Symposium of Views in Regard to Senator Pritchard.

OF HIGH SENSE OF HONOR

ABILITY AND DEVOTION TO THE STATE UNQUESTIONED.

Their Party is in Honor Bound Succeed Himself in the Senate.

Yesterday a representative of THE to love him for the enemies he has TRIBUNE called upon a number of lead- made. ing Populists in the city, including members of the Legislature and others promi. Pritchard should be re elected. Be ment in the party, and rexuested them to five their views of Hon. Jeter. C Pritch- is the choice of the majority of the peoard personally, of his public services as a ple of the State; because he will more Senator, and their reasons why Populists ably and more consistently represent should support his candidacy. Nearly the hopes, interest and welfare of the all who were approached responded cheerfully and spake in the highest terms his services for the co operation move Senator Pritchard's public and private ment justly and deservedly entitle him character, of his valuable services to the to this honor, because he is from the State and of his unsevering fidelity to duty and his faithful observance of promises. And this is what they said;

Mr. M. L. Wood, Chairman of the we want we are getting them and the Populist Executive Committee of Bertie Republicans are getting the name; be county, said :

I regard Senator Pritchard as a man nnsullied character, highest honor integrity and of unquestioned ity. Without his influence co-opern would never have been effected. the Populist party would never have attained to the power which it now pioys. Two years ago I was present at all the Populist Senatorial caucuses, Caldwell county, representing the about his ability. Although his fidelity ne, not only among Populist mem- following statement of his views: s of the Legislature, but through at the State, was that if our Re ubli | superior and but few equals in North an allies would concede to Senator Carolina. He is noble in his disposiatler the long term, we would use our tion, honest, bold and aggressive in the understanding, tacit or otherwise, be | whose ranks he has made his way to | properly represented the industrial intween the Populist and Republican the front. He is a noble type of man | terests of the people. His course has of the Legislature by Republican votes. dignified, wise and judicious, and well and invest their money in various en understanding, upon the part of the Re | influence in shaping legislation along | parties in the State." blicans at least, that he would vote the line of Financial Reform. Senator Pritchard to succeed him-Party and individual honor de ator Pritchard for re election for many mands that we should stand by the reasons. In the first place, he has compact made two years ago."

W. R. HENRY.

Mr. Walter R. Henry, a leading law-stands recorded with Senator Butler's, yer of Charlotte, and one of the fore for the free coinage of silver at 16 to 1 nost Populist erators in North Caro line, expressed himself as follows: I think that Senator Jeter C. Pritch | tween the Populists and Republicans in

ard should be returned to his seat in North Carolina and its success is largely e Senate. I know of no man in North due to his advocacy and direction. As Carolina of higher or purer character, result of co operation the Populist have and I know of no public man whose a United States Senator, five Congress word I would sooner believe His men, over half of the State officers, cord in the Senate in behalf of silver fifty eight members of the General As and his promises since to the people in sembly and half of the court office s at regard are, it seems to me, abso throughout the State; without mention ntely all that any Populist or suporter | mg the much needed legislation that has silver ought to demand.

"It must be known and felt deep which is yet to come. own in the heart of every Populist it was the understanding, tacit or herwise in 1894, that Senator Pritchd should succeed himself. To fail to ect him is to jeopard ze, if not to de stroy, all hopes of a continuance of cooperation in North Carolina. Not to have co operation means a return to power in this State of an intolerant Democracy that will crush Populists and Republicans alike. If we are ready to act the part of political slaves under rote sgainst Senator Pritchard. If we

and for Pritchard in this fight.

Every prominent Populist in my sec son of the State with whom I have conversed in the recent past, carnestly sires the election of Senator Pritch rd. My opinion is, that the best policy opulists can possibly pursue is to give e Republicans full power, and then old them responsible in 1900 if they sil to remedy the wrongs of the people. ritchard will be a step toward the he grandest motto on the banner of , and special privileges to none. Let is that I believe it a good policy to give domination of Democratic rule in the be just-let us be conservative. Let keep cool, no faction of Populists has a ght to denounce others for thinking failure comes. Remember the Demothemselves. Populists should not crats." opulists should not attempt to use party lash on men who have had Representative L. A. Abernathy, of at Bonham were destroyed by fire last Populism with the astounding fact that C. Hielner, navigator of the Texas, as The next cases to be argued are Nos. 29 and 40.

manhood enough to despise it in the views in regard to Senator Pritchard, hands of the Democracy.

