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Shuford Re-nominated.

SALISBURY, Aug. 20.—The Populists of the seventh district met here to-day to nominate a candidate for Congress, an elector, etc. All during the morning and until late noon there was caucusing on the streets, the Republicans mingling freely in the discussions. At perhaps shortly after the Pops, went into caucus in the court room, from which all parties not members were debarred, little or nothing is known of the proceedings of the caucus. There was talk by friends of Mr. M. H. Caldwell, of Concord, that he would be nominated, and it was said that Mr. L. C. Caldwell, of Statesville, recent convert to the Populist faith, was a coming candidate, while Congressman Shuford's friends said he would receive the nomination. The result was looked to with interest. At 1:30 after the caucus adjourned, the house was called to order by J. F. Click, of the Hickory Mercury, chairman Sherrill being detained at home by sickness. Mr. Click called Mr. L. C. Caldwell, to the chair. Mr. Caldwell said: "I am glad to be with you to-day. It's a pleasure to me. This is the land of the free and the home of the brave; this is absolutely true." He continued in a brief speech and at the close appointed Ed. L. Kestler, of the Vestibule, and J. F. Click, of the Mercury, temporary secretaries. On roll call all the counties were represented, except Yadkin. There being no contests, no committee on credentials was appointed. On motion the temporary organization was made permanent.

Nominations were next in order, but Mr. Ed. Kestler wished to offer a resolution and was allowed to do so. The gist of his resolution was that the convention make no nomination for Congress, but leave that to the Republican convention to be held, the Populists to support the candidate. This was sat down on and tabled. Mr. Sims, of Concord, now put in nomination Mr. M. H. Caldwell in a lengthy speech heard with icy indifference. A gentleman from Davidson placed in nomination Hon. A. C. Shuford. [Received with cheers.] There being no other nominations, the house proceeded to ballot. Mr. Shuford received the nomination on first ballot.

He was notified, brought in and addressed the convention briefly. Mr. Caldwell, of Concord, was called on and pledged his support to Shuford. Mr. Caldwell, of Statesville, was also called and spoke briefly. On motion the elector was left to be named by the executive committee of the district. Sheriff Sims, of Concord, was elected a member of the executive committee, there being one place to be filled. Mr. Shuford's nomination virtually assures fusion of the Populists and Republicans in the district. The latter supported him in 1894 and will do so again. Your correspondent is sure of this from what he could gather from Republicans here.

Mr. Kestler's resolution was regarded as very good by the Republicans, only it didn't go far enough and resolute that a committee from both parties be appointed to confer together and select the candidate. But for this they say it would have carried. Hon. S. J. Pemberton will have a row to weed, but it is to be hoped that he will be able to meet the emergency and gain a victory.—Charlotte Observer.

The Gaston county Democrats last Saturday put up the following ticket:
For sheriff, W. T. Love, of Mt. Holly; Register of Deeds, H. J. Smith, of Belmont; treasurer, W. T. Henderson, of Dallas; surveyor, Jacob Kiser; coroner, J. T. Oates; House of representatives, S. M. Wilson, of Crowder's Mountain township. G. A. Patrick, J. C. Pruett and R. A. White were nominated for county commissioners.

Bryan's Courtship.

There is a romance connected with the early acquaintance of William Jennings Bryan with Miss Mary Baird, now Mrs. Bryan, which has never been published. Only a few persons know the story. One of this number is a Topeka man, who relates it. At the same time that Miss Baird was a student in the Jacksonville Female College, at Jacksonville, Ill., young Bryan was attending the Illinois College at the same place. After a certain hour in the afternoon the young ladies of the college were free to promenade about the college grounds, and while enjoying this recreation took the opportunity to "flirt" with the boys from the Illinois College, who were invariably on hand. It was during the promenades that Miss Baird attracted the attention of young Bryan and a flirtation was begun. This led to an acquaintance, and a meeting was arranged at the home of a relative of the young lady's in the suburbs of Jacksonville. The first meeting was but a forerunner of a series of weekly visits by both parties to the same place. But the enjoyment of the young couple was not allowed to proceed without interruption. The matter came to the president of the female college and he at once called Miss Baird to him and questioned her concerning it. She acknowledged that she had been in the habit of meeting young Bryan and as such conduct was distinctly against the rules of the college, her sentence was expulsion. She was ordered to be in readiness to leave the college at a certain date.

