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THE Concord Standard recently told about a man in its town who has a pair of pants which he has worn almost continuously for 27 years. Evidently those pants were not demoralized by the "crime of 1873."

EVERY time Democrats humiliate themselves in order to win Populists, they invite the same treatment a poor hound usually gets when he makes himself too obsequious—gets kicked for his pains.

WAKE Forest College has forbidden secret fraternities. The Biblical Recorder says the action of the college authorities in this matter was wise. There are many good reasons why a college is not the place for such societies, reasons which readily suggest themselves to thinking people.

THE Charlotte News, commenting on the behavior of the gold standard men in its County Convention last Saturday, says:

"They deserve much commendation for their course. They are Democrats, and will be found in the front ranks fighting the enemy." We are very glad, indeed, that the News realizes the above facts. The News and the crowd have called us Rads long enough. It is time now to see the truth.

THE DEMOCRAT has no space to copy what The Lincoln Patriot has to say about R. L. Abernethy, more than to say that The Patriot denies that it did not know who Ransom was. We printed Abernethy's remarks about The Patriot asking somebody at Lowesville, while Henry was cursing Ransom, who Ransom was. We are glad the Patriot had heard of Senator Ransom. We think this sufficient reparation for all injustice done The Patriot.

EX-Gov. Boies says it will be impossible to unite any considerable number of the delegates to the Chicago convention on any other than a Democrat for first place on the presidential ticket, at least. The Charlotte News remarks that Gov. Boies has spoken as no other than a good Democrat would speak! By the way, who ever heard of a good Democrat talking of uniting anybody on any ticket that was not all Democratic? Wonder if the News thinks it no sin to have a Populist or a Rad, to play second fiddle this year!

NOW, that the silver issue appears to have won in the Democratic party, we wonder what will be the sentiment ten years from now in regard to that present absorbing topic. And there is another thought: What will the honest Democratic voters think ten years from now of those Democratic papers which have all the while insisted on the contention, in the face of reason and better knowledge, that this free silver business is Democratic doctrine? The right is going to triumph. Patent schemes and fads to relieve the people will not succeed in the end.

It is leading editorial of last week, the Hickory Press seems to favor the silver cause, though it does not come out boldly for the free coinage of the white metal. The Press, says silver, Protection and McKinley will be the winning issues this year. The world is interested in knowing just what kind of silver the Press wants. If it means free silver, why not say so? In the event the Press favors free silver, the public would like to know whether Senator Sigmon has changed his views. He has gener-

ally been regarded as a gold standard man. His speech at Concord ridiculed the idea of making silver a leading issue. How are all these things anyway?

THIS is the first year we ever had to go about telling people we are a Democrat. There are those who insist on saying this paper is playing to the Republican party because it happens to be against free silver and fusing with Populists. We do not object to having advice given us by good Democrats, for or against silver, but we do not want any advice from men who consort with the Alliance and who want to surrender everything Democratic in order to try to win the favor of the enemy. We rather imagine that we shall be found in the Democratic column long after free silver is a thing of the past. A straight ticket and a straight light is what we want.

THE Hickory Press of last week talks about the American Book Company as "a hydra-headed trust," and says the law creating county adoption was aimed at this school book trust. The public will, no doubt, be pained to learn in view of the above declaration that Ginn & Co., who secured the passage of this so-called anti-trust law never put up their books for adoption against the trust books. The agent of Ginn & Co. told the County Commissioners here on the first Monday in June that Ginn & Co. would offer no books in opposition to the American Book Company's list formerly in use in this State. Please explain this. We learn the same was done elsewhere.

THE Wilmington Star wants ex-Gov. Jarvis to be made chairman of the State Democratic Executive Committee. He is already chairman, he says, of the National Democratic Silver party in North Carolina. What is the use of having him elected over again anyway?

The party, the Democratic party, in this State is to all intents and purposes on a line with Thomas Jordan, and it would be almost a sin to disturb the even tenor of its way by the formality of an election of another State chairman even! Let the regular Democracy enter a no! pros, and turn over the effects to Mr. Jarvis and his "National Democratic Silver Committee." It will save trouble and expense.