"No faction of Populist, majority or minority, has the right to prate itself on political wisdom and virtue in the party. man in everything that the words im-No man is too great to make a mis ake. ply, and I would place entire confidence Pritchard's defeat would bring us a political Gettysburg or Waterloo in North upon the people who sent him to the Carolina."

G. ED. KESTLER.

Mr. E. Ed. Kestler, ex Treasurer of Cabarrus county and a leading Populist editor, said:

"I regard Senator Pritchard as one of the most honorable men in the State. His word is good as his bond. In all his public career he has never deserted his cause or his friends for any reason. and when he makes a promise he car ries it out. Even Mc. Butler admitted this in a recent speech. He is an honest man—which is the noblest work of Leading Populists Declare that Mr. Pritchard and slicker rope puliers and wire workers, but as an upright, tair and square man, I don't believe he to Support Jeter C. Pritchard to has a superior in the State. He is loved by all who love honesty in political life. He is hated by all who live by trickery and deception. We ought to

State; because the Populist party is

Westarn part of the State, and his com

petitor is from the East, which now has

a Senator; because when the Populists

elect him they are getting one whose

votes will parallel Populist votes on all

leading issues; and if principles are what

cause his election is necessary to insure

future co operation, which is necessary

to preserve a government of, for and

by the people; and lastly, because Sena-

tor Pritchard is a man of the people and

as such cannot desert the people in the

E F. WAKEFIELD.

State Senator E. F. Wakefield, of

"The Populists should support Sen-

stood like a stone wall for the finan

cial Reforms contemplated in the plat

"In the second place he stands at the

head of the co operative movement be-

ome to the people, as well as that

L. H. W BARKER.

so they will have no excuse for failure it

L. A ABERNATHY.

interests of trusts and combines."

signatures, approving my position in regard to the Senatorial matter. "I may add that Senator Butler in a "I am asked why I think Senstor speech before the Popul st cancus, said that if Senator Pritchard made a promise cause he is the logical candidate of the he would keep it. I consider this a suf co operationists of the State; because he ficient justification for the course I have of Mr. Pritchard.

"I do not hesitate to say that the Pop ulists should vote for Senator Pritch honor bound to re elect him; because and and thereby keep faith with their allies, the Republicans, and continuco-operation for the good of the State and for future usefulness.

marked ability, and has reflected credit

Senate. I do not think that the State

has a better man for the important po

"The position of Senator Pritchard

him their cordial support. Besides

there are obligations upon the part o'

the Populist party to return him to the Senate. There is an implied under

session of the Legislature should be conceded to the Republicans. I have

received many letters from Populists

in my county, and a number of et dorse

ments containing long lists of Populist

"In the third place, Populists should remember that the lex non scripta of North Carolina demands that ore Sen ator come from the west. That that section of the State should have repre sentation in the Senate of the United Votes to spare. States. Senator Pritchard being the choice of the west, I believe Populista should vote for him."

HENRY HODGES.

Mr. Henry Hodges, member of the Populist County Executive Committee of Rutherford county, said:

"I have known Jeter Pritchard ever since he was a boy; that is, at less! twenty five years. I regard him as the soul of honor. There is no questio and the consensus of opinion at that Thirty first Senatorial District, gave the to the Republican party is not to be THE TRIBUNE man, however, was shown doubted for a moment, it is neverthless As a man, Jeter C. Pritchard has no true that he is in thorough accord with the Populist party in regard to the leading measures of reform which we parties, is evidenced by the large num | hood, of whom every North Carolinian | been such as to encourage desirable or of Populists elected to this session should be proud. As a Senator, he is northern people to settle in the State all the Populists in the Legislature, informed on all the great questions now terprises to develop our natural re ly one could have been elected with before the National Congress. He sources. Populists are bound to sup morning without having decided upon Rejublican votes. It is my opinion stands high in the estimation of his port Senstor Pritchard to carry out in anything except to wait and see if the favoring Caban independence and reat every Populist member of the Leg fellow-Senators of all parties, and will good faith the plan of co operation be Populists would make common cause egaition of the belligere cv of the dature was elected with a distinct be able, if re elected, to wield a great tween the Populist and Republican with them at the last hour.

R A COBB.

opinion. Consequently I am willing to rick bim in the future.

