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To Be Filled by the Executive Committee.

On Butler Brings Forth a Defense from the Senator,

ATTACK

SKINNER'S

WALSER WAS DROPPED.

Butler and Skinner Both Very Person and Spoke of a Future Settlement---Guthrie For Governor --- Hal Ayer for Auditor and Cy. Thompson for Secretary of State--Father Worth and Lustice Montgomery Renominated.

ulist Stote convention was called to centered on the broad open face of order a few minutes before 9 o'clock this morning by Chairman Skinner.

spoke against Walser before adjournment this morning, was the first delegate to take the floor. Macon had under gone a complete metamorphosis during the night and state." .Three of the men are simply he came back this morning sounding one man. Butler's praise and proclaiming for Walser

J. W. Brown, of Granville, said that Walser was a Republican and said Congressman Skinner in highly Populists could not expect him to impassioned manner. "By what declare himself on their platform. "I want to nominate Mr. Walser for Auditor as a Republican. (Loud cheers) A delegate yelled campaign committee, echoed the out, "he is for McKinley and I'll see him in h- before I'll support him.'

that Senator Butler was unavoidably influence in the party to be an obabsent and that he regretted that he could not be present this morning

make a statement. "I make motion therefore to lay the motion for the nomination of Mr. Walser for Attorney General on the table. The motion was put and prevailed.

Mr. Caldwell then made the motion that the offices of Attorney General and one Justice of the Supreme Court be left open until a more convenient time, when they should be filled by the Executive Committee.

Buck Kitchen was recognized. He said his suspicions of last night were confirmed and it seemed evi-

committee. Mr. L. C. Caldwell, of Statesville, made a motion that the following gentlemen be elected members of any offices or duties on me, as my

the central committee as provided duties as chairman of the National "I went into this fight for silver." organization require all my time. I in the plan of organization: A. S. Peace, S. Otho Wilson, J. B. Lloyd, leave for Washington tonight. 1 W. K. Pigsford, John Graham and have nothing to say against the six men suggested by Mr. King. They Hal W. Aver. Otho Wilson moved that Senator are all good men.

Butler be made a member of the aroused. He spoke with more force committee. Hill King took the floor and sprung than at any time during the conven-

sensation by putting in nomina- tion. tion six men who were in

the most part antagonistic to Senator Butler. The committee as recommended by Mr. King was composed of Cyrus Thompson, Harry Skinner, John Graham, E. O. White, A. S. Peace and J. Y. Hamrick. "These gentlemen are as true and good Populisis as are in the State of North Carolina and I think they should be recognized," said Mr. King. "We owe it to this convention to recognize Col. Skinner

"I say Senator Butler is a party and Mr. Thompson. And here followed another intenwrecker." His action has caused our party to be a harlot between sely dramatic incident, so many of the old parties. I don't mean any will have me to whip. which have marked the proceedreflection on Hal Ayer, Editor of the ings of the convention. When Congressman Skinner took the floor, the Caucasian and J. B. Floyd a clerk After a five hours recess, the Pop- hubbub of voices ceased and all eyes in the Senate appointed by Butler, when I say they will support Butler. (Shut your mouth said several dele the presiding chairman. Congressman Skinner started off by referring gates.) When I say Mr. Pigsford. who is a good and honest man will Nat. Macon, of Franklin, who to Senator Butler as the boss of the do what Senator Butler says I do convention. "What are we here for" he said. In the words of Tom Watnot reflect on him. He admires son 'where are we at.' In other Senator Butler and loves him. words why the completion of such a ("That's right. He ought to," were the expressions that followed this

statement.) "By what reason has Major "I move that this committee be elected by acclamation, for 1 know Guthrie's name been left from that you will do it," said Skinner. committee, I should like to know,

A delegate interupted and wanted to know if the election of the comreason also has the name of Cy mittee meant fusion with the Demo-Thompson been left off, and last by crats.

privilege," said Congressman Skin

ner, "and also to analyze the situa-

tion. If Senator Butler wants to

say, or would even dare to say that I

had told an untruth wh would have

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do like he said.

