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President St. John, of the Mercantile bank, of New York, is forced to resign on account of his free silver views.

While numbers of the G. O. P. statesmen incline to agitate the tariff in this campaign, other think it better to shake it.

Mr. McKinley's speech accepting the Republican nomination and a big slump in stocks come together as one of the events of last week.

Politics make strange companions. Think of this combination: Senator Butler, Secretary Hal Ayer, Speaker Walser and R. H. W. Leak!

The signs multiply that the Republicans and Populists of this State are making desperate efforts to get together, with a growing probability that they will succeed.

The Republican party is the "party of the people," a fact which is illustrated by the announcement that the combined wealth of the ten members of Mr. Hanna's committee foots up \$30,000,000.

The Populists State Convention has been called to meet in Raleigh August 13th. We wonder if they will fill up skeleton ticket made by the Republicans and vote for men who will vote for gold standard McKinley? We shall see.

A Pennsylvania pensioner committed suicide a few days ago because he couldn't get his pension increased. The Republican campaign orator should not fail to catch this and incorporate it in the bill of indictment against Cleveland's administration.

In the meeting of the anti-Russellites at Raleigh on Thursday last, John Williamson said: "Cyrus Watson has yet a better record in the Legislature than any white man in North Carolina. He was a friend of the darkey and his record shows for itself."

Already Republicans are playing tricks with their St. Louis platform. The great Michigan paper, the Republican Detroit Tribune, denounces the deliverance of the St. Louis convention as "dammably unpatriotic and un-Republican, and advising its readers to organize at once and see that men of their sort are nominated and elected to Congress. In Kansas ex-Senator Ingalls is fighting it."

Political predictions are easily made, but their fulfillment does not follow as a matter of course.

Capt. Rufus Amis, who was swindled out of the nomination when Slippery Tommie Settle first run for Congress, bobs up again as an independent candidate for Congress in this district.

Major Wm. A. Guthrie, of Durham, says there are more Populists in this State than Republicans or Democrats, then says no man can tell within 20,000 votes the relative strength of the three parties, and that no overtures have been made to him regarding Russell coming off the ticket.

As the rays from the east fall on the figure of the Canton Napoleon one reads in yellow letters the word "Gold;" as the light from the Colorado hills falls slantingly thereon the white word "Silver" appears; but as one stands squarely in front of the figure the world will read in boldly cut letters the word "Hanna."

Let every Democrat in North Carolina who didn't vote at the last election crawl out of his hole, straighten up his back and buckle on the armor of Democracy and help save the State from Russellism. Get to work; don't be idle while danger signal hang out which threatens to engulf the liberties of the people of our grand old Commonwealth.

It is said not only is Pritchard scared but the Populists are too. The State ticket put up by the Democrats at Raleigh frightened the Republicans very badly. Congressman Stroud says this is true, but protests that it did not unnerve the brave Populists. At the same time they want to know mightily badly what is going on and what is likely to happen. It is likely they will fuse with Ephriam in order to get pie free silver or nor free silver.

The Populists are laboring under what the Republicans swear is a great delusion—that they can carry the State. A Republican said that he was astonished at Guthrie, whom he thought a sensible man, claiming such big figures for the Populists. The fact is the Populists are now undertaking to drive both the Republicans and Democrats into their pen. This Republican did not like Otho Wilson's statement, that there was "nothing else left for the Republicans to do but take Russell down" and that he thought "they had sense enough to see it."

Whenever McKinley opens his mouth on the subject of the tariff he "gets it in the neck." No presidential candidate ever showed greater ignorance of any subject than this man shows of the one subject of which he would have us believe he has made especial study. The ease with which his arguments are refuted and the falseness of his statements proven indicates that the tariff was the issue in this campaign, he would almost certainly be defeated. His attempt to make it the issue is already ridiculous and will be more so if he continues it in the face of the nomination of a silverite by the Democrats.

W. H. Davis, of Vance, who put in such a glorious broad gauge bid for an office some time ago, ought to be willing to give a large reward for information leading to the discovery, exhumation and return of his senatorial boom on the fusion ticket. The nomination was scooped in by a colored brother by the name of W. B. Henderson, and of course our friend Davis along with the other Populists in Vance will cheerfully and gracefully support the four black diamonds on the ticket. But we hope and believe there are some good Populists in that county that cannot yet swallow the sweet scented colored brother.

If the sound money cause in the Democratic party were not already lost it would be if it had a few more good friends like the New York jack, a banker and bond dealer, who wrote the Colorado delegate to Chicago threatening the withdrawal of investments from his State on account of its free silver sentiments, and like the asinine directors of the Mercantile National Bank, of New York, who, at the very worst moment imaginable, forced President St. John to hand in his resignation because of his silver sentiment. Such things as these have no other effect than to set the hair on the free coiners says the Charlotte Observer. American people cannot be coerced, and when argument has failed on them it is not worth while to try to drive them.

