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National Democratic Ticket.

FOR PRESIDENT: WILLIAM JENNINGS BRYAN, OF NEBRASKA.
FOR VICE-PRESIDENT: ARTHUR SEAWALL, OF MAINE.

Democratic State Ticket.

FOR GOVERNOR: CYRUS B. WATSON, OF FORTY-FOUR.
FOR LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR: THOMAS W. MASON, OF NOTHAMPTON.
FOR SECRETARY OF STATE: CHARLES M. COOKE, OF FRANKLIN.
FOR TREASURER: BENJAMIN F. AYCOCK, OF WAYNE.
FOR AUDITOR: ROBERT M. FURMAN, OF BUNCOMBE.
FOR ATTORNEY GENERAL: FRANK I. OSBORNE, OF MECKLENBURG.
FOR SUPERINTENDENT OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION: JOHN C. SCARBOROUGH, OF JOHNSON.
FOR JUSTICES SUPREME COURT: A. C. AVERY, of Burke, G. H. BROWN, Jr., of Beaufort, JAMES S. MANNING, of DURHAM.
FOR ELECTORS, STATE-AT-LARGE: LOCKE CRAIG, of Buncombe, THEO. F. KLUTTZ, of ROWAN.
FOR CONGRESS, 7TH DISTRICT: S. J. PEMBERTON, OF STANLEY.
FOR SENATORS, 20TH DISTRICT: W. A. SELF, of Catawba, C. C. WRIGHT, of Wilkes.

County Democratic Ticket.

FOR THE LEGISLATURE: J. F. REINHARDT.
FOR SHERIFF: B. C. WOOD.
FOR REGISTER OF DEEDS: R. H. DELLINGER.
FOR TREASURER: H. J. CROOKS.
FOR SURVEYOR: L. P. SIFFORD.
FOR CORONER: LAWSON HOUSER.
FOR COUNTY COMMISSIONERS: P. A. THOMPSON, H. E. RAMSAUR, WM. HULL.

Russell says he expects to be elected Governor by 40,000 majority. But he doesn't believe any such thing.

It is distressing to his great host of friends to learn that Hon. C. B. Watson, Democratic candidate for Governor, is so unwell as that he will not be able to speak again during the remainder of the campaign. We fondly hope that he will be elected to redeem the State.

From the state of affairs up to this time this week, we state it as our deliberate opinion that we believe W. J. Bryan will be our next President. It is incumbent, however, upon every man to vote the full State electoral ticket to make assurance doubly sure. See that you do it.

The Raleigh correspondence of the Charlotte Observer says that from inquiring from people in Wake county there will be very little scratching by Populists or Democrats on the fusion electoral ticket. It should be so in every county in North Carolina. Remember, when you vote for a Populist or Democratic elector you are not voting for them at all, but for W. J. Bryan for President. Is not this plain to all the people? Then by all means fail not to vote the full electoral ticket.

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AS TO MR. RHODES.

The time is fast drawing near when we are to vote in Lincoln county to execute the laws of our county.

Would it be wise to vote for C. H. Rhodes and send him out to take care of the law-breakers, that we, as tax-payers, may bear the burden of unnecessary prosecution brought on by the failure of an officer to do his duty?

Rhodes is the ever-to-be-remembered Sheriff, who has proven a burden to our county. He is the man who went, with the law on his side, to arrest a man near town and was run off by an old man bent with age, a boy on crutches and two young women.

Mr. Rhodes dreamed that he was an officer being resisted and came to town for a posse to aid in the arrest of this mixture of old age, crutches and woman's charms. Of course this was investigated in court at a cost to the county, and we suppose to the High Sheriff's delight, as this is not his first indulgence in lines of a like kind. We are sure that the above arose from fear on the part of Mr. Rhodes when there was no reason for fear. What would he do in the face of court for alarm? Consult the cause records and see what he has done, find hundreds of dollars taxed against the county because of Rhodes' short-comings. Ask Jack DeLane how he treats the county in matter of receipts, and then elect him again to turn down one of the best men in the county.