AND suppose the Democratic party endorses free silver and the Populists and silver men outside the party do not vote the Democratic ticket this year, what kind of excuse will our Democratic silver friends make for all their moving heaven and earth to put up silver men and silver platforms? And what excuse will they have to offer for their disposition to turn their backs on some of the best Democrats in the party in order to debate themselves to the point where Populists will find enough Populism in the Democratic platform to vote the Democratic ticket? We are often surprised at the studied carelessness with which some free silver men have treated the wishes and the feelings of their would be sound money friends.

THERE are some people who say that this paper should now turn about and advocate free silver at 16 to 1. It might be well to remember that the editor of this paper has his convictions and these cannot be made the foot-ball of majorities. It is enough if we support the Democratic ticket, and this we intend to do without any ifs or ands. As to advocating the 16 to 1 business, we do not intend to do it. We do intend, however, to vote the ticket on a 16 to 1 platform. This much we have said we would do. We do not think any more is required of us. This is about all any 16 to 1er would do, if the tables were turned. Nobody would expect a free silver man to surrender his convictions in favor of the gold standard, and we claim the same consideration.

THE Monroe Enquirer waited a week to answer our inquiry as to where it stood on the money question. The public will remember that the Enquirer, some time ago, insisted that everybody should have opinions about all questions of public interest. Then, we ask it the question referred to above. Now, the Enquirer comes back at us with the National Democratic

platform, interpreted to mean free silver at some ratio, it don't exactly know what. The Enquirer then goes out of its way to tell us that it is running a "family newspaper" and attending to its own business, and then raps us about gold standard and attending to its business! Now, we just wish to say that we think we asked the Enquirer a pertinent question, in view of its remarks, and think so yet. As to attending to the Enquirer's or anybody else's business, that is gratuitous. As to how we run the DEMOCRAT, that is strictly our own business, and we need no 16 to 1 advice as to what we print in "our family newspaper!"

THE NORTHERN FARMER 1873.

We were looking through some old papers the other day and came across the following in the Lincoln Progress, Sept. 13, 1873:

A communication was received by us, says the Charlotte Observer, from Mr. Thos. G. Maynard, who resided in Charlotte last year, and is now living at Cairo, Penn. He gives his impressions as to the condition of the Northern farmer, as contrasted with the Southern, in the following language: "A queer place is this Yankeeedom; it is nothing to be compared to the Sunny South; the people are not like the Southern people at all. They are all self, and there is no greater slave in the world than the poor white man is North; no bigger South works half so hard nor fares half as bad as they do. The Southern farmers need not complain about being poor, the farmers here are quite as bad off as they are; all they make is a living. If a man rents land he has to give half of everything he raises, and it takes the other half to live upon. I have become acquainted with a great many farmers since I have been here, and their cry is nothing but poverty."

The above is referred to those 16 to 1ers who are always talking about the evil results of the "crime of 1873." The conditions above referred to were evidently not due to legislation hostile to silver.

We should like to hear from some of the brethren in explanation. We have already printed enough hard, sound argument to convince most people, who are open to conviction, that this 16 to 1 business is a fraud. But we give this on the eve of the State Convention, hoping that it may have its effect in the future, if not now. It is also a pleasure to print this as it was found in a paper edited by our esteemed friend, Monroe Seagle of this County, a man who now gets his political creed from Marion Butler & Co.

GETTING REBUKED.

THE DEMOCRAT has great respect for any body of men who may differ from it on questions, but it has little, very little respect, for spite work and littleness. In this connection we wish to refer to the fact that a so-called Democrat of Catawba Springs township was telling around town last Saturday that that township primary convention endorsed Judge Clark for governor in order to show "this Lincoln paper" that Clark is a better Democrat than it is. We do not believe, in the first place, that the Democrats of Catawba Springs by endorsing Clark had any idea of doing anything to reflect on the Democracy of this paper in any shape or form. And in second place, we do not believe Judge Clark's nephew and the man who is now circulating such a report made that point in moving Clark's endorsement in the Catawba Springs Primary. In fact, we are satisfied that such a thing was not intended by anybody, except, perhaps, that very enthusiastic nephew Alliance-Walter Clark-free-silver-anything-to-win-Democrat, who, no doubt, has an idea everything he does is a rebuke and an insult to this paper.