A mass meeting of the Prohibition party of the State is called by State executive committee to be held at Salisbury, August 19th.

It must be painful to the orator, who is just reaching a critical climax to have some fellow in the rear shout "Louder! louder!!"

"Gives us cleaner politics," shout the Republican papers. How can they expect it when their party combine with the Pops for pie? Well the Democrats will clean all out this fall.

The work of the State convention has been complimented in every nook and corner in the State, and gives universal satisfaction. It is the duty of every lover of good government to get to work and rally around the Cy Watson banner.

James H. Young, a negro member of the Republican State executive committee, declares that Russell will remain at the head of the ticket. He warmly favors giving the electoral ticket to his brother Populists. Yes, if the Populists promise to elect Dan Russell United States Senator in place of Pritchard he will step down in favor of Mr. Guthrie. They are certain to fuse in the State as the pie counter is at stake, free silver or no free silver.

The North Carolina Teacher's assembly declares for an alteration of the present school law by which there shall be a special board of education for each county, and also that the State shall be divided into educational districts of from two to six counties, each of these to have a district examiner and superintendent, whose salary shall be 4 per cent of the school fund of such district. There is a widespread demand for a change of the present law.

The Springfield Republican says the reported actions of several banks in Louisville, Ky., can hardly be credited. Several of them are said to have requested some of the patrons, who are pronounced silver men to withdraw their accounts explaining: "You are trying to destroy our interests, and we must protect ourselves. We desire to have nothing to do with you." No action would be better calculated than that to help along the free silver movement. Here's work for the fool killer. If the Bank of Granville in our own town was to do such a thing as that it would have to close doors as a bulk of the patrons are strong for free silver.

One of Oxford's true blue Democrats Monday was discussing the Populists undying love for free silver said: "You might take two waiters, one in each hand, one laden heavily with free silver and the other with a small constable's office, and present to the average Pop and he would turn his back on the free silver waiter and with joy in his heart bear off amid shouts the waiter that held the small constable's office." More pie and better pie, even if they have to join dear Ephriam and submit to the odium of negro rule to get it, is the great cry of many of the leaders. But we must believe there are scores of Populists in the State who will not be willing to see Russell and his cohorts in charge of North Carolina, putting more burdens upon the people and crippling our charitable and educational institution.

Will they be as true?
 Some of our Populist friends have been very much exercised as to the course of the PUBLIC LEDGER on the money question. We take it that they know very well where to find us now as most of them borrow the paper each week and read it, but have not got strength enough in their backs to subscribe to it. A very small, insignificant statesman, of the Garrett stripe in Vance, called us a gold bug, but we are truer to-day for free silver and a white man's government than many of the Populists in Granville are. We expect to see a goodly number of them throw their influence against their own race and be the means of putting men in office who'll vote for gold standard McKinley for President and Slippery Tommie Settle for Congress. Take your dirty linen in off the pie counter before you impune the motives of free silver Democrats who want to preserve the liberties of the people, reduce taxes, and the economical administration of public affairs, you office seekers.

The fall session of Mrs. A. A. Hicks' school will begin Monday, the 31st day of August, 1896. She will be pleased to see persons wishing to patronize her school.

THE RIGHT MAN--SUPPORT HIM.

If you do not want to see Slippery Tommie Settle with his negro secretary represent this district in congress another two years you must get right down to work for the honest W. W. Kitchen, who will truly represent the interest of the people of the district. The following is the platform upon which he goes before the people on and will never waver in his devotion to free silver:

"Resolved by the Democratic party of the 5th Congressional district in convention assembled:

1. That we are in favor of the free and unlimited coinage of gold and silver at the ratio of 16 to 1 without waiting for the aid or consent of any other nation, and that such silver when so coined shall be a full legal tender for the payment of debts, public and private.

ANTI-RUSSELL NEGRO MEETING.
 At the anti-Russell negro meeting in Raleigh July 2, Rev. R. H. W. Leak called the meeting to order and said: "This is an anti-Russell meeting of North Carolina Republicans. I am glad we have arrived at a point where a negro in common with other people dare to speak his mind. This meeting is to declare against D. L. Russell, who has insulted every negro, dead, living or unborn. We are to pledge ourselves not to vote for that man. I know we are criticised as Democrats. Those who so say have gone farther into Democracy than we have ever done. I want it distinctly understood that this is an anti-Russell meeting. It represents in person or by letter 65 counties. In one township it is said 205 votes will be cast against Russell. The name of 'anti-Russell Republicans' was adopted.

The platform appeals to all honest and self respecting negroes to resent Russell's cowardly insults and to strive to defeat him. It reaffirms allegiance to the Republican party and pledge support to McKinley, adopts the National Republican platform and pledges support to public schools. A resolution heartily recommending that in the event of W. A. Guthrie's candidacy he be voted for as a worthy candidate provided it bound nobody was adopted.

