

THE STATE FAIR OPENED

Mr. McKissick and Gov. Carr Exchange Compliments.

A FINE EXHIBIT.

The Fair Formally Declared Open by the Governor Who was Presented by the Chief Marshal—The Fair a Success From the Start.

The State Fair was formally opened this morning. There was a good attendance and the exhibit is exceptionally fine and complete.

The opening ceremony took place at 12 o'clock today in the grand stand. At 11 o'clock this morning Chief Marshal McKissick and President Benjamin Cameron waited on His Excellency Gov. Carr and escorted him to the Yarbore where the marshals were in waiting to form the procession.

On arriving at the grounds the opening ceremonies took place in the grand stand. Mr. McKissick in the following handsome address presented his Excellency, Governor Carr.

Mr. President and members of the North Carolina State Agricultural Society and:

LADIES AND GENTLEMEN: I have been honored by the request that I should present to you the Chief Executive of North Carolina, upon whom will devolve the duty of declaring the twenty-sixth annual state fair duly opened.

I do not hardly say that for the unknown to attempt to introduce one whose name is a household word in the state, and whose countenance is familiar to everybody, is just a little embarrassing. I trust, however, that after I shall have performed my duty, he will reciprocate the favor, and kindly introduce me to the people of North Carolina.

There is an especial appropriateness in the connection of your governor with the North Carolina Agricultural Society. For the first time in many years the governor of this agricultural state is himself a simple farmer. Other governors have been largely interested in agriculture, but he is the first for many years who is a farmer and nothing else, and dependent solely upon agriculture for his support.

Gov. Carr in replying to Mr. McKissick said that Mr. McKissick was almost as he himself was by reason of the good cheer and hospitality of the Battery Park, of which Mr. McKissick is the life and presiding genius. Gov. Carr then formally declared the fair open and the audience dispersed to view the exhibits.

Watson's Name Withdrawn. By Telegraph to the Press-Visitor. TOPPER, Oct. 20.—Tom Watson's name has been withdrawn as the democratic-populist nominee for Vice President in deference to his wishes. Chairman Bridenthal of the fusion committee has filed mandamus proceedings in the Supreme Court and compelled the secretary of state to place Watson's name on the ticket notwithstanding the latter's protest.

20 Rounds and a Draw. By Telegraph to the Press-Visitor. BOSTON, Oct. 20.—Dan Sullivan, of Boston and Jack Ward, of Newark, fought twenty rounds to a draw last night.

16 DIVORCE CASES.

Calendar for the Civil Term of Wake Superior Court.

The calendar for the October term of Wake Superior court has been completed. The court convenes next Monday, Judge Boykin presiding.

There are only sixteen divorce cases for trial. While there have been a large number of divorce cases at every term of Wake court since the last legislature adjourned the number coming for trial this term is a record breaker; fifteen of the cases come up for trial Saturday.

Monday, October 26—N. C. State Life Insurance Company v Wm H Hicks et al; Julius Lewis & Co. v C E J Goodwin; In re Henry Biggs, ex parte; Jno C Drewry v Jno B Kenney; Walter R Chambliss et al v Willie Broughton et al; J C Marcom, Adm'r Bedford, v Emma E Foust et al; W H Holloway & Sons v C F Sowers.

Tuesday.—W H Worth, S B A., v R M Crumpler et al; W L Bacon v C B Junican et al.

Wednesday.—R & A L R R Co. v E B Sturgeon; P H Johns v D C Mangum.

Thursday.—Barbee & Thompson v S & R R R Co; State ex rel Lucy A Fleming v D L Flowers et al.

Friday.—John Johnson v W Z Blake et al; Davenport & Morris et al v J C Marcom et al; J C Marcom, Adm'r Pearce, v James T Pearce et al.

Saturday.—Bettie Worrell v James H Worrell; I M Proctor et al v Georgia Home Insurance Co; Gaston W Britt v Elizabeth Britt; R F Frazier v Cornelia Frazier; Eaton Finch v Edith Finch; George R Medlin v Elizabeth Medlin; Sudie Williams v Chas P Williams; Neely McIlwaine v John McIlwaine; M T Ray v Nora J Ray; J W H Adams v Isabella Adams, Dock Williams v Margaret Williams; Fabius Horton v Lula Horton; Florence L Burton v H W S Barton; Thomas Powell v Nannie Powell; Agnes Fleming v Albert Fleming.

