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MAJOR GUTHRIE'S VIEWS.

NOT A CANDIDATE FOR JUDGE NOR NOTHING ELSE.

He is "Sick and Disgusted at Seeing Public Office Made a Matter of Merchandise to be Hawked by Political Traders For Purely Personal Gain"

The Alamance Gleaner this week contains the following paragraph:

When Adams is nominated for Congress he will accept the nomination, and then the Executive committee will cast about for a candidate for judge. In looking around Settle will be seen, but it is confidently believed the man will be found in H. A. W. Guthrie, of Durham, who has had the fortune or misfortune, one or the other, to belong to all parties within the past few years.

This was shown by Major Guthrie and he was asked regarding the truth of the statement. In reply to this, Mr. Guthrie said:

"I am not a candidate for the nomination of any political party for any office at the present time, nor do I expect or desire to be nominated for any political office this year of grace, A. D., 1898. The most esteemed favor my personal friends of all parties can do me at present is to let me alone and stop circulating false rumors, based on nothing said or done by me to encourage them.

"I want it distinctly understood that while I feel, as every citizen ought, a lively interest in political affairs, nothing could tempt me at the present time to become a candidate before people for any political office. I am not a political trader and until the time shall come, if ever, in North Carolina, that political honors shall be based upon political principles, I shall be content to remain simply a private citizen, and vote as I see fit with the best lights I can get as to what is best under the circumstances to promote good government. I am heartily sick and disgusted at seeing our public offices made a matter of merchandise to be hawked around by political traders for purely personal gain. Our theory of government is that the public offices are the agencies of government, and those who hold them are servants of the people, but most of the office-holders and office-seekers of the present day in North Carolina, in practice have reversed this theory (which is the true theory) of government.

"The traders now have their day, but it requires no prophet to foresee that a day is coming, and I hope it is near at hand, when the traders will be forced to go out of business and give the people a chance to administer our own State government upon correct principles."—Durham Daily Record.

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A PEACE JUBILEE.

The President Arranging For a State Fair.

Never were the prospects for a grand State Fair more encouraging than this year. The people are taking a great interest in the matter already and President Cuninghame and Secretary Nichols are putting forth every effort to make it a success. The suggestion has been made that one or two days Fair week be devoted to a grand peace jubilee. These jubilees are being elaborately arranged for in many northern States and it is an excellent idea to have such a ceremony here in October. A program can be prepared which will draw thousands from every portion of the State. The most prominent public men in the State can be invited to take part and the exercises can be made highly instructive and entertaining.

Until the plans are more mature nothing can be definitely stated as to the program. This is a matter in which Raleigh should be especially interested and the Times-Visitor will be glad to print suggestions along this line.

THE PEOPLE'S FAIR.

The Fair this year will be of more general interest even than the preceding ones. Every effort is being made to interest persons in every locality in the Fair.

The Fair will be the purest and the most successful ever held in the State.—Times-Visitor.

A Well Laden Ship.

SAN FRANCISCO, Aug. 27.—The transport steamer Scandia, sailed for Honolulu and Manila to-day. For Honolulu she carries Companies A, B and D, of the First New York Regiment, consisting of 295 men and ten officers, in command of Lieutenant Colonel H. P. Stackpole.

For Manila the steamer takes Second Lieutenant Hayne and 25 men of the First Battalion Heavy Artillery, California Volunteers, to act as guard for \$1,000,000 in coin for the troops in General Merritt's command; Majors Schofield, Sheary and Sternberg, pay-masters and three clerks in charge of money, Major Kobbo, Third Artillery; Lieutenant Wedgewood, Battery B, and 139 privates of the hospital corps, and four Red Cross nurses, making a total of 497.

Death of Judge E. T. Boykin.

RALEIGH, N. C., August 27.—Judge Edward T. Boykin died at 12:30 o'clock this afternoon at Dunn it is said, of apoplexy, aged 44 years. He made a notably fine campaign speech in Johnson county yesterday and was to have made another at Dunn today. The body will arrive here tomorrow morning. His wife left here on the earliest train today to go to him and reached Dunn at 3 o'clock this afternoon. He has three children, one in the Second regiment. He graduated with high honors at Trinity; served three terms in the senate; was for a time president of the senate; was appointed judge in 1885 by Governor Scales, served until December 31, 1896, and then came here to practice law.

