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The smoke of the recent political battle has passed away, and leaves us some sad reminders of its presence, but the pledges which we were loath to believe are now some comfort, and we rely upon them with all the confidence our judgment will allow, based upon the history of the past, and hoping that our political enemies have kept pace with the times in all things, we are relieved of any responsibility and quietly await to see if those who have so long been without any power in our State can administer the affairs to its better advantage, or even so well as the Democrats have done in the last 20 years.

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change of 25,398 votes in nine doubtful states been made in favor of Mr. Bryan, he would have been elected: Yet the yellow bugs are yelling that it was a regular landslide. This is very close considering the vast use of money and intimidation that was exercised by the gold bugs.

Mrs. Walter M. Castle, of San Francisco, Cal., who was sentenced at the Clerkenwell session on last Friday to three months imprisonment without labor, after having pleaded guilty of shop lifting, under her counsel's advice, was released from Worm-Wood Scrubb's prison on Tuesday, on Medical grounds, by order of the Home Secretary, Sir Matthews White Ridley. She was utterly prostrate and broken down in mind and body. The woman is a kleptomaniac and was not responsible for her acts.

FROM Consul Fitz Hugh Lee's oral report to Mr. Cleveland and Mr. Olney on the situation in Cuba, it would seem that Spain is getting tired of her job and only wants a good excuse to give it up. She does not want to release Cuba, nor stop fighting her voluntarily, nor at Cuba's request; but wants the United States or some other government to interfere, so she can gracefully withdraw from the same. We hope that our government will interfere before there is much more blood shed and atrocity committed by the Spaniards. If it is Spain's wish, why not grant it at once?

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TO THE DEMOCRACY OF LINCOLN COUNTY.

Feel not dismayed nor disheartened at the temporary downfall of the immortal principles which we all love, honor and respect. Remember that defeat is necessary to any organization, though unpleasant. People grow haughty, indifferent and domineering under too much success, and will destroy themselves if left alone without opposition. In this fight some of our workers had grown a little too indifferent but awake in time to fall, in the charge. We show an increased white democratic vote of about 800 more than has ever been polled before in this County, fighting without arms or money, as it were, while our enemies fought not empty handed, but with all needed aid.

To-day the Democratic party of Lincoln county stands of pure Saxon blood, freed from the taints of Populism—Radicalism, on the eternal principles of Democracy, for what we believe to be the best financial policy for the people and not for the capitalist, bankers, and trusts. You have all fought valiantly for the principles you espoused, and are temporarily prevented from obtaining them. Rally with renewed vigor to the battle cry of the immortal William J. Bryan.

"Thou shalt not press down a crown of thorns upon the brow of labor."

"Thou shalt not crucify mankind on a cross of gold."

Believing in the righteousness of our cause we will work out our political salvation in 1900. I especially would extend my thanks and congratulations to the entire County Executive Committee, who served the cause of Democracy so faithfully and rendered me invaluable assistance in the campaign.

Very respectfully, S. G. FINLEY, Ch'm. Co. Dem. Ex. Com.

Candidates Must File an Account of Election Expenses. The election law, chapter 159, section 72, requires all candidates, including presidential electors, governor, lieutenant-governor, secretary of state, treasurer, superintendent of public instruction, attorney general, auditor, members of congress, judges of the superior court, judges of criminal court, solicitors, members of the general assembly, county treasurer, register of deeds, coroner, sheriff, surveyor, township constable, county commissioners, justices of the peace, tax collectors, and all other officers voted for at this election, are to file before the 13th day of November, 1896, an itemized statement, showing in detail all the monies contributed or expended by him directly or indirectly through any other person in the aid of his election.

Such statement shall give the names of the various persons who used the money, the specific nature of each item, and the purpose for which it was contributed. There shall be attached to such statement an affidavit sworn to by such candidates setting forth in substance that the statements in the paper are in all respects true, and that the same is a true and detailed statement of all monies so contributed or expended directly or indirectly either by himself or through any other person.

Candidates for offices to be filed by the electors of the entire State or any subdivision or district greater than a county shall file their statement in the office of the Secretary of State at Raleigh. Candidates for house of representatives, sheriff, register of deeds, constable, treasurer, county commissioners, coroner, surveyor, justice of peace, tax collector and city or other county officers, must file their statements in the office of clerk of the superior court in the county in which they reside.—Press-Visitor.

Bucklen's Arnica Salve. The Best Salve in the world for Cuts, Bruises, Sores, Ulcers, Salt Rheum, Fever Sores, Tetter, Chapped hands, Chilblains, Corns, and all Skin Eruptions, and positively cures Piles, or no pay required. It is guaranteed to give perfect satisfaction or money refunded. Price 25 cents per box. For sale at all drug stores.

Wanted! General Agents, Local Agents and Solicitors for the largest Mutual National Premium Life Association in the world. W. F. MOODY, MANAGER, Charlotte, N. C.

