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## LOCAL DIRECTORY.

### CHURCHES.

**PRESBYTERIAN.**—Pastor, Preaching every second and fourth Sunday, at 11 a. m. and at night. Prayer meeting every Wednesday night. Sunday School every Sunday at 9 a. m. A. C. McIntosh Superintendent.  
**METHODIST.**—Rev. T. J. Dailey, pastor. Preaching every third Sunday at 11 a. m. Sunday School every Sunday at 9 a. m.—W. T. Nelson Superintendent.

**BAPTIST.**—Rev. L. P. Gwaltney, pastor. Preaching every fourth Sunday at 3:30 p. m. Sunday School every Sunday at 9 a. m.—E. A. Womble Superintendent. Prayer meeting Thursday nights.  
**SOCIETY MEETINGS.**  
A. F. & A. M.—Lee Lodge No. 253 meets the first Saturday of each month, at 1 o'clock p. m.  
**COUNTY OFFICERS.**  
Sheriff, R. M. Sharp, Clerk of Court, J. T. McIntosh; B. of D. J. M. Oxford; Treasurer, C. J. Carson; County Commissioners, J. B. Pool, W. E. Sloan, V. W. Teague, A. C. McIntosh, A. T. Marsh, W. W. Teague, Board of Education, J. J. Hendren School Superintendent, Z. P. Deal, Coroner.

**CORPORATION OFFICERS.**  
Mayor—W. G. Bogle, Commissioners—J. M. Matheson, W. D. Deal, Thos. Peden, Town Clerk—W. D. Deal, Chief of Police—

### THE MAILS.

Statesville and Wilkesboro, daily. Matter for either of these mails should be in the office by 9 p. m.  
Lenoir—Leaves Tuesdays and Fridays at 6 a. m. and arrives Wednesdays and Saturdays at 6 p. m.  
Newton—Leaves Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays at 5 a. m. and arrives same days at 8 p. m.  
Boomer and Goshen—Arrives Wednesdays and Saturdays at 12 m. and leaves same days at 1 p. m.  
Bentley—Arrives Tuesdays and Saturdays at 12 m. and leaves same days 1 p. m.  
Hamptonville—Leaves Monday, Wednesday and Friday at 6 a. m. and arrives Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday at 6 a. m.  
Rock Cut—Leaves Tuesday and Friday at 8 a. m. and arrives Wednesday and Saturday at 4 p. m.  
Brusy Mountain—Arrives Wednesdays and Saturdays at 12 m. and leaves same days at 1 p. m.

**PIEDMONT AIR LINE.**  
RICHMOND & DANVILLE R. R.  
SOUTH CAROLINA DIVISION.  
Condensed Schedule in effect June 24.  
[Trains run by 75th Meridian Time.]

NO. 51	No. 51	No. 53
BOUND.	Daily.	Daily.
via S. C. R. R.		
via Charlotte	5:10 pm	7:00 am
Augusta	7:00 "	8:30 "
Granville	7:53 "	9:09 "
Trenton	8:30 "	9:45 "
Johnston	8:47 "	10:02 "
Columbia	1:25 "	12:15 pm
Win' sb'ro.	1:10 am	2:13 "
Chester	2:17 "	3:23 "
Rock Hill	3:10 "	4:08 "
At Charlotte	4:20 "	5:15 "
Salisbury	6:22 "	7:05 "
Gr' us b'ro.	8:00 "	8:40 "
Richm'nd.	3:30 pm	5:00 am
Wash'gt'n.	8:23 "	7:00 "
Balti'more.	11:25 "	8:25 "
Phila'd'a.	3:00 am	10:47 "
New York	6:20 "	1:20 pm

SOUTH	No. 52	No. 50
BOUND.	Daily.	Daily
via New York	4:30 pm	12:15 pm
Phila'd'a.	6:57 "	7:20 am
Balti'more.	9:42 "	9:45 "
Wash'gt'n.	11:00 "	11:24 "
Richmond	2:30 am	3:10 pm
Gr' us b'ro.	2:48 "	10:44 "
Salisbury	19:23 "	12:37 pm
Charlotte	1:00 pm	2:10 am
Rock Hill	1:02 "	3:10 "
Chester	2:45 "	3:52 "
Win' sb'ro.	3:47 "	4:53 "
Columbia	5:43 "	6:55 "
Johnston	7:45 "	9:01 "
Trenton	8:02 "	9:18 "
Granville	8:31 "	9:46 "
Augusta	9:10 "	10:30 "
Charlotte	9:45 "	11:00 "
via S. C. R. R.		

