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EDITORIAL NOTES.

For the benefit of those Democrats who are inclined to believe the State lie that Cleveland has betrayed his party on the money question, we publish extracts from his message of Dec. 8, 1885. It will be found on the first page of this paper. We ask every Democrat to read it once again. We have no patience with those men who now abuse the President, knowing all the while that Cleveland has opposed the 16 to 1 business.

The sedate and conservative University of Oxford, England, has a Socialist Club among its students. No doubt these young men are imitating the German Universities, which have had such clubs for some time past. But this is commented on here to show that not all of the education the great school and colleges furnish is of the right kind. Let us have more of the kind that makes Socialists, Anarchists, or Populists.

Some weeks ago the Caucasian remarked upon the fact that President Cleveland had fewer people to hear and see him in Atlanta in 1895 than in 1887 when the President was there. Yes, and there are fewer Democrats in North Carolina in 1895 than in 1887, but that does not mean that there is more intelligence now on party questions than in 1887. Oh, no! we have had a pest of politicians who have systematically preached the doctrine of hate and discord in North Carolina, that is all. Cleveland is as good a man as he always was, as good as when the Caucasian said he was the greatest man in America, which was in 1892, if we are not mistaken.

"FREE COINAGE"

To the ordinary mind unacquainted with the principles of monetary laws, the opponent of free coinage of silver is looked upon as an arch enemy of the people; an ally of Wall Street; a plutocrat and a host of other names familiar to readers of political papers. They never suspect, in advocating free coinage, that they are themselves the allies of the plutocrats and the servants of those who would thrive by cunning rather than honest labor.—Mecklenburg Times in 1892.

We respectfully call the attention of the present editor of the Times to this declaration of his predecessor. We give it as interesting history. It shows how the world changes in a few years.

NOT EXACTLY RIGHT

The Morganton Herald says it wants a rest as to Hoke Smith. Well, take it then! But we do not agree with you that a man who can rise in the world as Hoke Smith has is "a Shyster at law." Hoke Smith was a North Carolina boy. His mother was the daughter of Lincoln's gifted son, Michael Hoke. We have heard him speak here. We don't think there is anything wrong with Mr. Smith except that he now lives in Georgia. We wish he lived in North Carolina, and in Lincoln. We are not a believer in making a man's ancestors the standard of our judgment of merit, but Hoke Smith is an able man, the Herald and the New York Sun to the con-

trary notwithstanding. We all think so down here and we know we think right. We will rest, too!

THE RUTHERFORD COLLEGE TROUBLE.

Last week we published the Charlotte Observer's account of the recent trouble at Rutherford College. We did not publish the account of the indignation meeting. The editor has received a card from one of the Professors calling his attention to this neglect. We have not a copy of the account of the meeting by us and, hence we can't publish it in this issue. However, we think it due the Professor to note the fact that some people at Rutherford College got together soon after the trial and held an indignation meeting, protesting against the action of the magistrates who tried the Abernethys. We thought we were doing the gentlemen in question a favor by not publishing this account, as we noticed that Pres. W. E. Abernethy himself protested against the meeting. We published the Observer's account merely as a matter of news without any intention to injure anybody. But we wish to give notice now that we shall always reserve the right to say what shall, and shall not be published in this paper.

THE NEWS AND OBSERVER AGAIN.

Here is the way the Raleigh Observer disposes of us after we charged him with circulating gold bug literature in 1892, and submitted proof:

The LINCOLN DEMOCRAT, having concurred itself in a two column article that the editor of this paper was a gold bug in 1892 because he printed the Century articles against flat money, is so happy that it would be cruelly to disturb its equanimity.

Thanks! we appreciate the magnanimity of the Observer. We are heartily sorry we have charged you with something which nobody will believe you guilty of except this paper. But there is one thought that has presented itself to our mind. We wish to suggest it to the Observer. It is this: The number of "flat" money men are twice as numerous now as in 1892. In view of this fact, would it not be good policy, if the Observer is so much against "flat money," to re-publish those Century articles in this year of Grace 1895? We do wish you would publish the first article of the series and add your comments, showing how it is that that article does not put silver among forms of "flat" money. It is all well enough to talk about "cruelty to our feelings" etc. But the public awaits your answer. You were a gold bug in 1892, if you meant anything by your talk!

SOUND MONEY LITERATURE.

The Charlotte Observer of last Sunday, replying to the Caucasian, says that "Merchant," who wrote the articles on the money question is Mr. M. H. Cone, of Baltimore. The Observer further says that it is sending out the pamphlet edition of these articles, Mr. Cone paying the postage, the Observer "doing the rest." We suppose the Hickory Mercury and the Caucasian are satisfied now as to who is paying for the distribution of this sound money stuff. It will now be in order for these papers to tell us who pays for sending out the silver literature. We have been astonished at the impudence and hypocrisy of Populist papers who try to make capital out of the matter, when it is well known that the country is full of free silver literature sent out by somebody. We don't know who. But there is one thing we do know and that is this, that every Democrat in this country who manifests any disposition to be dissatisfied with the attitude of the Democratic party on the silver question gets the Caucasian. We know, too, that these people have not subscribed for the Caucasian. Now, how does it come that they get the paper? Who pays for that kind of campaign literature? Such work has been going on in these parts for some time. It is just such work that leads us to remark upon the hypocrisy of those Populist papers who are forever talking about the sins of sound money papers who do about the same thing, but openly and above board, not ashamed for the world to know

that they believe in sound money and wish to get others to believe likewise.

HOW IT WOULD WORK.

