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A.J. SMITH.

REGISTER OF DEEDS.

I hereby announce myself a candidate for the office of Register of Deeds of Gaston county subject to the action of the coming Democratic primaries and county convention.

W. O. GARDNER, Mountain Island, N. C., July 2, 1908.

FOR COUNTY TREASURER.

I hereby announce that I am a candidate for re-election to the office of County Treasurer of Gaston county subject to the action of the Democratic primaries and county convention. J. M. SHUFORD.

FOR COUNTY TREASURER

I hereby announce myself a candidate for the office of Treasurer of Gaston county subject to the action of the Democratic primaries and

J. H. RUTLEDGE. June 2nd, 1908.

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This June 6th, 1908.

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North Carolina

Gaston County.

This, May 30th, 1908.

W. C. ABERNETHY.

STATE DEMOCRATIC PLATFORM

Able Document Setting Forth Principles of Democracy and Shortcomings of Republicans.

Following is the State Democratic platform and while it makes a lengthy article, it is good reading and deserves the attention of our citizens: .

The democracy of North Carolina in convention assembled re-affirms its allegiance to the cardinal principles of true Democratic government and congratulates the people upon the wise, the progressive and the economical conduct of public affairs since its restoration to power in this State.

In the inaugural address of Governor Aycock, January, 1901, is this sentence: "This year we meet under extraordinary circumstances—o n e party goes out and another comes in; one policy ends and a new one begins. The Democratic party again enter-

ed into power; democratic policy became the controlling policy of our State. The achievements of those years are unmistakably great. To the trust imposed, the Democratic party has been wholly faithful. The administration of Governor Charles B. Aycock and Governor Robert B. Glenn have added prestige to our history, and given prosperity to our people. State affairs have been conducted with clean efficiency, and to the people has come peace.

A SPLENDID RECORD.

Out of the very shadows of disorder the records begin. There is now no more disorder, and no more doubt. The people have come into is made sure. Conditions encourage industries. To the child is given greater and greater opportunity for knowledge and North Carolina is become a national leader in popular education. A staple government has inspired confidence. Local improvements are pushed with vigor. Good schools and good roads are no longer a dream, but are growing in realities State institutions have been managed with credit and without scandal The record is unmarred by official misconduct. Appropriations have in creased as our needs demand while taxes are reduced. Even the convict is now able to add his part to the support of the government. -

The Confederate soldier has been emembered with gratitude and intreased provision made against want in the days of his age. The needs true and the few who were admitted of the unfortunate are many, and the call of the afflicted is answered. To him the sincerest affection. His fathe blind and to the deaf the State bles made him dear to the child heart now holds open the door of refuge everywhere. Few men have had and comfort. That the Legislature could dedicate one-half million dol- manent reputation and made a name lars for the adequate care of all our not born to die. He was the Hans unfortunate shows the growth of Christian Anderson of America, a our ability, and the certainty of our modern Aesop and, more than any

And the Democratic party pledges itself to maintain these policies make for the development of and for

ADMIN ATION EN-DORSED.

We endorse the able and progres ive administration of Gov. R. Glenn and the State officers, and we approve and commend to the people of North Carolina the record of our Senators and Representatives in the congress of the United States.

We regard with approval the inreased interest in permanent road building, and recognizing that the advantages in the way of greatly increased land values, in the quick and easy transportation over good roads and the consequent saving of wear and tear on stock and vehicles is no longer an experiment, but a plain, practical fact, as seen in those sections of North Carolina and other States where such roads are in use; and believing that with a constant laving claims against said estate to ly improving school system, a system of good roads, linking the east with the Piedmont section, and the Piedmont section with the mountain sec tion, will be of great good to North Carolina, therefore, we recommend this spirit of internal improvement to the people of our State for their investigation, and suggest that the next General Assembly take such action on this matter as may seem best.

J. T. R. DAMERON, EDUCATION FUNDAMENTAL. We believe that education is one of the fundamental needs of all government. We believe that every prospective citizen has the right to reeive, and it is the duty of the State Having qualified as executrix of to furnish, adequate preparations the Will of William D. Hanna, defor such citizenship. We congratused. late of Gaston county, North late the people that a four months' Carolina, this is to notify all persons

> merely a promise but a realization. The Democratic party has kept its promise and materially reduced passenger and freight rates in the State, and given to the people lower rates, while the reports of the railroad companies show that this reduction of rates has been accompanied by increased revenue on that class of

school in every district is no longer

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JOEL CHANDLER HARRIS.

An Appreciation of the South's Great est Literary Man Who Recently Died.

Nashville (Tenn.) Banner

The death of Joel Chandler Harris removes the most notable and in several respects most successful of the latter day literary men of the South. Much that he wrote and that which gave him his chief reputation and popularity was not original. The older generations of the South had heard the story of the tar baby and like fables many times before Mr. Harris put them into his unique form but he made a most happy collection of these interesting specimens of Southern folk-lore—tales of the old plantation days, of probable African origin. He told them in a simple way, true to the manner of negro narration, with a dialect that was well-nigh perfect, and for all time to come they will be associated with his name. They have a distinct and unique place in literature that insures their preservation.