The news of Miss Baird's expulsion reached Bryan the same day, and, without waiting to map out any plans of procedure, he hastened to the president's office. Young Bryan was even then the prize orator of the Illinois College, and he started in to convince the president that he had taken the wrong course and that the expulsion was unmerited. A few days prior to this event Bryan had written the parents of Miss Baird, asking their consent to visit the young lady. Although he had not received a reply, he presumed an affirmative answer, and told the president that he had the consent of the young lady's parents, and that his intentions were entirely honorable. He also presumed upon the affections of the young lady, and stated that their formal engagement was only a matter of a few weeks. At the end of an hour young Bryan had the president of the college looking at the matter in an entirely different light. Not only was the sentence of expulsion repealed, but Bryan obtained consent to visit Miss Baird at the college weekly. Although it was not until after the young couple had left their respective colleges that their engagement was announced, it was while at school they became fast friends. Both graduated at the same time, and a few years later they were married.—Press Visitor.

According to the summary of the Gastonia Gazette, the Georgia Pops have made the following platform:
1. Abolition of the saloon and government control of the liquor business. 2. Abolition of the convict lease system and the employment of convicts on the public roads. 3. Free school books for children. 4. No more free passes for executive, legislative or judicial officers. 5. Lynch law must be suppressed. 6. All officers, including judges, must be elected by the people. 7. No more fees where it is practicable to pay salaries. 8. Proper pensions for needy and deserving Confederate veterans. The St. Louis platform is adopted in full.

Six weeks ago I suffered with a very severe cold; was almost unable to speak. My friends all advised me to consult a physician. Noticing Chamberlain's Cough Remedy advertised in the St. Paul Volks Zeitung I procured a bottle, and after taking it a short while was entirely well. I now most heartily recommend this remedy to anyone suffering with a cold. Wm. Kell, 679 Shelby Ave., St. Paul, Minn. For sale by W. L. Crouse, Druggist.

Poor Carolina.

Bismark could forgive, but he wished to do it after proper solicitation. At the beginning of the Danish war, Field-Marshal Wrangel, who was at the head of the Prussian troops, was exceedingly annoyed, at one point, to be telegraphed not to advise farther, and he returned a message telling King William that "These diplomatists who spoil the most successful operations deserve the gallows."

After that, Bismark ignored him completely, and one day they met at the king's table, where it was especially awkward to preserve a coldness. Wrangle called everybody Du, and presently he turned to Bismark, who was seated next him, and said, "My son, caust thou not forget?" "No," was the curt reply. After a pause, Wrangle began again. "My son, caust thou not forgive?" "With all my heart," said Bismark, and the breach was healed. But when an offence was public rather than personal, he showed that he could be lenient even to the undeserving, especially if they struck his sense of humor.

In 1863, a Princess Caroline of Reuss had imposed a special tax upon her subjects, in order to pay for the marriage of one of her daughters. The act was severely commented on by the press, and the Kladderadatsch, Berlin's funny paper, published a caustic poem on the subject, for which Dohnitz editor, was given five weeks' imprisonment. But when he had served out a month of his time, a cartoon appeared in his paper, showing him confined within the cage-like iron work of a huge crucible, while his colleagues stood about, full of sympathy. Beneath the print was the legend, "Crinoline."

The king was so amused at the cartoon that Bismark had no difficulty in getting him to let Dohnitz out of jail. And then he wrote to the editor: "I beg to inform you that his majesty the king has seen fit to remit the remainder of your five weeks' imprisonment. The charming cartoon in your last issue has not been without influence on this decision; but may I combine a personal request with this intimation, and beg you now to leave poor Caroline alone?"—Youth's Companion.

