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Kinston Items

"See what a rent the envious Casca made, when with malice aforethought in a recent newspaper issue he plunged the dirk into the JOURNAL heart through its Kinston correspondent."

It is said that Clerk Dixon of the Superior court is not at all alarmed regarding his position. He thinks the clerk's office is sufficiently large to hold his sunflower deputy and himself.

The Kinston College announcement for 1886-7 is out. The fall session opens September 6th and continues to December 23d, next, with the same instructors as last session except Prof. Alderman, who takes the chair of Greek.

William L. Alley, it is said, will probably be the prohibition candidate for the House of Representatives from this county. It is honor more than cash William wants. That is the way a patriot always talks.

Hon. J. E. O'Hara was in Kinston last Tuesday, clearing the track for the Congressional race this fall. He appears to be in good spirits and feels sure of success in the great contest on the 25th instant at Kinston.

Mr. Hubert Cummings brought up from Morehead City last week a good match of "bunker ponies," which are certain to strike the fancy of some one in this section. For our use, however, we would just as soon have a pair of "sand fiddlers."

Hon. D. E. Perry, U. S. Commissioner, who was the Republican candidate for the Legislature from this county in 1882, rebuilt his bridges and crossed over to the Democracy last Saturday. Too many "noises and confusion" in the Republican convention did the work.

Col. George T. Wasson, of Goldsboro, was at Kinston last Thursday silently viewing the proceedings of the Republican convention, and solemnly dropping a tear over the identical spot where several years ago he laid low Jeemes H. Harris, of Raleigh.

Our neighbor, widower Fields, has been unwell and confined to his room for some time since his return from the Onslow picnic. That's the trouble with widowers these days—one week well and sick the next, which is the result of too much courting.

The Clairmonts of New Berne contested with the Lenoir baseball club, at Kinston, last Monday for the belt. It was a wet evening, causing the Clairmonts to lose all their tail feathers but two. The result stood two for the Clairmonts and thirty-three for the club.

Miss Maud Foy, daughter of Rev. J. H. Foy of St. Louis, Mo., is now visiting Mrs. N. D. Myers and other friends and acquaintances of this place. Her distinguished father, in his "search of the Scriptures" for life eternal, has now [illegible] the Unitarians as the "way [illegible]."

[illegible] aspirants for county offices, F. M. Hoskins for treasurer and James K. Cummings and John L. Hartfield for Superior court clerk were inadvertently omitted. They are all life long Democrats, who have always taken their medicine manfully, and who will be right there with the [illegible] to promote the cause on this occasion.

It is whispered that a few of the "press [illegible] outside of Craven county are howling at the candidacy of the "coalition candidate" for senator from Craven. "Forgive them, Father, they know not what they do." Fortunate indeed are the people who can secure a lawyer and man like Mr. Bassett, able and incorruptible as Charles A. Clark.

Messrs. Cummings and Gray are now receiving some of their fall stock of goods, which are sure to take the eye and the purse of many customers. Every article of home or family use, either of necessity or fashion, may be found in their well-stocked store. Their prices are low down, and they always make friends of their customers.

Albert F. Haskins is one of our active citizens.

At the Democratic convention of Woodington township last Saturday, Dr. J. H. Moody, the irrepressible mink trapper of days past, announced himself as a candidate for the different positions of senator of the 11th district and member of the House of Representatives from Lenoir. If he succeeds in getting "skunked" as he did [illegible] he will be as irresistible as [illegible] whiskey.

Hon. F. B. Loftin, at the special invitation of his political friends of Jones, will speak at Trenton next Tuesday, the 24th instant. Being one of the best stump speakers in the district, he should be heard and instructed all who can come. He is also a candidate for the Congressional nomination from the Second district, and if nominated will ably and honorably represent the State in the next Congress of the United States.

The Methodists are holding an interesting protracted meeting at Rose of Sharon church in this county, where much good is being effected. Among the visiting brethren is the venerable Dr. Culbreth of Raleigh, now on the retired list, whose presence is felt by all as a father in Israel." He began his administrations at this church soon after the war with only four members. Now the church numbers close upon two hundred souls.

Our farmers, we are told, are hunting a candidate for the legislature who can "cut grass" like a farmer. Ah, if that is what "the horny handed sons of toil want, we have their man in sight, our neighbor, the learned lawyer, J. Q. Jackson, Esq., to whom we point with pride. With our own eyes we saw the most farm-like job of cutting grass ever done in this county when Beacon Harding's court house lawn got grassy this summer. It would have brought the farmer's heart to an unanimous nomination to have seen how grass was cut on that occasion. Yes, lawyer Jackson can cut grass [illegible] way."