Thursday, Nov. 5.—Cross & Utley v King & Edwards; J L Pugh et al, executors Pugh, v Mary J Howell et al; State ex rel E A Johnson, Executor, v J C Marcom et al; Fishcher-Land Co v J M Ayer; R M Dickson v J A Sexton; Planters Bank of Farmville, Va, v J A Sexton.

Friday.—A A Bright v J C Marcom, Adm'r Nichols; E B Freeman & Co v N M Norris, et al; W H Holloway v C F Sowers; National Bank of Raleigh v Jos A Haywood et al; A B Marshburn et al v Gilly F Harrison et al.

Saturday.—W H Wilson v A W Haywood, executor.

Saturday, Nov. 14.—John Rogers v Lucy Rogers; W H Wheeler v Sallie Atkins et al.

THE CASTLE CASE.

Prisoners Plead Not Guilty—Trial Continued Till November 2.

By Cable to the Press-Visitor. LONDON, Oct. 20.—Mr. and Mrs. Castle, of San Francisco, were again brought up on remand in Marlborough police court this morning charged with the theft of several articles in London stores. They were committed to trial in Clerkenwell sessions November the second. Bail was renewed the same as before. The court room was crowded. Secretary Roosevelt, of the United States embassy, had an interview in the ante room. Mrs. Castle did not display any thing like the nervous agitation on her former appearance. Both pleaded not guilty and reserved the line of defence.

Ruff's Boy for Silver.

Ruff Henderson spent yesterday in the city discoursing with friends on the political situation. In a conversation with a prominent citizen Ruff said yesterday afternoon that he had a son just 21 years old, who would in November cast his first ballot. Said he, "The d—fool has not a bit of sense—he is going to vote for Bryan and free silver.—Winston Sentinel.

Rev. John D. Jordan, D. D. in the City.

This distinguished representative of the Baptist Young People of the South arrived in Raleigh this morning. He will deliver an address at the Raleigh Baptist Tabernacle tonight. He is an orator of the first class. All are invited to hear him.

The Robinson Opera Company gave an attractive performance at Metropolitan opera house last night and the audience was well pleased. It is a strong company with bright people and brilliant costumes. Tonight they present "Fra Diavolo."

ROGERS UDEER ARREST

Registrar Britt Says "There is Something Rotten."

SEVERE PENALTY

For Interfering With Election—Who is Behind Rogers—Republicans Have a Warrant Sworn Out.

There is some underhand work, that the public is ignorant of, in the disappearance of the registration book in the second division of the second ward and which has not come to light. The facts should be ascertained by all means and the guilty parties made to suffer. Every honest and self respecting man must hope that the book may be found and the registration conducted in a legitimate manner, so that in the event some of the democratic nominees should win by only a small majority there can be no ground for throwing out the returns in the second ward.

The chairman of the registration board, Mr. Britt who was appointed as a Populist, believes that the book has been tampered with. Interview with him obtained by a PRESS-VISITOR reporter throws additional light upon the matter. Mr. Britt was seen this morning and said:

"I have not voted in five years and then I only voted in order to defeat a movement for increase of road tax. I am neither a Republican or Populist, but since this thing has happened I am inclined to vote the Democratic ticket and if I vote at all I will vote for some of the Democratic nominees. I had action taken against Rogers. I think the losing of that book is a put up job. I know there is something rotten. I believe that darkey has the book and could find it if he would. I would just like to get with him an hour by myself and I would like him."

Mr. Britt stated that he loaned Rogers the book to make a duplicate and that he claimed to have lost it the day of the circus. Mr. Britt blames Rogers for trying to impose a fraudulent book on Mr. Watts and himself. He says Rogers has told him three different tales and that there is no dependence to be put in what he says.

The matter took an entirely different turn today when a warrant was sworn out against Rogers and he was placed under arrest. The warrant was sworn out by Mr. Britt and Clerk of the Court Dan H. Young is cited as a witness. The action is brought by republicans. The warrant charges Rogers with willfully and maliciously misplacing and destroying the registration book of the second division of the second ward.

The penalty according to the new election law is far reaching and very severe. There are several different sections in the law which will cover the case, but section 39 is more specific and comes nearer covering this case. It says, "that any person who, by force and violence, shall break up or stay any election, by assaulting the officers thereof, or depriving them of the ballot-boxes, OR BY ANY OTHER MEANS, his aiders and abettors, shall be guilty of a misdemeanor, and imprisoned three months, and pay such fine as the court shall adjudge, not exceeding one hundred dollars.