"It means what Senator Butler what right have I been left from the says," replied Skinner. Emperor Green, of Wake, arose Congressman in a burst of eloquence.

after Skinner retired. "It does me "It is because Senator Butler did not L. C. Caldwell, of Statesville stated desire us. He did not want men of good to see a brave soldier die." he said The campaign committee nomi

nated by Mr. Caldwell was elected "But you are going to elect that by the usual Butler majority, which committee named by Mr. Caldwell was overwhelming. A delegate I know it. You are going to do it bewanted to make Cy Thompson a cause it is Butler's will-because he member of the campaign committee, dee. wants to retire men of influence in but Chairman Skinner ruled him out the party's counsel. I do not want of order, as the plan of organization the place. I have as much work as says that the number shall be six. I can attend to. I want to put my-D. C. Downing introduced the fol self on record for future reference. lowing resolution: Senator Butler immediately took

"Resolved, That we declare we Congressman Skinner's position on will not vote for a fusion electoral the floor after the latter concluded. "Gentlemen of this convention" said ticket with the Democrats of North the Senator, "before I say another Carolina." word I want Mr. Wilson to with-

W. O. Stratford, of Greensboro,

RALEIGH, N. C., FRIDAY EVENING, AUGUST 14, 1896.

open to be filled by the Executive do not believe that there are any thinks honest silver men will be sethree Populists in this convention | lected to fill vacancies. Buck Kitchen would not say any-thing about the ticket. I still wait until the Executive Committee acts. under my control or Col. Skinner's. I urge you gentlemen not to put GUTHRIE NOMINATED.

> Dramatic Scenes During the Convention' Proceedings.

The convention went into the nom-Senator Butler was thoroughly ination of a candidate for Governor yesterday afternoon soon after we went to press. Maj. Wm. A. Guthkindly of Guthrie. rie and Dr. Cy Thompson were "I arise to a question of personal

placed in nomination. Guthrie received 797 votes, and Thompson 321. Maj. Guthrie's nomination was made unanimous.

Maj. Guthrie was called for amid arrival here that Butler had made a great applause. He responded in a graceful speech of acceptance. Mr. proposition for fusion on all matters Guthrie said the Populists must prewas indignant. I ask you men besent a solid front in order to fight fore me to make up your State ticket the enemy. He said that he had out of loyal Populists, as loyal as been counsel of the Southern Rail Maj. Guthrie. When men who dicker with the Democratic party way for nine years in Durham county, but no where else. "When the come here and attempt to make a mongrel ticket, I rebel, Senator lease of the North Carolina road was Butler with all his power cannot made I knew nothing about it," he make a mongrel ticket for the Popusaid, "and the man who says I did lists. I had rather go down with a Mr. Guthrie said he had been middle of the road ticket than a mixcalled a corporation lawyer but that ture." Thompson was given loud

corporations did not control his applause politics. He said he endorsed the Populist platform, especially the tion to adjourn. A vote was taken part that denounces the lease of the and a division called for. North Carolina road.

He said the Populists would meet the other parties on the stump. When Maj. Wm. A. Guthrie finished his speech in accepting the Republican nomination for Governor, Senator Butler stepped to the platform. He said that he wanted to see the convention nominate a candidate for Lieutenant Governor be-

vote in favor of adjournment. A fore adjourning for supper. recess was then taken until 8 p.m. "The man whose name I shall present to you is one of the most mag-The revolt against Butler was the nificent campaigners in the State. sensation of the convention. Skinner

A man whose name commands the and Thompson, who had a grudge against Butler, thought they saw a admiration of every citizen of the good opportunity to embarass him State, who has canvassed from the mountains to the seas and whose and they took advantage of it. friends will vote for honest elections The convention was recouvend at

and free silver. Let us co-operate eight thirty. Senator Butler was for principle and victory, [Great] accorded an ovation upon entering cheering] Yes, I say co-operate, bethe hall. A roll call was ordered cause we can do that. The man by Chairman Skinner. whom I nominate is Oliver H. Dock-Solicitor Seawell spoke in favor of

ery, the old warhorse of the Pee-Dockery, when his county was called He said Dockery was for silver. The convention gave one great "Who is he going to vote for," yelled spontaneous outburst, which far eca delegate.

