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## GREETING.

THE Index is no more. It did not die. It has disappeared from the journalistic field to make room for a successor. In its brief career, it made a lasting impress on the minds of its readers. Its editor, Mr. Joyner was an able, forcible and versatile writer and will be missed by its readers and the profession. He has relegated himself unto the ranks of the honest yeomanry, and the INDEX is succeeded by KING'S WEEKLY, which hopes to become a worthy successor.

It is with some knowledge or experience, of its duties that we take up the task laid down to us. Past experience taught us that there is little glory in local journalism—a glory that fast fades before the realities that surely follow. Therefore, we shall as far as it is our power to do so, confine ourselves to our simple duty—duty to our selves, our patrons and the public, as we may conscientiously interpret the same.

Our efforts will be to give the people a trustworthy, fair and newsy paper, devoted to their interest, AND OURS. We shall endeavor to run it on business principles—the only principles that are the bases of permanent success. We solicit the aid and encouragement of the people.

This issue is far from satisfactory, even to us. We shall enlarge to a six column folio just as soon as we can get a larger press, which we are expecting to do at an early day.

## THE SPOILS.

That the election was a startling surprise to the Republicans and Thirlites is generally admitted. It was also right much of a surprise to many Democrats, though many others feared the result. The victory was a decided one, and the future cannot be told. The division of the spoils may bring trouble. Each of the fusion parties claim to have cast a majority of their votes. Which did?

In 1892 the vote was for Har-

ison, in round numbers, 100,000; for Weaver, 40,000; total 140,000.

In 1894 the fusion candidate received 144,000 votes, an increase representing about the natural increase of the 140,000. Then where was the gain? It is claimed that in 1892, the Republicans really cast all of the 140,000, except about 10,000 representing disgruntled Democrats. If in 1892, 130,000 were Republicans, how many in 1894, when Republicans voted almost solidly for fusion?

Surely the Thirlites did the blowing and raised the racket while the Republicans did the voting. It was about that way down here. To whom belong the spoils?

## WHAT NEXT.

The Mandamus case against the County Commissioners by Messrs. Harrington and Thigpen has been heard by Judge Coble. The bond will be reconsidered. What consolation! More fees for the sheriff. And the lawyers. Evidence is to be taken to prove the validity of the bonds. If a man proves himself worth more property than he lists for taxation what then? The State and county will be entitled to additional taxes, and back taxes, and they should be collected. Will a man return his property for taxation at one value, and for financial purposes at another?

Senator Hill is raging. He is sharpening his tomahawk for all income tax scalps. He is desperate. He has given up all hope of the Presidency, is a lost power in New York and seeks to placate and win the gratitude of Nabobs and Plutocrats. He will oppose to the end the deficiency bill and hopes to defeat it. Will he?—Wil. (N. C.) Messenger.

John Wanamaker has spent over half a million dollars in advertising and still keeps it up, advertising in papers in all sections of the country, although no house in the country is better known than his. Mr. Wanamaker is the man who recently refused a \$50,000 presidency of a railroad because he didn't have time to spare from his business. The merchant who can't see the moral in this should immediately invest in some double barrel specks.—Wil. (N. C.) Star.

## About Right.

The News-Observer of the 8th says, "Hon. Thos. Settle reached Raleigh Sunday."

"I thought, said he. I would come down and see the first Republican Legislature since the much abused one of 1868."

"Republican Legislature!" How does that strike you? It simply shows that they count the thirlites as already in their fold. They claim they will swallow the third party by 1896.

It also says, "strange, isn't it, that all the Republicans think this

is a Republican Legislature, when they have only one-third, or less, of the members?"

It is not strange to people who know the two parties. The Republicans know they did the voting, are the power—the great majority—and are right in asserting it.

In a recent interview in the Washington Post, State Senator Moody said that the Republicans would swallow the Populists before 1896. Butler pretended in November to think it a victory for "reform." Nobody really doubts that in the end the Republicans will swallow up the Populist leaders who engineered fusion unless they change their course. But the rank and file of the Populists will never be carried into the Republican ranks. Mr. Moody is rather too previous in his swallowing prediction.—Raleigh News Observer.

## GRIFTON ITEMS.

Allow me to congratulate you Mr. King as our new editor;

Miss Laura Spier is spending a few days with friends at Quinerly.

Mr. J. C. Cobb was visiting relatives in and near Grifton last week.

We understand that we are to have another barber in our town soon.

Mr. Zedoc Frizzell and wife were the guest of Mr. J. Z. Brooks last Sunday.

Mrs. Lyde Quinerly returned home last Sunday from her Christmas visit at Quinerly.

Mr. Eugene Brooks is speaking of starting a weekly paper here at Grifton. We hope him success.

Mr. John Z. Brooks says he will head the list with one hundred dollars for our proposed tobacco factory. Who comes next?

Mr. Robert S. Quinerly will move over Neuse river next week near Burnwell, to take charge of his farm which he recently purchased over there.

A certain young man in our town went to call on his best girl one night last week, and as he neared the house her dog chased him up a tree, when his girl came to his rescue, he came down, but minus of a certain portion of his "pantaloon." So he just backed off in the dark, excused himself and made for home swearing vengeance on the poor dog.

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