Chairman Ayer this morning called on Rogers and obtained a statement from him. Mr. Ayer is interested in the case. He is indignant that the crime was committed and thinks the law should be enforced.

Otho Wilson, who knows no sin outside of the Democratic party, think that it is a put up job. He is very indignant that republicans should have been accused.

There is no doubt that a 200 Democratic majority has been trifled with. Rogers placed suspicion on himself by keeping secret the disappearance of the book and fraudulently imposing another one on the registrars.

Mr. Watts, as every one knows is an honorable citizen and no one will doubt what he says. There is no way of getting at the true registration unless Mr. Watts' duplicate is accepted.

A gross injustice has been done several hundred voters. There are several matters which should be explained. If they cannot be explained, it should be rigidly enforced.

The case against Rogers comes up for trial in the morning. He has made affidavit that Mr. Watts has a true copy of the registration.

WATSON CONTRADICTED.

It is Claimed That he Once Agreed to Fusion.

St. Louis, Mo., Oct. 19.—Chairman Rosselle of the state populist committee, has had his attention called to the recently published denial of Thomas E. Watson, populist candidate for vice-president, of a statement in the Lamar Leader, Rosselle's paper, that he, Watson, favored the electoral fusion in this state.

Mr. Rosselle has now given out a signed statement, in which he declares most emphatically that Mr. Watson did, at his recent meeting in this city, in the presence of National Committeeman Washburn, Rankin, Reed and Gen. Paul Vandervoort and J. B. Follette, say that the fusion as arranged "was perhaps the best that could be done," and also that he had no objection to fusion on electors, giving him and the party adequate recognition.

The Washington Star of yesterday says: "It is believed that if Watson's letter goes to the public as it was written it will create a sensation. To offset it or to prevent it doing too much harm, the populist managers of the national committee will be called upon to practically repudiate Watson. It is further believed they will do this, if necessary. There has never been any love lost between Watson and chairman Butler, and if Watson leaves an opening his astute opponent may be depended on to 'slug' him, to use ring-side parlance, Watson will do the same for Butler if he can.

Whatever the situation may be, the feeling toward Watson in official populist circles is anything but cordial. He is looked upon as a dangerous man, and as doing harm every time he opens his mouth. This feeling has grown more intense with time and with Watson's pranks and should Watson attempt a master stroke at the last minute, as seems to be scheduled, he will incur the bitter and lasting enmity of the strongest men managing the campaign.

It is said in well credited circles, despite denials, that the address issued from Chicago last week was for no other purpose than to disavow Watson's letter of acceptance.

There is no reason to believe that Watson means to withdraw his name. That is not why chairman Jones is reported to be billed for a conference with him. In a nutshell, Jones and the populist leaders are trying to keep Watson's letter from getting to the public.

The following letter was sent from populist committee here today:

Washington, D. C., October 19, 1896. Hon. Thomas E. Watson, Thomson, Ga.:

Dear sir: Senator Butler notices that you are reported in an interview as stating that you mailed your letter of acceptance to him at Washington, D. C., on last Wednesday, October 14.

He requests me to inform you of the fact that no such letter has been received by him.

Yours truly, FRANCIS H. HOTVER, Private Secretary.

It appears now to be a question between the veracity of Senator Butler and the reliability of the United States Mail Service.

MILEAGE BOOK CASE.

The Lawyers Argue It and the Commissioners Will Think It Over.

The lawyers argued the mileage book case before the State Railroad Commission yesterday in Atlanta, says the Constitution. Colonel Henderson spoke for the railroads and Colonel W. C. Glenn spoke in behalf of the commercial travellers, asking the commission to require the railroads to place 1,000-mile books on sale at the rate of 2 cents a mile. Both attorneys spoke eloquently and when they concluded the board took the case under advisement.

Mr. Culp, traffic manager of the Southern, in his statement on Friday spoke of the loss which would result to the railroads in case the 2-cent mileage book should be adopted. Mr. Culp did not say that the enforced sale of a mileage book at 2 cents would cause the Southern a loss of \$500,000, but he stated that if fares were reduced from 3 cents to 2 cents, as asked by Mr. Smith, the Southern would lose more than half a million dollars.

Gold for Import.

By Telegraph to the Press-Visitor. NEW YORK, Oct. 20.—F. R. and a half millions of gold have been ordered for import.

MANLY MAKES IT PAIN

If Democrats Rally to the Fight We'll Win.