On the "Uncle Remus" stories Mr. Harris' fame will necessarily depend, but he did other literary work of a very creditable character. One of his short stories, published twentyfive years ago in the Century Magazine, "Free Joe, would alone have entitled him to rank as a literary man of unusual ability.

There was another side of Mr. Harris' life on which he spent years of labor and usefulness, but in which he was almost entirely unknown to the general public. During the greater period of his active life he was an editorial writer on the Atlanta Constitution. In the days when their own. Responsible government Henry Grady grew famous as editor of The Constitution, the great bulk the full and free development of our of its editorials were written by Joel Chandler Harris and Wallace Putnam Reid, both now dead. Reid is hardly remembered because he was only a newspaper man in a subordinate position. Harris would not be known to fame but for his outside literary work, done in the beginning as a matter aside from the daily grind of his regular vocation. In the newspaper world Mr. Harris' worth and ability as a journalist are known and appreciated, and the newspaper tollers do honor to his memory as one of their number gone to his reward

Mr. Harris was a most lovable man. He was modest to the point of timidity, gentle and unassuming. He shunned publicity and loved a quiet life. His heart was tender and to his intimate acquaintance felt for less of ambition, but he built a perand other times can suggest, he 'Uncle Remus," a character alone and distinct that will survive on its own merits both in the interest and and the the heart of the literary world.

BETTER BUSINESS OUTLOOK.

Fifty Thousand Men in Pittsburg District Back at Work This Week -Southern Re-Employing Men Recently Laid Off.

Editorial in Charlotte Observer, 7th After a long lay-off, fifty thousand men of Pittsburg and vicinity returned to work Monday. From many points in the country come reports of the re-employment of working men and of revived railroad activity Along the Southern Railway mer who have been laid off are being reemployed and all in all, taking a view of the country over, it looks as if conditions have improved and are improving. Crops are good. The wheat crop of the West is enormous and the corn is nearly made. Cotton looks well and maintains a surprisingly high price, considering the continuing depression in the manufacturing industry. Corn hereabouts never looked better, at this season and it is to be regretted that the acreage is not larger, for here in Char, lotte it is worth a dollar a bushel. It could be wished that the South had corn to sell instead of having to buy it for this year it is a fine money crop. At Gaffney, S. C., last week the writer heard of cases in Cherokee county, of a hundred bushels of corn and more to the acre, grown by the Williamson plan. This is better

But this is by the way. This is the farmer's year and the prospect for industrial and commercial revival, in the South and the country over is brighter than it has been since the panic came upon it.

Picnic Nearly Ends in Riot,

A big negro picnic at Battleboro lear Rocky Mount, Saturday came near terminating in a general riot. As it was Will Harris got a full load of buck shot in his head and will die.

ER THE STATE

INT HAPPENINGS IN ALL SECTIONS OF THE STATE RE-AND CONDENSED BENEFIT OF BUSY FOR. READ IN THE OLD NORTH STATE FROM MANTEO TO MURPHY.

A Novel Suit. Mr. D. K. Young and Mr. J. A. Carver, of Lexington, have entered suit against the Lexington Telephone Company for \$20,000 damages on account of the deatus of their two sons who were recently killed by lightning, the claim of the plaintiffs being that the company was negligent in not grounding their wire in the building where the young men were killed.

R. F. D.'s Get \$100,000 Monthly.

A Raleigh dispatch says that the monthly disbursements to the North Carolina rural free delivery carriers in salaries aggregate nearly \$100,-000, Postmaster Willis G. Briggs, of Raleigh, being the paymaster. The checks are now, as drawn by Postmaster Briggs, made payable at the subtreasury of the United States at Ealtimore instead of at one of the local banks in Raleigh.

Pomona Mills in Bankruptcy.

An involuntary petition of bankruptcy was filed Tuesday in the United States Court at Greensboro against the Pomona Cotton Manufacturing Company, which has been in the hands of receivers for some time. The petition was filed by J. E. Latham & Co., cotton brokers; C. L. Williams, receiver of the City National Bank, and other creditors. Judge Boyd appointed F. H. Fries, of Winston-Salem, and J. C. Watkins, of Greensboro, temporary receivers and made the order returnable July 14. F. H Fries and A. E. Moore, of Gastonia, were appointed receivers of the company by Judge Fred Moore in Mecklenburg Superior Court March 16th.

Capt John Wilkes Dead.

