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HOKE SMITH.

Lincolnton and Lincoln county have reasons to rejoice over the fact that Hoke Smith, Secretary of the Interior, was at one time a citizen of this place.

Secretary Smith and the 'Varsity Boys.

Tar Heel. Mr. Hoke Smith, Mr. Cleveland's secretary of Interior, is very pleasantly held in remembrance by the University football team.

A Congressman Gets a Lecture

Washington, March 21.—President Cleveland defined his views on nepotism to-day in a manner so forcible that it left no doubt in the mind of his hearer that he was irreversibly opposed to the practice.

He told Mr. Cleveland that the applicant was a good Democrat, good fellow and furthermore, a relative of the president himself.

And then the President is said to have read the Congressman a lecture on the danger of appointed relatives to office, in which he placed himself on record as against nepotism in all its shades, meaning and application.

Thos. F. Bayard, Annual Oration.

Correspondence of the Observer. CHAPEL HILL, N. C., March 17.—Hon. Thos. F. Bayard, Cleveland's former Secretary of State, will deliver the commencement oration in June.

The oldest church existing in the United States is situated near Smithfield, Va. It was built in the reign of Charles I, between the years 1630 and 1635.

a brick structure, erected in the most substantial manner. The mortar has become so hardened that it will strike fire in collision with steel.—State Chronicle.

Gen. Cox Gets It.

Special to the News. WASHINGTON, March 18.—Gen. W. R. Cox, of North Carolina, has been appointed Secretary of the Senate.

Presbyterians in Office.

It is said that the only comment ex-President Harrison made upon Mr. Cleveland's Cabinet while on his journey home was that, "with one exception, every member is a Presbyterian." That exception is Mr. Carlisle, who is not a member of any church, but who, like the chief, is inclined to the Presbyterian Church.

Resolutions Passed by the Farmers' Convention of the State of Arkansas.

March 10th, 1893. The following resolutions, offered by Mr. Chaplaine, was adopted: WHEREAS, The experience of the last decade, and in particular of the last three years, having shown conclusively that, with an increase in the aggregate amount of the cotton crop, there has also been a corresponding decrease in the price of the staple; and

WHEREAS, The increase in the acreage devoted to the production of cotton raising has worked a proportionate decrease in acreage of cereals and bread and feed stuffs, detrimental to the prosperity and well-being of the South; and

WHEREAS, The production of an 8,000,000 bale cotton crop in the South is at present time greatly in excess of the commercial demand of this staple and lower the price of cotton to figures for which it can not be produced; and

WHEREAS, It is conclusive that when the price of cotton is less than it costs to produce it, financial disaster and probable bankruptcy must be the result; therefore, be it resolved:

That we, the representatives of the cotton-producing counties in the State of Arkansas, in convention assembled, recommend that this convention do proceed to organize as a permanent organization, to be known as the "Cotton Growers' and Merchants' Association."

That we recommend that said organization shall consist of one President, three Vice-Presidents, as 1st, 2d and 3rd, and a Secretary and Treasurer.

That we recommend that there be local organizations of this association organized in every cotton growing county, and that said local organizations shall, when possible co-operate with any farmer's organization now existing.

That we recommend a reduction in the acreage of cotton for the year 1893, to such an extent that by a corresponding increase of cereals and grains, grasses and clover, sufficient produce might be raised in the country to feed the men and animals necessary for the cultivation of cotton and the independence of the farmer or planter.

That extraordinary effort be made to especially produce an abundance of corn, wheat, hay, peas and other necessities for the planters' use.

That we appoint a sufficient number of delegates to the Interstate Cotton Growers' Convention to represent Arkansas in this matter and to take action looking towards a heavy co-operation of all the cotton-growing states for the end of reducing the cotton acreage to an extent equal and not in excess of the demand, so as to keep the price of cotton to a figure at which a profit may be realized.

AN EXCHANGE MEMORIALIZED.

The following resolution, offered by Mr. Phelps, of Lawrence County, provided considerable discussion. Mr. Sanders, of Lawrence, spoke for its adoption; so did Messrs. Bennett, of Saline, and W. H. E. Eagle, of Lenoir. Maj. H. L. Fletcher opposed that part of the resolution about further dealing, and during his remarks gave the

dead Hatch Bill a vigorous kick. He moved to strike out the objectionable clause. The motion was lost and the resolution adopted. The resolution:

WHEREAS, The past three years' experience has proven beyond controversy that the production of cotton in the Southern States, owing to unremunerative values, has brought misfortune to the South and especially her farmers; and

WHEREAS, This convention of farmers, after due consideration of the causes thereof, is led to believe, from controversies upon this subject and from resolutions passed by the cotton exchanges of Galveston, Tex., Charleston, S. C., and St. Louis, Mo., that the low values are largely attributable to the uncommercial, unfair and unjust methods of the present contract system of delivery of cotton, is selling said contracts on a "basis of middling," thus making lottery deals instead of commercial transactions by not defining in said contracts what the buyer shall receive, and thus giving the sellers or "bearers" the advantage of giving to said buyers any and all kinds of cotton on said contracts, which has enforced values of said contracts below the values of said contracts and spot cotton, proving to all men that said contracts, under present methods, are depreciating the raw material;

Resolved, That we, the farmers and their representatives, in convention assembled, of the State of Arkansas, do earnestly protest against a continuance of such methods, for the reasons above stated, bringing, as we believe they have, misfortune upon the farmers of the South, in forcing them to sell their crops at prices which have been at an enormous loss to them, bringing poverty to their homes and depreciating values of land;

Resolved, That we, recognizing New Orleans as the greatest American cotton market, and one whose interest and sympathy should be with the people of the South, and as the only cotton market in the South, appeal to the New Orleans Cotton Exchange to change their rules and methods to conform with fair and equitable commercial rules governing the sales of grain and provisions in Chicago, St. Louis and Minneapolis markets.