A. T. & O. R. R.	No. 52	No. 53
BOUND.	STATIONS.	NORTHWARD
8:25 a. m. live	Statesville	7:55 pm arv
8:40 "	Trenton	7:39 "
8:58 "	Shepherd	7:21 "
9:29 "	Mooreville	7:09 "
9:19 "	Mt. Monroe	6:58 "
9:28 "	D'n College	6:49 "
9:39 "	Caldwell	6:37 "
9:47 "	Huntersville	6:30 "
10:01 "	Croft	6:14 "
10:14 "	Sec'n House	6:01 "
10:27 "	C. C. June'n	5:48 "
10:30 "	arv. Charlotte	5:45 "

**STATESVILLE & WESTERN R. R.**  
No. 18, mixed. Daily. STATIONS. No. 17, mixed. Daily. NORTHWARD  
8:50 a. m. live Taylorsville. 3:40 pm arv  
7:09 " " " " 9:21 " "  
7:26 " " " " 9:04 " "  
7:50 " " " " 8:40 " "  
8:15 " " " " 8:15 " " live  
Trains on the Western North Carolina road pass Statesville for the east at 6:23 p. m.; for the west at 12:20 p. m.  
Pullman Palace cars between Augusta and Danville on Nos. 50 and 51. Pullman Palace Buffet cars between Augusta and Washington on Nos. 52 and 53. Nos. 50 and 51 make close connection at Columbia with C. & G. Div. Nos. 50 and 51 and from points west, via Spartanburg, Asheville and Paint Rock  
JAS. L. TAYLOR, G. P. A.  
D. CARDWELL, D. P. A.,  
Columbia, S. C.  
SOL HAAS, Traffic Manager.

## NORTH CAROLINA DEMOCRACY.

Platform of Party Adopted in State Convention at Raleigh, 1888.

We again congratulate the people of North Carolina on the continued enjoyment of peace, good government and general prosperity under Democratic administration of the affairs of the State which has now been unbroken for so many years; upon the just and impartial enforcement of the law; upon the increasing efficiency of our common school system, and the progress made in popular education; upon the improvement and enterprise manifested in all parts of the State. We again challenge a comparison between this state of things and the outrages, crimes and scandals which attend Republican ascendancy in our borders. We pledge ourselves to exert in the future as in the past our best efforts to promote the best interest of the people of all sections of the State. Affirming our adherence to Democratic principles as heretofore enunciated in the platforms of the party, it is hereby

Resolved, That no government has the right to burden its people with taxes beyond the amount required to pay its necessary expenses and gradually extinguish its public debt; and that whenever the revenues, however derived, exceed this amount, they should be reduced, so as to avoid a surplus in the treasury. That any system of taxation which necessitates the payment of a premium of \$270 by the government on each \$1,000 of its bonds, taken up with the millions that would otherwise lie idle in its vaults, and paid to bondholders who purchased in many instances, at less than par, is undemocratic, oppressive and iniquitous and should be reformed. The course of our Democratic Representatives in Congress, in their efforts to give relief to the people from burdensome internal revenue and tariff taxation, meets with the approval of the Democratic party of this State and we respectfully recommend that if they find it impossible to give to our people all the relief demanded, they support any just and practical measure presented in Congress that will afford a partial relief from such existing burden.

Resolved, That while the details of the methods by which the constitutional revenue tariff shall be gradually reached are subjects which the Representatives of our people at the national capital must be trusted to adjust, we think the customs duties should be levied for the production of public revenue, and the discrimination in their adjustment should be such as will place the highest rates on luxuries and the lowest on the necessities of life, distribute as equally as possible the unavoidable burdens of taxation, and confer the greatest good on the greatest number.

Resolved, That we, as heretofore, favor, and will never cease to demand, the unconditional abolition of the whole internal revenue system, as a war tax, not to be justified in times of peace; as a grievous burden to our people and a source of annoyance in its practical operations. We call the attention of the people of the State to the hypocritical pretensions of the Republican party in their platforms that they are in favor of the repeal of this onerous system of taxation, enacted by their party, while the Republicans in Congress are taxing their energies to obstruct all legislation inaugurated by the representatives of the Democratic party to relieve the people of all or part of this odious system.

Resolved, That the course of the Democratic party, in furtherance of popular education, is a sufficient guaranty that we favor the

education of the people, and we will promote and improve the present educational advantages so far as it can be done without burdening the people by excessive taxation.

Resolved, That to meet an existing evil, we will accept, for educational purposes, from the Federal government a pro rata share of the surplus in its treasury; Provided, that it be disbursed through State agents and the bill for the distribution be free from objectionable features.

Resolved, That the United States being one government and ours a national party, we denounce the efforts of the Republicans to force sectional issues in Congress and elsewhere, and to promote dissension and ill-will between the people of the different sections of our common country.

