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THURSDAY, AUGUST 30, 1894.

"Confusion" insures 50,000 Democratic majority in North Carolina.

Hon. William L. Wilson, of West Virginia, the great tariff reformer, has been renominated for Congress.

They have met, they have "swallowed," they have parted, and great will be the parting thereof when the time comes for the plain, common people to vote, who are not "in it" for office.

A fish swims with his tail, and not with his tongue and fins, and he gets along well. The liar simply uses his tongue and expects that to carry him safely through, but he'll get left. Respectfully referred to the "confusionists."

The Eaves straight out Republican faction was severely "downed" at the State convention the 30th. The "confusionists" won the day and endorsed the work of the State populist convention, entire as the State candidates. Eugene Holton, Esq., of Yadkin county, was selected chairman of the State executive committee.

And so there is another scandal case in Washington. One Chas. L. Glascock, formerly of Statesville, who married Miss Carrie Brady, of one of Ireland's prominent families, has sued for divorce, and the Silver Senator of Nevada, Hon. Wm. M. Stewart, is named as co-respondent. Stewart claims that it is an attempt at blackmail.

Capt. Ashe, as will be seen elsewhere, is a candidate for the U. S. Senate to succeed the lamented Vance. Capt. Ashe is one of the most thoroughly equipped and experienced gentlemen in the State, and no man has fought better in the Democratic ranks than he. Capt. Ashe lives at Raleigh, but if he is elected, the CHRONICLE will raise no objection.

The Republican "confusionists" claim that the republicans and populists are together on State matters. That is hardly true. Republicans favor a change in county government. Populists do not; at least the populist State convention would not endorse any change of county government. In fact some of the leaders declared they would withdraw from the party, should the convention endorse any such thing.

If "fusion" or "co operation" is such a good thing, why would it not have been a good thing in Wilkes? Why did not the republicans show their sincerity in "co operation" and divide their county ticket with the populists? It is horrible to have the idea strike one that the republicans—the great saviors and supervisors of the Universe and everything else, according to their own testimony—would intentionally do such a thing as refusing to fuse and divide properly in republican counties where they are able to elect their men without "co operation," but red hot for it, where they are in the minority. But such horrible and uncouth ideas seem to be trying to creep into our people.

Collector M. E. Carter, has issued a circular, calling attention to the provisions of the present law which places a tax of 2 cents a pack on playing cards, which must be paid by adhesive stamps. The manufacturer must pay the tax hereafter before selling or removing them. But every dealer is required, under a penalty of \$50 for each offence, to make a sworn statement of the amount of packs of cards on hand the 28th day of Aug., and to pay the tax on them. This should be done right away, so as to save trouble.

"A free ballot and fair count" seems to be the only battle cry of the "confusionists." Bless their "hollow-footed souls," there is no opposition to that in the entire State unless it be among their own ranks. Elections have been fair in North Carolina, so far as the Democrats could procure with the opposition they have had, ever since the federal troops have been withdrawn. Of course, under the supervision of that period of radical troops and bayonets we cannot tell, as the elections were virtually held in South Carolina and counted to suit themselves. The battle cry for "a free ballot" comes too late, unless it be as a warning for the people not to return the Republicans to power.

Judge Battle, who is presiding at this court, has never been among us before, but he has made a splendid impression upon our people. He is one of the most perfect gentlemen in every respect that the State can boast of—a State who prides herself upon the splendid specimens of gentlemanly manhood and womanly womanhood. His charge to the grand jury testified to his qualification and worthiness to sit in judgment over his fellowmen. His explanation of the law and the duties to be performed by the grand jury, while simple, was comprehensive, and each juror left the room with an intelligent knowledge of what is required of him.

The court is moving along smoothly and with dispatch, and justice is tempered with mercy.

Republicans have had charge of the Federal Judiciary in North Carolina for over a quarter of a century, and the federal attorneys and assistant attorneys have been able men sworn to do their duty without fear or favor. If election frauds have been committed, why have not the perpetrators been prosecuted? If the sworn officers of the United States—Republicans too—who now go about hollowing "a free ballot and fair count," have or ever have had, as they now claim, information of election frauds, and have failed to do their sworn duty and prosecute the offenders, their oaths and declarations charging fraud now are totally unworthy of confidence, and they are intentionally traducers of the fair name of the land they live in, and deserve a pronounced rebuke for their perfidy and treachery in office, as well as their reckless defamation of their State.

They have both swallowed—that is the leaders have—but the people had little to do with it, as their digestive organs are scarcely sufficient to successfully manage such unpalatable

swallows Besides the people prefer theirs "straight," as it is a great deal more healthy. But the leaders whose appetites have been sharply whetted by an inordinate desire for office decided to have a public demonstration of the beauties of "reciprocity of swallowing." The pop leaders agreed to try it first, all the while laughing in their sleeves and whispering to each other that it was just the very thing for which they had been wishing ever since the party was conceived. They swallowed nobly all over the State. The reps promised to follow suit, and although it was a hard matter to convince some of them that the morsel was good and although they did not do exactly so well all over the State as the pops, the office seeking reps opened wide their goozles and swallowed, all the while dreaming of the offices they'll never get. They have swallowed till they're all "out of sight," and it only remains for the good honest people of both parties, while their leaders are engaged in the pleasant pastime of swallowing each other, to come out and vote for the visible party, the Democrats.

HON. W. H. BOWER.

Present Congressman from the 5th District and Candidate for Re-election, being the Democratic Nominee.

