

PROPOSAL REJECTED

Pops Ask Watson's Voluntary Withdrawal.

TWO MEMBERS KICK.

They Did Not Want to Break Off Negotiations So Suddenly—An All Night Session Which Ended Today at Noon.

The expected has happened. The Populist Executive Committee has thrown all sand in stock at the Democratic Central Committee. The sand very likely caught them in the eyes. But as Otho Wilson prophesied in yesterday's paper, Pops added insult to injury. We can only hope that this is the last opportunity the Populist idol will have to humiliate us. There is something in that.

The Populist Executive Committee got together, twenty strong, yesterday evening at 8 p. m. Gathered with them was Major Guthrie, Worth, Uncle Strowd, Joe Rogers, J. W. Denmark and others. The council of war debated and discussed grave matters from eight in the evening until 4:35 this morning. Most of the members had completely exhausted themselves in overtaxing their lung capacity, and a recess for a short while was deemed absolutely necessary or the committee room would have been transformed into a lodging apartment.

The committeemen spent several hours napping, fed their faces, lubricated their "think works" and by eight thirty they were all back at headquarters as bright and chipper as two year olds. You can't lose a Populist in one night's fracas.

At twelve today the boys finally adjourned and made public their answer to the proposition of the Democratic State Central Committee for fusion on State, Congressional and legislative officers. The reply was drafted by a sub committee composed of chairman Ayer, Capt. Pease, J. B. Lloyd, Senator Westmoreland and S. Otho Wilson. The draft was prepared by chairman Ayer and it was adopted by the committee in its original form without any alterations.

Two members of the committee, State Senator J. T. B. Hoover and W. A. Stratford, objected to the reply as adopted, and they made a determined fight against it, which prolonged the session through the night and up to noon today. These gentlemen desired to continue negotiations with the Democratic committee looking to fusion and they made a motion to this effect, but it was without details.

The reply to the Democratic committee addressed to Chairman Manly was forwarded to him shortly after twelve o'clock. The reply is given in full below:

HON. CEMENT MANLY, Chairman Democratic Executive Committee, Dear Sir:—Immediately upon the receipt of your communication dated October 13th, 1896, enclosing a resolution embodying a proposition for co-operation by and between the Democratic party and the Peoples' party, I summoned by telegraph the members of the State Executive Committee of the Peoples' party to meet in Raleigh on October 14th, 1896, at 8 o'clock p. m. A large majority of the committee responded by their presence, and the proposition of your central committee was laid before them. I desire to assure you that earnest and protracted consideration was given to the proposition of your central committee, and I am instructed by our State committee to transmit to you the following reply.

First—When the proposition for electoral co-operation was submitted to our chairman by your committee or August 1st, 1896, our committee submitted a counter-proposition, looking to a complete and compact union of the silver forces all along the line, but said proposition was ignored by your committee.

Second—Should such co-operation as is suggested and contemplated in your proposition of October 13th, be favorably considered by our committee at this time, we are of the opinion that, owing to the short time before the election, satisfactory arrangements and alignment could not be effected on either side; and therefore would not receive such hearty and loyal support as would make success an assured fact.

Third—We entertain no hope of

being able to make you a proposition which would be acceptable to you and at the same time be sustained by the full force of both the Democratic and Peoples parties, but we venture a suggestion here, which if adopted by you, would eliminate at least one of the dangers which you declare is menacing the State, viz: The election of the Republican nominee for Governor. This suggestion is the voluntary withdrawal of your nominee for Governor, and the concentration of the Democratic forces on the nominee of the Peoples party for Governor. We are encouraged to make this suggestion by the following declaration in the State Democratic platform of 1896: "We declare our belief that the peace, prosperity and happiness of the people of North Carolina depend on the defeat of the Republican State ticket in the coming election."

Yours very truly,
HAL W. AYER,
Chairman P. P. State Ex. Com.

Chairman Ayer stated that the meeting was very interesting and harmonious, being free from bickerings, kicking or anything of the kind. "The committee," he said, "exercised great patience and afforded the two gentlemen who differed with the majority full opportunity to express their views. Messrs. Hoover and Stratford dissented. They essentially desired to make a counter-proposition with a view of having our candidate for Governor endorsed."

Senator Hoover, would only state that he and Mr. Stratford dissented from the reply and that they opposed closing negotiations.

