

For White Supremacy.

STATE DEMOCRATIC TICKET.

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BUTLER-PRITCHARD SCHEME.

THE FREE PRESS thinks the Raleigh Post sizes up the situation correctly in the following article, which is worthy of every white man's careful consideration:

Some of our friends assume that the two conventions—Mr. Butler's and Mr. Pritchard's—have each put up a whole State ticket to be consolidated later by cutting out some parts of each and dovetailing the two together. We think they are mistaken. So far as the two State tickets are concerned we think they are up to stay, and just as much a matter of concurrent action as though one body had named both, or both bodies had only named one.

Were complete fusion to take place it is feared by both Senators Butler and Pritchard that more of those who voted for Mr. Guthrie in 1896, and largely voted with the Democrats in 1898, would vote the Democratic ticket this year than would follow Butler, and it is to hold these together by appeals to them as members of the Populist organization that Butler, with the consent of Pritchard, runs his separate ticket. They calculate that if they can fool and hold the Guthrie vote away from the Democrats, they stand some chance of repeating the result of the election of 1896, defeat the amendment and possibly elect the State ticket. Their hope is to deceive those who voted for Mr. Guthrie into supposing they are standing by their party as opposed to both the Republican and the Democratic parties, and then secure their vote against the amendment and for fusion members of the legislature. The defeat of the amendment and the capture of the legislature is their earnest purpose, let the State ticket succeed or fail as the case may be. One part of the scheme was divulged by Senator Butler's proposition for a joint canvass between the Democrats and Populists, hoping thereby to widen the breach between these two elements and the more easily to organize his force against the amendment, and in behalf of the fusion candidates for the legislature. This scheme was unmercifully exploded by Mr. Simmons. Their only hope now is the two-ticket scheme. This will fall as did the others, if our people are wise.

The white voters of the State must be made aware of the trick and that it all means the defeat of the amendment primarily. Thousands of Republicans and those who voted for Mr. Guthrie are earnestly in favor of the amendment and all it stands for as are the Democrats and will so vote. Some may be deceived by the "individual conscience" of the Butler scheme, and the two-ticket device of both Butler and Pritchard, unless special and energetic efforts are made to reach them and expose the deception attempted to be imposed upon them.

Our people—all interested in good government—must not sleep on their duties. The enemy is unquestionably upon us, and while victory seems certain, we may make up our minds that we must fight, and fight hard, for it.

We believe the amendment will be carried by a good majority, but don't let us be so sanguine about it as to beget apathy. It is a life and death struggle, politically, with the opponents of the amendment and they will leave no stone unturned in their efforts to defeat it. The question is: Does North Carolina favor permanent white supremacy? Let the answer be in the affirmative and let it be emphasized by the biggest possible majority. Work and work earnestly from now until the polls are closed in August.—Winston Sentinel.

With many thousands of laborers over the country striking for wages consistent with fictitious high prices of trust articles, there does not appear to be such great prosperity. The trusts have profited, but not so the laborers.

Among the delegates to the Republican State convention was Editor Norton, of the Asheville Gazette, a Republican paper that has tried to pose as Democratic. Dirty fellow, dirty paper!

THE WORLD OF SPORT.

To Bernard Nicholls belongs the distinction of having defeated Harry Vardon, the champion English golfer. The event took place at Ormonde, Fla., a couple of weeks ago and was very unexpected. Nicholls, however, is by no means a player to be despised, having been connected with the game for a quarter of a century in England. Nicholls came to this country about three years ago and for two seasons



BERNARD NICHOLLS.

acted as professional coach of the Lenox Golf club of Lenox, Mass. He then returned to Europe and spent several months at Cannes, France. When he again visited the United States, he was selected as coach of the Philadelphia Country club, and has been connected with this great organization for about a year.

Previous to his departure from England Nicholls conducted an athletic goods store in Liverpool, and was almost a daily visitor to the Hoylake Links, Cheshire.