Robert Bryan, who farms on the land of John P. Dawes in Trent township, gave a "crop dinner several days ago after "laying by" his year's crop, which all the substantials of life as well as pure corn juice and "Maryland butter" were bountifully supplied. Such gatherings of farmers, besides cultivating the social side of life, offer opportunities of discussing the most successful methods of farming. Knowledge is power, and the farmer who instructs how to make "two blades of grass grow where only one grew before" deserves better of mankind than all the race of politicians together. Have your crop dinners and scatter useful hints and information among one another. It will be a clean any longer.

The delegates to the Republican county convention met in the 11th ward at Kinston, with D. M. Stanton, chairman of the executive committee, temporarily presiding. A committee on credentials having been appointed the convention took half an hour's recess, during which Hon. J. E. O'Hara addressed the people in a short and sharp speech. Upon reassembling Mr. Stanton was made permanent chairman, with J. C. Carter and Richard L. Parrott secretaries. Hon. F. B. Loftin then arose and spoke at length, in harmony and introducing a resolution appointing delegates to the congressional convention, which met with no opposition and was, by a small majority, voted down. Balloting for delegates then began, resulting in the selection of B. Frank Parrott and Richard L. Parrott, the former being for Loftin and the latter for O'Hara. The delegation being divided Mr. Loftin declined an endorsement by the convention. The convention at one time became obstreperous and only the skillful, unexhausting cobreak up in a row, but the plucky chairman held them to the road, thus saving the chair, the furniture and the pants of many [illegible].

The Democrats of Kinston township met in convention last Saturday to elect delegates to the county convention which assembled here on the 3d instant. Dr. J. H. Moody called the meeting to order and Jno. A. Wiggins was elected secretary. The friends of competing candidates maneuvered brilliantly to control the action of the convention. It was soon apparent, however, that the "cussed tangle in the separable of the tenderfoots, if never learnt, had been entirely forgotten by the element of the contesting parties, who had entered the fight without studying the plan of their enemies. At the critical moment the lamps of the "five foolish virgins" were discovered to be without oil and would not burn, while the lamps of the "five wise virgins" were trimmed and full of oil. Two hours were given the "five foolish virgins" to go out and buy oil, but when they returned, the door was shut and the "five wise virgins" had elected, by their bright lights, the following delegates who will control the nominating convention, to wit: A. S. Jackson, Leander Faulkner, J. A. Frizzelle, George Hourtree, Peter Phillips, L. P. Nunn, H. W. Cummings, W. A. Dalaughter, Jno. Hourtree, Jno. A. Hall, Henry Hall, Jno. T. Bryan and Wm. H. Mayo. This delegation is believed to embrace four dry men and nine wets, it being very manifest the liquor test was the dominating idea in the selection of delegates. This little sop thrown to the "five foolish virgins" was in account of the dry condition of their lamps, considered as a gentle reminder liberality to the "five wise virgins." As I pass away to my politicing [illegible] the mildness of mid-heat [illegible].

The delegates from other townships, as ascertained, are: T. A. Rouse, Hy. Smith, Henry Cunningham, A. H. Daly, W. C. Hines, Alonzo Rouse and T. Cavenaugh from Trent. Dr. J. M. Hadley, Shade I. Wooten, Jno. D. Walters, Jos. O. Sutton, Junius E. Sutton, Levi Hill, L. A. Ivey and B. F. Sutton from Moseley Hall. John T. Daly, J. H. Dawson, A. T. Dawson, M. D. Creech and S. P. Hardy from Institute. S. P. Hodges, W. L. Herring, Joe H. Darden and Dempsey Wood from Falling Creek. D. G. Taylor, Buckner Hodges, R. C. Hill and Henry Gray from Vance. Ed. L. Rountree, E. L. Hazelton, Thomas Cox, W. P. Gilbert and Jno. A. Williams from Contentnea Neck. Simpson Harper, S. H. Humphrey, C. J. Johnson, E. S. Fordham and Joshua Dawson from Woodington. Jesse Jackson, L. F. Smith, W. G. Taylor from Neuse. E. P. Loftin, W. O. Lewis, James Brown, B. F. Jones, W. H. Sutton and L. A. Roberson from South West. Seth West, J. H. Avery and Jos. A. Rhem from Sand Hill. We are no prophet, but still we venture to say the convention next Saturday will trot out for the House, M. A. Gray, for sheriff, J. D. Sutton, for register, Geo. L. Hodges, for treasurer, John T. Gray, for superior court clerk, Lever Jake Moore, etc., and here endeth our prophecy.