The Methodist local ministers and layworkers' conference ended its annual session at Franklinton today. It has about 300 members.

HOBSON'S PROMOTION.

The Naval Board Praises His Record and Recommends That He Be Made Naval Constructor.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 27.—Assistant Naval constructor Hobson, was to have been examined for promotion, last week, but owing to his duties he could not go before the board. It was ordered that his record be examined to see if that would entitle him to the highest rank. The board says: "The board join with all the world in admiring the skill, courage and gallant conduct of Assistant Naval Constructor Hobson in connection with the Merrimac, as set forth in the letters to officers of the North Atlantic station."

The report then refers to the various papers submitted in connection with Mr. Hobson's record, and closes with a recommendation that he be promoted to naval constructor.

FORTY NEGRO MAGISTRATES.

Republican papers and speakers are trying to create impression that there are so few negroes holding office, even in Eastern North Carolina that the question is not worth considering. Well, let us see how it is, and we will begin with New Hanover county, which includes Wilmington, the largest city in the State.

The county of New Hanover has forty Negro Magistrates, all duly commissioned, and having jurisdiction and authority over whites and blacks alike.

The county of New Hanover has four or five Negro Deputy Sheriffs, whose duties bring them constantly in contact with the whites. The only constable for the city of Wilmington is also a negro.

The county of New Hanover has six school committees, and on these committees there are six negroes whose duties are not confined to the negro schools, but extend to the white schools also.

The city of Wilmington has fourteen Negro Policemen, including three substitutes.

The county of New Hanover has four Negro Members of the Legislature and a Negro Register of Deeds, and the next Republican nominee for County Treasurer, it is generally conceded, will be a negro.


The City of Wilmington has three Negro Aldermen, and all the Health Officers, (four) are negroes.

The Collector of Customs of the port of Wilmington is a negro, and in the several departments of the Federal government here there are at least twelve negroes holding positions.

Forty Negro Magistrates in one county! Think of that, white men of North Carolina. And think how many more there will be unless the Democrats control the next Legislature. It is New Hanover that stands at the head of the list in the number of Negro Magistrates now. But if the negro votes elect a majority of the members of the next Legislature other counties will be humiliated too. Mecklenburg and Union, Anson and Richmond, Brunswick and Pender will all drink of the bitter cup. The negroes cast 120,000 votes for the Republicans in this State. They know their power and they will assert it.

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Carolina if he ever dreamed that in voting to elect a Fusion Legislature he was voting to make Forty Negro Magistrates for the county of New Hanover? No, there is not a honest Populist in the State who believed that his vote was contributing to the degradation of the white race, and now that they have been convinced of their mistake these Populists will join with the Democrats in electing a Legislature that will undo the great wrong that has been committed.

The time has come when every decent white man in North Carolina should show the stuff of which he is made. He must decide now whether he prefers white rule or negro rule. The Democratic party is the white man's party because it is composed of white men. The Republican party is the negro party because it is composed mainly of negroes.

Forty Negro Magistrates in New Hanover county! Let every white man in North Carolina know this—Wilmington Star.

Queer Ways of The "Covites"

In an article on the "Covites" of the Cumberland Mountains, published in September Ladies' Home Journal, Sarah Barnwell Elliott says: "The people are usually squatters on small lots of uncleared mountain land, which is extremely shallow and poor. They usually live in log or slab houses—sometimes 'chinked' and sometimes not; sometimes with floors and sometimes without—eking out an existence by peddling either the nuts and fruits of the wilderness, or their very poor 'garden truck.' They are very keen at a bargain, even when they have no idea of the proper value of the thing in hand, and though they are very hospitable when you come to their houses, and will give you anything they have in the way of food, they will never give you anything that they have brought to sell. They may give it to your cook, or to your next-door neighbor, or they may throw it away just outside your gate, but you having declined to pay their price they will not give it to you—at least, not that special article."

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