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AS TO DR. THOMPSON

AND THE CHURCH

Some days ago we read that Dr.

Cy. Thompson, president of the

State Alliance, had said at Cary

that the church of today is stand-

ing where the church has always

stood—on the side of human slav-

ery. We have been reading edi-

torials and articles by preachers

of the various denominations on

this utterance of Dr. Thompson

ever since the Cary speech was

made.

We confess we were surprised at

the tone of some of the articles

written by the preachers.

We wish to say that we feel like

calling Dr. Thompson a liar to be-

ing with. Then we should like to

say after that that he is a fanatic.

These two epithets mean that Dr.

Thompson is a very bad man.

There is no more use in present-

ing arguments to a Populist than

there is any use to light a candle

that an owl may rob a hen roost

in broad day light, hence we think

it unnecessary to disprove Dr.

Thompson's statement by the

historics. However, there is one

question we would like to ask all

those who believe in the

that Cary utterance, and it is this:

Why is it that human liberty has

made its greatest progress just in

those countries in which Christi-

anity—Protestant Christianity—

has made its greatest? It is

worth our remembering that the

anarchist considers all govern-

ment and religion against liberty,

too. The Christian church needs

no defence against such state-

ments. The devil and the gates

of hell shall not prevail against it.

Dr. Cy. Thompson will attack it

in vain, though he were the great

devil himself, instead of the small

one that he is.

HOW THE FUSION LE

GISLATURE RE-

STORED LOCAL

SELF GOVERN-

MENT IN N. C.

In the campaign of 1894 the

Populists and Republicans both

claimed that if they were elected

they would grant to the people of

each county the right to manage

their own county government. In

fact, it was the repeal of the coun-

ty government inaugurated by the

Democrats that was promised.

This was one of the State issues

which Populists and Republicans

favoured, and which they said

linked these two parties so closely

together on State politics as to

the bond over the heads of the local government of the county. That this will be done we do not doubt, for we all know how much a Populist or a Republican judge loves local self-government! And this is not all. If the appellant shall fail to give a bond sufficient to satisfy the judge, after ten days notice, then the circuit judge must notify the County Commissioners of such rejection and the commissioners must notify the Clerk of the Superior Court and the clerk fills the vacancy by appointment.

Do you think there is any self-government in that? It is foreign interference with local matters, in the first place. In the second place, the Clerk of the Court is given authority that he ought not to exercise.

And further, this law also provides for the election of three commissioners in each county at the next general election, who shall manage the county affairs. This would be local government, but it is further provided that when any five electors of the county make oath that they, in their mighty wisdom, think that the three commissioners so elected will not conduct the affairs of the county properly, most probably because they are Democrats, then the judge of the district, upon petition of 200 free holders, shall appoint two additional commissioners of opposite political faith.

In which case no money can be paid out, no debt incurred, no official bonds approved etc., unless by the affirmation vote of four out of the five. So if three Democratic commissioners are elected in any county, the two appointed by the circuit judge will have the real power. It is easy to see how the minority party can control the affairs of each county by means of this law. It is no local self-government at all. It is a government by the minority. It is a government by the circuit judge. It is a government by ONE man, of ONE man and for ONE man.

Talk about MACHINE and MACHINE POLITICS, if you like, deluded Democrats, but the so-called Democratic machine never put their schemes into law and made a machine by statute as you have done. While professing to restore local self-government, you have fixed up an oligarchy composed of the judge of the district, two County Commissioners who are the judge's creatures, and a Clerk of the Court.

And such is what we have as a result of all those Fusionist promises about restoring local self-government to the hitherto "machine-ridden" people of the old North State. How do you like it, Fusionist friends?

EDITORIAL NOTES.

Did you know that the Populists wanted to reduce the salaries of all public officers, during the campaign of 1894? That, of course, was before the election. We suppose they have forgotten about it now. We have met several of them lately who never heard "that everything had depreciated in value," and hence salaries ought to be reduced.

Almost every day we meet some fellow who says silver is not good money for any greater amount than \$5, unless a man chooses to take it for more. There is no greater lie than this. Silver is legal tender for any amount unless gold is stipulated in the contract. But we could hardly expect any better of the rank and file of the Populist party, when their United States Senator says the same thing.

The Populist will tell you that money is a medium of exchange and then he stops. But money is a medium of exchange and a measure of value. As a medium of exchange money might be anything one man might have to exchange for what another man has, but as a measure of value, money must have value of its own. You can not measure value except with value. You cannot refer all values to a common article or commodity, when that article is WIND, AIR, or FUSION PROMISES, or something equally valueless.