A great deal of cheap talk is indulged in by Democrats who say free silver is a time honored Democratic doctrine. Those who did not believe that silver 16 to 1 is the correct thing are invited to leave the party, or are called Republicans and the like. Again we hear that sound money men are the cause of divisions in the party and the like. Such assertions are made, and those who made them do not appeal to the history and traditions of the party to prove the correctness of such statements. We have wondered at this more than once. For one, we are willing to a bid by the records. If it is Republicanism to talk against 16 to 1 then we would be the first man to quit such talk. But in the meantime, we protest against being classed with Sherman and others on the unsupported statements of those who know so little about Democratic history as to assert that the "Ocala Demands" are good Democratic doctrine. We know some people, who in 1890 and since, have lost no opportunity to make concessions to Populists, who are now charging all the ills of Democracy up to Cleveland and sound money men in the party. It is high time those men who do such things were told where the trouble lies. But we started out to give a few figures. Here they are: Take 1,000 ounces of silver bullion to a government mint, which costs you 68 cents per ounce. If the ratio of 16 to 1 were in force and a free coinage law on the Statute books, this silver which costs only \$680. would be worth \$1,294. The clear profit to the man who owned the silver would be \$614. This \$614. represents the difference between the commercial value and the coinage value of the silver. Now, as to the Democratic doctrine on this matter, we shall refer our free coinage friends to the father of the party, Thos. Jefferson. He said that just principles should lead us to regard the commercial value in fixing the ratio. If Jefferson were alive he would never favor the 16 to 1 business, if such is the truth as we have stated above. Now, who are Democrats on this silver question? Evidently not the men who say that the stamp of the government gives the silver dollar its value. Evidently not those men who believe that the government should go into the business of enhancing the price of silver bullion, for that is the principle which the Republican acts on when he asks for Protective Tariff.

Then, if the silver thus coined would ever cease to circulate for its face value, which is probable, in the light of history, the people in whose hands such money is put would be the real losers. Now, if we, believing this and knowing how such legislation has worked in the past, were to advocate the 16 to 1 business, we should feel that we had lost our self-respect and our Democracy.

Latest General News.

The University of North Carolina Foot Ball team beat the A. & M. College team at Charlotte last Saturday. The North Carolina team plays the University of Virginia team Thanksgiving.

Hon. Hoke Smith will address the Georgia legislature on the first Tuesday in December.

Rev. Dr. Samuel F. Smith, the author of "My Country, 'tis of thee," died suddenly at Boston, Mass., last Saturday. He was a friend of Edward Everett Hale and was well known throughout the United States.

Thirteen persons were killed at Cleveland, Ohio, last Friday by a street car falling through an open drawbridge.

Hon. W. O. Bradley, governor-elect of Kentucky, spoke at Atlanta last Saturday, the occasion being Kentucky day at the Fair. Walter R. Henry ought to have heard him.

Wallace Bros. have been indicted for fraudulent assuagement. It is not thought that the prosecution has a good case against the Statesville merchants.

Rev. Dr. Columbus Durham, of Raleigh, is dead. He was one of the most prominent Baptists of the State, and led the recent fight against State support of the University.

The American Bi-Metallic League a silver organization, recently met and voted to go into the New Silver Party.

The silver men of Tennessee met recently at Nashville and agreed to try to get free silver through the Democratic party. The Caucasian will note this item of news with a great deal of eclat.

Jim Settle Answers an Inquiry.—Some Reflections on Why People Change Parties.

It is gratifying these times to note a keen relish for political information among the people, especially among that class who always say "howdy" to a merchant when they go into a store, and tell him "good by" when they leave. I have received the following letter, which, if you have no objection, Mr. Editor, I would like to answer through your columns: pine Ridge, N. C. Nov. the 1st 1895:

Dear Mr. Settle:— We are all Well and I hope these few Lines will find you Enjoying the same blessing. Please give me the Main reason Why men leave one party and Join another. please answer, as I am been hearin of a man over at town who has changed his politics.

Yours Truly, John Dilling.

You are to be commended, John, for asking what you don't know, and you display considerable sagacity in going where your ignorance will not be imposed upon. I have hardly time to answer such questions, but as you are evidently anxious for an answer, I shall have to take you by the hand and drill a few points into you that you should know before you are any older.

When a man leaves one party and joins another, he has a reason for doing so. The next time you hear of one changing you take the statement that he makes to a waiting people, and take from two to three hours as is necessary, and read it carefully. You will see it is owing to one thing—principle. But then there are different kinds of principles, especially political principles.

When a man has made a race for office and received 127 votes out of a possible 1800, for the first time the corruption of his party draws upon him, and he sometimes resolves to be a party to its corruption no longer.

And, again, when a man sees his party forsake its principles and leave him standing alone, it is then that peradventure, even a lawyer will sometimes be forced to make his bed with those he once hated, and to chew that which he formerly eschewed.

When a politician has voted the ticket of one party 25 to 30 years, and then turns and votes the opposite, the world is very likely to ascribe to his action the lowest motives—such as desire for office &c.

This prevalent feeling among the people, is owing to the opinion which we must all admit exists, that a safe majority of political turners are not holders of the office they applied for. And, secondly, to the attitude of a cold unfeeling press towards such gentlemen.

A man may be as clear of sin in the matter as a Populist Sheriff is of making arrests, and still be the object of open, glaring thrusts of a monopolistic, trust ridden, and aristocratic local press.

In giving you the whole truth, Mr. Dilling, I must admit there are some men who do change their party affiliations with no other motive than to secure office. This I believe as firmly as I believe anything. With such men office is everything, and principle nothing.

After fruitless efforts to secure office in one party, they turn to the other with almost the same prayer as that of our citizens after the 39th attempt to provide lights for the streets of Lincoln: "God grant the next time may be successful!"

JIM SETTLE.

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REMOVAL.

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