Resolved, That it is due to the people of our eastern counties, who have so cheerfully borne their share of our common burdens, that the present or some equally effective system of county government shall be maintained.

Resolved, That the Democratic party is opposed to any further extension of the "No-fence" law unless such extension shall have first been authorized by a majority of the qualified voters within the territory to be affected thereby.

Resolved, That the Democratic party has ever been the party of the workingman, and has never fostered monopolies, nor have "trusts" or "combinations" or "pools" ever grown up under laws enacted by it. The contest in this country being between aggregated capital, seeking to crush out all competition, and the individual laborer, the Democratic party is, as it has ever been, against the monopolist and in favor of a just distribution of capital, and demands the enactment of laws that will bear equally upon all.

Resolved, That as all taxation bears most heavily upon the laborer, it is the duty of the legislator, as a direct benefit to the workingman, to keep the expenses of our public institutions at the lowest limit consistent with wise and efficient management. The Democratic party opposes any competition between free and convict labor, but it insists that convicts shall not remain idle at the expense of honest labor.

Resolved, That ours being an agricultural State, it is our duty as well as our pleasure to promote any and all legislation that is best calculated to advance the interests of agriculture; and that in so doing we will most effectually advance the interests of mechanics, manufacturers and laborers.

Resolved, That the Democracy of North Carolina cordially approve the administration of Hon. Alfred M. Scales, as honest, patriotic and conservative.

Resolved, That the ability, wisdom, honesty, patriotism, independence, faithfulness to duty, and manly courage of President Cleveland have won the admiration of all good men; and the interests of the country demand his re-nomination and his re-election.

that he has. In 1880 he wrote a letter to Hon. John Gray Bynum, of Morganton, of which the following is a copy:

RALEIGH, April 18, '80.

Dear Gray: The last issue of the Blade contained a communication from "Thomas" which Judge Fowle's friends here thought should be answered at once. Speaking for them, I enclose a reply which we think should, as a matter of policy, emanate from the Piedmont region. Please give this matter your best attention. Who is Thomas? If he continues to fling his slime, we will open on him in a way not pleasant to Jarvis. Things look well here and hereabouts. Write to us.

Yours truly,  
T. P. DEVEREUX.

Now what was the reply written by Devereux and "emanating from the Piedmont region as a matter of policy?" It was the following:

### JUDGE FOWLE.

Mr. Editor: A writer in your paper calling himself Thomas seems to be very much exercised that Judge Fowle should be so far ahead in the gubernatorial race, and therefore attacks him in a way indicative neither of a good heart nor a sound understanding. When we saw the signature our mind insensibly turned to the joke which Governor Vance used with such force, about a great deal of walking being "ahead of you, Thomas." Thomas asks: "What about the hundred thousand of special tax bonds which Judge Fowle received from the ring?"

Now, Thomas, you ought to be sufficiently well informed to know that Judge Fowle never received one hundred thousand dollars in bonds or otherwise from the ring. The truth is, after the passage of chapter 7, Laws 1868-69, better known as the omnibus bill, attempting to validate the special tax bonds, and for which Governor Jarvis voted in the Legislature, Judge Fowle, with other attorneys, was employed to test the constitutionality of the act. He received as a contingent fee 12 1/2 of the special tax bonds, his partner, R. C. Badger, Esq., receiving a like number. There were 14 millions in bonds involved in the suit. As Thomas is seeking information, we will tell him that in addition to the bonds spoken of above, Judge Fowle received as a retainer \$500, and \$2,500 in cash as his contingent fee, and his partner received the same.

Would any lawyer of decent standing demand a less fee in a case involving so large an amount? In regard to the "Wilmington affair," we notice that in another column of the same issue of your paper you say that New Hanover has gone adverse to Jarvis, and you might have said for Fowle. What is this "Wilmington affair?" We would like to know. It seems to help the Judge amazingly. He must have had a similar affair in Granville.

In regard to the Swepson matter, things have come to a pretty pass when an attempt is made to denounce an attorney for appearing for a man charged with crime. Judge Fowle was employed in this cause after the death of Governor Bragg, who had been Swepson's counsel up to that time. He, Judge Fowle, has now as his associates in this case Judge Thomas Ruffin, Hon. A. S. Merrimon, Hon. Jos. J. Davis, C. M. Cooke and others. Does this allay your itch for knowledge, Tommy? If it doesn't, let us know and we will attempt to aid you further in your commendable undertaking. So far Judge Fowle and his friends have studiously avoided descending to personalities in this contest. They consider it wanting in that true delicacy which should always mark the high-toned gentleman. But there is a point beyond which

forbearance ceases to be a virtue, and for the benefit of all inquiring Thomases or Tommies, we close this letter with a quotation, "Point de zele."