The Clerk of the Superior Court now appoints the Supt. of Public

Schools. Under Democratic rule, the County Supt. of Schools was elected by the County Commissioners and Justices of the Peace. In Lincoln county, this meant that something like 80 persons had a say in this matter, but now Clerk Barkley does it all. How do you like "local self-government?"

We don't believe in allowing the Fusion crowd to talk Free Silver all the time in order to hide the rascality of their legislature of 1895. These Fusionists remind us of the small boy who got into some devilment one Sunday afternoon, and who on the appearance of his father, began straightway to talk about the Sunday School lesson for the next Sunday in order to divert the parental mind. We always did despise a hypocrite.

As this is the time of the year when the sheriff comes around to see you about your taxes, it might be worth your trouble to find out whether they are any less than under Democratic rule. You know last fall we heard a great deal about Democratic extravagance and high taxes. See how it is now. Surely taxes are not as they were under the Democratic government. Well we shall not say how this is but let each man find out for himself.

The Populists captured the Silver Convention at Raleigh last week. They are not to be censured for this, they did what they could to restore silver to the place it occupied before the "crime of 1873!" We don't like to speak all we think about Democrats co-operating with Populists, but we respectfully rise to say that we don't want to be lectured as to our Democracy by anybody who aided or abetted that Convention. If we must have silver at 16 to 1, let us have it inside the Democratic ranks.

It would seem to us that the Populists are mistaken about themselves being Jeffersonian Democrats. Let us see: Did Jefferson believe in increasing the power of the general government? No, not at all. Do the Populists hold this doctrine also? No, they want the government to own everything almost, and even make it rain. Did Jefferson believe in gold money and no other? Yes. Do Populists hold this doctrine? Oh, no, they believe the government can make money. They are LEGAL TENDER-TREASURY-NOTE MEN. Did Jefferson believe in coining silver at 16 to 1, regardless of the commercial ratio? No. Do Populists believe this 16 to 1 doctrine? Oh, yes, they say that the STAMP of the government will make the 52 cts. in a silver dollar at 16 to 1 worth 100 cts. And so on through the catalogue.

General News.

The Corbet Fitzsimmon fight can't occur in Dallas Texas, on account of a statute just passed the Legislature and gone to the governor for ratification. They will probably fight in Mexico.

The School Board of Terrell, Texas, has made expulsion from school the penalty for a boy to be caught three times smoking cigarettes.

Gov. Cubberson of Texas has issued a proclamation calling together the state legislature in extra session for the purpose of passing a stringent law against prize fights.

Prof. Louis Pasteur, the distinguished chemist and discoverer of the Pasteur treatment for the cure of hydrophobia, died at Paris, September 28th.

Ex-Gov. Campbell opened his campaign for governor of Ohio last Saturday. This is the third time he has made the race for governor.

Joe Patchen beat Jno. R. Gentry at Sioux City, Iowa, Sept. 27th. Gentry is Mr. Banks Holt's horse. Mr. Holt says he intends, after this season, to retire from the turf and will keep Gentry at his farm near Burlington, N.C.

The latest estimates place the cotton crop at 7,000,000 bales. This is a short crop. The price is expected to go higher than at present.

Madagascar is having a war. The Hovas are resisting the Colonization enterprises of the French.

England has sent five warships to China to force her to make amends for the recent massacre of English missionaries in that country.

Ye Sung Su, the Korean minister to the U. S., died of cholera in Korea some days ago.

On Sept. 27, the sales of tobacco at Henderson, N. C., amounted to \$30,000.

Ex-Gov. Flower says New York state will go Democratic this year by 50,000.

Dr. Talmage, the famous Brooklyn preacher, has been called to be the Co-pastor, with Dr. B. Sunderland, of the First Presbyterian church, Washington, D. C. President and Mrs. Cleveland attend this church.

Baltimore has won the National League Baseball Championship. The Orioles won the championship last year.

In London, the leading papers are again advocating the reform of the House of Lords. The agitation seems to be along the line of making this house more representative in its character.

Lieut. Gen. Jno. M. Schofield of the U. S. Army has been put on the retired list. With his retirement the rank of Lieutenant General ceases. Gen. Nelson A. Miles now becomes Chief General of the army.

All United States Consuls with a salary of \$1,000 to \$2,500 are placed under the Civil Service rules.

Justice Wm. J. Gayner has been nominated for Mayor by the Reformers of New York City. There were ten preachers in the convention.

State News.

Rev. Boylus Code, the populist preacher, editor, politician, has found a partnership with Prof. N. Y. Gully at Wake Forest, N. C., and will now practice law.