Mr. Stratford said that he favored making a counter proposition, and that an all night fight was made up to that question. "Mr. Hoover and myself for our part thought it the proper course to have an alignment of all the silver forces in the State and we made a fight to get them together. This is all I have to say. It covers the ground."

Major Guthrie, it is understood, opposed any interference in the congressional arrangement existing between the Populists and Republicans. As to fusion with Democrats on State and county matters, he did not express himself.

Chairman Ayer was asked if he thought the committee had pursued a wise course. "If it hadn't been wise I never would have been a party to it," he said. Chairman Ayer stated that the committee would not meet any more until after the election.

Ralph Howland has been appointed by Chairman Ayer the elector in the first district.

CUPID'S DARTS.

Marriage of Miss Wynne and Mr. Ellington—Sale—Jackson.

This morning at the residence of Mr. W. W. Wynne, on Elm street, and Mr. N. E. Edgerton, of Selma, Miss Alma Wynne were joined in marriage.

The wedding was quietly celebrated at the home of the bride in the presence of relatives and invited friends. Rev. Mr. Culbertson performed the ceremony which was beautiful in its simplicity. The bridal couple, at the conclusion of the ceremony, repaired to the depot, where they were given a hearty farewell before departing on a bridal tour north.

Miss Wynne is one of Raleigh's most charming and cultured young ladies and her host of friends extend happy felicitations. Mr. Edgerton is one of Selma's most popular and progressive young men.

Mr. T. P. Sale, the popular health officer of the city led to hymen's altar yesterday Miss Electa Lee Jackson, at the residence of the bride's parents in new Light township.

The simple marriage ceremony was witnessed by a number of specially invited friends and acquaintances. Among those who accompanied the groom from Raleigh were Mayor Wm. Russ, W. G. Separk and Frank Ellington. The ceremony which joined the couple in wedlock was impressively performed by Rev. Dr. Atkinson.

After receiving the congratulations of those present the couple returned to the city yesterday afternoon. They will make their home at Mrs. Lee's boarding house.

We extend hearty congratulations to Mr. Sale and his accomplished bride.

His many friends will be glad to know that Mr. Henry E. Litchford is convalescing and will be able to be out in a few days.

THE STATE FAIR.

Some of the Raleigh Exhibitors—Big Crowds Expected.

The State Fair is almost upon us. Every indication points to a most successful exhibit, and large attendance of visitors from all sections of the State.

Meeting of friends and old acquaintances is even as pleasurable as the Fair itself. The railroads have given us a cent and a quarter rate per mile, which will be the means of attracting many persons who otherwise would not have come.

The social feature of the Fair is one which is enjoyed to a greater degree than any other. People from all sections of the State gather here and the exhibitors are shipping their exhibits here and some of them have already arrived. All of the space in floral hall and in the old exposition building has been taken. Nearly all the leading business firms of the State will make display. President Cameron made a laudable effort this season to interest the manufacturing enterprises in the state in the fair. He has with partial success, though it is to be regretted that all our manufacturing enterprises would not join in and make exhibits.

Raleigh firms have awakened to the importance of the occasion and many of our leading enterprises will make exhibits. Among the number are W. H. & R. S. Tucker & Co., Raleigh Cotton Mills, Sherwood Higgs & Co., T. H. Briggs & Sons, Julius Lewis & Co., Thomas & Maxwell, Barber & Johnson, Royall & Borden, Steinmetz, Darnell & Thomas, St. Mary's School, Peace Institute, W. H. Hughes, A. B. Stronach, Edwards & Broughton and numbers of others.

The Circus Has Come and Gone. A happy smile played on every body's countenance today because they had again experienced that magic pleasure of "going to the circus." There is something peculiar in the enjoyment of having the circus in town. Everybody who can get there goes and a holiday air prevails when friends greet friends and acquaintances nod at each other as they pass before the animal cages or the ropes, as much as to say: "Well we are all here to enjoy ourselves and fling carolling cares to the winds for an hour or two."

It may be said in justice to the Main circus that it is one of the best that ever visited the city. There are many new features in it and the work is all well done. The acrobatic features are especially fine, and the fun thrown in by the clowns is irresistible. John Lowlow is half of the circus. He was greeted with an ovation at each performance. He seems to have lost none of his old time magnetism as the king of jesters and at the same time his work in the ring is tinged with that vein of thoughtful philosophy and kindness which has come to the veteran clown in his maturing years. Lowlow now holds the attention of his audiences by appealing to their intelligence as well as their susceptibility to mirth. The life of the ring was the inimitable joker Geo. L. Bickel who kept the audience convulsed with laughter throughout the whole performance with his many ludicrous antics and jokes. He appeared as a German comedian and in various other roles and to look at him meant to laugh in a broad guffaw. Bickel is a winner. There were many meritorious features too numerous to mention and the verdict of all was that the show was the best they ever saw and that it deserves well at the hands of the public wherever it goes.