Capt. John Wilkes, one of Charlotte's most prominent citizens, died early Monday morning at his home in that city, after an illness of two weeks. He was of English descent, being a great-grandson of Israel Wilkes, who was a brother of John Wilkes, the celebrated English politician and Liberal. John Wilkes, whose death is here chronicled, was born in New York city March 31, 1827. His father, Capt. Charles ploring expedition sent out by the United States, this being in 1833. John Wilkes was connected in various ways with the United States Navy for many years and at death was the oldest alumnus of the Naval Academy at Annapolis. In 1854 he left the navy and moved to Charlotte where he has since resided. He was the founder of the Meck lenburg Iron Works which first started in 1859.

Old Bank Case to be Called.

A special from Asheville under date of the 7th says that the old First National Bank of Asheville cases in volving the indictment by a Federal grand jury more than ten years ago of President William E. Breese Cashier W. H. Penland and Director J. E. Dickerson, of the defunct bank, will be called for trial before Judge W. T. Newman, of Atlanta, Ga., in United States District Court here tomorrow morning at 10 o'clock. This was decided upon at this morning's session of court. All the papers in the cases, transferred from Charlotte to Asheville, were received by Clerk Hyams this morning and so far as the government is concerned everything is in readiness.

This case has become famous in the State. Breece and Dickerson were sentenced to ten years each in the Federal prison and the case a gainst them was thrown out of court because of the fact one or two of the jurymen had not paid their poll tax. The present trial will doubtless be the end of this case and consequently it will be watched with much interest.

Row in Tar Heel Cancus,

Mr H. E. C. Bryant, who is at Denver to report the Democratic convention for The Charlotte Observer, wired the following interesting bit of news to Wednesday's Observer:

"Denver, Colo., July 7 .- On the way to Denver it was said and reiterated time and again that Governor Glenn desired to head the delegation, and no one on the special train on which the Tar Heels came made any objections. Everybody seemed to desire that the Governor have the honor. Friends of Senator Simmons wanted to give him a place on the committe on resolutions. To the onlooker peace reigned among the Joe Williams, another negro, is held on the charge of doing the shooting. egates met in the caucus there was

YORK AND YORKVILLE.

Yorkville Enquirer, 7th.

Mr. T. M Fayssoux, of Gastonia, is in Yorkville to-day on business.

With fried chicken plentiful, watermelons and canteloupes plentiful, -WHAT'S GOING ON fruit plentiful, vegetables plentiful, there is no reason why the canvassing candidates should not have. a most delightful time this summer.

Mr. R. J. Williams, of the Bethany neighborhood, a few days ago shot a blue crane that measured 6 feet 2 inches from tip to tip of the wings, and 5 eet from tip of toes to tip of

Filbert, Gold Hill and Tirzah. These are the places of the biggest picnics of the summer. There will be others, of course; but as a rule nowhere else are the crowds as large as at the places mentioned. And no other places can boast of so much politics,

The county board of commissioners is under promise to take the chaingang to the Turkey creek section of the Ruther ord road within the next few weeks, provided the peo ple out that way lay down a sufficient quantity of rock to keep the plant busy. If the Rutherford people fail to get up the necessary rock as they have promised to do; the chaingang will go the road between Rock Hill and Catawba river.

Bub Adams shot and mortally wounded Charlie Adams at Clover last Friday afternoon. Both are ne groes. There had been bad blood between them for some time. On Friday afternoon Charlie Adams was giving some impudence to Mr. Reuben McCall in front of the latter's the situation, reproved Charlie for his disrespect to a respectable white man. Charlie at once drew his pistol and threatend to kill Bub. Bub drew a pistol also and got in the first shot. The bullet took effect in Charlie's left side, passed around to the right side and lodged in his kidney. The wounded man fell, paralyzed below the waist. He was taken to Charlotte for treatment; but there seems to be but little probability of his recovery. Bub ran away; but afterward came back and surrendered to Constable Andy Quinn, and Magistrate Faris had him sent to jail.

anything but harmony. It developed that Governor Glenn had his head set on the resolution committee. This caused friction.

"General Julian S. Carr and Mr. F. B. Arendell, the latter an alternate to a district delegate, were proposed as alternates for district delegates not here. The contest began over Wilkes, had charge of the first ex- this question. Senators Overman and Simmons and Messrs. J. D. Bellamy and Paul B. Means taking the stand that Messrs. Carr and Arendell could not represent the delegates in question, and Governo Glenn, Major Hale and others, the opposite view. It was decided that Messrs. Carr and Arendell could not

"This was followed by the tug for the place on the committee on resolutions. Governor Glenn withdrew and Major Hale entered. The vote stood 8 for Simmons and 6 for Hale. During the discussion on the Carr-Arendell matter some feeling developed and Governor Glenn and Colonel Means became personal. Later when Colonel Means moved that Governor Glenn be made vice president of the delegation, the latter refused to let his name go before the caucus. Governor Glenn is still in bad humor. He takes the matter seriously. Although Mr. Simmons is not very enthusiastic over Bryan, he bows to the will of the majority and is not disposed to make trouble over the platform. Senator Overman was elected chairman of the del-"The indications are that Bryan

will be named on the first ballot."

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