The triennial Convention of the Protestant Episcopal church of the United States meets at Minneapolis this week. The delegates from this state are as follows: Bishop Cheshire, Dr. M. M. Marshall, Raleigh; Dr. F. J. Murdock, Salisbury; Rev. McNeely Du Bose, Asheville; Rev. Jarvis Buxton, Lenoir; R. H. Battle, Raleigh; S. S. Nash, Tarboro; John Wilkes, Charlotte; Silas McBee, Lincolnton. Messrs Farintosh and Amer, Proprietors of the Buford Hotel, Charlotte, have made an assignment.

Prof. E. A. Alderman, the accomplished Professor of the History and Philosophy of Education in the State University, has been chosen to represent North Carolina at the Educational Congress of the Atlanta Exposition.

Rev. A. L. Crawford, Presbyterian pastor at Taylorsville, died suddenly on September 29th.

Mr. R. J. Bryant of Iredell has been appointed Deputy Collector of Internal Revenue for the district of Iredell and Alexander counties.

Ex-Gov. Jarvis is the Executive Committeeman of the National Silver League for North Carolina. The negro editor of the Garthage Blade nominated Oliver H. Dockery for governor. It is now in order for some Populist Editor to second this, if co-operation is to be continued.

Mr. John McLaurine again becomes editor of the North Carolina Presbyterian. We suggest that Mr. McLaurin hold this job for life. He is a veteran.

John R. Morris, the North Carolina drummer is making Democratic speeches in the campaign now on in Maryland.

CHESTER & LENOIR R. R.

Oct. 3rd 1895.

EDITORS DEMOCRAT:

Any one who anticipates visiting the Atlanta Exposition will do well to see me before buying their tickets. Parties of ten or more personally conducted and every attention given possible. Special arrangements have been made with best boarding houses where first class board and lodging can be had at very low rates. All baggage checked through and delivered at your boarding house free. Also any one who expects to go west will save time and money by communicating with me before purchasing their tickets.

J. W. Todd, T. P. A. Chester, S. C.

SHARP YANKEES ARE IN ATLANTA.

They Have Taken Advantage of the Exhibition to Double the Prices of Everything.

HOTELS ARE EXTORTIONATE.

Four Men in a Room for Twenty Dollars a Day and a Shave Costs Seventy-Five Cents.

SOUTHERNERS ARE INDIGNANT.

ATLANTA, Ga., Sept. 18, 1895.—There is developing among the people of this city, than whom there are none more hospitable in the country, a feeling that the time has come for them to make some sort of a protest against the manner in which the strangers who are flocking to Atlanta by hundreds are being treated by the hotel keepers and the transportation companies.

It is an unfortunate fact that Atlanta is getting a reputation through no fault of its own of being since the exhibition excitement began the most expensive city in the country for the stranger. There had been isolated complaints before the gates of the exhibition grounds were opened, but when the distinguished persons came in from Chicago the resentment displayed by the visitors grew so rapid that for the last few days the chief topics of conversation in the hotel parlors and in the other places in which strangers assemble are the extortion and the inconveniences to which he visitor who has no friends in Atlanta to entertain him is subjected.

Of course, it can't be remembered that Atlanta is a city of homes, and that the hotel accommodations are of a very limited sort. There have been erected a number of frame buildings for the use of visitors to the exhibition, and these when completed will relieve the demand for making on the old and well known hotels. But these exhibition hotels are not nearly ready yet, and certainly will not be fit for occupancy for two or three weeks. These new buildings are of no pretensions to durability of construction, although they are near the exhibition grounds they are very far away from the centre of the city, where the stranger is certain to turn after he has exhausted the wonders of the big show.

When the exhibition was first talked of a committee was sent to various hotel keepers of the city and a promise was extracted from them that they would not increase their rates. But the temptation has so proved too much for them. The proprietors of the larger hotels are Northerners, and they have regarded the influx of strangers as a sufficient reason for them for securing profits of a magnitude that will make all fear of a poor winter from their pillows. One of the hotels which promised that it would not increase its rates under any circumstances during the exhibition, a few days ago changed its system of entertaining guests from the American to the European plan. The scale of prices adopted was similar to the most expensive restaurant in New York, without a corresponding similarity in cooking or service. Formerly the rates of this hotel were \$4 a day for room and board. Now the prices range from \$4 to \$6 a day for rooms alone.

Last Thursday a well known Congressman and three of his friends got into town late at night and went to this house for rooms. They were told that the hotel was crowded, but as a special favor they could have a room in which all four would have to sleep, and that for the price of this accommodation would be \$20 per day. They started down toward Market street and found a hotel near there where they succeeded in getting a room and board for \$26 a day. They concluded that they were fortunate in securing this.

The same excessive tariff is placed on everything. The price for sharing in one hotel is seventy five cents, and an innocent visitor who took the luxury of a shave in his room was charged \$1.50 for the complaint barber. The smaller restaurants in the city have increased their prices proportionately, so that it is really difficult for a person of moderate income to live except along Decatur street, which corresponds to New York's Bowery.

