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DR. TYRE YORK says there are 25,000 Republicans in North Carolina who will not support Daniel L. Russell. We do not believe any such stuff. Our observation leads us to believe such will not be the case.

LET ALL Democrats attend the primaries tomorrow. If you intend to bolt the ticket this year, you ought to stay away. But we hope there are few such Democrats in this County. We know of but few, if any.

THE esteemed Asheville Citizen compares the coronation ceremonies lately held at Moscow, Russia, to a circus or to a Mardi Gras Carnival, saying the ceremonies only lacked the animals! That may or may not be true.

MISS KATHRYN EDITH GRIFFIN, of Newbern, a recent graduate of Greensboro Female College, has our compliments. Instead of writing an essay on art, sculpture, or some other abstract subject, she chose to write on "A Plea for North Carolina Heroes and Historic Ground." It is a great pity that so many persons know all about Greece and Rome and so little about North Carolina.

THE Asheville Citizen thinks that Mr. W. J. Bryan, a prospective bolter, is a good Democrat. Mr. Bryan lives in Nebraska, the Citizen does business in North Carolina. The Citizen condemns bolters here at home, but praises Bryan as a "good Democrat." How is that anyway, Mr. Robinson? Why not give Mr. Bryan a rap or two as well as those northern "gold bug" papers which are talking of a bolt?

WE DO NOT wish to read anybody out of the Democratic party, but we humbly beg to submit the opinion that a man who will do as ex-Senator Jarvis did at Snow Hill the other day is already out, or very nearly so. Mr. Jarvis announces that he will go where silver leads. That means that the Senator does not longer regard a revenue tariff, individual liberty, States rights, and the like, as able to hold him in the Democratic party. It does seem to us that a man is a poor Democrat who will abandon his guns to chase a jack-o-lantern.

WE REALLY have not the time to argue with the Lincoln Patriot as to whether a man may be a protectionist and a Democrat at the same time. We said what we believed and what the party platforms have very generally warranted us in saying. However we call the attention of the Patriots "protectionist" to the fact that there is a dividing line somewhere between Democracy and Republicanism. If you do not draw this line on the question of taxation, why draw it at all? Why, if Jackson and all other Democrats were Republicans, why have two party names in this year of grace 1896?

THE Raleigh correspondent of the Charlotte Observer said the other day that it was conceded that McKinley will get the votes of quite a number of protection Democrats in this State—men who will vote against Russell. "Protection Democrats," indeed! The idea of a man voting for that high priest of Protection, Wm. McKinley, calling himself a Democrat is enough to make people who are real Democrats call themselves some other name. The Democratic party has said ever since the first protective tariff law was passed in 1789 that such a tax was unconstitutional. We believe the

declarations of the party on this question. They involve a vital principle, and no man who votes that doctrine can say he is a Democrat except in name. Such Leres-vat strikes at the very root of Democracy.

EVERY once in awhile somebody bobs up serenely and asks whether we shall have Democratic-Populist fusion this year. Last week, the Charlotte Observer's Raleigh correspondent wanted to know whether any body could tell him how this would be. There will be no such fusion, if the people have anything to do with it. Every county should declare itself on this question and also on that of bolting the nominees of the National Convention, Fusionists and bolters ought to be ruled out at Raleigh on June 25th, and we believe they will be.

THE esteemed Charlotte News says it thinks THE DEMOCRAT is on the wrong side, and that is the reason it does not get more credit for its opinion. We are not hurting for praise. We never intended to say all the News makes us say. We did say a newspaper got very little credit for being honest. We think so still. What will you do about it? However, we used that term relatively. We knew that the News and such papers got a great deal more credit than sound money papers for it, and they have so many more "sycophants and spaniels" who get their ideas from the silver propaganda set.

CATAWBA DEMOCRACY.

