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### REPUBLICAN TICKET.

For President 1900,  
WILLIAM MCKINLEY  
OF OHIO.

For Vice-President,  
THEODORE ROOSEVELT  
OF NEW YORK

For Congress, 7th District,  
JOHN Q. HOLTON  
OF YADKIN.

### DAVIES VOTE.

For Governor, Adams 1361, Aycock 956, Sheets 24; Senators, J. C. Pinnix 1359, T. M. Stikeleather 1871; C. H. Armfield 965, D. M. Reese 966, Representatives, C. M. Sheets 1362, A. W. Eaton 960, County officers, B. O. Morris Register of Deeds, 1334, S. J. Tatum 1341; County Surveyor, M. R. Chaffin 1332, E. C. Smith 969; Clerks, J. W. Bailey 1340, A. J. Anderson 987; Sheriff J. L. Sheek 1341, J. G. Peables 990; County Treasurer J. W. Etchison, 1340, J. V. Howell 983; County commissioners, C. G. Bailey 1338, W. F. Furches 1334, J. M. Cain 333. The above vote shows that Davie county is strongly in favor of liberty and freedom.

### General Bossers Position.

Editor of the Times:

Sir—Having received numerous letters from my confederate comrades asking me why I left the Democratic party, and having been harshly criticised by the press for writing a congratulatory letter to Governor Roosevelt on his nomination as Vice-President of the United States, I feel that I should answer through the press, and have selected the Times as a medium, for doing so, as I feel that in your liberality and fairness I will be treated justly.

In the first place, I will state that politics is not my means of livelihood. I have never asked for or held a political commission, and under no obligations to any political party. I have experienced no change of heart toward Virginia or the South. I am proud of the ugly scars which I now carry, received on the battle field in attestation of my devotion and sacrifice to their cause, when issues were tried by ball and bayonet, and I love them both now as dearly as I did when I marched hungered and fought under their flags. But the fight between the South and North was fought to a finish and settled at Appomattox court house on the 9th of April, 1865, when Virginia's great son furlled the "Starry Cross" and sheathed his mighty sword. The issues in controversy were submitted to the arbitrament of arms, and the judgement against the South was received as irreversible and final.

There is no denying the fact, however, that in laying down our arms we retained a grudge against the "Yankee," which we would not part with. I had it as strong as any man, and so opposed was I to giving up the fight that I refused to surrender my division, and the division of General Fitz Lee,

which happened to be under my command, and then took them from the field of Appomattox after a sharp fight on the morning of the surrender.

Thousands of brave men had fallen in the conflict on the side of the North, and great sacrifices had been made by that section in overthrowing the Southern confederacy and although victor and its great chief magnanimous, yet the epithet of "Rebel" was not withdrawn and the South was still distrusted by the masses in the North, and lines of battle were changed to the battle of the ballot box, and a fierce political conflict between the sections has been raging ever since.

Very soon after the war, business took me North, and for twenty years I had close business relations with my former military enemies, and I am now obliged to admit that the best, most cultivated, best bred, wealthy and refined gentlemen with whom I was associated were Republican in politics, and doubted the sincerity and criticized the consistency of the South in its political support of its ancient, bitter and consistent enemy, Horace Greeley.

No one can deny that the North has prospered under Republicanism, nor is there any denying the fact that the South has not prospered under Democracy. Nature has blessed the South with a soil and climate superior to that of the North. Then shall I be expected to admit that, under like conditions, the South is not equal to the North in a fair field of business competition.

My experience which has been extensive will not allow me to admit it, but on the contrary I deny it. I have taken a great many Southern young men to the Northwest, where conditions were less favorable to him than to the man born in higher latitudes, and these Southern lads have risen to the highest rank in every field of business they have entered—many of them are now leaders.

I regard the Republican party as the only national party now in the field. It is enterprising, aggressive and patriotic; it has on hand, and unfinished, a great work in clearing off the debris left in the fields by Spain, after the war was over, which both Democrats and Republicans put us into. The work is being done satisfactorily, and there should be no change in the chief executive committee as long as this important work is going on.

President McKinley is a wise, experienced and patriotic Christian statesman, and the only complaint urged by his opponents is "that his place is wanted by another man." Governor Roosevelt is the highest type of American manhood. He is able, cultivated and well prepared for the duties which will be assigned him as Vice-President of the United States. The best blood of the South fills his veins, as his mother is one of Georgia's fairest daughters, and of a family wholly Southern and distinguished in the service of the State in peace and war.