He played brilliant golf in England. In 1891 he met the late H. B. Tait in open competition at Hoylake. Nicholls was a professional at that time and Tait was the amateur champion. The former won the match after an exciting game. Nicholls is a warm friend of John Ball, Jr., and Herbert Tweedle, two famous English golf experts.

A Thousand Mile Automobile Race.
It is probable that from 35 to 50 motor vehicles will take part in the 1,000 mile race of the Automobile Club of Great Britain. The distances to be traversed daily vary from 80 to 124 miles. The race will be run about the 1st of May.

Rules For Whist.

If you the modern game of whist would know, From this great principle its precepts flow— Treat your own hand as your partner's joined; Play not alone, but both combined.

Your first lead makes your partner understand What is the chief component of your hand, And thence there is necessarily the strongest That your first lead be from your suit that's longest.

In this, with ace and king, lead king, then ace; With king and queen, king also has first place; With ace, queen, knave, lead ace and then the queen.

With ace, four small ones, ace should first be seen.

With queen, knave, ten, you let the queen precede;

In other cases you the lowest lead.

Ere you return your friend's, your own suit play, But trumps you must return without delay.

When you return your partner's lead, take pains To lead him back the best your hand contains If you received not more than three at first; If you had more, you may return the worst.

But if you hold the master card, you're bound In general to play it second round.

When'er you want a lead 'tis seldom wrong To lead up to the weak or through the strong.

If second hand, your lowest should be played, Unless you mean "trump signal" to be made; Or, if you've king and queen or ace and king, Then one of these will be the proper thing.

Mind well the rules for trumps; you'll often need them;

When you hold five, 'tis always best to lead them; Or if the lead won't come in time for you, Then signal to your partner so to do.

Watch also for your partner's trump request, To which, with less than four, play out your best; To lead through honors turned up is bad play Unless you want the trump suit cleared away.

For sequences sign custom has decreed The lowest you must play if you don't lead.

Weak suits you ought to choose to throw away, Keeping the strong to help you win the day.

—G. B.

Heard on the Links.

A good story from Scotland that has recently been going the rounds is said to have occurred on the famous Musselburgh links, near Edinburgh. One of the members drove his ball into a sand bunker and the first shot to dislodge it seemed to bury it deeper. The second and third strokes had no better result, when a peculiar piece of wire on the ball attracted the player's attention. He picked up the ball and discovered that in some mysterious way it had picked up a lady's hairpin, one

prong of which had become imbedded in the gutta percha for about an inch. The remainder of the pin was twisted firmly around the ball. This freak of the links was accordingly added to the club's museum of oddities in golf.

The story has also been told of two balls colliding in midair, and a member of the Dyker Meadow club, Brooklyn, hit a bird at one time while playing a tournament. Rabbits have also been struck by golf balls, and, what is gravely reported as a truthful incident at an English club, was the unexpected finding of a sixpence by a player on top of his ball after a long drive from the tee.

A Rapid Observer.

Here is a story with a moral: A countryman had just returned from a journey to Paris. One of his cronies asked him what opinion he had formed of the Parisians.

"Delightful people," he replied, "but frivolous, changeable and altogether incapable of forming an attachment of any duration."

"How long were you there?" asked his friend.

"Three days."—Chicago News.

Fear Evil Spirits.

Evil spirits are held in great dread by the Chinese, who believe them to bear special ill will to the eldest son of the family and to delight in playing unkind tricks upon him. To prevent this the eldest son in one family was named "Sixth Little Sister," the child's parents evidently being under the impression that evil spirits could be deceived as to the sex of the little one.

Among the Poultry.

"Good morning. How do you do this morning?" said the duck, meeting the hen.

"None of your business," replied the hen. "You are no doctor."

"Quack!" squawked the duck angrily.

"That's what I said," cackled the hen.—Detroit Free Press.

Each day in the year the owners of slot machines in New York city purchase 1,000 pounds of chocolate with which to fill the machines.

In the coaching days it cost from £5 to £6 to go from York to London.

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