Catawba county Democrats held their County Convention at New-ton last Saturday. Of course, free silver won in Catawba. The sound money Democrats made no attempt at the primaries to show their strength. They were inclined to believe they would be allowed representation without making any contest. It is said the delegation to the State convention has three sound money men on it. It may have. We hardly think so. Even if it has, the delegation is instructed for 16 to 1, and it makes no difference what the individual preferences of the delegates are. But the most interesting incident of this Catawba Convention was the voting down of the following resolutions:

WHEREAS, the idea that the Democratic party of this State should bolt the action of the Chicago convention of the party this year unless it declares for certain doctrines, has been advanced and advocated in certain quarters; therefore be it resolved: 1. That it is the sense of this convention that such a course is not to be thought of, and that the delegates of this county to the State convention are hereby instructed to vote only for such delegates to Chicago as will stand by the platform of the party to be made in National Convention this year. 2. That we are not in favor of allowing any delegates to sit in our State convention who announce in advance that they will bolt the action of the party at Chicago or any where else.

The above resolutions were defeated after the point was made that there was talk of bolting in many quarters, and that these resolutions were only intended to put Catawba on record against such methods.

The majority of the convention said that such resolutions were an insult to their Democracy, that such resolutions were a defense in advance of an attack and the like. But the greatest applause was won by a delegate when he said he would not bolt if he was treated fairly at Chicago, otherwise he would not stick! It appears to us that these resolutions could have done no harm. If, for instance, men like Jarvis, McCrae and Chambers Smith, who announces in advance that they will bolt, are to be given places in our State convention and are to be allowed to make platforms and nominate candidates for true Democrats, we wish to know it and that quick. It is also reported that there are men on the Catawba delegation who intend to bolt if a sound money man is put up this year. We are not going to talk out of school, but we do say that when Democrats act like the Catawba convention did last Saturday there is very little in their actions that inspires a sound

money Democrat with confidence in the sticking qualities of silver Democrats, should they not get what they want. If bolting and fusion with Populists aren't demanded, how can the silver men expect to bind the sound money men to abide the conventions?

WHAT IS WRONG.

Some people say the silver question is the one issue in the campaign now about to begin. It is not true, if it is meant that silver at 16 to 1 will relieve the money panic.

We have our ideas as to what is wrong. We submit them and ask that you study about it a little. This country pays \$165,000,000 a year for pensions. North Carolina's part is nearly \$3,000,000. We pay this year over \$1,000,000 for Rivers and Harbors. We pay about \$3,000,000 tariff tax. We paid and sent out of the State this year nearly \$5,000,000 for fertilizers. These things mentioned above do not include the hundreds and thousands of dollars sent out of the State for life insurance, fire insurance, and dry goods and groceries. This money never comes back here, except in small quantities. Perhaps our farm products and manufactured goods do not bring back two thirds of what we pay out. This has been going on for years. The life insurance money is not invested here, but in the North. How then can we expect times to get better, if this constant drain on our resources continues? All the free silver in the world will not make times better under present conditions. What is needed is to devise some system by which the outflow of money from this State is stopped. If the Democratic doctrines of a law tariff and an economical administration at Washington could be adopted forthwith, we should see the effects of it in the way of keeping money at home. That is the way to increase the per capita circulation, and the only true way. If we allow the present extravagant system of taxes and expenditures to continue, and at the same time follow after wild schemes to inflate the currency, we are only driving another nail into the coffin which has been prepared to carry out the decent putting away of our own remains.

Major McKinley's Position.

Friends, enemies, and fellow countrymen: I come not here to talk; I don't have to; The leaders of the G. O. P. Are doing that for me; I saw wood And see that the clouds that lower upon our house Have a silver lining. But I never say so; Neither do they; They are the geese that lay the golden eggs, And I am the Sphinx, Which doesn't lay any eggs; It lays low, See? I am charged with being a straddler; What is I am? As long as I am charged with anything. I don't have to pay cash, And it is this confounded money question That is causing all the trouble, I mean trouble for other people; It doesn't trouble me in the least; I know exactly how I stand On the financial issue And— A VOICE— Say, Bill, Close up there! If you don't keep your feet together You'll split wide open Before June!

Dr. Mott invites all free silver Democrats to join his silver party.

There will be 150 contested seats in the St. Louis Republican convention.

The prohibitionists are urging W. P. Fife, the evangelist, to make the race for governor this fall.

Miss Kate Field is dead. She died in Japan where she had gone as a newspaper correspondent.

The next Convention of the Southern Presbyterians will be held at Charlotte. This year's Convention has just adjourned. The meeting was held at Memphis Tenn.