La Grange Items

Rain in abundance.

Rev. A. R. Morgan preached here last Sunday.

We are having but little sickness in and around here now.

Crops are said to be much improved in this vicinity since the rains put in.

A letter from Red Sulphur Springs says that W. N. Hadley is improving. We are glad to note this.

A child of James Chestnut died in Bucklesberry last week. We did not learn the character of the disease.

Col. A. C. Davis left here for Morehead Saturday evening. We hope to see him return soon entirely recovered.

W. W. N. Hunter, formerly Clerk of the Superior Court of this county, was in town Monday on route to Seven Springs.

John D. Walters and Katie Woollard were married at the residence of Alex. Dawson, in Institute township, last Sunday. Another marriage and no cards.

Several of the Davis cadets of last session were in town a few days ago. Among them we noticed Cox, Bassett and Suggs. L. D. Howell, of Goldsboro, a cadet two sessions ago, was also here.

The Democrats held a township meeting here last Saturday to appoint delegates to the county convention, elect a township executive committee, and to nominate a constable for Mosely Hall township.

Rev. Mr. Rose returned from Sharon Saturday evening, and reports an interesting revival at that place. Several additions to the church. He is now engaged in a protracted meeting at Piney Grove, Wayne county.

We don't like to make suggestions to, or meddle with the officers as to their duties, because one is apt to be put down as a meddlesome fool, but really it seems to us that a dollar or so might be usefully invested on the pump on N. R. R. S. in our place, and we further think that there is a dangerous hole in the middle of the sidewalk in front of C. P. Barrow's old stand that ought to be attended to. We say this much to call the attention of the town authorities to these needed improvements.

The Kinston baseball club were here and played the La Grange baseball club. The game began at 2:30 o'clock. We are not versed in baseball language, but heard that Kinston scored 13 to La Grange's 4. One of the Kinston men was hurt by being struck with a ball from the pitcher. Mr. Manly, of your city, who was catcher for La Grange nine, fainted after taking a quick round. The weather was extremely warm, and all the players must have suffered severely. The Kinstonians played well from the beginning, or we should say, led the La Grange boys, but the La Grange boys say the bad beat was caused by the bad decision of the umpire. About this we don't know.

Democratic Meeting of Kinston Township.

The Democrats of Kinston township met at the court house, Saturday, Aug. 14th, at 11 a.m.

D. P. Nunn, chairman of Dem. Ex. Com. of Kinston township, called the meeting to order and presided over its deliberations.

On motion, Dr. R. H. Lewis was elected secretary.

H. W. Cummings moved that a committee be elected to select thirteen delegates to the county convention and report their names to this body.

R. H. Lewis offered a substitute: That this body proceed to elect the thirteen delegates.

Dr. J. H. Bryan moved to amend the substitute so that it shall read:

That each member of this meeting vote by ballot for 13 delegates, and that the 13 receiving the highest number of votes be declared delegates, and that the chairman appoint three polls, two superintendents and [illegible] ballots.

R. H. Lewis accepted the amendment, which was then put to the vote and carried.

A motion was made and carried that the polls be kept [illegible] Philips, B. F. Nunn, H. W. Cummings, W. A. Dalaughter, H. Sumner, A. T. Hill, Dr. H. Hall and Dr. J. H. Bryan and W. C. Mayo.

Three hours were spent in balloting, when the following gentlemen were declared duly elected delegates to the county convention, to wit: R. S. Warren, Dr. J. H. Bryan, R. H. Lewis, W. C. Mayo, Jno. A. Wiggins, Jno. H. Wooten, L. A. Ivey, Jno. D. Walters, Jno. A. Hall, Jno. T. Daly, H. W. Cummings, B. F. Nunn, H. Sumner, A. T. Hill, Dr. H. Hall and Dr. J. H. Bryan.

Dr. J. H. Bryan, Dr. R. H. Lewis and H. W. Cummings were elected delegates to the district convention.

B. F. Nunn, chairman of Dem. Ex. Com. (in the place of J. E. M. Wooten, resigned), Jno. A. Wiggins, secretary.

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