clipsed the applause accorded Guthrie. The demonstration lasted several minutes with delegates stand-

ing yelling. Concluding, Butler said: "Let us name Guthrie and Dockery and there barrus.

will be no more ballot box stuffing in North Carolina. Victory will nerch on our banners When the applause subsided, Butler

for previously and just then enter- Treasurer by acclamation. ed the hall. Skinner had made a Hal. Ayer was nominated for Audi highly impassioned speech, full of tor, receiving a very complimentary oratory and there seemed to be a re-vote

vulsion of feeling. Thompson was Senator Butler placed Zeb, Walser loudly called for. On his appearance in nomination for Attorney General. Mr. Thompson thanked the conven-Congressman Skinner attacked the nomination of Walser. He said But tion for the vote given him for Governor. "It is a vote any man might ler was inconsistent. He said that be proud of, as I had made no can- the Caucasian had denounced Pritchard McKinley, and that Walser vass and had no newspaper back of McKinley was no better me." As he said that he turned and It was moved that a committee looked at Hal Aver. He spoke

wait on Walser to obtain his posi-A delegate velled: "Pour oil on tion on silver. The convention was a scene of uproar for ten minutes the troubled waters," just as Dr. Senator Butler moved that a recess Thompson started to take up Skinbe taken until 8:30 a. m. in the interner's cudgel in the rebellion against est of harmony. At 2:10 the con-Butler. Dr. Thompson said: "When vention adjourned. I heard yesterday morning on my

REPUBLICANS HERE.

enator Pritchard, Judge Russell and Chairman Holton at the Park

Senator Jeter C. Pritchard, Chair an A. E. Holton and Judge Daniel Russell, leading Republicans in North Carolina, arrived here today to attend the meeting of the Executive Committee tomorrow morning. Secretary II yams and Mr. Patterson have been here several days.

The committee meeting tomorrow morning will be a very important one, as the party policy during the Harry Skinner then made a mocampaign will be outlined and headquarters selected.

The gaps in the State ticket may Senator Butler came forward, but be filled. There is a sentiment in Joshua Skinner, from the east, in favor of endorsing Col. Dockery. terrupted him, saying: "I don't Cyrus Thompson and Judge Montthink Marion Butler has control of gomery, while others think it lest this convention." He kept talking. to put up none but straight Repubbut his remarks were drowned by licans yells. Acting chairman Caldwell

Senator Pritchard and Congress made the remark that no man connan Pearson are reported as having trolled the convention. Senator told Zeb Vance Walser in the pres-Butler then asked all his friends to ence of Congressman Settle that Russell had to come down, and that he would be taken down at the first opportunity.

TODAY'S MARKETS.

NEW YORK, August 14. Cotton quotations furnished by E. B. Cuthbert & Co., 56 Broadway, New York, and 305 Wilmington street, Raleigh, over their special wire:

MONTHS. OPEN- HIGH- LOW- CLOS ING. EST. EST. ING. April. Ed Kesler spoke when Cabarrus May. was called He said he was against June July, Dockery. Another delegate from $\frac{7}{7}\,\frac{93}{63}$ August Septimble, 7 53 Cabarrus spoke for Guthrie. He October, Novemb'r 7 61 7 70 said Kesler did not represent Ca-Novemb'r, 7 60 7 67 7 57 7 57 December, 7 63 7 72 7 62 7 62

Col. Harry Skinner took the floor Futures opened 8 points up, eased when Pitt was called. He said that slightly but be the leaders of the party, the dicta

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Matters of Interest to North Carolinians -Political Gossip.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Aug. 14. special to the Press-Visitor.

Gen. W. R. Cox, Secretary of the Senate, has just left here for his farm in Edgecombe. He says that the crops are injured where the farming has been poor, but there is not much injury in the case of those farms that have been well worked. Gen. Cox says that many farmers do not keep the weeds thinned out as they should be. Weeds draw moisture away from the crops.