Ah, Thomas Devereux, you have shown that you are "neither of a good heart nor a sound understanding" to attack Judge Fowle. Aren't you ashamed of yourself now, if never before!

"You ought to be sufficiently well informed to know that Judge Fowle never received one hundred thousand dollars in bonds or otherwise from the ring."

Haven't things "come to a pretty pass when an attempt is made to denounce an attorney for appearing for a man charged with crime?" Haven't things come to a pretty pass for you, Tommy?

"Judge Fowle and his friends have studiously avoided descending to personalities in this contest. They consider it wanting in that true delicacy which should always mark the high-toned gentleman." But how has it been with you in your contemptible course with Dockery through the mountains!

We ask again, aren't you ashamed of yourself, now if never before!

Levi P. Morton's Scheme to Rob North Carolina.

From the New York Times.

Senator Quay is in a very unamiable mood nowadays, and not little of his bad humor is caused by the persistence of the Hon. Levi P. Morton in making him spend many thousands of dollars in endeavoring to carry North Carolina for the Republicans. According to a member of the National Republican Executive Committee this has been the burden of Morton's song ever since the beginning of the campaign. Mr. Morton said some time ago that he had given to the National Republican Committee three times the amount of what his salary as Vice President would be, which is supposed to mean that he has contributed \$96,000. In return for this he has insisted, and still insists, that the full power of the National Committee shall be used to carry North Carolina. Senator Quay objected at first, but he could hardly help yielding to the party's candidate for the Vice Presidency and its greatest pecuniary aid, so an energetic Republican campaign has been carried on in North Carolina, and Senator Quay has spent money in that State which he wanted to devote to other States.

The disgust of Senator Quay now is due to a discovery which he has just made of the reasons which actuate Mr. Morton in desiring to have North Carolina go Republican. They are, in short, that the firm of Morton, Bliss & Co. are holders of what are known as the special tax bonds, which now amount, principal and interest, to more than \$30,000,000. These bonds were issued when North Carolina was in the hands of the carpet baggers and it was pretended that they were to be devoted to the building of certain railroads in the promotion of which Milton S. Littlefield was the chief actor. A special tax was levied for their payment, hence their name. Littlefield took the bonds, sold them in New York for what they would bring, and did not build any railroads with them. The fraud was so gross that after North Carolina came under the control of its decent and respectable citizens, a constitutional provision was enacted forbidding their payment unless such payment should be authorized by a majority of the voters of the State at the ballot box.

Morton, Bliss & Co. bought up these bonds after their repudiation for almost nothing, and have made several attempts to collect

them through the courts. Test suits have been brought in individual bonds in the United States Circuit Court for North Carolina in the name of dummies who reside in North Carolina. The suits are not brought by Morton, Bliss & Co., in order to avoid the provisions of the eleventh amendment to the Federal Constitution which forbids the bringing of a suit against a State by a resident of another State. One of these suits is now pending in the United States Supreme Court, with small chances of success. But, even if the suits were to succeed, the collection of the judgment would be difficult, unless the people, the legislature, and the Governor should be in favor of paying it. Therefore Mr. Morton is very desirous to have North Carolina go Republican, and there are persons at the National Republican Headquarters who are unkind enough to say that his main, if not his sole purpose, in obtaining the Republican nomination for the Vice Presidency, was to be thus enabled to employ the whole power of the party through his National Committee to collect his bonds which he bought for almost nothing after they had been repudiated. In other words, that his candidacy is only a vast financial speculation, in which he uses the Republican party as a tool to accomplish his ends.

If the Republicans were to capture North Carolina at this election of course that would not of itself insure the payment of the bonds. But it would give a Republican Governor, a Republican Supreme Court, and a Republican Legislature. Much may be done with said agencies. At least negotiations could be conducted for the payment of money on the bonds. And whatever is paid would be likely to be profit to Mr. Morton. One thing which militates against the success of this gigantic scheme is the fact that the Democrats of North Carolina have "got on" to it.

Senator Sansam is about to freely expose it on the stump, and his exposure will finally defeat it. The people of North Carolina do not really want to pay for bonds from which they never received any benefit, and which were issued to rascals whom they have recently driven from the State.

### ERASTUS B. JONES,

ATTORNEY-AT-LAW.

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### R. B. BURKE,

ATTORNEY-AT-LAW.

Having been granted license by the Supreme Court, I have located at Taylorsville, for the PRACTICE OF LAW, and bespeak a share of the public patronage. I will attend the Courts of adjoining counties.

### A. C. MCINTOSH, JR.,

ATTORNEY-AT-LAW,

TAYLORSVILLE, - - N. C.

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