TO BE PROSECUTED.

Every Illegal Registration to be Put to Test of Law—Mr. Manly Thinks Republican Registration Can Be Cut Off.

Chairman Manly will leave no stone unturned to see that the fraudulent registration in many eastern counties is wiped out. If the republicans and populists act with fairness and justice, it is believed that most of the ex-convicts of this state and adjoining states will be prevented from casting illegal ballots on the day of election. Up to date the democrats have been powerless to prevent the registration of these ex-convicts and colonizers, having no remedy at hand.

Chairman Manly is receiving by every mail the result of the registration of every precinct in the state and in a few days he will know absolutely the total registration.

Chairman Manly sounded the key note of the situation this morning when he said:

"If the democrats rally to this fight as they should, we will win." There is no doubt about this. The registration has been large and the increase among white people has been particularly gratifying. If the people who desire the defeat of Russell will rally and vote on election day Cy Watson will be elected by a handsome majority. Chairman Manly said:

"There is an enormous negro registration in many counties, especially in the east. Much of it is illegal and if the officers of election act as men and do their duty, a large amount of this will be wiped out. There is a general disposition at all times not to prosecute violations of elections, except in instances where there have been flagrant violations. Such registration of illegal voters as has been conducted by the republicans calls for prompt action both before and after the election. Prosecution must be made in every instance so as to check the abuse in the future. We are not going to be made the dumping ground for disfranchised voters and ex-convicts from South Carolina.

"I will see to it that an organization is perfected for the purpose of prosecuting the last one of the persons who have illegally registered and may attempt to vote."

It was intimated today that instructions have been issued to Republicans in Democratic counties to vote two State and National tickets where possible. This is in accordance with the scheme as disclosed yesterday.

Weather Conditions.

The storm has moved from Minnesota eastward to the St. Lawrence valley, causing some rain in the Lake region and Mississippi and Ohio valleys, and winds over Lake Erie. A moderate high area and cold wave follows this storm from the northwest.

The high area central yesterday over the middle and south Atlantic coast has moved to the middle and north Atlantic coast.

The weather is cloudy in the Lake region, Mississippi valley and over southern Florida; elsewhere it is clear.

Frosts were reported in North and South Carolina and at Philadelphia. The temperature has fallen considerably in the northwest, the fall amounting to 22 degrees at Bismarck, and over 10 degrees at several other points.

Registration Not Over With.

Registration is not through with yet.

Any elector who shall become 21 years of age between now and the day of election, can, upon demand have his name registered and be entitled to vote.

There is one more class of electors who may register before the day of election. Any person whose residence of ninety days in the county expires between this and the day of election can register.

But these two classes are not very large and will affect the registration only slightly.

Rev. W. C. Norman will preach at the Fayetteville Street Baptist church tonight.

EXCITING RUNAWAY.

Miss Champion, a Lady From the Country, Injured.

An exciting runaway occurred on Fayetteville street this afternoon in which a young lady from the country was severely bruised and injured and two wagons more or less damaged.

Mr. Jos. Champion, of Middle Creek township, took the bridle from the horses head to give him water at the fountain in front of the market. The animal became frightened and started on a run up Fayetteville street. Mr. Champion had hold of the horse's nose and he held on as long as he could, the horse dragging him along the street.

Mr. Champion's daughter was sitting in the wagon and she did not show fright until the horse got away from her father. The animal ran into Jim Shepherd's dray in front of Jono's upsetting horse and wagon. The country animal turned the corner at the national bank, and as he did so Miss Champion jumped from the rear of the wagon falling on the pavement.

When the lady attempted to rise her head was covered with blood and it was thought that her injuries were dangerous. She was carried to the saving's bank, through the kindness of Mr. J. T. Pullen, but an examination showed that the injuries about her head were mostly bruises. One foot was badly wrenched.

The horse stopped on Salisbury street. The wagon was badly damaged.

TODAY'S MARKETS.

NEW YORK, Oct. 20. Cotton quotations furnished by G. E. Leach, Broker, 311 Wilmington street, Raleigh, N. C. [By Private Wire.]

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

New York Stock Market.

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

Table with columns: Sugar, American Tobacco, Burlington and Quincy, Chicago Gas, Des. and Cst. Feed, General Electric, Louisville and Nashville, Manhattan, Rook Island, Southern Preferred, St. Paul, Tennessee Coal and Iron, Western Union.

Chicago Grain and Provision Market.