A Negro Elected.

The interesting story comes from Boston that among the official advisers of Governor Wolcott in the executive council of 1896 will sit a full-blooded negro, Isaac B. Allen by name. He defeated Treasurer John H. Sullivan, of the Democratic State Committee, for re-election by a few hundred votes, to the total amazement of Republicans and Democrats alike. When Allen was nominated no one dreamed that he would come within seven rows of apple trees of election. Had such a possibility been so much as dreamed of, the Republicans of this district would never have nominated him. But the tidal wave that swept the state carried him into the State House and rendered the council unanimously Republican for the first time in half a century. Sullivan's majority last year was 5,000. Allen was born a slave on a plantation in Hampton, Va., fifty-four years ago. When emancipated he came North, and now is the proprietor of an eating house in the west end. He is reported to be comfortably well off. He has been an active figure in local politics and was an enthusiastic campaigner for General Benjamin F. Butler in his historic canvass for the governorship.—Press-Visitor.

Judge Graham Creates a Stir at Wilson.

His Honor Judge Graham caused a sensation in court Wednesday. The regular jury was empaneled in the case of State vs. Neverson Williams, who was charged with selling liquor to minors. The judge told the jury that if they believed the witnesses "he is guilty. Retire and make up your verdict." The jury retired and on their return announced a verdict of not guilty, whereupon the judge discharged them for the term saying, "You are utterly incompetent to sit on a jury; sheriff, summon me a jury of men of good moral character." Sheriff Crowell replied, "I don't know that I could find a better jury." Mr. John E. Woodard said: "It is as good a jury as we can get in the county." The affair created a decided sensation, as it was by far over an average jury, and his honor has been severely criticised by our people.—Wilson Times.

Lee's Oral Report.

From the highest possible authority it is learned that Fitzhugh Lee, consul at Havana came to the United States for the sole purpose of explaining by word of mouth to Secretary Olney and President Cleveland the peculiar condition of affairs existing in Cuba. He saw both gentlemen again today. He said the Spaniards are making small progress and no speedy termination of the war is expected. He intimated that the intention of Weyler was to commit some overt act to cause the intervention of the United States, which would gracefully permit Spain to withdraw from Cuba and not lose her prestige and power among the great nations.—Press-Visitor.

Personal.

FREE—64-page medical reference book to any person afflicted with any special, chronic or delicate disease peculiar to their sex. Address the leading physicians and surgeons of the United States, Dr. Hathaway & Co., 22 1/2 South Broad St., Atlanta, Ga. 7-1-96-1y.

A special of October 30th from Scotland Neck to the Raleigh News and Observer says: A most distressing accident occurred yesterday at Hobgood, a little town at the crossing of the Scotland Neck and Kingston and the Norfolk and Carolina Railroads. The son of Dr. K. Leggett was playing alone in a pile of cotton seed and had been digging a hole, which he called a well. He was missing for a time and when the family searched they found that he had fallen into the well he had made in the cotton seed and been smothered.

The Legislature of 1893 changed the day of the Governor's inauguration from the first Monday in January to the third Wednesday after the first Monday in January. On that day the recently elected State officers will take the oath of office.

CASTORIA For Infants and Children. The largest and best Housekeeping Goods in the Town.

Consumption

AND ITS CURE TO THE EDITOR:—I have an absolute remedy for Consumption. By its timely use thousands of hopeless cases have been permanently cured. So good-positive and I consider it my duty to send two bottles free to those of your readers who have Consumption, Throat, Bronchial or Lung Trouble, if they will write me their express and postoffice address. Sincerely, T. A. SLOCUM, M. C., 183 Front St., New York. The Editorial and Business Management of this Paper Guarantees this generous Proposition.

Adjourned to see the Circus. The Democratic caucus for United States Senator adjourned last Tuesday at the conclusion of the 23rd ballot. The result of this ballot was as follows: A S Clay, 23; W Y Atkinson, 52; Lewis, 15; Howell, 40. The caucus is to be held Thursday afternoon. The adjournment was effected in order to let the legislators hear from their constituents and to give them a chance to see the circus Thursday.—News & Observer.

China Grove in Luck. China Grove, N. C., will be granted free delivery, in accordance with the experiments now being made by the Postoffice Department for the establishment of such service for rural districts.—News and Observer.

Same as Usual.

It ain't changed any; For the sky's still blue; It's the same old country, And—the house rent's due.

Hood's Pills cure liver ills, constipation, jaundice, sick headache, biliousness. 25c.

Mr. Edward Lauterbach, the New York Republican leader, said if the American people decided against the gold standard, "We may not abide by that verdict."

When Mr. William J. Bryan received the news of the triumph of his opponents, he wrote: "We have submitted the issue to the American people, and their will is law."

Which is the revolutionist, which the patriot?