LODGERS IN DOORS BY ELEVEN O'CLOCK.

When the exhibition was first organized a Committee of Comfort was appointed. Its duties were assigned for the accommodation of the great number of visitors who were expected to come to the big show. The committee succeeded in getting accommodations for in the night of about 30,000 persons. A large number of private houses were thrown open to the visitors, but the committee did not fix any rate of charges, nor did they fix any limit beyond which the charges should not go. The result is that

many families are charging from \$2 a day up, without meals, and with the tax on everything that is added, will be in a worse predicament than before the exhibition. The others are giving no meals and they are as unkind as only as a favor, and that under circumstances where they are paying for the use of the room they have hired.

The Southern Railway, which has practically the monopoly of the travel from the North, is being taxed to the utmost capacity by the large number of persons going Southward. But the road is apparently not able to transport the increased traffic, for there is a steady stream of trains from the North or arriving in New York from Atlanta which do not all the way from one to six hours late. The engines are given such long trains to draw that they are constantly breaking down. The cars are as a rule overcrowded with passengers from Charlotte to Atlanta, the mere fact that a person had paid \$6 for a berth from New York giving him no more privilege of occupying it than though he had paid only local rates. In addition to this the Southern Railway has declared war upon the ticket scalpers in Atlanta, and so every person holding an exhibition ticket is a one placed under suspicion by the officials of the road. The result has been that in many cases the tickets to the almost good faith on return tickets to New York have been issued by the conductors of the trains because they have not obeyed the inhumanly annoying tangle of red tape which has been wound around the original sale of the tickets. Persons buying tickets from the scalpers are almost certain to become parties to lawsuits, which seem to be rapidly developing between the broker and the railway company.

AN UNDESERVED REPUTATION.

The Herald has already led attention to the imposition practices of the traveling public of local Atlanta by the street car lines, known here as the Consolidated Railway. This corporation seems to have a particularly firm grip upon the city, and not withstanding threats to deprive it of its charter goes on charging ten cents to go to the Exhibition grounds, when the rate before the gates were opened to the public was only five cents. Thus Atlanta is likely to secure a reputation which, though entirely undeserved, so far as her own people are concerned, is likely to hurt her great exhibition very materially unless the extortions are at once stopped, or at least very greatly modified. There is no more beautiful city in the South than Atlanta, and there can be found nowhere more pretentious white more royally hospitable, but they are beginning to justify to suffer for the sake of a number of Northerners who have made up their minds to take all advantage of the opportunity for money making afforded by the exhibition, irrespective of any harm it may do to the fair fame of the lovely city of Atlanta—New York Herald.

Six Good Democratic Votes.

"Geel Haul! Whoa!" and with a crack of a long back raw hide whip "Mike" Kelly drew up in front of the registry booth in a rural town in El Paso county, Tex. Leaving a team of six big mules in charge of a "greaser" he stepped briskly up to the election clerk to record the voters.

"Here, you!" shouted the ranchman, "put down 'Mike' Kelly, and 'Doc,' Harry, Charley, 'Billy,' 'Dave' and 'Nellie' Kelly. Come, now, be quick about it."

"But who are these other persons?" asked the clerk falteringly.

"Why, they're my mules," shouted the Irishman, "and I guess they're going to vote if anybody in this county is, and I'm going to cast the ballot for them myself."

Kelly was the terror of the border and the clerk knew better than to refuse to comply with the demand. When he read the name "Nellie" though, he stopped.

"Look here, Mr. Kelly," said the clerk, "no woman allowed to vote in this county, and I can't put 'Nellie' down on the book."

"Can't they? Well, then, her name ain't 'Nellie,' it's 'Jim' until after the election. So, just put down 'Jim' Kelly instead."

"Jim" was accordingly entered as a voter in El Paso county, and the ranchman swaggered out of the booth, exclaiming:

"Them's six more good democratic votes. I guess this part of the country is safe, any way, but them mules' good as any black republican mugwump, and they're going to vote, too."

And they did.—N. Y. Herald.

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N. M. Dellinger, Adm'r of W. H. Congwell. L. B. Wetmore, Atty.

NOTICE!

I will be in Lincolnton Court week. Those desiring my services will find me at Dr. Will Presley's old stand, next door to Mr. Finley's office. Satisfaction guaranteed or money refunded.

DR. L. S. FOX, Dentist.

LOST

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Jno. L. Cobb, Executor of JOSEPH S. COBB.

10-1-95-61.

DENTAL NOTICE.

Dr. J. B. Little desires to announce to the public