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"If I saw to name the typical American, the man who loves and believes in his country beyond everything else, the man who, determined once in what direction his duty leads, cannot be swayed from the path—the man who is doggedly persistent, in what he deems to be right—the man who thinks not of self, but of his country and its needs, I would name Grover Cleveland."—Channey M. Depew.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS
Rice—National Rice Milling Co.

LOCAL BRIEFS.

ALREADY September is nearly gone.

Miss Maria McLeod and daughter, of Wilmington, are visiting relatives in this city.

Misses Lillie and May House, of LaGrange, are visiting their sister Mrs. J. Y. Jryner in this city.

The city taxes are now due and payable to the city Tax Collector, whose office is at the city headquarters on Walnut street.

The Raleigh News-Observer of yesterday makes favorable mention of "Killarney and the Rhine," which has the boards of the Messenger Opera House to-night. Reserved seats are on sale at Miller & Shanna's drug store.

It is a real pleasure to THE ARGUS, and that will be shared in by his hosts of friends everywhere, to learn that our venerable and esteemed countyman Mr. W. B. Thompson, who lost his right arm in his gin last Wednesday, is resting easy and getting on satisfactorily.

Now that the Stevenson jubilee is over the next event of local political interest is the opening of the county canvass. It is going to be made "red hot" in Wayne county for Third party office aspirants between this and election day—and after that we shall adopt the old and almost sacred usage of speaking no ill of the dead.

THAT is a manly, patriotic and timely letter of Maj. W. A. Guthrie that appears in this issue of THE ARGUS. It should be headed by Third party affiliates. To them it carries confidence in every line and open truth on its face. They cannot with consistency refuse to receive it in good faith, because they have already expressed their conception of Mr. Guthrie's integrity and ability by naming him to a position on their ticket as a candidate for the Supreme Court bench—the highest judicial office in the State. Listen to his reasoning, friends, and be reclaimed to the Democratic fold.

"KILLARNEY and the Rhine," the successful, romantic melo-drama, which is to be produced at the Messenger Opera House this evening, for the first time in this city, is thus spoken of by a contemporary: "It has all the requisites for a prosperous career, being not only a strong melo-drama, but has, at times, the brightness of a musical comedy. Introducing German and Irish character combined, it affords a vehicle for clean wit, that created great interest until the more serious characters came on, ending the acts with very powerful climaxes. The company is quite evenly balanced, and above the average usually seen in melo-drama, for which the manager's good judgment is worthy of commendation. J. E. Toole, a clever German comedian, did some bright bits of acting, and his songs were new and catchy. James Ryan, the veteran Irish character actor, was true to his Larry Kennan. His work, especially, in the 3rd act (the delirium scene) was worthy of praise. W. H. Harrey as Garay, was neat and very artistic. The hit of the evening was made by Miss Minnie Jarboe, a very pretty and clever young soubrette, with a sweet musical voice, who was on the bills as the Irish nightingale."

STOCKHOLDERS' MEETING
Of the A. & N. C. R. R.

The annual meeting of the stockholders of the A. & N. C. R. R. company for the election of Directors and officers of the company for the ensuing year, came off at Morehead City on Thursday.

The meeting was presided over by Mr. J. J. Wolfenden, of Newbern, and Mr. J. J. Royal, of Morehead, acted as Secretary.

The report of the President was read. It was a comprehensive report, minute in detail, encouraging in prospect, gratifying to the stockholders and by them highly approved and unanimously adopted.

The reports of the heads of the several departments were equally satisfactory.

We deem it interesting to give here the report of the Finance Committee, which was as follows:

REPORT OF FINANCE COMMITTEE.
To the Stockholders of the A. & N. C. Railroad Company:

The Committee of Finance submits the following report:

Your committee attended regularly at the office of the Company and examined in detail the books, accounts, and vouchers of the Treasurer for the fiscal year ending June 30th, 1892, and found them neatly and correctly kept, and all disbursements evidenced by approved vouchers.

Your committee finds that the total amount of money that came into the hands of the Treasury for the year ending June 30th, 1892, from all sources, was \$181,923 79

Cash on hand June 30, 1891, 20,601 05

Making total to be accounted for \$202,524 84

Disbursements for same period 159,036 33

Leaving bal. on hand June 30th, 1892, \$43,488 51

Gross earnings for the same period 159,375 28

Total amt. of expenses 130,952 57

Total operating expenses of the road 109,189 84

Balance 50,185 84

Deduct sale old material 63 03

Leaving net proceeds to balance \$50,122 41

Your committee beg leave to further say that, as evidenced by the books, the financial condition of your property has very materially improved in the last three years. At the beginning of the present administration three years ago there was a floating debt of \$56,115.98. To day there is a floating debt of about \$1,100, with a cash balance in the Treasury of \$43,488.51 and bills receivable amounting to \$12,149.61—making net cash assets or its equivalent of \$54,528.13. We note also that there has been extraordinary expenditures during this period (from the receipts of the road), amounting to \$57,188.37; said amount was used for permanent improvements, such as new engines, new passenger coaches, parlor car, steel rails, new depot buildings, car sheds, etc. We find also that there has been an increase in taxes in the last twelve months of \$3,094.07.

Expenses have been reduced materially, and your interest has been carefully looked after, and we can but congratulate you in having a wise and efficient management.

Officials, subordinates as well as the head, have carefully, cautiously and zealously managed your property, and as a result it is in better financial condition than it has been for many years past.