Thirty Newspaper Reporters at Chapel Hill. Thirty boys at the State University are reporters for some newspaper so the Tar-Heel says: "In order that these reporters may obtain the most important items about the progress and general circumstances of the University, a conference is held by them on every Friday afternoon under the supervision of Mr. W. C. Smith. He obtains beforehand, from Dr. Alderman, all the news of interest which would be known by the executive and not by the student body at large."

THE FAIR MARSHALS.

The Names of Those Who Will be Chief Marshals and Assistants.

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The following is a partial list of the assistant marshals who have been appointed: E. H. Fellows, H. J. Decker, Dr. J. M. Hyer, Thos. Busb, Jno B. Stronach, W. H. King, L. A. Mahler, Dr. Norwood Carroll, Perrin Busbee, V. H. Boyden, E. B. Bain, Robt. Gatling, A. J. Coward, Greek O. Andrews, W. H. Williamson, W. B. Snow, Ben Baker, S. T. Batchelor, H. W. Miller.

THE ROBINSOIN OPERA COMPANY.

The Robinson Opera Company which will appear at the Metropolitan opera house the week beginning Oct. 19, with matinees, Wednesday and Saturday, although new to Raleigh is one of the strongest, both as to dramatic power and singing voices, now presenting comic opera, and it comes here well praised by the Eastern and Western press. The company includes that capable actor and singer Mr. Henry C. Peakes who created a furor through the South a few years ago by his magnificent rendering of the old miser Gaspard in the Chimes of Normandy and who has no equal. Miss Isabelle Sargent the prima donna who is a winsome little lady is sure to win her way to favor by her clever and bright singing. Miss Frankie Broach and Miss Minnie Stella handle their difficult roles with the minutest nicety and precision Messrs. Chas. N. Holmes and Osborne Clemson tenors. Messrs. Tom. Martin and F. J. McCarthy comedians. Phia W. Nares barytone, is supported by a chorus of thirty well trained voices and youthful looks under the skillful direction of Sig. Carlo Torriana. The company will produce the following operas while here: Monday, *Alfivetti*; Tuesday, *Fra Diavolo*; Wednesday, *matinee Chimes of Normandy*; Wednesday night, *Mascotte*; Thursday, *Giroffe-Giroffe*; Friday, *Bohemian Girl*; Saturday, *matinee, Pinafore*; Saturday night *Mikado*. The sale of seats begins Thursday morning at 9 a. m. at W. H. King's drug store, corner Hargett and Fayetteville streets.

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BUTLER VISITS WATSON

Latter Has Written His Letter of Acceptance.

GOES FOR BUTLER.

And the National Committee With Gloves Off—An Agreement Between Watson and Democratic Managers.

By Telegraph to the Press-Visitor.

CHICAGO, Oct. 15.—Senator Marion Butler Chairman of the Populist national committee and George F. Washburn who has charge of the western branch left for Georgia last night to confer with Watson regarding the action taken by Populist executive committee at its meeting yesterday. Conference with Chairman Jones was held and the probable action of Watson was considered. The visit of Messrs. Butler and Watson was decided upon. Today the politicians say the visit was largely a formal one. The agreement between Watson and Democratic managers was perfected by Washburn.

INDIANAPOLIS, Oct. 15.—A private dispatch from Thomas Watson says he has mailed his letter of acceptance to Chairman Butler. Most of the letter has been seen by the recipient of the dispatch and it handles the Populist National Committee without gloves on the subject of fusion.

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BEATS THE SPHINX.

The Railway Puzzle Seems to be a Hard One to Solve.

The Atlanta Constitution of yesterday says:

President Samuel Spencer of the Southern railway is expected to be in Atlanta in a few days and appear before the state railroad commission. He was asked to attend yesterday but telegraphed that he had an important meeting in Boston and asked if a later date in the week would be convenient for the commission. The matter was left with Judge Fort and he has been at his home for several days and nothing has been heard from him. The state board meets on Friday, but whether Mr. Spencer will come then or not is not known here.

