

WATSON CAME BACK.

He Has Returned From His Fusion Smashing Tour of the West... The Atlanta Constitution of yesterday says: "Tom Watson is at home. His western trip came to an end last night, when, shortly after 7 o'clock, he reached Atlanta with National Committeeman H. W. Reed, who has been his traveling companion and advance agent.

ANSWER TO POPULISTS

"Has Otho Rented Rooms in the Moon?"

JUDGE RUSSELL ASKS

His Reply to Otho Wilson's Statement That He Would Come Down—Judge Pleased With His Canvass—Is Here for Several Days.

Judge Daniel L. Russell blew in the city this morning from Durham and has taken rooms at the Park Hotel where he will remain for several days. The Judge does not look like a man ready for the hospital, nor does he look to be an invalid. The stories of his illness are directly attributable to a couple of boxes of cigars which he purchased at the suggestion of Bailey of North Carolina, while in Asheville.

REGISTER TOMORROW.

It is the First Day—The Places of Registration are Designated.

Registration begins tomorrow. The registration books will be open for the first time and there are only three other Saturdays in which to register. Every Democrat in this city should have his name put in the books tomorrow. The Republican and Populist registrars control the books and Democrats should register early in order that there may be no difficulty in doing so later on.

The books will remain open from nine to four. The places of registration are given below.

First Ward—First division, all north of Jones street and west of Halifax. Registration book at J. D. Turner's store, corner Halifax and Johnson streets.

Second Ward—First division, all north of Jones and east of Halifax street. Registration book at store house, corner Polk and Elm streets.

Second Ward—Second division, all south of Jones street, north of Hargett and east of Halifax and Fayetteville streets. Registration book at Hayne's shop, corner Blount and Fayetteville streets.

Third Ward—First division, all south of Hargett street, east of Fayetteville and north of Cabarrus street. Registration book at Beine's auction house, on Hargett street.

Third Ward—Second division, all south of Cabarrus and east of Fayetteville street. Registration book at Royal Knight's hall, Cabarrus street.

Fourth Ward—First division, all south of Hargett, west of Fayetteville and North of Lenoir street. Registration book at city lot.

Fourth Ward—Second division, all south of Lenoir and west of Fayetteville street. Registration book at Pat Stewart's store, Fayetteville street.

Outside East—Registration book at Beine's old store, near Soldiers' Home.

Outside West—Northern division, north of Hillsboro road. Registration book at Turner's store, Oberlin.

Outside West—Southern division, south of Hillsboro road. Registration book at Revis' store, Hillsboro road.

RALEIGH AND INDIANA.

Race Between the Cutter Crews of the Battle-Ships.

By Telegraph to the Press-Visitor. New York, Sept. 25. The race between the cutter crews of the cruiser Raleigh and the battle-ship Indiana, was started at about 11:15 from below the Narrows. The course was straightway to the anchor.

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OUR POU

Was Given a Grand Ovation Last Night by Admirers

Such a Raucous as Was Given "Uncle Strowd Never Heard Here Before—Tore all His Feathers off.

Raleigh did herself proud last night in extending to her favorite, the Hon. E. W. Pou, such a grand reception. Mr. Pou did himself proud by making one of the best speeches that has been heard in this campaign. It was Democratic to the core, persuasive, forceful and strong. It was a speech that carried conviction to the enemy and awakened the greatest enthusiasm among all Democrats. There were Democrats in that audience last night who were aroused for the first time in years.

Mr. Strowd did not figure in the debate at all, and before Mr. Pou had finished plucking all his plumed feathers, the old man had the sympathy of many in the audience. There probably never were two gentlemen so unevenly matched in joint debate. The courageous and dashing Pou attacked successfully every point that Uncle Strowd attempted to bring out. Such a scolding as was given Strowd's inconsistencies in defending Republicans and fusing with them was nothing less than humiliating. Mr. Pou put questions to Strowd which the latter was bound to acknowledge, at the same time knowing that they would stultify him.

Mr. Pou is making a gentlemanly canvass. He referred to Mr. Strowd personally as a clever gentleman, and he stooped to nothing low. Populist and Republican openly stated today that Pou completely vanquished his opponent.

Mr. Pou's magnificent reception was nothing less than a popular ovation. The audience was the largest of the year and filled Metropolitan Hall. When he stepped out to speak the first time, the audience gave a great outburst of applause which lasted for several minutes.

No resume of the speeches can do justice to the occasion. Mr. Pou just kept Uncle Strowd on the ragged edge all the while.

Mr. Pou expressed himself as highly pleased with the magnificent reception accorded him last night. He said he was grateful to the citizens of Raleigh for the interest manifested in the fight he is making. "I suppose it is not immodest," said he, "to acknowledge that one should be proud of last night's greetings."

call It Playfulness. By Telegraph to the Press-Visitor. NEW HAVEN, Conn., Sept. 25. Dean White, of Yale, says no notice will likely be taken by the faculty regarding the students' demonstration at yesterday's Bryan meeting unless complaint should be made.

