as was adopted by the convention in question? Not he. On the contrary, when he was solicited to allow his name to go before that body, he wrote the above platform and said, in substance, if not in words, now if the Democratic party will step up on that and then nominate me I know of no reason why I should not accept. But the convention would not step up. No temperance question advocated as a living issue, one of far more importance than the tariff and some others, for them.

The man who has the audacity to talk of such a thing needs expect no nomination at their hands. They will take no step backwards. That is all. Go forward, no, sir. Why, that would antagonize the whisky vote. What if public sentiment is advancing on this line? What if fully one half of the Democratic party does favor Prohibition? The whisky men do not, and if we declare against them we shall lose their votes. We can give the Dr. a complimentary vote. That will keep him quiet, and then we can bring the others up with the party lash. Who that witnessed the proceedings in that convention doubts that such was the reasoning of those who managed affairs? But the Dr. could not be kept quiet in that way. Nor can the Prohibition element in the Democratic party be whipped up with the party lash. The time has come when any political party coming before the people must rely either upon the prohibition vote, or upon the whisky vote. No party can get the support of both. The leaders of the Democratic party favor the present license system. Let them receive the support of those who favor it, and of no others. They have ignored the temperance element. Let the temperance element return the compliment. Submitting for our brother's prayer consideration the 9th commandment, which says: "Thou shalt not bear false witness against thy neighbor," we trust that his efforts to break down the Democratic party may be early consigned to the "archives of gravity."
 Oh, my! The very idea of the Patriot's turning preacher and quoting Scripture to the PROHIBITIONIST. But we suppose that we need not be surprised, since St. Matthew tells us that the Devil quoted Scripture to our Savior. By the way, now that our neighbor has learned the 9th commandment, we suggest that he practice it, and in addition thereto the 5th verse of the 7th chapter of the Gospel according to St. Matthew, which says: "Thou hypocrit, first cast out the beam out of thine own eye; and then shalt thou see clearly to cast out the mote out of thy brother's eye."
 Ah! neighbor, it won't do. The attention of the thinking people is not to be diverted from the real issue before them in the coming election by any such device.
 They know that their children and their neighbors' children are in danger; that their fondest hopes are liable to be blasted; their dearest interests are endangered; and, above all they begin to see as they never saw before their responsibility for the evils that grow out of the whisky traffic. They begin to realize that the tax collected from it, like the 30 pieces of silver for which Judas sold his Savior, the price of blood, and, therefore, not fit to go into the treasury; that the blood shed by reason of drunkenness is upon their skirts; that the cries going up to God from suffering women and children, made sufferers by the saloon, are cries against them; and the realization of these facts is having its effect, so much so that they are determined, at any and all cost, to wash their hands of this business, not by voting for it and praying against it, for that would be an imitation of Pilate, who washed his hands with water saying, "I am innocent of the blood of this just person", and with those same hands wielded the power of the Rome government that crucified Him, but by suitably their actions to their words, by voting as they pray. So, with sympathy for the suffering, with an honest and an earnest desire for the elevation of our race in the scale of being, with natural affection for our offspring, and with a realizing sense of our responsibility to God for the proper use and improvement of the talent which He has committed to us we propose, despite all the little mean insinuations and false charges that can be made against us by those who by reason of prejudice, political aspirations, brass collars, love of whisky, incapacity to comprehend the situation or ought else defend the saloon, to do all in our power for the prohibition of the liquor business.

CHRIST AND BARRABAS.
 Pontius Pilate was now the Roman Governor of Judea. Christ and Barrabbas were prisoners. Christ was a self-sacrificing philanthropist of the highest order. His life had been spent in doing good. On no occasion had he violated the laws of God or of the government under which He lived. He had done violence to no one. He had sought no man's silver. He had gone about gold healing the sick, opening the eyes of the blind, unstopping the ears of the deaf, losing the tongue of the dumb, cleansing the lepers, casting out devils, raising the dead, and shedding the light of the gospel of peace upon

the benighted pathway of his countrymen. Barrabbas was a robber and murderer, rebellions and cruel. The cry of suffering humanity awakened no sympathy in his breast. The law of God found no lodgment in his heart. Selfish and avaricious, he did not hesitate to take by violence the property of others, or the life that stood in the way of the accomplishment of his purposes. It was the custom of the Roman Governor, on the occasion of the feast of the passover, to release to the Jews one prisoner whom they would. Pilate proposed as candidates for this favor on this occasion Christ and Barrabbas. In doing this, he doubted not that the Jews would consider their individual interests, the interests of their nation, the character of the individuals and be guided by reason and justice. But he was disappointed. Short-sighted self-interest and prejudice occupied the throne of reason in the minds of these people, and they demanded the release of the bandit and the crucifixion of the philanthropist—the Saviour—What stupidity! What injustice! What individual and national suicide!
 But while we condemn the Jews for their want of justice, statesmanship and even common sense, let us not lose sight of the fact that to us it is, "this man or Barrabbas." It is the home with all its comforts and endearments, conjugal felicity and domestic happiness, together with elevated manhood, social order, schools, colleges, churches and national prosperity; or the saloon with its innumerable and limitless train of evils,—ruined homes, blasted hopes, conjugal and domestic infelicity, debased manhood, social and political corruption and burdensome taxation, together with insane asylums, penitentiaries and almshouses.
 This man or Barrabbas, which? We must answer at the polls.
 THE PROHIBITION CONVENTION.

The Prohibitionists of the 7th Congressional district of North Carolina met pursuant to call from the State executive committee at Salisbury July 29th ult, for the purpose of nominating a candidate for the 50th congress Delegates from three counties were present. The convention was organized by electing Rev. Jas. R. Jones, editor of the Prohibition Leader, Bush Hill, N.C., Chair, and Rev. W. Q. A. Graham, of the Prohibition Banner, secretary. On motion of T. P. Johnston the organization was made permanent. The chairman, in a short address, set forth the object of the convention which was the nomination of a candidate on a Prohibition platform. A committee on nomination was appointed, who after consultation, presented the name of Mr. J. E. Walker, of Randolph. Mr. Johnston, of Rowan, moved that the nomination be made unanimous. It carried by a rising vote. A committee consisting of three members were appointed to inform Mr. Walker of his nomination. A permanent district executive committee of one from each county was ordered. Members from five counties were appointed and the committee authorized to add one member from Davie, Catawba, and Montgomery.—Prohibition Banner.

A QUEEN'S ANSWER.
 Grieving at the excesses of her people, Queen Ranavalona, of Madagascar, about a year ago, summarily prohibited the manufacture and sale of rum, making the penalty for each offence two pounds and ten oxen. Any one found drunk with rum is fined twenty-eight shillings and seven oxen, and any one introducing rum, one pound and five oxen.
 When a deputation of French liquor-dealers waited upon Queen Ranavalona, urging their claims for compensation, she listened with queenly dignity, and then replied: "Go home and consult among yourselves; consider the wrong you have done my people, and after you have compensated them for the injury and ruin inflicted upon them, come back to me, and we will talk of compensation."—Evening.

It is said that work on the proposed railroad from Durham to Lynchburg will begin soon.

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