Rhodes may plead ignorance and inexperience in office, as to the foregoing, although he had been exercising the duties of that office for over a year. And later we find that by reason of his careless business method in collecting the taxes, that there was a deficiency of the county's fund, and somebody was accused of having been guilty of embezzlement, the cost of investigating which, charges if found to be true or not, must be paid by the tax payers of Lincoln county, and as yet the truthfulness of the said charge has not been established.

The trouble litigants have to get their papers and property is great, and in every instance when there is complication the sheriff gets so mixed up as to cause no end of lawsuits by reason of improper service, or unlawful buying, failure to sell etc. And, in fact, it is necessary to give him a bond for most every paper he owns, causing not only unnecessary court cost to every citizen who tries to protect his rights by law; but also putting the county to additional expense for holding courts, and the unfortunate litigant wishes he had abandoned his right. For an illustration, the complications arising out of the claimant against Knight and Morrison, or the Graham Gold Mines. When officers levied and seized upon the same personal property each and every one forbidding the other to sell under execution even when a bond of twice the amount of the judgment is tendered him, he asking for a bond of \$4000. before he would sell enough personal property to satisfy a judgment of \$100.

The worst thing of all was what Rhodes said to Dr. W. C. Kiser, when Kiser stated at Reepsville that "Rhodes had cost the county from \$400. to \$800 court cost in two or three cases." Rhodes replied after a few hot words, "I FEEL LIKE SHOOTING THE D—N RASCAL'S HEART OUT." Dr. Kiser is stating FACTS THAT ARE NOT SO.

As we all know, the law allows a high Sheriff of a county to carry a pistol, but not for the purpose of shooting men's hearts out who are "TELLING FACTS THAT ARE NOT SO." And if a sheriff cannot control his temper better than this he is an exceedingly dangerous man to license to carry a deadly weapon. It would seem we are not only increasing our taxes, but also jeopardizing our lives by keeping in office such men—truly not on political grounds—but for the welfare of all good law-abiding citizens, we should not vote for men who can't fill offices better than this. We have weighed him in the balance and he was found wanting. Now, have we not also seen the handwriting upon the wall. Will we disregard this warning, or will we all vote for Wood and thereby say that we will not ratify the foregoing misdeeds.

IMPORTING ILLEGAL VOTERS.

White Men be on Your Guard—Negroes Being Illegally Registered.

It seems that Chairman Holton had matured his plans well when he told Mr. Creelman, of the New York World, that "THE ENORMOUS REGISTRATION OF UNQUALIFIED NEGRO VOTERS" would give the State to McKinley. The importations in Asheville alone, the home of Boodle Pearson, have been so great and so scandalous as to arouse public indignation to such a pitch as to secure the call for a public non-partisan meeting. Resolutions demanding vigorous efforts to prevent illegal voting were adopted, and committees appointed to assist the election of officers. Mr. J. M. Gudger, Jr., voiced public sentiment when he said:

"The States of South Carolina and Tennessee are being ransacked in the importation of fraudulent voters. The tax list shows this fact, but the people are going to the ballot box to see that the citizens of those States do not vote in Buncombe. The last city election showed that persons voted here who were not residents. We know the fact by what we have seen, and it is absurd to deny that illegal voting is now attempted. I protest in the name of the people and am not influenced by partisanship in my utterances here."

With the theft of a registration book in Raleigh in order to disfranchise 265 Democratic voters, and this wholesale importation in Asheville, the intelligent and honest majority of the State is brought face to face with the proposition: Will you sit idly by and permit the knaves and scoundrels, acting under orders of Republican leaders, thus to rob the people of their franchises, and foist a government of hate and dishonesty upon the State? The campaign of Russell was conceived in iniquity and born in fraud. By buying delegates and unseating those who could not be bought, Russell's henchmen secured his nomination. Whatever of character remained in the Republican party in North Carolina walked out of it then, and the campaign is now in the hands of men who are resolved to steal the election just as they stole the nomination. The importation of voters, the "ENORMOUS REGISTRATION OF UNQUALIFIED NEGRO VOTERS," the theft of the registration book in a strong Democratic ward, the bribery and corruption that are seen on every hand show that the Republican managers will stop at nothing to gain control of the State.