DEMOCRATIC DUTY.
 Let Democrats who went in their holes two years ago and by their silence allowed the Douglassites to get control of the State, crawl out and fill up the brave ranks of those who never flinched, suffering defeat with faces to the enemy, as your liberties and the protection of your firesides and education of your children are at stake. Yes, wake up, we know you are in favor of the white race ruling this State and county, and buckle on the armor of true Democracy and fight to save our dear old State from degradation and ruin; we also invite every good, true citizen who has allied himself with the Populists to join us in our grandfight for civil liberty, as the election of Dan Russell to the governorship of this State would be the greatest calamity that has ever befallen the State.

The days reconstruction, says the Charlotte Democrat, were not a circumstance compared to what his election would mean now. In the days of reconstruction the State had been devastated and our institutions were just beginning to shake off the burdens that the war had left on them. Then we had nothing to destroy. But any one who remembers the bonds that were issued just for a mere song, he will have an idea of what such men as Dan Russell would not be too good to do. We now have many flourishing institutions (white and colored) and they are in the hands of good men, but how long would they be if Russell, "the arch traducer of his State," were at the head of affairs? He would pull down the heads of our institutions of learning, institutions for the care of the insane, and there are other institutions that would suffer at his blasting hand.

Will the voters of North Carolina allow it? Will they dare submit to the rule of a tyrant? There is great danger of it and every true citizen of the State should begin at once to crush the possible calamity. The paramount duty of every true Democrat in North Carolina is to do all that he can to avert the election of Russell. It can be done and will be done if every Democrat will turn out and fight as they are wont to fight in the face of such dangers. Hundreds of men should be converted to the cause of Democracy and join in helping to preserve the liberties of the people of the Old North State.

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BUTLER ON THE STATE TICKET.

The Raleigh correspondent of the Charlotte Observer flatly asked Butler: "Is Russell coming down or will he be taken down?" He did not answer directly, but here is what he said: "Without going into this at all, one thing is certain, and that is a majority of the voters of the State will never endorse the ticket of the Democrats nominated June 25. In the first place, the people believe in a non-partisan judiciary, and any party which endeavors to pack the Supreme Court will not get support. They are not going to give three men of one party a chance to construe the law. Not only every man outside the Democratic party, but at least half those affiliating with it believe in honest elections and will never support any ticket which will make it possible for such scenes and conditions we have had on election day to return, provided they are sure they cannot vote a ticket which will make conditions worse."

By the way this last sentence "appears to be loaded," but his great non-partisan judiciary is not by any means loaded with law, and have been mere figure heads on the bench for the lawyers to sway at will as they have no opinions of their own Butler's non-partisan judiciary eos the litigants in the States thousands of dollars because the judges have not the ability to dispatch business. The litigants in Granville have suffered greatly from these inferior judges, and know what we say is true. Of course we believe they did their best, being disposed to administer justice fairly and honestly in all cases coming before them.

Senator Butler then said: "It really makes but little difference whether the Republicans [did he say Jeter Pritchard who the Pops sent to the U. S. Senate and claimed to be strong for free silver and will be sure to vote for gold standard McKinley for President too] abandon their electoral ticket or not, for if there were four electoral tickets in the State, three for silver and one for gold, [and if the Pops fuse with Reps on the State ticket they will vote for Republicans who will vote for gold standard McKinley] the latter could not get a plurality. If Republicans want to run a gold ticket I don't care [as the Pops will help them out with half votes by putting up a ticket instead of joining in with the Democrats who are overwhelmingly in favor of free silver]. I would rather they took that step and the gold Democrats fused with them, so as to see how many gold Democrats there are."

And if the Pops fuse with Reps on county and State tickets we shall see that their pretensions for free silver is a blind and that the dear pie counter is the great centre of attraction with the leaders of the Populists party, even including Maryann, the mighty ruler and astute boss.

HEART DISEASE. Like many other ailments when they have taken hold of the system, never gets better of its own accord, but constantly grows worse. There are thousands who know they have a defective heart, but will not admit the fact. They don't want their friends to worry, and don't know what to take for it, as they have been told time and again that heart disease was incurable. Such was the case of Mr. Silas Farley of Dyestville, Ohio who writes June 19, 1894, as follows: "I had heart disease for 23 years, my heart hurting me almost continually. The first 15 years I doctored all the time, trying several physicians and remedies, until my last doctor told me it was only a question of time as I could not be cured. I gradually grew worse, very weak, and completely discouraged, until I lived, propped half up in bed, because I couldn't lie down or sit up. Thinking my time had come I told my family what I wanted done when I was gone. But on the first day of March on the recommendation of Mrs. Fannie Jones, of Anderson, Ind., I commenced taking Dr. Miles' New Cure for the Heart and wonderful to tell, in ten days I was working at light work and on March 19 commenced framing a barn, which is heavy work, and I haven't lost a day since. I am 56 years old, 6 ft. 4 1/2 inches and weigh 260 lbs. I believe I am fully cured, and I am now only anxious that everyone shall know of your wonderful remedies."

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