ROBERT E. LEE'S CHARGE.

Description of the Famous Animal Written by the General.

Few people in this broad land do not know that the late General Robert E. Lee's war horse Traveler gained almost as much fame as did the celebrated Confederate commander himself. After the war an artist wrote to General Lee asking for a description of Traveler, which General Lee wrote for him. This is what the general wrote about his favorite horse: "If I was an artist like you, I would draw a true picture of Traveler, representing his fine proportions, muscular figure, deep chest, short back, strong haunches, flat legs, small head, broad forehead, delicate ears, quick eyes, small feet and black mane and tail. Such a picture would inspire a poet, whose genius could then depict his worth and describe his endurance of toil, hunger, heat and cold, the dangers and sufferings through which he has passed. He could dilate upon his sagacity and affection and his invariable response to any wish of his rider. He might even imagine his thoughts through the long night marches and days of battle through which he has passed. But I am no artist and can therefore only say he was a Confederate gray.

"I purchased him in the autumn of 1861 in the mountains of Virginia, and he has been my patient follower ever since—to Georgia, the Carolinas and back to Virginia. He carried me through the seven days' battle, around Richmond, the second Manassas, at Sharpsburg, Fredericksburg the last day at Chancellorsville, to Pennsylvania, at Gettysburg and back to the Rappahannock. From the commencement of the campaign, in 1864, at Orange, till its close around Pittsburg, the saddle was scarcely off his back as he passed through the fire of the Wilderness, Spotsylvania, Cold Harbor and across the James river. He was almost in daily requisition in the winter of 1874-6 on the long line of defenses from the Chickahominy, north of Richmond to Hatcher's run, south of the Appomattox. In the campaign of 1865 he bore me from Petersburg to the final day at Appomattox court house. You know the comfort he is to me in my present retirement. He is well supplied with equipments. Two sets have been sent to him from England, and one from the ladies of Baltimore, and one from the city of Richmond, but I think his favorite is the American saddle from St. Louis.

"Of all his companions in toil, Richmond, Brown, Ajax and Quiet Lucy Long, he is the only one that retained his vigor to the last. The first two expired under their onerous burdens, and the last two failed. You can, I am sure from what I have said, paint his portrait." This ends the description, signed with the name of the famous General Robert E. Lee, Lexington, Va., the summer before he died.—St. Louis Republic.

852 Miles of Water Melons.

The Charlotte News is dreaming of the approach of the water melon season, and remarks:

The water melon trains are next in order and within a few days they will have the right of way over the Southern road. There is only a half crop in Georgia this year, but Florida is loaded with melons. Seventy-two million pounds of water melon is what the railroad and fruit men estimate will be raised in Florida this year. This is equivalent to 3,000,000 melons, which, if placed end to end, would make a chain of water melons 852 miles long, or further than from Jacksonville to the city of Washington. What a picture to cause the astonished smile on the face of the average negro to broaden into a laugh of great gladness. To carry these melons to market a train of 3,000 cars would be required, and would be nearly nineteen miles long.

The latest estimates of the result of the St. Louis cyclone put the dead at 340, and the injured at 1000. The damage to property foots up between \$15,000,000 and \$20,000,000. This was the most disastrous cyclone in the history of this country.

Hood's pills are the best family catarrh and liver medicine. Harmless, reliable sure.

Miss Stevenson's Wedding Gift.

An elaborate silver tea service adorned the centre table of the President's room in the capitol to-day, where it was privately viewed by the Senators. It is their gift to Miss Julia Stevenson, daughter of Vice-President Stevenson, who is to be married tomorrow evening to Rev. Mr. Hardin, of Kentucky. The service consists of a large silver salver, teapot, hot water pot, sugar bowl, cream jug, tea caddy, and refuse bowl, upon each of which is Miss Stevenson's monogram and the inscription that it is the gift of the United States Senators to her on the occasion of her marriage. The presentation was made to Miss Stevenson at the Hotel Normandie this evening by Senator Morrill and Harris, the oldest members respectively on the Republican sides of the chamber.

