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THE Democratic State convention showed good sense in its choice of a platform making

THE men we need Mackenborg county should be represented by good men in every respect. We need more compromise in any man of genius worth and ability who can take care of the commercial and agricultural interests of Charlotte and the county at large.

FARMERS ON PROTECTION. At the recent session of the State Legislature, the bill for the protection of the farmer was passed. It is a bill that will do more for the farmer than any other bill that has ever been passed in this State.

CLARK and LANKER the next General Assembly will be worth more to the laboring man of this section than all the representation we have had for many years. Important measures pertaining to the interests of this section, and of every county in particular, will come before the General Assembly and it will be well that we have men able to speak for us at the proper time.

PROXY REPRESENTATION. The State Chronicle complains of the action of the convention in refusing proxy representation, though itself opposed to such representation. Its complaint is based upon the action of the convention in 1884, when proxy representation was allowed after a contest.

PROHIBITION. The Prohibition question is gradually working its way into popular opinion. The Illinois Democrats declare that it is a violation of individual and personal rights, and contrary to the fundamental principles of the Government.

ELECTION OF JUDGES. The nomination of the present Chief Justice and Associates of the Supreme Court for reelection will no doubt meet the approval of the masses of the people of North Carolina. The various judicial districts that have been called upon to nominate candidates for the Superior Court bench have passed in the field good men, good lawyers who will make ineffectual judges.

TRouble in the Republican Camp. The Republican State convention, held at Raleigh, N. C., on the 15th inst., passed an address expressing the opinion of the party on the subject of the election of judges.

Onslow Items. The Onslow County Agricultural Society has just held its annual meeting at the Onslow Hotel, Raleigh, N. C., on the 15th inst.

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THE SHORING COTTON CROP. The shoring cotton crop in this section is generally good. The weather has been favorable for the growth of the crop, and the farmers are well pleased with the result.

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