The following sketch of the life of Congressman Hort Bower is taken from the Charlotte Observer:

COUNTIES—Alexander, Ashe, Alleghany, Burke, Caldwell, Cleveland, Forsyth, Gaston, Mitchell, Surry, Watauga, and Wilkes—12 counties; population, 190,784.



HON. W. H. BOWER.

William Horton Bower, of Yadkin Valley, Caldwell county, was born in Wilkes county, North Carolina, June 6, 1850; received an academic education at Finley High School, Lenoir, N. C., and other academies; finished his education at the age of 16 and lived on a farm till 1869, when he studied law in the office of Col. G. N. Folk, of Lenoir; was licensed by the Supreme Court of North Carolina to practice law in 1870; in 1876 removed to California and remained there teaching till the summer of 1880, when he returned to his native State; canvassed for Hancock in 1880; in 1882 was elected Representative in Legislature for Caldwell county without opposition; in 1884 was elected to the State Senate; in 1885 was appointed solicitor of the tenth judicial district by Governor A. M. Scales; in 1886 was elected solicitor of the tenth judicial district for four years without opposition; in 1890 was candidate for Democratic nomination for Congress, but was defeated on the 14th ballot by W. H. H. Cowles, and was elected to the Fifty-third Congress as a Democrat, receiving 16,896 votes, as against 13,215 votes for Dr. Wilcox; 3,564 votes for R. L. Patton; 65 votes for White, prohibitionist, and 3 votes scattering.

Mr. Bower was renominated by acclamation on the 25th of July in the Democratic congressional convention, at Wilkesboro, where he was nominated two years ago by a unanimous vote by the convention of that year.

On the 25th of November, 1893, Mr. Bower was married at Newark, N. J., to Miss Annette Monhaler, of Bethlehem, Pa., an accomplished lady who is related to many of the leading Moravian families in Salem, N. C.

In 1890, when Mr. Bower first became a candidate for the Congressional

nomination, the counties of Mitchell, Surry and Forsyth were not in the district and Lincoln was. There was a three-cornered contest for the nomination, Wilkes presenting the name of the old member, Hon. W. H. H. Cowles, Lincoln that of Maj. W. A. Graham, and Caldwell that of Mr. Bower. On the 14th ballot Col. Cowles was renominated. The young solicitor from Caldwell was well-known to all the mountain people as an able lawyer, an eloquent speaker and a superb campaigner, but he was a comparative stranger to the delegates from the tier of southern counties. At the close of the convention the three candidates were called on to speak. Mr. Bower made such a fine impression that he carried the convention by storm, and in 1892 the Gaston and Cleveland delegates came to Wilkesboro wild for Bower. His course in Congress has met with the approbation of his constituents in every portion of the district, and he is very popular, as is shown by his having been twice nominated for Congress without opposition.

In personal appearance Mr. Bower is stalwart, fine-looking, handsome. He has an even temper and the jollity and good nature that proverbially belongs to fat men. He is a born politician, not so much because he is an adept in its arts as because he is in such close touch with the people and in full sympathy with them and their aspirations. His friends claim that there is much in his career, just opening upon the broad field of politics, that reminds them of the beginning of the lamented Vance's brilliant course through the political heavens.

Since 1882 he has never failed to take an active part in every political campaign in western North Carolina, and his efforts upon the hustings have contributed greatly to Democratic success in the 8th and 9th congressional districts. He never fails to interest his audiences and he always gains their confidence. As a public speaker he is easy and graceful, has a good voice and is gifted with eloquence. He seasons his argument with apt anecdotes and illustrations, of which he is "reminded," by the subject matter of his speeches and which he relates with a gusto that smacks greatly of Vance. His manners are simple and courteous and most of his constituents call him "Hort."

List of the Grand Jury.

J. O. Howell, foreman; J. A. Wyatt, L. W. Vannoy, J. C. Foushee, D. L. McBride, Jesse Alexander, J. E. Bullis, J. H. Finley, J. C. Triplett, B. B. Hanks, G. H. Brown, Samuel Gray, M. G. McBride, Joseph Hanks, C. M. Carlton, R. M. Edsall, C. F. Vannoy, J. L. Webster.

Mining for Monazite.

(Mecklenburg Times.) Since the monazite mining industry has opened in adjoining counties, search has been made for it in Mecklenburg. A farmer of Long Creek township thinks that he has found the mineral on his land, but he wants nothing said about it until he is sure of his sand. Monazite in appearance generally resembles yellowish brown sand, though the Brazilian article has a bright golden hue. It is much heavier than silica sand, and sometimes is distinguished by its peculiar crystallizations. It has been sold in small quantities at the rate of 25 to 50 cents per pound, but the prevailing prices now are from 6 to 15 cents per pound delivered in sacks or boxes on the cars. One company in McDowell county is now filling an order for 100 tons, and shipping North at the rate of nearly one ton a day. Another company is shipping a quantity to Europe.

Unless large deposits are found elsewhere, in a few years monazite may become one of the chief articles of export from the Old North State.

Mining for monazite may be made a paying business in Wilkes. It would not be a waste of time for our people to examine into this matter a little and see if they can't find plenty of monazite, right at home. The process is like the old way of mining for gold. Take a shovel and pan, go to the branch and get out the sand or gravel, wash it, and if there be monazite present you will find it among the heaviest material remaining. If you will bring a small quantity of the material, selected as above stated, to Esq. Calvin J. Cowles at this place, he will give you all necessary information concerning it without charge.

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Our stock for the fall season is now ready, and I assure to prove a "Big winner."

All departments are loaded down with new and desirable goods and many things are below the cost of production.

We claim to lead the van in low prices, and will save you money on your purchases.

It will be to your interest to investigate our offerings as early as possible.

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