But my Democratic friends say that the Democratic party is essentially Southern, and all Southern men should support it. Is Mr. Bryan Southern? Is Mr. Stevenson Southern? Is Mr. Bryan a Democrat? If so what sort of a Democrat Janus-faced, he is accepting the nomination of the Democrats, but facing and smiling one way at the Populists, and the other at the Silver Republicans.

The old Jeffersonian party of our fathers was grand, lofty and true, but it has disappeared. The ship which aspires to take its place, is a mere derelict on a shoreless sea, without rudder or sail, and absolutely without hope.

Mr. Bryan and his party of Fusion carry no hope for the South. We want live men, true and tried men, men who command the confidence of business men at home and abroad, so that our grand old ship will continue to sail on a level keel, and on a safe and sturdy course.

Virginia's vote is not required to elect McKinley, and Roosevelt, nor is the vote of the South. The North will easily elect them, but I honestly, sincerely and patriotically pay that the scales may soon fall from the eyes of my Southern friends, and they may see their high duty and perform it, and their true hope and realize it. One country, one flag and one destiny.  
Thomas L. Ross  
Charlottesville, Va., May 21, 1900.

### The Election.

Our Democratic friends are hesitating to say that the election passed off quietly, and some of the papers have the audacity to say that every man voted who wanted to vote, great God forgive them, if it be within thy power to forgive a gang of intimidators, Red Shirts, Winchester toters and ballot box thieves. After inaugurating a reign of terror and intimidation, and using the power of a Goebel Simmons election law to prevent men from registering, and then manipulate things in such a manner to deny thousands of our citizens their right to vote, and then say every man voted that wanted to vote is an insult to every honest mans intelligence. The hour has arrived for the national government to put a check upon these revolutionary methods which are subversive of every known principle of a Republican form of government in these Southern states. The citizens should be protected at home as well as abroad, even if it be necessary to meet force with force. Congress when it assembles in December should not hesitate to pass a national election law, in order to give to the majority of the people of these Southern states a right to cast their votes, and have them counted for the party of their choice. We notice that the Mascot elected by a member elect comes out for F. M. Simmons for the United States Senate, yes by all means send him to Washington that he may be sent back home tripped of the possession of stolen property to wit, a seat in the United States Senate, that body shut the door in the face of Clark Motter, who had purchased his seat, and it would a thousand times be better to admit a man with a bright seat than one with a certificate besmirched with fraud, force and larceny. Yes it will be a grand day to honor the best men in North Carolina when Congress rises to the height of its duty, and denies to all these men a participation in its councils, who resort to vile and undemocratic methods to procure their election, intimidation, red shirt, Winchester, force and fraud methods, cannot be tolerated and recognized in a free republic, and the sooner the rascals are given to understand it the better. Freedom and liberty one and inseparable now and for ever.

### AMERICA'S COMMERCE GROWS.

Washington July 29th, Special.  
—The annual report of the Chief of the Treasury Bureau of Statistics upon the foreign commerce of the United States for the year ending June 30th, 1900, has been completed, and will form a part of the June summary of commerce and finance which will make its appearance during the coming week. The report shows the total imports of merchandise in the year were \$649,714,670 and the total exports \$1,394,186,371. The principal feature of the report, omitting the sta-

tistical, tables are as follows:

Four great facts characterize the foreign commerce of the United States in 1900, the closing year of the decade and century.

First—The total commerce of the year surpasses by \$319,729,250 that of any preceding year, and for the first time in United States history exceeds \$2,000,000,000.

Second—The exports exceed those of any preceding year, and have been more widely distributed throughout the world than ever before.

Third—Manufactures materials were more freely imported than ever before, and formed a larger share of the total imports than on any former occasion.

Fourth—Manufactured articles were more freely exported than ever before, and formed a larger share of the total exports than at any former time.

In exports every great class of articles showed a larger total than in the preceding year; in imports every class except manufactures materials showed a smaller percentage of the total than in the preceding years while manufactures materials showed a much larger total and larger percentage of the grand total than in any former year.

### SALE OF LAND.

In pursuance of the power and direction contained in the last will and testament of Harrison Cook deceased, the undersigned as executor will sell at the court house in Mocksville N. C. on Monday September 3rd 1900, the following real estate. One tract known as the Madison James lands containing about 93 acres, adjoining the lands of Isaac Roberts, Elisha Jones and others, also about 43 acres North of the tan yard branch and the old home place of Harrison Cook. We will also sell under the same power on the premises on Tuesday the 4th day of September 1900 at 12 o'clock N one tract known as the Jacob Gross tract in Iredell county containing 25 acres, adjoining the land H. C. Jones, Thomas Bagerly and others. The above lands will be sold one half cash the remainder on a credit of six months. Possession will be given upon compliance with terms of sale.  
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(Albany Evening Journal.)  
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