Many people, when a little constipated, make the mistake of using saline or other drastic purgatives. All that is needed is a mild dose of Ayer's Pills to restore the regular movement of the bowels, and nature will do the rest. They keep the system in perfect order.

It comes to the Argus from Fork township that several negro men over there waylaid and beat another colored male citizen of the township unmercifully last Saturday night, because the latter had failed to vote in last Tuesday's election. Due diligence should be exercised by the proper legal authorities to ferret out and punish, as they deserve, those who do so. Those who were implicated in this outrage.—Goldboro Argus.

"Turn the rascals out"—the familiar party cry—may be applied to microbes as well as to men. The germs of disease that lurk in blood are "turned out" by Ayer's Sarsaparilla as effectually as the old postmasters are displaced by a new administration.

The colored brother is going to ask President-elect McKinley for a Cabinet job. The unanimity with which his request will be refused will make his head swim.—New York Journal.

Save Your Money. One box of Tutt's Pills will save many dollars in doctors' bills. They will surely cure all diseases of the stomach, liver or bowels. No Reckless Assertion For sick headache, dyspepsia, malaria, constipation and biliousness, a million people endorse TUTT'S LIVER PILLS.

A DANDY THING TO SELL.

I have been doing so well this summer selling combination dippers that I think it my duty to tell others about it. I have not made as much money as some I read about, but I never made less than \$3, and often \$5 a day; the dipper can be used as a fruit jar filler; a plain dipper; a fine strainer; a funnel; a strainer funnel; a sick room warming pan; and a pint measure. These eight different uses make the dipper such a necessary article that it sells at nearly every house, as it is so cheap. You can get a sample by sending, as I did, 18 two-cent stamps to pay postage, etc., to W. H. Baird & Co., Station A., Pittsburg, Pa., and they will mail you a dipper, and you can go right to work. Any one can make \$3 or \$4 a day anywhere. A READER.

Wanted—An Idea Who can think of some thing to sell? Write JOHN W. WOODWARD, 125 N. 3rd St., Philadelphia, Pa. We will give you \$50.00 for every idea that we will use.

CORSET TALK AT THE ONE PRICE CASH STORE.

Why are FEATHERBONE Corsets better than all others?

- 1st. They Fit Better. 2nd. Wear Better. 3rd. They are More Stylish. 4th. They are More Comfortable. 5th. They are Cheaper.

No other material entering into the manufacture of a Corset compares with Featherbone. The Featherbone Corset is beyond question, the most comfortable corset made; it fits like a glove and wears like iron. We make a specialty of these goods and recommend them to you without reserve. We are authorized to refund your money after 4 weeks trial if not satisfactory. Price \$1.00. We keep always in stock a full line of medium; Long Waist, Extra Long Waist and a full stock of Nursing Corsets. Our No. 250 Extra Long Waist is the best fitting Corset made.

Very Respectfully, JENKINS BROS.

FATHER OF LOW PRICES.

We have been too busy for the last few weeks to write a new advertisement, but we find that is the best way to advertise, as our trade has far surpassed our expectation this fall. We are glad to know the people have appreciated our efforts to sell them good honest goods at the lowest possible prices. We have just received another large lot of Outings which we are selling at from 5 to 10 cents. Ask to see our 12 1-2c twilled red Flannels. We have added to our Notions the most popular and well known Corset on the market, Warner's Corset. We have them to fit any figure—ask for them and take no others, as they are the best Corset on the market.

CLOTHING.

We will receive in a few days another lot of Clothing. We feel proud of this line, as you well know this is our pet line. Come and see us when you want anything in Clothing.

SHOES! SHOES!! SHOES!!!

We are receiving Shoes almost every day in order to keep up our Shoe stock. We feel very proud of our Shoe sales, as it shows the people appreciate our efforts to give them good goods at low prices. Come and see us with your produce or cash, as we take either.

VERY RESPECTFULLY,

H. S. Robinson & Company.

P. S. Just received a full line of latest style STIFF HATS.

Racket Store.

COMPLETE LINE OF SHOES

We have just received the best and most complete line of Shoes that we have ever had. We haven't got a Shoddy Shoe in our Stock. So if you want Shoddy Shoes, you will have to look elsewhere. But if you want value for your cash, come this way. We have the largest and best assortment of men's and boys' pants that we have ever had in our house. We can fit you in any price you want, from a good 50 cents pair to the best \$5.00 goods on the market.

BIG LINE OF HEADWEAR.

How about Hats and Caps? We have just received a lot of 50 dozen caps for Ladies, Misses, Men and Boys. If you want a cap, come this way. You will find what you want. Our stock of Men and Boys Hats is complete.

CAMPAIGN HATS AND CAPS.

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 day before Christmas. The tickets are moving away. You should hold a ticket on that day. You may be the lucky one.

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

Attention Housekeepers.

STOVES JUST RECEIVED AT

R. M. MICHAL'S

HARDWARE STORE.

The Largest and Best Line of General

Housekeeping Goods in the Town.