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#### FACTS AND COMMENTS.

GEN. CLINTON B. FISK, Prohibition candidate for President at last election, died last week, aged 62 years.

Gov. Fowle has appointed Judge Spier Whitaker to hold Rockingham court, July 22, and Stokes court, August 4. in place of Judge Shipp, deceased\_

JUDGE BOYKIN and Solicitor Allen were both re-nominated last week by acclamation at the Judicial convention for the sixth district held at Kinston, N. C.

THE commissioners of Rowan, fill out the unexpired term of his father, who died recently.

STATE convention, August 20, at Raleigh, Judicial convention, August 14 at Lincolnton, Congressional covention, August 28 at Lenoir and county convention, July 29 1890.

THE Mt. Holy Grape Fair will be held from July 30 to August 1, and promises to be a success. Great preparations are heing made Capt. S. B. Alexander and others will deliver addresses.

Ar a meeting of the Democratic Congressional committee for this district, held at Lenoir, N. C., last Thursday, a convention to nominate a candidate for Congress was called to meet in Leneir, Thursday, August 28.

COL. H. C. JONES, of Charlotte, has withdrawn from the race for the nomination for Congress in the 6th district, leaving Capt. S. B. Alexander with little or no opposition. His nomination will be made on the first ballot if not by acclimation.

THE Democratic convention for the fifth Congressional district met at Greensboro last week, and nominated Capt. A. H. A. Williams commonly known as "Baldy Wilhams," for Congress to redeem the fith district. It was the best nomination that could have been made. He will wir.

YES, a man has a right to lend his newspaper or magazine to all his neighboors, and the right to lend his tooth-pick and marriage certificate, but if he desires the editor and publisher for whom he professes friendship, to succeed,he will ask these who come to borrow to subscribe. Any paper worth taking is worth efforts to extend its circulation.

THE Silver Bill has passed both Bouses of Congress and will soon be a law. It will add several millions to the surplus in the treasury, transferring from the trust tund deposited by the National banks to redeem their notes. It will increase the value of bar silver and stiffen the value of cotton and wheat that are measured in silver value. All of this will be of benefit to the country but not what a bill giving tree coinage would.

#### County Convention.

A convention of the Democratic party of Alexander county is hereby called to meet in the Court House in Taylorsville on Tuesday, July 29, for the purpose of choosing delegates to the State, Judicial, Congressional and Senatorial conventions. No nominations will be made at this convention which ship conventions will be held at their asual places of meeting on Saturday July 26. By order of the county Executive committee.

GEO. W. FLOWERS, Ch'm'n. July 7, 1890.

#### Blackberries.

Where wild blackberries are so fine and so plentitul as they are all over North Carolina it is hard to get growers to realize that there is large profit in raising them. The low prices at which the wild berries usually sell lead them to suppose that the cultivated fruits would go in at the same rate. In Baltimore the wild berries shipped in buckets are selling for a song, the cultivated ones shipped in quart boxes and packed in crates bring a better average price than strawberries, and many growers in Maryland and Delaware consider them more profitable. The sorts now cultivated have been selected from wild plants at the North. We have at their meeting Monday, elected among us many wild plants which Mr. Wood W. Krider, sheriff, to | produce very superior fruits. Will the farmers and fruit growers cooperate with us in in devloping a blackberry that will bring money to their pockets? If you know or find a wild plant with very superior fruit, mark it, and next fall, in November, send the plant to the N. C. Agricultural Experiment Station at Raleigh. Do this and aid in making the Station a source of real profit to farmers, truckers and fruit growers .- W. F. Massey, Horticulturiet.

### Senator Vance Endorsed.

The Halitax county Democratic convention, composed of 99 delegates, 77 of whom were members of the Alliance, passed two sets of resolutions Monday, endorsing Senator Vance and his course.

### Two-Hundred Killed.

A cyclone passed throug Minnesota last Sunday, killing tow-hundred people.

Boone, Watauga county, was connected with the outside world last Monday, by a telegraph line from Blowing Rock.

Gen. Juo. C. Fremont died suddenly at his residence in New York city, last Sunday.

The Democratic convention of Burke county was held on the 7th. Col. Houk was nominated for the House of Representatives and I.T. Avery for Senator. Of the twenty-five delegates to the Congressional convention, seventeen favor the nomination of Maj. W. A Graham, of Lincoln county.

The Iredell county Alliance propose and endorse for Corgress A. Leazer, for the Senate, W. D. Turner, for the lower House, J. B. Hollman and T. J. Williams.

Wilkes county Democratic convention has endorsed Hon. W. H. H. Cowles, of Wilkes, for re-nomination to Congress, and R. N. Hacket, Esq., for solicitor, and instructed its delegates to use all honorable means to secure their nomination.

Captain Tillman, the leader of the farmers' movement in South Carolina, 18 43 years of age, pays taxes on 1,800 acres of land, runs twenty plows, and has a dairy supplied by 40 thoroughred Jersey cows. Nor is there any mortgage on his farm.

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ATTACKING VANCE.

We regret to see the Progres sive Farmer's attack on Senator Vance. The people of North Carolina will be slow to believe that a person or set of persons, can ever be a better friend to them and their State than Z. B. Vance.

He sees the dangers that threaten the farmers, as well as every is held for the purpose of choos- other class, in the sub-treasury ing delegates only. The town r scheme and because he knows it to be inimical to the interests of the people and supervise of the rights of the people, he preperly and patriotically declines to support it.

Zeb. Vance is a Democrat, a North Carolinian and a patriot ard no influence can ever be strong enough to cause him to swerve a hair's breadth from his line of duty or lose sight of the interests of his State and her people.

#### WORD TO MY FARMER FRIENDS.

We are commanded to till the soil and make our bread by the sweat of our brow but when politcal campaigns come on we are called upon for our votes and we think that we ought to have all the information that we can gain and stand together, vote together, and petition together for legislation that will benefit us, lighten taxation, both Federal, State and county. If we can not get the homestead and mortgage laws abolished in no other way let us pay for our fortilizers and other supplies when we buy them and save near half and do without what we can't pay for when we buy. Let us see that more good and competent men are elected to office and see if they won't legislate more for our interests. Then there is a great inequality in the fees of the different offices that should be regulated and reduced. Then our taxes should be collected without more costs added and not so many that pay only a poll tax let escape without paying. Let officers be elected in the county that can and will attend to their offices. If no one else can be found that can and will do this we think that they can be found among the farmers.

A FARMER. Wittenburg township, July 12,1890

#### LETTER FROM SHARPES TOWNSHIP.

Mr. Editor: As there are seveeral candidates for judge in this judicial district, and as none of them are citizens of our county, 1 trust the citizens thereof will not deem it presumption for me to mention the name of one whom I believe to be in every respect, as well qualified for that important position as any of the other aspi-

That one is J. J. Vanu, of Union county, Mr. Vann has been a citizen of Monroe for twelve or fifteen years, and during that time he has been a model of sobriety. and morality; besides he is well versed in the law, having a large practice. He is in the prime of life, endowed with fine physical and mental powers and would doubtless be an ornament to the judiciary of the State, as he now is to the bar, should he be elected.

My personal acquaintance with Mr. Vann is limited, having only met him a few times; but I am intimately acquainted with many of the best citizens of union councounty, and the above is the character they give him.

In conclusion, I will state that the above is written without the knowledge or consent of Mr. Vann or any one else, my only motive being to inform the citizens of this county something of his character and fitness for the position to which he aspires, in order that we may take them into consideration befor the meeting of the judicial convention. Respectfully.

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