As regards politics, Gen. Cox takes a hopeful view of the situation. The opportunity for the election of Bryan and Sewall and also of the State ticket is capital. In the East he thinks there will undoubtedly be fusion on local and State affairs between the Republicans and Populists. Maj Shaw, of Rockingham. thinks that there is a good deal more independence than formerly among the Populists. He points out that there are six counties in the State, including New Hanover, where they have resolved to run their own State ticket. At the time he was reading Pal Aver's talk in Wednesday's News and Observer.

The general feeling here among North Carolinians is one of opposition to Democratic fusion with Populists. Maj. Shaw thinks it might destroy our chance for victory, A Wayne county Democrat also deprecates the movement. Another Dem ocrat from the East says it might be well to prevent by some sort of fusion a recurrence of the scenes of the last legislature.

I find that outside North Carolina circles there is, strange to say an opinion that Butler means to deal fairly by the Democrats, and may even urge the withdrawal of Wat son. Some today say that his letter to the Atlanta Journal is an indirect lecture of Tom Watson. As usual Butler wraps his movements and intentions in mystery. If he sees that Bryan is going to be elected any way, then he will probably shape his course so as to aid in the election. For a long while I have been convinced that his whole course in public life is, shaped so as to make him the principal man in North Carolina with the end of securing a

presidential nomination in 1900. Among recent hotel arrivals, besides General Cox, there are Colonel Thomas S. Kenan, Miss Annie and Miss Mary Kenan, who only remain one night, Raleigh; D. A. Tompkins, Charles F. Wadsworth, Charlotte; J. F. Wrenn, Roanoke Rapids; J. W. Wilson, Railway Commissioner; A. I tialloway Coast Line Dr. W C

dent that some of the bosses were trying to turn over the Populist party to the Republicans. "I protest against this scheme and I .warn you not to vote for Walser. That gentleman stated in my presence this morning that he was a Republican. We can't afford to name him. If we are going to join the radicals we should do so openly."

Senator Butler appeared on the platform and he was tendered an ovation. He said:

"I made a motion to adjourn last night on account of the statements of several gentlemen who had seen Mr. Walser since I had. Mr. Walser has requested me to withdraw his name from this convention because his political integrity has been questioned, and I do so at his request."

The previous question was ordered; the motion of Mr. Caldwell to leave the nomination of Attorney General and one Justice of the Supreme Court open, was passed with a dozen or more dissenting votes. Harry Skinner said in putting the motion that it was in the line of right. His build up a party, I did so going from statement was applauded.

On motion of Walter Henry, Justice Walter Montgomery was renominated by acclamation for Judge of the Supreme Court.

The next order of business as announced by Chairman Skinner was the party who should be my friends. the election of two electors at large.

On motion of Otho Wilson, Nat Garrett of Vance was nominated as if it is not I will see it out with any as an elector-at-large by acclamation.

There were calls for Caldwell and Henry. The massive form of the latter named gentleman appeared on the edge of the stage. "Mr. Caldwell and myself both have to decline the honor, and I nominate Mr. Morrison of Catawba for the high position of elector at large."

Mr. Morrison declined and so did Mr. Caldwell. The latter was the choice of the convention. On motion of a delegate the unfilled draw my name from nominatiou. renewed his motion to make Dr. "I withdraw Senator Butler's Cyrus Thompson a member of the name, at his request," said Mr. Wilcentral committee. John Graham withdrew and Mr.

struction to his will."

Turning to the Chairman, Senator Thompson was selected in his stead. Butler said, "I understand that my Senator Butler called the attention name is not before the convention. of the delegates to the fact that they With a determined and carnest must make returns of poll-holders appointed, to the State Chairman at look on his countenance, his fists once. "Only 36 counties have been clinched and his shoulders drawn up Senator Butler began his defense heard from he said and there is not of the attacks made on him by Conmuch more time ahead of you.] gressman Skinner and others.

also want to insist upon the necessity of electing a chairman of the State "My countrymen," he said, "I sat on this stage last hight and heard Committee this morning before adjourning. If we delay a day longer insinuations against my character it may leave us without representaand integrity, which I would not tion at many of the polls, he said. suffer from any man living had it not On motion of H. F. Seawell a vote been for the fact that I was striving of thanks was tendered the retiring to accomplish that which would give chairman, Senator Butler for his the Peoples party a ticket that would carry victory with it. I felt then wise and able manuer in directing the policy of the organization.

like rising and replying, but de-John Graham made a motion that termined to wait until the business Hal Aver be elected chairman of the of the convention was over. I feel State Executive Committee. The like comparing characters as well as motion was declared out of order by epithets with any man. ChairmanSkinner, and he announced

man and at any time.