THE LINCOLN DEMOCRAT is just what it is. It does not intend to be led or frightened. It intends to fight for what it believes is right, regardless of any Alliance Democrat's opinions. We ask no favors and trimmers and time servers. We expect no reward, we have no hope of any. We intend to preach straight Democracy without fear or favor. If we get rebuked for that, we shall consider it a badge of honor. There is nobody who desires the success of the party more than we do, but we believe in principles above party success.

THE MECKLENBURG RESOLVES 1896.

According to information at this office, the following was resolved at a speaking in Mecklenburg county not long since:

First, We repudiate and despise the patronage-braced, bond-stealing, centralizing, silver-discrediting, panic-conspiring, goldbug administration of Grover Cleveland.

Second, We will support no man for President or Vice-President who does not stand unqualifiedly for the free and unlimited coinage of silver at the ratio of 16 to 1, without regard to the action of any other nation.

Third, We heartily endorse the course and reaffirm our confidence in Senator Marion Butler, who, inspired by the patriotism that fired the tongue of Patriot Henry, and guided the pen of Jefferson, has stood against the brutal persecutions of an intolerant, faithless, and dying party, like Colossus, battling for his country.

Fourth, We place principle above party, and manhood above money, and recognizing that "The Peoples Party" is the protest of the plundered against the plunderers; we VOLUNTEER FOR THE WAR, in the mighty contest of the People against the Plutocrats.

Mr. Walter R. Henry, the modern Dr. Eph. Brevard, is said to be the author of the above resolves. If reports are true, these resolves were endorsed by about 2000 "patriots" at a public speaking, held in said county of Mecklenburg for the purpose of abusing the administration of the "Modern King, Grover I." We would humbly suggest to Dr. Geo. Graham and Prof. Alex. Graham, of Charlotte, that they see to it that these resolves are duly certified and vouched for in order that future generations may have no trouble in ascertaining their authenticity.

In conclusion, we wish to express our regrets that the second resolution did not extend on down to township constables and coroners. As to the third resolution, we protest against Patrick Henry and Marion Butler being named together. We also call attention to the fact that Colossus never was a man who battled for his country. There used to be a statue of Apollo, called Colossus, the sculptor of which must have been the first and original "straddle bug," as he tried to make his statue stand with one foot on one island and the other on another island. But free silver and history never go together!

AS TO SCHOOL HISTORIES.

The Hickory Press says: The secret of a part of this fight on the school-book question is that the Democrats want the history of the United States taught to the children of the State from a Democratic standpoint. This is very essential to the education of a true Bourbon, you know, and any other kind of history would be highly improper.

The above is interesting. The Press would center a favor on us by naming the Democratic histories of the United States.

Another interesting thing to remember, while we are remembering, is to remember that the history offered by the company which the Press favors was written by Southern men and "Bourbons" at that. Even a North Carolina "Bourbon" wrote something about North Carolina in the back of the book we refer to. Therefore, the commissioners of the various counties were forced to decide between "Bourbon" histories alone, hence they could do nothing but select such a history. The Press should have suggested some other kind of history, if it wanted to see an anti-"Bourbon" history put in the schools.

Failure to have its favorite company do so, ought to stop its mouth since the matter has been decided. Our feeling is that we want no partisan history in the schools, but we do want a book that gives the South due credit. If such a history is "Bourbon," let it be so. But by all means let us know what is wrong with Hantsell's history, the book generally adopted.

Electric Bitters.