The railroad commissions have a few questions between the Central, the Georgia Southern and Florida and the Southern. It is probable that he will be interrogated in reference to the recent reported sale of the Seaboard Air-Line. South Carolina is trying to get at the bottom of that transaction, too.

Mr. Spencer states positively that the Southern has nothing to do with the purchase of the Seaboard, but he has said that the Southern controlled the Central and again he said that the Southern had a contingent, beneficial interest in the Central. He stated last year that the Southern had acquired the Georgia Southern and Florida and he is still president of that property.

The state board is still working on the old mystery of who owns these railway properties. Thus far there has been a great deal of reticence about the matter. No one has come forward to explain who Messrs. Parsons & Edwards, stockholders of the Georgia Southern, and the purchasers of the Macon and Birmingham are. No one has explained the Southern's contingent beneficial interest in the Central.

The Georgia Southern and Florida is financed by the Southern's officials and there is no secret about that.

The Central has no executive board, Mr. Comer is the head of that system and there is no going behind the returns there.

Messrs. Ryan and Thomas, hold practically all the Central's stock, and have an option on the Seaboard Air-Line.

DECISIONS AFFIRMED.

All the Justices of the Supreme Court Sustain Judge Montgomery.

Yesterday the Supreme court filed special decisions in the two cases in which points in the election law were evolved. In the case of the Winston registrars the decision of Justice Montgomery was affirmed. It was concurred in by all five of the Justices. The decision is as follows:

In consideration of the importance of the matter we say we think the registrars under said act may ask the elector his age and residence as well as the township and county from which he removed, in case of a removal since the last election, and the name by which he is commonly known, and that by authority of the Constitution, article 6, section 1, the registrars may ask the elector if he has resided in the State twelve months next preceding the election, and ninety days in the county in which he offers to vote, and that no more questions can be asked by the registrars under said act. If the elector answers that he is twenty-one years old, and has resided in the State twelve months and in the county ninety days previous to the election at which he proposes to vote, it is the duty of the registrars, upon his taking the oath prescribed by section 16, to record his name as a voter. Upon the request of any by-stander he can be sworn as to his residence. Challenges, if made at all, must be made at the time and in the manner specified in the act. Affirmed.

The following is a summary of the opinion as to election of justices of the peace:

The court holds that justices of the peace in each township shall be elected by the voters thereof. The names of the candidates for justices of the peace shall be voted on the ticket with county officers, but only in their respective townships, as has already been the case with candidates for constable. The judgment below is affirmed.—Opinion by Clark J.

Mr. Seymour Hancock, a Republican "split-binder" is here.

APPEALING THE CASE.

The Injunction Against the Seaboard to be Carried Up.

Steps are being taken to carry the injunction granted by Judge Emory Speer against the Seaboard and other roads to the circuit court of appeals at New Orleans. It seems that the case will not be heard by Judge Speer, but will be taken up direct to the circuit court of appeals. The Atlanta Constitution says: Notice was served yesterday by Messrs King & Spalding, counsel for the Seaboard, on the other roads which were enjoined, notifying them of the appeal so that they could become parties to it if they wish.

As was expected, the Seaboard is the first to move in the case. The injunction was peremptory. It will be remembered that the injunction was granted just before the state railroad commissioners took up the question of reducing local rates in Georgia to correspond with the through rates, which had been cut 33 per cent. Some of the roads did not want the commission to interfere and the injunction was obtained to prevent the state board from interfering.

TODAY'S MARKETS.

No Important Developments in Cotton Today.

NEW YORK, Oct. 15. Cotton quotations furnished by G. E. Leach, Broker, 311 Wilmington street, Raleigh, N. C. [By Private Wire.]

MONTHS.	OPENING.	HIGH-EST.	LOW-EST.	CLOSING.
January	7 81	7 91	7 80	7 86
February	7 92	7 96	7 89	7 92
March	7 93	8 02	7 92	7 96
April	8 01	8 08	8 00	8 01
May				
June				
July				
August				
September	7 65	7 59	7 55	7 56
October	7 57	7 63	7 55	7 58
November	7 70	7 80	7 70	7 59
December				

There has been no important developments in cotton today. The speculation movement is smaller. The probability of a sharp decrease in the receipts is being discussed and suffices to check free selling as does the possibility of each frost. Fall River reports a good demand for prints. Some sections say the crop is turning out better than expected and others worse.

New York Stock Market.