When you asked me single handed that the committee would meet in and alone to take your banner and Room No. 95 at the Park Hotel at 2 o'clock. the mountains to the sea shore. I

A motion to adjourn was put and determined then that no amount of was in the act of being voted upon, vituperation and abuse or even when Senator Butler shoved his rotten eggs could make me lose my way to the front and demanded to head. But when these charges come know by what right the chair had from my back and from those inside called the committee meeting at two elock. it hurts me and I regret to see it.

A plan of organization was pro-The matter is over now, I hope, but duced, which stated that the election of a chairman should be had during the convention.

I feel like I have done my duty. Mr. Skinner wanted to know o ("Yes" sang a chorus of fifty or Senator Butler if there had been a more voices) I have tried to do so. slate formed. The latter replied (Don't letSkinner run over you, said that he knew of none. The chaira delegate.) When any man rises man then put the motion on the elecon this stage and reads the names of tion of a chairman. Hal W. Aver was Peace, Pigsford, Ayer, Wilson and the unanimous choice of the conventhe others and says in the same tion, and at ten o'clock the convenbreath that three of those men are tion adjourned sine die. puppets of any one man he states

Some Opinions what is not true. I say this not to oreate bad blood, but to refute a Dr. Mott says the ticket nominatslanderous statement. I say this ed so far is a splendid one and that office of elector at large was left for every one of those six men. I he will give it his support. He Cyrus Thompson had been called

moved a suspension of the rules, and the nomination of Dockery be made by acclamation.

At this juncture Harry Skinner statement. There were even some white with excitement and nervous hisses, but Skinner would not be interrupted.) He declared that their came to the front. A dramatic and surprising scene followed and the policy would divide the Populist heretofore noisy convention became and Republican parties and safely land the Democrats in power. "1 motionless.

"I want to be heard," said Convoted for Weaver." he said, "when gressman Skinner in stentorian Guthrie voted for Grover Cleveland. voice. "I regret to take issue with [Applause.] Is Col. Dockery a the distinguished Senator, and a man Populist? Will he support Bryan? of so much influence. But I tell "Yes" yelled a delegate who proved you plainly that I am not afraid to to be Y. C. Morton, of Rockingham. take issue with any one when I have "On what authority," do you make got truth, justice and right on my this statement saidSkinner. "He told side and I am not afraid to appeal to me out of his own lips, said Morton the people. I hate for this line of that he would never support Medemarcation to come when we have Kinley and he told others that he started out to name a straight ticket. would vote for Bryan and Watson.

We are about to nominate the Re-"I want an authoritative statement publican of all Republicans in North that Col. Dockery will support Bry-Carolina Guthrie and a straight an and Watson before I support him, fight is what we want. God knows said Skinner "Richmond can if we have got to fuse with the Respeak for him" yelled a delegate. publicans let us take the other end. Produce your authority by tele In the words of Tom Watson, 'Where gram or otherwise said Skinner. are we at?' (Yells of go ahead) Shall

The delegate's reply was that he we be led in either the Democratic had Col. Dockery's word for it that or Republican party? (Cries of no) he was for Bryan and Watson. Col. If you want to co-operate with the Skinner placed J. F. Mewborne in Democrats say so like men, but don't nomination for Lt. Governor in of . do it by dividing the Republican

position to Dockery. party, which means the election of Walter Henry made a rank speech the Democratic ticket. Why take favoring Dockery, Nat. Garrett Russell or Dockery? We want spoke strongly against Dockery's neither. We want principle, purity nomination and seconded Mewof the ballot box and silver. The borne's nomination. J. E. Persor, nomination of Dockery means of Wayne, denounced Butler as Democratic supremacy and the a Cromwell and told him to beware abolishment of our honest election of his ambition.

