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Painfully as it is to do so, I deem In reply, I beg to say that Senator it proper to make this statement 3-Vance's opposition to my confirmabont my private affairs that the people tion was not based upon personal grounds and no charge against my of the State may see how unjust and personal character was made in concruel are the charges with which it is

being sought to injure and destroy nection with that matter. At the time of my appointment of collector, my reputation. Senator Vance, together with the given to the democratic party a year other Senator and all the Democratic congressmen from North Carolina, of my time without any compensation have actually borrowed money to pay favored me. The subsequent opposition of Senator Vance to my con- in part, my expenses while engaged

firmation arose out of complications in this work, and I have also given connected with the appointment of to it this year more than one-seventh ively; not for a part of them, but for republic. He says the last ruler of have sent them word that I have the collector for the Western Dis- of my net fortune, I have done this ungrudgingly and tricts of North Carolina. The record of the Senate and the delegation if my State would ever again fall back

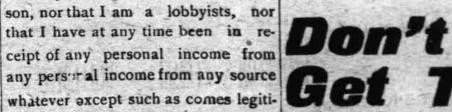
n Congress from this State at that into the horrible conditions from time will bear out these statements. which it has been rescued, and again With reference to the second charg wish my services, I shall now answer

to which you refer, I beg to say that not now, but as a more propituous season. I have not made, and do it is not true that I am attorney or agent, either secret or otherwise, of not intead to make any demands upon the party for the sacrifices. A the Southern Railroad. I have never party has a right to expect, in time appeared for that railroad in any caand money, sacrifices from its adherpacity. It has never paid me a cent erts, but no party exigencies can reof money in my life, except a contriquire the sacrifice of a man's characbution made to me as Chairman of ter. Neither can I believe that any the Committee in 1898 which was man's candidacy for office will spent for the benefit of the party. promoted by the assasination of On the contrary, I have appeared and opponents character.

am appearing against it in many suits During the last three years the During the last three years, since 1 fusiouists have heaped upon me a decommenced to practice law in Ralgree of slander and vituperation eigh, I have been counsel in re which perhaps never before fell to the covering a number of judgments a lot of any man in the State. I have gainst it, one of them for as much as I borne these assaults with patience. sixty three hundred dullars, and now appear of counsel in quite a counitng myself fortunate that I was number of cases against it, in which considered worthy to suffer in the my clients claim damages for from

thirty to forty thousands dollars. struggling. This abuse has been diam also of counsel against it in th rected against me, not only as an intax assessment cases. It is not true that I am, or have at dividual, but I have been denounced

any time been, a secret agent or at- by the enemies of Democracy for attorney for ony corperation or per-



mately to any North Caralina lawyer Get fat; get nice and plump; enjoying a moderate practice. I there is safety in plumpness. neither lobbied in the last Legislature Summer has tried your

great leader of onr host,

Then, is a well defined and largely Lower California will suffer total exsuccessful movement in certain parts tinction. The earthquakes will raze of the State to organize, against me buildings to the ground in and in favor of one of my opponent every city on the conteinent, and July 21, \$5'000 to \$15,000, that certain intesests and influence which millions of lives and billions of though usually acting with a Demo- lars worth of property will be lost. cratic party, are cut of sympathy with "There is to be a change in econ-During the last three years I have and actually hostile to some of its prin omic conditions of almost every civ. and amount. August 17, \$10,000 to

ciples and policies, and more or less ilized nation. He foretells the growth \$20,000, or only two to one. You unfriendly to our candidate for the ef a democratic spirit in England will notice how the odds have com Presidency. I have no apologies to which will result in a revolution that make to anyone for my advocacy of will overthrow the present form of the principles separately and collect- government and make the country a win \$100.000, and I will

each and everyone of them. I am England will be the best the country glad that my position in these rethe nation will be one of the royal from them. gards is fully understood in North Carolina, because I do not want to family. "The hermit prophised that Russia ecure any man's vete upon false pre

> Very rruly yours, F. M. SIMMONS.

The Candidates Ways.

Canderdate sayin' All he days.

Bo'n a Baptis'-Methodist raise;

Presbyterian, (Cl'ar de way!) Episcopalian Long fo' day! Secon' Advent (Heah de call!) Lots er church, But he b'long ter all!

Fr'en' ter de white manname of the cause for which I was Fr'en' ter de black: Ketch be coon Fo' he see his track

> What you gwine do Wid de canderate ways Bo'n a Baptis'-Methodist raise?

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Is your Blood Pure? Are you of it? Do cuts or scratches heal slowly Does yourskin itch or burn? Have oles? Eruptions? Foul Breath

turn over and see how they are weakalmost \$3.000 to \$12,000. three to one. August 3, \$10,000 la \$25,000, that is two and one. August 9, another, same odds

I have wagered over \$30,000 much more to bet at the same odd ever had, and the first president of two to one, but have heard nothin

They will not be offering than even money in thirty days. and France and Italy would form an alli- two weeks before the election Bryan

They can't beat Bryan if This is to be the outgrowth of Turspend from the trusts ten million de kish presecution of Christian subjects. lars. They can't buy this election The triple alliance will conquer the domains of the Sick Man of the east. At the expiration of the war, complisweep for Bryan. It will not be ck cations will arise that will plunge It. Bryan will carry New York, Maryland Ohio, Indiana, Illinoise and other aly and France into war with Russia. The result will be that the two coun- Western States. He will get more tries will be gobbled up by northern electorial votes than Cleveland got in powers and will cease to exist as '92. The working men are not foois independent nations. While war is They know that these gigetic trusts being waged between them the Pope will soon root them out of everything comfortable in life. Their only hop will move the seat of Catholicism is in Bryan, and I know from Rome to south Ireland. A reof a.e for him all over the Union. H bellion will take place in the land the Shamrock, in which that country is an honest man and a great a will become independent of England, and the people believe in him Then a conflict will arise between the

notto of the cyster is: "Don't

ultra Catholics of the south of land and the eltra Protestants of the Other leading men have just like Mr. Croker, though perhaps north in which the southerners will be victorious. A kingdom will be not as enthusiastically. The news established and it is predicted that from all parts of the State is cherring will for Bryan. The fight between Crok the reign of the first protentate er and Hill will help rather than hurt become historic for its tyranny. The prophet prints a dark picture Bryan. It will put the two leaders

on their mettle. Croker to for the United States. He says that at the end of the century a feeling of Bryan a great majority in Greate New York and Hill to reduce unrest will be the outgrowth of un-Republican majority up in the State. equal society economic conditions. He predicts that the twenty-fifth

It's the fast young man who runs president will be the last executive head of the United States. During

his administration the a-asses will break into rebellion, the established

ance and enter into war with Turkey.