The so-called honest election law drawn by Russell & Co., and the machinery provided by unscrupulous Republican clerks, promises a crop of gigantic frauds if the Democrats do not meet this movement exposed in Raleigh, which doubtless extends all over the East, with watchfulness and courage. Thank God we still have white men in North Carolina, whose fathers and brothers spilled their blood to protect their rights and to avoid subordination to the negro. Many gallant old soldiers still shoulder their crutches and "show how fields were won." These men and their sons must and will be early and late at the polls to see that corrupt negroes shall not venture even for Hanna's treasure to defraud the white men of North Carolina of their franchise. Let these "UNQUALIFIED NEGROES" and their backers beware that they do not provoke good citizens too far in their mad and dishonest course!

Free men of North Carolina: stand at the polls and make it hot for the minions of Russell and tools of Hanna who would make elections a mockery.

Populists: Behold how Daniel Russell has promised fish and given you a serpent. He has left a loop-hole through which, if white men are not watchful, those who are conspiring against honest elections, will accomplish their purposes and escape the punishment they so richly deserve. The children of white Populists as well as of white Democrats will be placed, if the schemes of these leaders succeed, under the everlasting domination of those who were called by Russell "saves ges."

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STATE NEWS.

There are 500 new pension applications at Raleigh this year.

Gov. Carr says he thinks the State will go for Bryan by from 12,000 to 20,000.

Iredell has a colored man nominated for magistrate, and one for constable. That's tough.

Russell says he has not now, and never has had, any doubt of his election. We hope he is a poor prophet.

Dr. Ingle, of Iredell county, says the Landmark, has an apple tree with a second growth of apples on it.

John Alexander, a negro registrar of Mecklenburg county, was last week arrested for disposing of mortgaged property. He gave bond and was released.

The Observer says Judge Brown made a record last week in Charlotte, not only on the bench, but on the wheel. He learned to mount and ride in one afternoon—a feat seldom performed. The Derita road was his practice ground. He gives promise of being an expert at an early day.

The Biblical Recorder, the organ of the Baptist church of North Carolina, makes an attack on Robert M. Douglas, who is the Populist and Republican nominee for Associate Justice of the State Supreme Court. Douglas is a son of Stephen A. Douglas and is a Roman Catholic. It is for the latter reason that the attack is made.

Last Saturday morning Rabe McGill, a colored man well known around Gastonia, was found in the woods, near the covered bridge nearly dead with wounds inflicted with an axe. He was near a house of ill repute kept by white women. Very little can be learned about the matter. It is believed he was killed by another negro named Pete Atkinson who worked with Mr. R. A. Brown's brick force.—The Gazette.

The Raleigh correspondent of the Charlotte Observer of Tuesday says that from reports received at Democratic State headquarters, it appears there is no end of fraudulent registration. At one precinct four negro ex-convicts registered. A bystander called attention to the fact, and thereupon one of the ex-convicts coolly observed that the law had been changed, and there was now no reason why an ex-convict should not be registered.

Will The Major do it?
The Charlotte Observer, in its issue of Tuesday, eloquently implores Major Guthrie to come off the Populist ticket in favor of Watson for Governor. The Observer says:

It is our judgment that two weeks from today Mr. Watson will be elected Governor. There is one gentleman who can make that result certain, and he ought to be good enough to do it. The reference is to Maj. W. A. Guthrie. He cannot want to see Judge Russell elected—that is not to be thought of. He cannot be elected himself, and he of course knows it. In his campaign speeches he has demonstrated his fidelity to the cause of silver by urging his fellow-party-men to vote for no gold-bug for any office—this notwithstanding that his party has fused on a number of candidates who are either secretly or openly gold standard men. Judge Russell he knows to be a gold standard man. Now, desiring, as he does, the defeat of all gold-bugs, and desiring even above that the well-being of North Carolina, he could do no more patriotic thing, could do nothing that would contribute so much to his fame, as to withdraw from the race for Governor and request his followers to give their support to Mr. Watson.