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

Table with columns: Wheat—December, 78 1/2; May, 83. Corn—December, 25 1/2; May, 29 1/2. Oats—December 19; May 22 1/2. Pork—December, 7.10; January, 7.97. Lard—December, 43; January, 45.2. Clear Rib Sides December, 3.72; January 3.95.

Liverpool Cotton Market.

Table with columns: October, 4.16. October-November, 4.12. November-December, 4.09. December-January, 4.07. January-February, 4.07. February-March, 4.07. March-April, 4.07. April-May, 4.07.

Fra-Diavolo.

Tonight the Roberson Opera Co., at the Metropolitan Opera House will present Aubers chaming work, Fra-Diavolo. The story deals of this famous robber disguised as a marquis following a rich English Lord and his lady all over the country endeavoring to get possession of their immense quantity of gold they carry and their jewels. Through the indefatigable efforts of a young brigadier officer his two trusted companions are captured and upon them evidence is found which leads to the death and capture of their chief. Fra Diavolo will be sung by Mr. Chas. H. Holmes, Giacomo and Beppo by Messrs. F. J. McCarther and Henry C. Peakes, Zerlina by Miss Isabelle Surgents.

The Biblical Recorder makes an attack upon Robt. M. Douglass, Republican and Populist nominee for associate justice of the supreme court on account of his religion. Mr. Douglass is a member of the Catholic church.

SHORT STATEMENTS

Minor Matters Manipulated for the Many.

AROUND THE CITY.

Pot-Pouri of the News Pictured On Paper—Points and People Pertinently Picked and Pithily Put in Print.

Clerk of the court Dan. H. Young entered the campaign today.

Mr. Hale Johnson, prohibition candidate (of the gold wing) for vice-president spoke here to a fair audience last evening.

Reports were received here this morning that burglars were operating between Clayton and Garner. They went through several houses.

It is announced that Tom Watson will leave for Nashville, Tennessee, Friday. He then comes to North Carolina.

Mr. A. J. Cook, of Fayetteville, sent to the treasurer yesterday \$5.00 contributed by Miss J. A. Teete, of Tokio, Japan; to the Vance Memorial Fund.

The Robinson Opera Company will give a matinee tomorrow afternoon at 2 o'clock, and will present "Chimes of Normandy." The doors will be open at 1:30 o'clock.

The new \$10,000 building at the Odd Fellows' Orphanage at Goldsboro is almost completed. It is named "Vance Hall," in honor of the great Senator.

Lew Walton and her son John Walton were brought to the city from New Light township, and placed in jail. The mother and son are charged with the larceny of two hams.

The populist state committeemen now give their figures as to the composition of the next legislature. They say their estimates are: Republicans, 75; populists, 70; democrats, 25.

Prof. Bryant, of Peace Institute, has taken charge of the Edenton Street Methodist church choir and we hear many compliments to the excellent music at that church. This is one of the best choirs in the State.

The Pitt Rifles did not arrive here yesterday as was expected. They came this evening 50 strong. The Franklin Rifles are expected at the same time. The military will be at the fair tomorrow in full force.

The banks of this city will be closed, as usual, on Thursday of this week on account of the fair. It is hoped that the business houses generally will also close that day and let all the city go to the fair.

Major Guthrie has not been in the campaign for more than a week. No further appointments have been made for him by chairman Ayer, though the latter states that his presence at several points, has been requested.

During last season but little cotton was compressed here, nearly all of it being handled at Hamlet. But two or three days ago a cylinder head of the Hamlet compress blew out and now all the cotton will come here for three weeks. The Seaboard Air-Line owns both compresses, but leases them.

The pupils of the school for the blind will give a concert in the chapel of the institution Wednesday evening, Oct. 21st, at 8 o'clock for the benefit of circle of the King's Daughters of the institution. No admission will be charged, but every one is requested to bring a free-will offering.

The Baptist young people of the city are invited to meet with the young people's union of the Tabernacle tonight. Rev. Mr. Jordan who is in charge of the young people's work among Southern Baptists will be present and address the meeting. Visitors are cordially invited to drop in and enjoy the evening's exercises. There will be a pleasant evening for all who come. Service begins at 7.30 p. m.

Buckner Sure of Kentucky.

By Telegraph to the Press-Visitor. CHICAGO, Oct. 20.—General Buckner says he is sure Kentucky will go against Bryan. He left on a special train today to speak in the northwest. Gen. Palmer was called to Springfield. He will join Gen. Buckner later.