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

Sugar	107
American Tobacco	754
Burlington and Quincy	694
Chicago Gas	60
Des. and Crt. Feed	—
General Electric	—
Louisville and Nashville	424
Manhattan	904
Rock Island	694
Southern Preferred	254
St. Paul	694
Tennessee Coal and Iron	214
Western Union	824

Liverpool Cotton Market.

Liverpool opened about 2 64 down owing to the easy and lower close of New York last night. Spot sales, 10,000 bales; quiet. Later on the market advanced slightly, closing finally steady 1 1/2 to 2 64 below yesterday.

Chicago Grain and Provision Market.

The following were the closing quotations on the Chicago Grain and Provision market today:

Wheat—December, 704; May, 744.
Corn—December, 244; May, 28.
Oats—December 184; May 204.
Pork—December, 6.95; January, 7.80.
Lard—December, 417; January, 4.37.
Clear Rib Sides—October, 3.62; January 3.85.

No More Bryan Literature.

By Telegraph to the Press-Visitor.

CHICAGO, Oct. 15.—No more bulletins will be given out by Bryan Democratic headquarters. The press bureau has decided to discontinue preparing class matter. The explanation given is that newspapers cannot or refuse to print it.

SHORT STATEMENTS.

Minor Matters Manipulated for the Many.

AROUND THE CITY.

Pot-Pourri of the News Pictured on Pa-per—Points and People Pertinently Picked and Pithily Put in Print.

The circus shows in Oxford today.

Thirty convicts were sent to the Roanoke farm today.

News was received here yesterday that the house of Mr. Joel Whitaker at Hillsboro was destroyed by fire. It was the property of Mr. Tom Turner and was insured.

The soire, which was to have been given tomorrow night, has been postponed till Saturday night, but the scholars are requested to come to their usual lesson at 4:30 o'clock tomorrow afternoon.

A visit to the new restaurant of Dick Geirsch, the well known and experienced caterer, shows that it is a thoroughly first-class and attractive resort. Mr. Geirsch has tables for ladies as well as gentlemen and there is no nicer place for business men or visitors to drop into for a meal.

Mr. J. T. Harris, proprietor of the famous Harris Lithia Springs, of South Carolina, is in town in the interest of this noted water. If you will read some of Mr. Harris' testimonials which he has received from the most noted physicians from all parts of the country, you will see that there is no superior water to Harris Lithia water. Mr. Harris will sell the water to any physician on condition that after using same in his practice if he is not better pleased with results that he will refund the money.

From Earth to Heaven.

At 2:30 o'clock this morning, after an illness of rather more than three weeks, Mrs. Emma Nettie Manor died at the Park Hotel.

For some days a fatal termination of her illness had been expected, and yet her death was a shock terrible to her loving husband, mother, brother and children, who were all at her bedside, and deeply grieved to her loving friends who had been so assiduous in their care. Mrs. Manor was born in Charlottesville, Va., August 21, 1858. She was the daughter of Mrs. M. A. Bear, who arrived here a few days since, in company with Mr. F. R. Bear, her son, in response to a summons. Mrs. Manor was married at Harrisonburg, Va., twelve years ago. The sincerest and gentlest sympathy of her many friends goes out to Mr. W. E. Manor, her husband, and their two little girls, aged 9 and 7 years.

Mrs. Manor was a member of Edenton Street Methodist church. She was earnest in her religious as well as in her wifely duties, and formed close friendships during her two years residence in Raleigh. The remains will leave here for Harrisonburg at 8:45 o'clock tomorrow morning.

Boston Stars Tonight.

Lolett's Boston Stars, the first of Messrs. King's and Atkinson's, Star Course appear here tonight at Metropolitan Hall. The Stars appeared in Durham last night and the Sun has this complimentary notice about them:

The house was packed full of music and fun loving people who listened to as good a concert as has been given Durham in many a day.

Mr. Reynolds in his "humorous humorsities," "character sketches" and "humorous songs" brought down the house. Miss Brewer in her piano solos and recitals was compelled to respond to a second and third encore, while the soprano solos of Miss Hill and violin solos of Miss Garritz were almost perfection itself.

A better pleased audience never left the court house and if this is a sample of what is to appear in the Durham Star Course our citizens owe Mr. Williams, the manager and treasurer, a vote of thanks for bringing entertainments here of such high order and giving the people a chance to pass away a pleasant evening occasionally.

The Norfolk Landmark speaks in the highest terms of their appearance in Norfolk. Gallery seats will sell for 50 cents.