Another Prohibition Ticket.

The Prohibitionists are split more so than the old parties. A few days since one element of the weak water advocates met at Salisbury and nominated a straight ticket. Yesterday the National Prohibition Party met and put out the following State and electoral ticket:

- For Governor—Rev. Jeremiah W. Holt, of Alamance county.
- For Lieutenant Governor—Thos. M. Stephens, of Durham county.
- For Secretary of State—W. O. Allen, of Wake county.
- For Auditor—John R. Miller, of Davidson county.
- For Treasurer—Perry McLean, of Guilford county.
- For Superintendent of Public Instruction—J. C. Bain, of Randolph county.
- For Attorney General—Yancey H. Cox, of Randolph county.
- For Electors at Large—Franklin S. Blair, of Guilford county; J. M. Tompkins, of Wake county.

It will be observed that Father Worth was again given the cold shoulder.—Press-Visitor.

Well Turned.

The art and fine spirit of James Russell Lowell are still quite frequently spoken of in the literary circles of London, and anecdotes of him are told with keen enjoyment. On one occasion at a large banquet the peculiarities of American speech were discussed with English bluntness. Lord S called to Mr. Lowell loudly, so as to silence all other speakers:

"There is one new expression invented by your countrymen so foolish and vulgar as to be unpardonable. They talk of the 'ashes of the dead.' We don't burn corpses. No Englishman would use a phrase so absurd." "And yet," said Mr. Lowell, gently, "your poet Gray says, speaking of the dead: 'E'en in our ashes live their wonted fires.'"

"And in the burial service of the church of England it is said, 'Dust to dust, and ashes to ashes.' Wasn't in good company." A cordial burst of applause greeted this prompt rejoinder.

A clever New York girl made an equally apt rejoinder last winter in London. She was invited to meet the Prince of Wales at breakfast with some other Americans. During breakfast the prince called her countrymen good-humoredly on the liberty taken by Americans in "clipping the king's English," robbing words of letters in pronunciation. After they had risen from table he found the shy little girl in a corner, and asked her kindly, "What in London has most impressed you?" "Sinful, your highness," was the timid reply. "Sinful?" said the puzzled prince.

"Oh yes! There is nothing in the town as wonderful to me." "I am afraid," he said with a slight expression of annoyance, "that you know my London better than I. Sinful? Is it a theatre—a cafe—what is it?" "A church, your highness. We Americans would call it St. Paul; but as you call St. John, Sinful, this, it seems, must be Sinful." The prince laughed heartily, and declared himself fairly worsted.—Youth's Companion.

Rev. Thos. H. Letch Cared.

Rev. Thos. H. Letch, the evangelist, has just closed a meeting at Tabernacle church, near Lancaster, S. C. During the progress of the meeting a Miss Rodman, whose home was in the village of Lancaster, was publicly insulted from the pulpit by Mr. Letch. Miss Rodman, who is a young lady lady of impeccable character, informed her father of the indignity that had been put upon her and he, yesterday, at the depot in Lancaster, met the evangelist and demanded an apology. Mr. Letch refused to apologize, whereupon the irate father broke a walking cane over his head.

The insult to Miss Rodman consisted in abusive epithets hurled at her by the preacher because of some fancied misbehavior on her part. She was called "a half-witted girl from town," "a fool," was told "that all the raising she ever had was when her mother raised her from the ground by her hair," &c., &c. The above facts were given us by Maj. T. J. Ingram, who was in Lancaster yesterday, and who arrived home last night.—Wadesboro Messenger.

Marvelous Results.