"As Chairman of the Populist party of the Eighth Congressional District, I have taken special pains to ascertain the sentiment of the rank and file of the true Populists in my District, at d I find Populists, or to nominate a Democrat. that a large majority are desirons to When the caucus adjourned the question continue co peration with our Repub | was undecided. In giving expression to his reasons understanding that co operation was to R H. W. Barker, of Lincoln county, honor bound to support the nominee of you." But the caucus did not play poli the Republican caucus. Hon. J. C tics last night. They postponed the di-"Populists should support Mr. Pritchard has been unanimously en Pritchard because we believe in honesty dorsed by his party, their constituents will get down to serious business and in politics; because we believe it to the expect them to stand by Pritchard and nominate a candidate of their own. best interest of the People's party; since | vote for him. The Populist who fails we belive it is understood, and has been to do this, no statement or explanation

us out in what we have said. Also are pursuing a like course, stating that ooking at it from a business star d- this is carrying out a binding obliga point, we have five members of Con tion and keeping faith with a party have one United States Senator se made with us Especially since Sena the party in power complete control, uture."

\$50,000 Fire.

"I have known Mr. Pritchard two

Never Desert Pritchard.

sition that he occupies. He is well in, formed in regard to all that concerns the welfare of the people of the State. at d I believe that he truly represents their wishes. He has fulfilled every obligation toward the Populist party.

THE DEMOCRATS.

standing upon the part of the Populists that the Senator to be elected at this

Democrats Adjourn Without Nam-Left Leaderless-The Election

pursued in supporting the candidacy ers of Senator Pritchard met the roll call. There will be a dead

When seen by a TRIBUNE representa tive last night, Col. Harry Skinner said: "You may say that there were eighteen Populists in the co-operation caucus. took him out and hanged him. Beauvis They resolved that they would vote for was brought to this city for medical at Pritchard and support him unanimously, cordially and enthusiastically. They were thoroughly in earnest. They will never waver nor falter." Further than that he would not speak of the caucus. a list of names of the eighteen and was assured that every one of them would be cause of Cuban patriots was held here in his seat today and vote for Pritchard. as Populists advocate. His services to For reasons that seemed good to the cau- largest theatre in the city. The place to the National Democratic Committee to est endeavors to the end that Jeter C. advocacy of his policies. He is kind the State as a Senator are of the high cus leaders, he was not permitted to copy was packed to overflowing and the Pritchard should succeed himself in the and sympathetic and the acknowledged est order. He is the only Senator the the list; but there were eighteen names wildest enthusiasm was displayed Senate in 1897. That this was the friend of the common people, from State has had since the war, who has on it and every one of them was as true The meeting opened with prayer for to Pritchard as the needle to the pole.

adjourning until half-past nine this

NO NOMINATION BY DEMOCRATS.

Mr. R. A. Cobb, Chairman of the the necessity of retiring to recuperate evit ced by the rousing nature of the Populist District Committee of the the physical force of the members for meeting tonight E ghth Congressional District, who was the contest today. The speakers were the Populist candidate for Lieucenan not careful to control their voices so Governor in 1892, expressed himself as as not to be heard beyond the co fines of the caucus chamber, but And the Clamorous Depositors Were Hard "I regard Senator Pritchard as a man a number of them spoke with such force of honor. My long acquaintaics with and fervor could they be heard distinctly him convinces me of that fact, and all at times from the sidewalk. The doors his record in the Senate confirms the were guarded, but the approaches to the room were left open most of the time; so it was an easy matter for an outsider crowd of excited depositors assembled in to keep informed in regard to the pro-

The momentous question before the Thompson, the nominee of the Butler

can fri n is a it was s'ar ad in 1894. The day after the Populists nominated Every Populist in my district who was Thompson, a Democratic member of the the Legislature at the late House received a telegram from one of rency Eckels and a National Bank Ex- he S-natorial situation. Chairman election was voted for with the distinct his constituents which read as follows: miner of Washington were to be in Jones and Faulkner talked the matter understanding that co operation was to "Vote and work for Thompson in the Newport today. The capital stock of over today at some length. Mr. Faulkwhy Fopulists should support Mr Mr continue, that the Republicans were to Caucus. He will not be elected. Play the bank is \$200,000. John Trapp is Pres- ner declined to say what if any com-Pritchard for re election, State S-nator have the Senator, and they were in politics. The Democrats will sustain ident. version until this morning. Perhaps they will play; and again perhaps they

for the last two years by our people, that he can make to his constituents had been waiting two weeks for a defi- January 16, was \$247,749, and for the for Gorman's astute leutenant. "What a dominant Democracy, then we should that the Republicans should have the will satisfy them, now or in the future. In the future of Butler as a politician?" Bext United States Senator from North "I have received many letters, both were still waiting, with no prospect of 400. The shipment of fractional silver coin before and since I came to Raleigh, coming to an understanding. The Pop The shipment of fractional silver coin his past record we believe Senator from Populists in different parts of my ulists, one speaker said, were wishy- from January 2d to 16th, aggregate Pritchard to be a good silver man, and d strict, and all are loud in their praise washy, and did not know their own \$212,000. we have his present declaration to bear of Mr. E F Wakefield and others who minds. He was in favor of nominating The President today nominated Thos a D-mocrat and voting for him in the D. Bynum, of North Carolina, to be General Assembly.