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WILL CELEBRATE.

Sunday School Day at the First Baptist Church—Sundays.

The school of the First Baptist Church of this city proposes celebrating next Sunday, Sept. 25th, as Sunday School Day.

Some special exercises will take the place of the regular lesson at 9.30 a. m. To this occasion all former members of the school, the parents of the children, and all friends of the school and congregation are not only cordially invited, but earnestly requested to be present.

Rev. B. W. Spillman, secretary of the State Sunday-school board, will, among others, make a short address. At the regular morning service in the church Dr. Carter will, by request, preach the sermon he delivered at the Chautauque held this year at Morehead City. This sermon, bearing especially upon Sunday schools, will be profitable to all interested in this branch of work.

In the afternoon at 4 o'clock in the Sunday-school room there will be a union mass meeting of the schools of the city—short addresses will be made by several brethren of different schools. Appropriate music will be rendered at all of the above occasions. Superintendents are requested to announce the mass meeting at the morning exercises of their schools and invite all to be present.

TODAY'S MARKETS.

Cotton Closed 3 to 4 Points Lower than Yesterday.

New York, Sept. 24. Cotton quotations furnished by E. B. Cuthbert & Co., 56 Broadway, New York, and 305 Wilmington street, Raleigh, over their special wire:

Table with columns: MONTHS, OPENING, HIGH, LOW, CLOSING. Rows: January, February, March, April, May, June, July, August, September, October, November, December.

New York futures opened at about even prices with yesterday, continuing steady at quotations until the latter part of the session. The market finally closed easy 3 to 4 points lower than yesterday's closing prices.

New York Stock Market.

Table with columns: Name of stock, Price. Rows: Missouri Pacific, Union Pacific, Rock Island, St. Paul, General Electric, Tennessee Coal and Iron, American Tobacco, Burlington and Quincy, Western Union, Louisville and Nashville, United States Leather, Southern Railroad, Southern Preferred, Chicago Gas, Sugar, Reading, Des. and C. & C. Feed, Atchafalaya, D. L. & W., Jersey Central, Erie, Silver.

Liverpool Cotton Market.

Table with columns: Month, Price. Rows: September, September-October, October-November, November-December, December-January, January-February, February-March, Chicago Grain and Provision Market.

The following were the closing quotations on the Chicago Grain and Provision market today: Wheat—December, 67 1/2; May, 70 1/2; Corn—December, 22 1/2; May, 25 1/2; Oats—December, 17 1/2; May, 19 1/2; Pork—January, 6.05; May, 7.15; Lard—December, 3.70; May, 4.07; Clear Rib Sides—October, 3.25; January, 3.57.

The Public Library.

Some inquiry having been made as to the status of the public library, we learn from Charles J. Parker, chairman of the Executive committee, that the committee decided to postpone further effort till after the summer vacation had ended and the schools had opened. They are now making plans to take up the work in a few days and push it to completion. All the subscriptions are in good business form and have been given by men who will meet them promptly when needed.

SHORT STATEMENTS.

Minor Matters Manipulated for the Many.

AROUND THE CITY.

Port-Parrot of the News Pictured on Paper—Points and People Perpetually Picked and Pithily Put in Print.

Senator Morgan is expected to reach the State in a few days.

The Democratic county convention meets here tomorrow at noon. A full county ticket will be put out.

Don't forget the fact that tomorrow is the first day of registration and that there are only four days in which to register.

The big Republican McKinley and Hobart banner was only temporarily knocked out. The Republican ensign was swung to the breezes again this afternoon.

The ladies will be interested in Heller Bros.' specialty announced today. It is an artistic \$2.00 shoe which once seen there is an instant desire to put it on. The ladies should not fail to call and see it.

The Ladies Auxiliary of the Young Men's Christian Association will meet tomorrow afternoon at 4.30 o'clock at the rooms. All who are interested are earnestly requested to attend.

Southport, N. C., will be made a coaling station. As that point is closer to vessels passing up the coast, they will get their supply of coal there, which means a big loss to Norfolk and other points.

Tonight at 8 o'clock the Ladies Aid Society of the Christian Church will give an entertainment consisting of music, tableaux, etc., at the Mansion house, opposite Union depot. No charge for admittance. Refreshments will be served at reasonable prices.

Mr. William Toft is lying at Rex Hospital suffering with a dislocated hip and a broken thigh. He had a fall day before yesterday near the Wilmington street drug store of Mr. John Y. MacLae with the above results, and while he is reported resting easy today his injuries, it is feared, are quite serious.

Rev. Caesar Johnson, colored, has returned from St. Louis, where he attended the National Baptist convention. A press report was sent out from St. Louis stating that the National Baptist Association had declared in favor of McKinley. Rev. Johnson says the report was entirely false and that McKinley was not endorsed in any fashion.