Opportunity, like fortune, knocks once at every man's door. It knocks at Maj. Guthrie's now—the opportunity to do his State a great and lasting service and to perpetuate his name.

Fits Cured.
From N. E. Journal of Medicine
Prof. W. H. Fiske, who cures a variety of Epilepsy, has without doubt cured more cases than any living Physician; his success is astonishing. We have heard of cases cured by him. He publishes a valuable work on this disease, which he sends free to any person who writes to him. He also gives a list of his absolute cures, free to any sufferer who may send their name and address to South Broad St., Atlanta, Ga. 7-19-96.

GENERAL NEWS.

They have already had snow in New York state.

The New York Recorder, after an existence of five years has gone under.

The Sibley Cotton Mill at Augusta has started up, employing 1,500 hands.

J. D. Walker, cashier of the Port Royal, S. C., bank, has gone off with \$10,000 belonging to the bank.

Gladstone has written another letter about the terrible Turkish atrocities. He is terribly in earnest about it.

It is announced by the New York Herald that President Cleveland will not vote this year. He lives in New York, but has not taken the trouble to go there to register.

Wheat is now 20 cents higher than at the opening of the crop year. It is predicted that it will go to a dollar a bushel by November. It is sincerely to be hoped so.

S. P. Sheerin, for many years secretary of the national Democratic committee, and the Indiana member of the committee, in a statement prepared by him for the Indianapolis News, declares for Palmer and Buckner.

W. T. Rambrun, banker and real estate man of Juneau, Wis., has been missing over ten days and investigation discloses the fact that he has been a systematic embezzler for twenty years and that his stealings have amounted to \$2,000,000 to \$3,000,000.

When Mr. Bryan said the other day: "I believe in Almighty God," the New York Sun was seriously offended. But when Bob Ingersoll takes the stump and says: "I do not believe in Almighty God," the Sun will doubtless shine on itself in pure and unrestrained joy. Memphis Commercial-Appeal.

Merritt Brigg, one of eastern Virginia's leading criminal lawyers, was struck dead while pleading a case in the circuit court at Suffolk, Va., Saturday. Mr. Briggs' face suddenly blanched and his hands pressed over his heart. He muttered a word of excuse to the Judge, staggered backward and fell in his seat. There was a deep breath, several short gasps, and all was over before the horrified spectators had realized the situation. Death was almost instantaneous.

The most remarkable election bet yet recorded is one in which the penalty stipulated is that the loser shall promptly leave the United States and remain in exile from his native land for the remainder of his life. The parties to this wager, which entails so great a sacrifice, are C. N. Donaldson and Fred W. Burke, of Milwaukee, Wisconsin. Both are men of prominence in the business and social circles of the city and are in the prime of life, and neither has any definite plans in regard to the occupation he will follow on taking up a residence in foreign lands.

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Men's and Boys Campaign Hats and Caps for both Democratic and Republican nominees. This is the time you want to show what side of the fence you stand on. Our stock of Dry Goods, Notions etc., is always full up.

ORGAN TO BE GIVEN AWAY DEC. 24TH, 1896.

Don't forget about the Organ to be given away on the 24th before Christmas. The tickets are moving away. You had best hold a ticket on that day. You may be the lucky one.

J. L. KISTLER, Lincolnton, N. C.

FATHER OF LOW PRICES.

We promised to give you some prices last week but we were entirely too busy. We will call your attention to our Clothing line. We have by far the largest line we have ever carried, and the prices are right. Children's Suits from \$1.00 up. Boy's Suits from \$2.00 up. Men's Suits from \$2.50 up. And we have a very nice line of Pants at prices to defy competition. We have a lot of old Pants from broken suits that we are selling at cost.

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We are too busy to say more this week. Lookout next week for our ad on Ladies Capes, Jackets, Shoes &c.

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