caucus favorable to nominating Col. J be postmaster at St. Francisville, La. gress to the Republican's three, and we that kept every pledge they have ever S. Carr of Durham. At a late hour he responded to a request to enter the In to remedy the wrongs of the people. Ing 58 members of the Legislature who is said, however, did not leak through the New York, Jan. 18.—A court of insert the day's Supreme Court of Appeals

CONSTERNATION IN THE CAMP.

Auditor Hal Ayer entered the Park Ho- of the battleship Massachusetts, Presi- Co. vs. Moore, administrator, No. 38; tel, displaying all the evidences of deep dent; Captain Henry Glass, of the battle- argued by Meade Haskins, B. T. Crump Denison, Texas, January 18—The Tiagitation. He went up to Senator Butship Texas; Commissioner R. P. Leary, and Wyndham R. Meredith, and contingent of the Ram Katahdin, and Lieutenant L. ued until Wednesday next.

friends to vote for Pritchard in the Legislature today: Butler came down stairs hurriedly and met Dr. Thompson in the lobby. A hasty colloquy ensued which was evidently very unsatisfactory to Senator Butler, who immediately went Lee made one at Gettysburg; Napoleon made one at Waterloo. I feel that make. He has served the State with Pritebard's defeat would bring us a polymer of the National caucus were very reticent about mentioning last night; but it was stated upon authority that could not be doubted, that Dr. i ompson's name was not withdrawn as the caucus nominee, but that it was understood that the members of the caucus' would not consider themselves bound to support him any further, and would vote for Oliver H. Dockery, who was second choice in the caucus last Friday night.

on all public questions, as stated by himself, justifies Populists in giving CARR A PRIME FAVORITE WITH only candidate for Senator actually in EVACUATE THE CAPITAL-RE-ENthe field. The Democrats have not the courage of their convictions to name a candidate of their own, and the Butler Populists are virtually without a candidate. Senator Pritchard has a majority of the members of the Legislature unre servedly committed to his support and Linney Says "I am for Pritchard, not all the powers of earth can defeat

A MURDEROUS NEGRO LYNCHED.

ing a Candidate-Populist Forces Knocks Down and Leaves an Engineer for Dead.

New Orleans, La., Jan. 18-News Today a Walk Over for Pritchard. reached here today of the lynching of a murderous negro highwayman near Eighteen Populist support- White Castle, on the Texas and Pacific road, Saturday night.

A plantation engineer named Beauvis in caucus last night and re- went to White Castle Saturday night Returning home he walked along the solved to stand by him to railroad track. He overtook an unknown with the fight between the Populists negro and together they walked some the end of the fight. Every distance, when suddenly the negro fell behind and knocked Beauvis down with a Republican will be in line at blow. He beat the engineer about the ture, would vote for the Populist candihead and face until he appeared to be date. This has been Senator Butler's ex-

Beauvis lay unconscious for some majority for Pritchard, with time but recovered senses sufficiently to make his way to a house not far away. Events, however, have not favored the He had been robbed of a small sum of realization of his hopes. money and some valuables. The neas of the affair spread, and very soon the guilty negro was found and fully identitention and will recover from his severe

WILD WITH DELIGHT.

An Overflowing Mass Meeting Favoring the Independence of Cuba.

Charleston, S. C., Jan. 18 -A mass meeting of the sympathizers with the onight in the Academy of Music, the the Cubans success, delivered by Dr. Vedder, pastor of the French Hugue not Church, and the leading speech of The Democrats held a caucus in the the evening was made by the Hon. J State Lib ary last night and remained P K Bryan, one of the ablest law in session until twelve o'clock, finally vers of the Charleston bar. Resolu tions were introduced and adopted patriots. The Messrs. Vald z are the There was a continuous flow of oratory only two Cubans in Charleston, and admitted that they hope the developfor three hours and a half, and it might the faithful manner in which they have ments of the next two days will make have been prolonged indefinitely but for worked for the cause of the island was the election of a Democrat probable.