Mr. Will Wynne has placed in the window of Sherwood Higgs & Co., one of the new telegraph instruments of his own invention, which is being used by the Seaboard Air-Line. It is called the private telegraph and alarm call and it is the first one which has been shown here. It attracts much attention.

A gentleman from Milton says the shortage of ex-Cashier Lucke, of the Milton bank was \$8,000, but that all has been adjusted so that the bank does not lose a cent. Lucke's bondsmen paid \$10,000 and the other \$2,000 is secured by the best collateral. Lucke is said to have overdrawn, having discounted paper without consulting the directors.

A Raleigh Baptist, who was for many years an admirer of the Rev. Thos. Dixon, said yesterday: "I want you to state that Tom Dixon is not in the Baptist church, and for that matter he is not in fellowship with any church. He left the Baptists some time ago, and established an independent church of his own, which he calls the People's church. There is not a church similar to it in the United States."

Fair and Warm. Fair weather conditions still prevail over the eastern half of the country. The present arrangement of pressure is favorable for warmer weather here; that is, a "high" over the Atlantic states and "low" over the lake region. It is still quite cool this morning. Charlotte reports light frost; the only other place reporting frost is North State.

The weather is generally clear this morning. Light rain occurred during the past 24 hours at a large number of stations west of the Mississippi, but none occurred in the eastern part of the country. The indications are that Saturday will be fair and slightly warmer.

MANY EXHIBITORS.

Twelve Hundred Feet of Space Let Today to Three Parties—Fair News.

The State Fair will soon be at hand. Secretary Nichols is a visitor to the grounds nearly afternoon. He is making many improvements in the grounds and buildings, which will be a pleasant surprise to those familiar with the place.

If demands for space in which to make exhibits continue, additional buildings will have to be erected or a lot of people will be shut out entirely. This morning Secretary Nichols received requests for 1,200 feet of space from three firms, in addition to requests from numbers of people who desire smaller apartments.

Sayers & Seville, of Cincinnati, made application for 600 feet of space in which to exhibit a handsome display of wagons, buggies and hearses. The Milburn-Bass Company took 300 feet of space and Fogle Bros., of Salem, the same amount in which they will make a display of native woods and furniture. Every mail brings many applications from persons desirous of making exhibits.

It is a noticeable fact that Raleigh people are not evincing the interest that they should. Every firm in the city that makes any pretensions at all should have an exhibit at the grounds. The fair is more of a Raleigh enterprise than anything else.

DEAL CONSUMMATED.

Manly, Ayer and Keith Sign Up the Documents for Fusion.

The deal for electoral fusion has been fully consummated and the papers binding the three chairmen has been duly signed. The object of Mr. Keith's visit to Raleigh was to attach his signature to the document as chairman of the Silver party.

The agreement says that for the purpose of uniting the votes of the said three parties for their mutual candidate for President, the Hon. W. J. Bryan, and to adjust the complications arising out of the nomination of two candidates for Vice-President, it has been arranged that the three parties vote for the electoral ticket recently arranged, and composed of five Democrats, five Populist and one silverite.

"And that all of the eleven electors, if elected, shall cast their votes in the electoral college for their mutual candidate for the Presidency, the Hon. Wm. J. Bryan; and for the candidates for Vice Presidents of their respective parties: The Peoples Party, the National Silver party and the Democratic party."

"If, for any reason, it shall become necessary to make any change or changes in any of the electors before named, such changes shall be made with the consent of the Chairman of the respective parties to this agreement."

The agreement is signed by Clement Manly, Chairman Democratic State Executive Committee and B. F. Keith, Chairman National Silver Party, and Hal W. Ayer, Chairman Populist Executive committee.

Chairman Ayer and Chairman Manly are in doubt as to whether magistrates shall be voted for on the electoral or county ticket. It not generally known, but there can only be two tickets at the coming election. Electors, State officers, congressmen, judges and solicitors will be voted for on one ticket. County and legislative officers will be voted for on the other. Magistrates will be voted for by townships and not by counties. No provision is made in the election law as to which ticket the names of candidates for magistrates shall appear.

Chairman Ayer has issued from the Populist headquarters an address to the voters of the State, advising them how to vote.

The Press-Visitor Fair Edition.

Mr. C. Beauregard Poland is busily engaged working up our State Fair Special Edition and will call upon all our business men as rapidly as possible. This edition will be designed to place Raleigh's business interests and her facilities for supplying the demands of the public, both in and out of Raleigh, before the people, and especially before the thousands of visitors who will be in the city during the fair, from our neighboring cities and from the country. It will be a fine opportunity for our business people to place themselves before the people of the entire State. The special edition will appear on Monday of fair week and will be distributed every day during the fair.

The streets were full of cotton again today. There were between 300 and 400 bales here.