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COL. Dockery is evidently trying to evade a discussion with Judge Fowle. Chairman Whitaker has taken the wind out of his dodging sail by offering to meet him on his own ground.

COL. Dockery is very solicitous about the canvass of H. P. Walker, the Prohibition candidate. He is afraid Walker won't run away. Democratic votes among the "Oliver" in.

JUDGE RUSSELL says the canvass between Fowle and Dockery would result in a Fowle majority over the Democratic vote. North Carolina Democracy is dodging.

CAN you tell us why Hon. F. M. Simmons is so much respected at Washington and at home? He complies with his constituents' requests, is always at his post, super-intends his department, affable in his manners, respectful of the claims of others, and devoted to the interests of his people.

THE annual report of Maj. S. A. Albert of the river and harbor improvement under his charge has been submitted to the Chief of Engineers. It recommends among other improvements the following: Dan river, Virginia and North Carolina, $15,000; Roanoke river, North Carolina, $10,000; Tar river, Broad river North Carolina, $15,000.

WE note with pleasure that North Carolina is represented on the Campaign Committee by Senator Ransom. There is no better party organizer than he, and when it comes to putting plans into execution he has few equals and no superiors. And the beauty of the thing is, it is all done without neglecting for a moment the high and responsible duties of a United States Senator.

A MEMBER of Congress who does his duty is never idle and has had work to do. Congressmen too often forget that they are representatives and servants of the people. Some Congressmen are mere partisans. Hon. F. M. Simmons belongs to that class that looks after the interests of all his constituents. No man can doubt his principles, for he never conceals them. And any man in his district can see him and with the full confidence that he will receive respectful consideration and faithful service.

IS there to be a joint discussion between Judge Fowle and Col. Dockery? We presume not, but cannot affirm positively. Both seem willing, both are sanguine and plucky. The difficulty in the way of a meeting seems to be the willingness of Dockery to acknowledge the correctness of figures and statements of Fowle in the canvass. If the latter gentleman will lay aside his sword and cross swords with Judge Fowle he will have excellent opportunities and abundant custom at Nor[illegible]

THE Baltimore Manufacturers' Record predicts a heavy increase in Southern railroad traffic this fall and says the country is prepared for a liberal expansion of the mining business in Alabama alone will this year give rise to 10,000,000 of freight more than last. The same issue of the Record states that 1,449 miles of new track were laid in the Southern States from January 1st to June 1st. Thus we see the railroads of the country are extending their lines and making money while the A. & N. C. R. R., which will soon be one of the best roads in the State is making no effort to extend its line, develop new territory, build up its ports and make money, because it is against the Governor's policy to do so.

CAMPAIGN COMMITTEE

THE National Democratic Campaign Committee as at present constituted is as follows: William L. Scott, of Pennsylvania, Arthur P. Gorman, of Maryland, Matthew W. Ransom, of North Carolina, Calvin S. Brice, of Ohio, John S. Barbour, of Virginia, Hermann Oelrichs, of New York, Miles Ross, of New Jersey, Arthur Sewall, of Maine, Erskine M. Phelps of Illinois.

THE THIRD PARTY

It is with deep regret that the JOURNAL sees evidences of a determination on the part of Prohibitionists to rush upon the political arena, and wage open and relentless war.

That Temperance is commendable and drunkenness a calamity, is universally admitted. Every man of right sensibilities is ever ready to lift up the fallen, but where is the wisdom of this third party movement? What, in the world, was overwhelming defeat beneficial to any cause? Does any reasonable man imagine that Mr. Walker stands the ghost of a chance to be elected governor at the approaching election? No man one. Then why make a canvass the natural effect of which is to weaken the Democratic party? It is probable that the Democracy is strong enough to succeed against all opposition, but Prohibition means a grave responsibility when they hazard Democratic supremacy in North Carolina.

THE TARIFF AND LABOR.

In a former article we said that even now, with cheap labor against us, we can turn out steel & Sheffield, our best grades of cotton at Manchester, our electro-plates at Birmingham, and our watches at Geneva and undersell European manufacturers on their own [illegible] "staffs." If this be true, and [illegible] unquestionably [illegible] Almighty [illegible]

JUDGE RUSSELL'S LETTER.

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