Resolved, That we respectfully ask the aid of the cotton merchants of Little Rock, Memphis and St. Louis, and all the cotton dealers South, to help us in rectifying this great wrong upon our section and our people.

APPEAL TO COTTON RAISERS.

The Report of Senator George.

Washington, March 20.—The Senate, in April, 1892, passed a resolution instructing its committee on agriculture to make an investigation with the view of ascertaining the cause of the depression in agriculture products existing at that time. Senator James Z. George, of Mississippi, was made chairman of the sub-committee to investigate cotton. Alfred B. Shepperson was made secretary of Senator George's committee. The scope of the investigation is very broad, and covers the matter of cotton production and consumption of every country, with the cost of production, possibilities extension of culture, etc.

The work of Senator George's committee will be completed by the next meeting of Congress. On account of the importance of the matter under consideration to cotton planters and people of the South, I have requested Senator George chairman of the committee of agriculture under the new organization of the Senate, to prepare the following for publication: Its paramount importance calls for the widest publicity and justifies its dissemination by the Southern Association Press newspapers.

PATRICK WADE'S.

"To the Cotton Farmers of the United States:—In discharge of the duty imposed by the United States Senate on the committee on agriculture, to investigate the causes of the lower price of cotton and the remedy, I have made some investigations which, though as yet incomplete, authorize me to state the following conclusion:

"There are causes for this low price, coming from legislation now in force; and there are other causes coming from needful legislation yet to be enacted. It is certain, however, that these causes cannot be remedied in time to effect the price

of the crop now about to be planted, even indeed, if their force can substantially diminished. The cotton farmers must therefore for the present resort to such remedies or palliatives for low prices as may come from their own action, independent of legislation.

"The last crop (1892-'93) has brought a higher price than the preceding one. This resulted from the fact that it was much smaller. The price would have been higher if there had not been a large surplus over the needs of consumption, coming from the very large crop of the preceding year (1891-'92).

"The natural rise in prices of the crop now being marketed has been largely impeded by the great strike among the operative in the cotton factories of England. In this strike 60,000 operatives working 21,000,000 spindles, have stopped work. The effect of this strike, up to this date has been to decrease the amount consumed by the British factories since September 1st, 525,000 bales and is likely to amount in the near future to more than 1,000,000.

"In addition, this decrease in the demand has by the certain laws of trade diminished the price, or which is the same thing, prevented the full rise which would otherwise have come from the small crop American spinners carried over from last season an unusually large stock of cotton, having bought heavily at the low prices prevailing in the spring and summer; and whilst doing an exceptionally good business, they have taken, so far, 350,000 bales less than for the same period during last season. This, also, increased the surplus.

"This prospect of another large crop coming from an increased acreage, if that should happen, would not only be an effective bar to any rise in the price, but would cause a still further decline—so that now the cotton raisers of the South are confronted with this serious question for solution: Shall we, by increasing acreage in the crop now being planted, as compared with the acreage of the last season, raise a crop of 9,000,000 or 10,000,000 bales and thereby glut the markets of the world, causing a fall to the low prices of 1891-'92 and perhaps even lower, or will we, by reducing the acreage to the extent necessary to raise all our food and forage crops and work animals, especially our meat, corn, horses and mules, increase the price of our cotton crop, and at the same time diminish the uses of the proceeds of the crop by a larger reduction in the amount heretofore applied to buy necessary supplies?

"There can be but one answer to this question in the minds of thoughtful men. If it be said that among so numerous a class as cotton raisers it will be impossible to get up an agreement which will result in combined action to plant a reduced acreage in cotton, and if this be conceded, then the situation appeals with still stronger force to each individual farmer to decide.

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Notice! Land Sale!

By virtue of an order made by the Superior Court of Lincoln County on the 9th day of March 1893, in the Special Proceeding entitled A. C. Sain administrator of J. F. Seigle vs Annie Sain and others, I will sell at public auction on the premises on Monday 10th day of April 1893, at 12 o'clock noon the lands belonging to inestate J. F. Seigle at the time of his death situate in Howard's Creek township of Lincoln county, on the waters of Indian and Howard's Creek adjoining the lands of Caleb Wood, Adolphus Slamey and others, embracing three contiguous tracts containing in the aggregate 160 acres. Terms of sale 1 cash, 4 on six mos., 4 on 12 mos., balance on 18 mos. credit. Deferred payments bear interest and must be secured by note with approved security. Title reserved until paid for in full. Purchaser has privilege of paying all cash. This 9th of March 1893. A. C. SAIN, adm'r. of J. F. Seigle.

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