Electric Bitters is a medicine suited for any season, but perhaps more generally needed when the languid, exhausted feeling prevails, when the liver is torpid and sluggish and the need of a tonic and alterative is felt. A prompt use of this medicine has often averted long and perhaps fatal bilious fevers. No medicine will act more surely in counteracting and freeing the system from the malarial poison, Headache, Indigestion, Constipation, Dizziness yield to Electric Bitters. 50c and \$1 per bottle at any drug store.

THE ST. LOUIS CONVENTION.

The Republicans met in convention at St. Louis Tuesday of this week. John M. Thurston of Nebraska was elected permanent chairman, and C. W. Fairbanks of Indiana was temporary chairman. There were 163 delegates. The greatest interest centered in the making of the platform, which is generally supposed will be for sound money. Some reports from St. Louis say the silver men will bolt if a gold standard man is put on a gold platform. Other reports say there will be no bolt.

St. Louis, June 18, 10:50. The committee on platforms and resolutions report by making the financial plank for the gold standard. Teller attempts to make a report for free silver. Great excitement prevails. Senators Teller, Cannon and two other free silver senators threaten to bolt the convention.

St. Louis, June 18, 11:10.—Foraker moves adoption of platform. Teller rises to object. Great crying and confusion.

St. Louis, June 18, 11:19.—Teller moves substitute for financial plank favoring use of gold and silver as equal standard and free unrestricted coinage of silver at ratio of 16 to 1.

Teller says its as important a question whether this country should have been divided under two flags.

St. Louis, June 18, 11:20.—Tellers various points are being loudly cheered.

St. Louis, June 18, 4 p m.—McKinley nominated for president and it is reported that the North Carolina delegation bolted the convention, also Senator Teller and other Free Silverites. No vice-president nominated. The convention will probably adjourn today.

Condensed Testimony.

Chas. E. Hood, Broker and manufacturer's agent, Columbus, Ohio, certifies that Dr. King's New Discovery has no equals as a cough remedy. J. D. Brown Prop. St. James Hotel, El. Wayne, Ind., testifies that he was cured of a cough of two years standing, caused by La Grippe, by Dr. King's New Discovery. B. F. Merrill, Baldwinville, Mass., says that he has used and recommended it and never knew it to fail and would rather have it than any doctor, because it always cures. Mrs. Hemming, 222 1/2 St. Chicago, always keeps it at hand and has no fear of croup, because it instantly relieves. Free trials Bottles at any drug store.

Lincoln Cotton Mills.

Death has again visited us and taken from our midst Mrs. Alice Harrill, wife of Anderson Harrill. She was in her fifty first year. She leaves a husband and one son and a host of relatives to mourn their loss.

Harvest is over with us. Most wheat is reported good. Corn and cotton are fine.

J. A. Abernethy and Company are preparing to attach an engine to their cotton mills in order to run when water is too high or too low. These are the kind of men we need. You see by being prepared to run at all times, they can get good hands and dismiss bad ones, if the Patriot does kick about it.

Miss Sylvia Lagle is very low at this time with some stomach trouble. We have had a great deal of sickness this summer, but not many deaths.

Success to THE DEMOCRAT. CITIZEN.

Rutherford's Candidate.

The Democrats of Rutherford county will present the name of Hon. Michael Hoke Justice to the State convention as their candidate for the nomination for Associate Justice of Supreme Court.

He is by common consent one of the ablest and most learned lawyers in the State, a devoted Democrat who has long and faithfully served his party without reward.—Rutherford Democrat.

The State by honoring Mr. Justice will honor itself and the Supreme Court Bench will be placed upon the highest plain of merit and intellectual dignity, by the election of such lawyers and patriotic citizens to fill its chairs.

Racket Store.

We wish to talk to you this week about a few lines that will be to your interest to examine. How about Shades. We can sell you a good Window Shade on good spring rollers for the little sum of 15 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 heavy goods 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 35 cents. The best Table Oil Cloth at only 15 cents. This is the season you want Lad Robes for your buggy and we have what you want in this line at the price you want.

We have a line of Sweet 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 Crocker 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 fit you up 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 unfortunate as to need a coffin come to see us, we can give them to you at the price you want. VERY RESPECTFULLY.

J. L. KISTLER.

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