From a letter written by Rev. J. Gundersman, of Diamondale, Mich., we are permitted to make this extract: "I have no hesitation in recommending Dr. King's New Discovery, as the results were almost marvelous in the case of my wife. While I was pastor of the Baptist church at Rives Junction, she was brought down with pneumonia, succeeded by LaGrippe. Terrible paroxysms of coughing would last hours with little interruption, and it seemed as if she could not survive them. A friend recommended Dr. King's New Discovery; it was quick in its work and highly satisfactory in results." Trial bottles free at any drug store. Regular size 50c. and \$1.00.

Charles Francis Adams has come out for Bryan and Sewall.

An Honest Statesman.

Jules Simon, the celebrated French Statesman who died not long ago, willingly endured "plain living" that he might indulge "high thinking." Louis Napoleon was anxious that Simon should join the imperial party, but from his chair at the Sorbonne he spoke scathingly of the coup d'etat as an outrage against liberty. His lectures were suppressed in consequence, and the honest lecturer had to begin the battle of life over again, as he had no private fortune. Every lecture-room in France was closed to him, and he was compelled to find his audience in Belgium.

He returned to France in 1851, to establish a number of model lodging-houses for working people with money that had been contributed for that purpose. The emperor welcomed him back and approved the scheme; but hinted to him through the medium of a friend, that any such houses must be opened "under the patronage of the emperor."

To this Monsieur Simon replied that he would do no such thing; the money had been raised without the emperor's aid, and he did not propose to give credit where it was not due. Thereupon the emperor told the police to watch him as a dangerous man.

At the same time the emperor set Monsieur Simon's old friends who had bowed to the imperial yoke, tempting him to cast in his lot with them. The Empire wanted a man of tact, sense and spirit to undertake the Education Department. "A salary of twenty thousand dollars a year," said one "House-rent free, patronage and perquisites," insinuated another. "The chance of doing good," put in a third tempter. "And the friendship of the empress, who reads all your books and admires them," said a fourth.

M. Jules Simon was lodging on a fifth floor. The rooms were not large nor the furniture sumptuous. He retired with a quiet smile: "I attach little importance to forms. I am an advocate of simple freedom. Bring me liberty in any form, with the Orleans princess, with the Republic, or even with Napoleon, and I am ready to serve you. But I am not a footman, and the ministership you would give me under a regime such as this would be a mental office, and nothing more."—Youth's Companion.

A Mixed-up Family.

A queer family relationship is the result of a marriage ceremony that was recently performed by a New York alderman. When the couple appeared in the city hall, Lena Ernest, who is forty, stout and bashful, leaned upon the thin and unmuscular arm of Morris Stahl, sixty-six, wrinkled, stooped and snowy-haired. The old man nervously explained, says the New York Journal, that matrimony was the object of their visit. "You see," he told the alderman, "we live in Jersey City, and we have decided to get married—for the children's sake, not ours, you know. It's a little bit mixed, isn't it Lena?"

Lena nodded and braced herself to speak. Said she, "I am a widow, and Morris Stahl's former wife was my brother's daughter. Morris and I have agreed to get married, so that I may become a mother to my niece's children." "We find it difficult to decide what our relationship to the children will be." The woman went on, "My brother's daughter is my niece; to her children I become grandaunt and stepmother. Being stepdaughters they become stepnieces to me—"

Right here the alderman looked enviously at a bottle of lavender salts that Lena held in her hand. Lena paid no attention to the glance, but proceeded: "And their father on marrying me becomes their brother-in-law."

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Now, I figure it, as they are aunts to their brother-in-law's (their father's) children, they also become their own aunts. At this point Lena brought the lavender salts into play, to her infinite relief. "If you carry the relationship any further," ejaculated the alderman, "you might say the children's stepfather and stepmother also become their grandfather and grandmother, or uncles to their second cousins on the mother's and father's side, three times removed, or both, I give it up."—Youth's Companion.

The Salisbury World says the caucus of the 7th district Populists at Salisbury on the 20th exceeded more time than the regular convention. Only a few delegates from each county attended the caucus. Great is the rule of the people!

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