law. Let us be honest, as we have started with a straight ticket. Let | the first ballot receiving 793 votes Dockery come to us and say that he and Mewborne 285.

will canvass for Brynn and Watson before asking our support. If we unanimous was declared out of orare going to fuse with the Republider by Chairman Skinner.

cans, let us take the machine in preference to the rebels. Senator mously nominated for Secretary of Butler has been crying for a mid-State and Chas. A. Mebane received dle-of-the-road ticket, but with all his influence he can not do this." of Public Instruction.

W. H. Worth was nominated for

eached an advance of 20 points as tors, the party bugs seemed to be compared with vesterday. Later on bent on fusing with the Dockery the market declined again, closing wing of the party. (Delegates whist finally 8 points above yesterday and F. Klutz, Salisbury, led and made side remarks at this barely steady: sales 226,800 mid dling 8346, no sales.

New York Stock Market.

The following were the closing quotations on the New York Stock Exchange today: Missouri Pacific.

Rock Island St. Paul General Electric Tennessee Coal and from

Manhattan American Tobacco Burlington and Quincy Western Union Louisville and Nashville United States Leather Southern Railroad. Southern Preferred Chicago Gas Sugar

Reading Des. and Cr.t. Feed. Atchison D. L. & W. Jersey Central. Eric

Silver

Liverpool Cotton Market

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Liverpool opened 6-64 points up advanced further and closed steady. 10 to 11-64 points higher than yes terday. Spot sales 7,000, of which 500 bales was for speculation; receipts 10,000 bales: middling 443 32,

August 4 19 4 August Septe September October . October November. 4.10 4.05 November December 4.07 December January January-February 1.08 February-March Chicago Grain and Provision Market. The following were the closing quo-

tations on the Chicago Grain and Provision market today Wheat-September, 55: December,

Corn-Saptember, 224; December. Oats-September, 164: December 17

Pork-September, 5.30; December-Lard-September, 3.25; Dec. 3.45; Clear Rib Sides-September, 3.25;

PERSONAL.

Miss Annie Sizer, who has been the nomination for Superintendent here on a visit to her sister, Mrs. has been promoted to the twelve Teacher, returned to her home to- hundred dollar class. He has been day in Richmond, Va.

MeDuffic, Fayetteville, Prof. H. L. Smith and bride. Davidson College; J. A. Odell and wife, Concord; Theo,

John B. Hussey is in New York working for McKinley.

There is great sympathy here for Hon, Samuel F. Phillips on account of the arrest and imprisonment for forgery of his son. James, in New York. The young man is leading a very fast life. He forged a check, signing the name of Rev. Dr. John R Paxton, the noted Presbyterian minister. He likewise forged other checks and drafts. Mr. Phillips has had more than ordinary trouble in 414 the last two years and as he is a most exemptiary and high minded man, there is deep sympathy for him

A lady died in this city Tursday whose death is of interest all intelligent North Carolinians. She was Mrs. Ellen Sully Wheeler, widow of the late Col. John H. Wheeler, historian of North Carolina, and exminister (under Pearce's adminstration) to Nicaragua. Col. Wheeler died several years ago. On his residence door plate was inscribed John H. Wheeler, of North Carolina." All North Carolinians were ever more than welcome to his hospitable home. He loved them all. He dearly loved the old State. Mrs. Wheeler was the beautiful daughter of the celebrated Philadelphia artist, Sully. Her two sons Woodbury and Sully Wheeler reside here now. The former is a lawyer, and the latter a clerk in the Pension Office. I knew all the family well. There are two beautiful granddaughters, both married. One Julia, was an actress. She may be yet. She married a theatre manager. Mrs. Wheeler was aged 80. She used to be a lively and interesting lady.

Mr. Jacob Seagle of Morganton, a thousand dollar clerk of the customs division, Treasury Department quite ill this week.

Col: Dockery was nominated on 58# A motion to make the nomination

Dr. Cyrus Thompson was unani