BANK DID NOT OPEN ITS DOORS

Cincinnati, Ohio, Jan. 18 - The First National Bank of Newport, Ky., did not o Pritchard, and this, in connection open its doors this morning. The news spread rapidly, and soon there was a front of the bank, clamoring for an explanation. The officials sent out word that the bank was solvent, but had been caucus was whether to endorse Dr. forced to close down for lack of ready money. Assurances were offered that no one would lose anything. The de p sitors, however, refused to be satisfied. Ugly rumors found expression, and the excitement grew still greater when it became known that Comptroller of Cur matter. Intense interest is felt here in

STANDARD SILVER DOLLARS.

North Carolinians Appointed to Office. Washington, D. C., Jan. 18-The issue vored Pritchard's re election. In this Leading Democrats said that they were of standard silver dollars from the mints tired of dailying with the Populisis. They and treasury offices for the week ending man elicited s humorous observation

Collector of Customs for the District of There was a strong sentiment in the Albemarle, N. C., and F. M. Mumford to

Military Court of Inqury.

are here by Republican votes. Another gives his solemn obligation to be the brick walls and heavy doors. It was quiry met this morning to hear evidence proceedings: reason is that the Populists in my dis- same friend to the white metal in the understood, however, that he was will- in the case of the injuiry sustained by Drumright vs. Hite; argued and sub-Democratic party. No power on earth trict are almost daily writing me to future that he has been in the pss ing to accept the nomination, and that the crusier Montgomery by striking some mitted. can lead me back into that organization. Stand by the Republichn nominee There is now but one sentiment, and u less an understanding with the Popu- obstruction off Governor's Island re-There are numerous other reasons which that is, elect Pritchard, continue oo lists should be reached this morning he cently, and for which Captain Bradford Bowman, Boswell and Shuman, No. 36, the Populist party is: 'Equal rights to might be given. 'Still another reason operation and save the State from the will be formally nominated for Senator. is on trial. The session was a secret passed.

The court appointed by Admiral Bunce tinued. About eleven o'clock last night State consisted of Captain Frederick Rogers Richmond and Manchester Railway

Democratic Committee.

CAROLINA'S GONGRESSMEN

FORCE THE BELLIGERENTS ON THE FIELD OF BATTLE.

Always-The Very Justice of His Cause Appeals Irresistibly to the Populists."

Special to THE TRIBUNE

WASHINGTON, D. C., Jan. 18. The Washington correspondent of the Baltimore Sur, after talking with Democratic leaders here, prints an interesting story touching the Senatorial contest in North Carolina.

"Under ordinary conditions," he says, and the Republicans, the Democrats, holding the balance of power in the Legislapec ation since he entered upon the work of forcing the election of his nominee.

'In the first place, the Democrats, having made overtures to the Populists with fied. He was placed in the lock up at a view to bringing about some agreement White Castle, but at a late hour a mob regarding the Senatorship fight, which would result in the certain defeat of Mr. Pritchard and the election of a silver man in his stead, were treated with scant courtesy and informed that the Populists could attend to Mr. Pritchard's case with-

out Democratic assistance. "In addition to this, Mr. Thompson has made a bitter fight against the Democrats ever since his entrance into public life, and in the last campaign was opposed to fusion upon the electoral ticket. This was without the sanction of Senator Butler, and he has, it is understood, appealed exert its influence to induce the Democrats to support a Populist for the Senete. The National Committee, it is understood, has heretofore refused to interfere in the matter; and now that there is some possibility that a Democrat may be elected, are likely to advise the Democratic members of the Legislature to nominate a candidate of their own."

A prominent member of the National Committee said to night to a representative of the Sun that the National Committee had assumed a passive attitude with regard to the whole contest, but he

Not a soul was left to tell the tale. It was impossible today to finn a North Caro ina Congressman. Nobody could account for Woodard's absence; Martin, he P pulist, who defeated the noblest Roman of all, had disappeared, Linney, too, had gone i ke a flash. The papers nad is tha he had 're racted" his loyalty ith C ngreseman Howard's enthusiasc "dark horse" suggestion, sent him p eding to Raleigh. Before his hurraed departure he said with unmistakrele earnestness, "I am for Pritchard always, and from the outset of the contest have believed absolutely in the cersainty of his election. The very justice of his cause appeals irresistably to the Populists, and I have every confidence hat they will do the square thing in the munication had been had with the Demperatic leaders in Raleigh. He would not attempt to anticipate the Democratic caucus tonight, but expressed his odividual opinion that the chances faconnection Senator Butler as a politi-Well if a man who advocated fusion in the last campaign with the Republian party on State issues and electoral fusion with the Democrats, and after ts accomplistment, opposed both, is not a shifty politician, then what is he? J. B. H.

Supreme Court Proceedings.

Norfolk, Va., Jan. 18 .- The following

Hungfellow vs. Wise, No. 37, con-