Miss Stevenson, in a few well-chosen words, accepted the present. The gift was presented with the following letter:

WASHINGTON, D. C., June 1, 1896. DEAR MISS STEVENSON: In view of your approaching marriage the members of the United States Senate were prompted to make you a bridal present, as a token of their personal regard for the daughter of the Vice President, and the undersigned were designated in behalf of the Senate to present for your acceptance, as it is our great pleasure now to do, this silver tea service of American silver and American handiwork. Permit us to offer in addition our cordial congratulations. Very sincerely yours, JUSTIS S. MORRILL, ITHAM G. HARRIS.

Caswell county Democrats have endorsed Walter Clark for governor. Now let the Populists do likewise!

Health and happiness are relative conditions at any rate, there can be little happiness without health. To give the body its full measure of strength and energy, the blood should be kept pure and vigorous, by the use of Ayer's Sarsaparilla.

Gov. Carr has issued his warrant for the execution of Halifax July 2d of Henry Dowden, the negro who murdered Engineer Matt Dodd, of the Seaboard An Lane, at Weldon. The opinion of the Supreme court was certified down to the Governor Monday.

Most coughs may be cured in a few hours or at any rate in a few days, by the use of Ayer's Cherry Pectoral. With such a prompt and sure remedy as this at hand, there is no need of prolonging the agony for weeks and months. Keep this remedy in your house.

Kentucky voted Saturday last for delegates to the State convention. The silver men won the day, and Joe Blackburn is happy. The silver forces now claim a majority of 100 in the Chicago convention. Kentucky favors putting up Stevenson for president.

After a drouth which has affected a large part of the State and caused no end of murmuring, we are in the midst of a season of rain, and already men are remarking that there is too much of it and that presently things will be ruined. It is well, however, that mankind hasn't the regulation of these matters. A boy having an engagement to take his girl to ride would postpone a rain-fall, if he could, to keep it from interfering with his drive, though the season were summer and no rain had fallen for three months. It is best to take these operations of natural laws as they come and not complain about them. The philosophy of James Whitecomb Riley is the best:

"It ain't no use to grumble and complain; It's just as cheap and easy to rejoice. When God sorts out the weather and sends rain. Why, rain's my choice." —Charlotte Observer.

Fits Cured. From U.S. Journal of Medicine. Fred. W. E. Fitch, who takes a specialty of Epilepsy, has without doubt treated and cured more cases than any living Physician; his success is astonishing. We have heard of cases of 20 years' standing cured by him. His published testimonials work on this disease, which he sends with a large bottle of his absolute cure, free to any sufferer who may send their P. O. and Express address. We advise any one wishing a cure to address: FRED. W. E. FITCH, 7, D., 4 Cedar St., New York.

Racket Store.

We wish to talk to you this week about a few lines that will be of your interest to examine. How about Shades. We can sell you a good Window Shade on good spring rollers for the little sum of 25 cents each. A good Holland Shade on spring rollers at 25 and 35 cents, just one-half what they are worth.

We have the biggest lot of Matting that has ever been on the market. We can sell a good grade of Matting at 15 cents. A better grade at 20 cents. A good Cotton Warp Matting at 22 cents. If you want Matting call and see what we can save you. Cash saved is cash made. We have a good grade of Floor Oil Cloth at 25 cents. The best Table Oil Cloth at only 15 cents. This is the season you want Lap Robes for your buggy and we have what you want in this line at the price you want.

We have a line of Sweat Collar Pads at 25 and 35 cents. Also a lot of Boys and Men's Saddles that we can save you money on. Our Dry Goods, Notions, Shoes, Hats Clothing and Crochery Departments are full up. We can save you money on what you want. All we ask is to give us a chance to prove it.

COFFIN DEPARTMENT.

We are still in the Coffin business and can at all times supply you with anything you may want in this line. We have an experience of 8 or 10 years in this line and think that we know what the public want, and can give you what you want in the very best of style. In the past we have never yet asked our customers, in this department, whether he had the cash to pay for what they wanted, nor have we asked for notes or any other security on coffins. All we have asked is the style and size you want. We have our first customer to turn off for a coffin and never expect to turn one off. When you are as unfortunate as to need a coffin come to see us, we can give you the price you want. VERY RESPECTFULLY.

J. L. KISTLER.

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THE FATHER OF LOW PRICES.

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H. S. Robinson & Company.

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