THOS. DANIELS, Chm.,
T. H. MALLISON,
J. J. WOLFENDEN, Com.
L. HARVEY,
S. I. WOOTEN,

The following were elected to the Board of Directors for the ensuing year:—On the part of the State, Messrs. W. S. Chadwick, T. D. Webb, L. H. Cutler, W. G. Brinson, W. T. Osho, W. E. Kennedy, J. W. Grainger and Chas. Dewey;—on the part of the private stockholders, Messrs. Jno. M. Morehead, Arnold Borden, Dempsey Wood and Col. Paul B. Faison.

Messrs. J. J. Wolfenden, Thomas Mallison, S. I. Wooten, Thos. C. Daniels and E. B. Hackburn were elected as the Finance Committee for the ensuing year.

introduced and read by Col. Jno. L. Morehead, of Charlotte, the largest private stockholder in the road, and the same were unanimously adopted and ordered spread upon the minutes of the company's meeting:

Resolved, That the stockholders of the A. & N. C. R. R. Co. in general meeting assembled, do hereby express their hearty approval of the able, conservative and business-like administration of President W. S. Chadwick and the present Board of Directors, whereby they are enabled to earn and to pay a dividend of 8 per cent. on the capital stock of the Company—the first in the history of the road, after being in operation 34 years.

2nd. That it is the opinion of the stockholders that the business interests of this Railroad will be best subserved by continuing in office the present executive head of the Company, under whose successful management this Company has been put upon a dividend-paying basis, to the great benefit both of the State and private stockholders.

Unanimously adopted.

Subsequent to the stockholders' meeting the newly elected Board of Directors organized and thereupon unanimously re-elected Mr. W. S. Chadwick, of Beaufort, President for the ensuing year, and Mr. F. G. Roberts, of Newbern, Secretary and Treasurer.

President Chadwick has accomplished wonders during the three years of his presidency of the A. & N. C., as is shown by the report of the Finance Committee, and emphasized by the recently declared dividend of 8 per cent. upon the capital stock of the Company—the first in the history of the road.

The resolutions introduced by Col. Morehead were timely and deserved, and their adoption was cordial and unanimous.

The A. & N. C. R. R. Co. has indeed a promising future before it under the sagacious administration of President Chadwick.

Burial Service.

Funeral services will be held over the remains of our deceased brother Henry Holland, who was a member of Wayne Lodge A. F. & A. M. in the M. E. Church at Fremont at 11 o'clock Sunday Sept. 25th. Sermon by Rev. Mr. Hicks, after which Masonic ceremonies will be performed at the grave. All members of Wayne Lodge are requested to attend. Mr. J. W. Lamb has kindly offered to furnish transportation at a very low rate to those who have no conveyances of their own. Carriages will leave the stables at 8 o'clock sharp. All Masons in good standing are cordially invited to participate. All who intend going from here will please notify the undersigned today if they have not already done so. W. T. YELVERTON, W. M.

GREEN, BUTLER AND EXUM.

Exum's Speech, as Ever, a Complete Failure Here in Abasco.

LEXINGTON, N. C., Sept. 22.—Hon. R. B. Glenn, Marion Butler and Dr. Exum spoke in the court house here yesterday afternoon.

The court room was filled with voters, about half of whom were Democrats and the other half Republicans and Third party people. Owing to the late arrival of Dr. Exum and Mr. Butler the speakers only had one hour each, with no rejoinder. Mr. Butler made the opening speech was frequently applauded by his followers, but when Mr. Glenn arose and before he got well started the enthusiasm of the Republicans and Third party people had disappeared. He successfully refuted and completely overthrew all of Mr. Butler's argument (if) and gave the Third party voters something to think of that had not occurred to them before. Dr. Exum succeeded in winning a number of votes—for the Democrats. So far as any benefit to his party is concerned, Dr. Exum's speech was pronounced by all a complete failure.

The Democrats of Davidson county feel much more encouraged than they did a few weeks since. Many farmers' alliances who had decided to vote the Third party ticket are altering that decision and will vote with the Democrats.

Notwithstanding the long drought the corn crop in this county is unusually large.

Force Bill vs. Principle.
REPUBLICAN PLATFORM OF 1860 ON WHICH ABRAHAM LINCOLN WAS ELECTED.

"Fourth. That the maintenance inviolate of the rights of the States and especially the right of each State to order and control its own domestic institutions according to its own judgment exclusively, is essential to that balance of power on which the perfection and endurance of our political faith depends; and we denounce the lawless invasion by armed force, of any State or Territory, no matter under what pretext, as among the gravest of crimes."

DEMOCRATIC PLATFORM OF 1892 ON WHICH GROVER CLEVELAND STANDS FOR RE-ELECTION.

"Second. We warn the people of our common country, jealous for the preservation of their free institutions, that the policy of Federal control of elections, to which the Republican party has committed itself, is fraught with the gravest dangers, scarcely less than would result from a revolution, practically establishing a monarchy on the ruins of the Republic. It strikes at the North as well as the South and injures the colored citizen even more than the white; it means a horde of Deputy Marshals at every polling place, armed with Federal power; returning boards appointed and controlled by Federal authority; the outrage of the electoral rights of the people in the several States; antagonisms now happily abated of the utmost peril to the safety and happiness of all—a measure deliberately and justly described by a leading Republican Senator as "the most infamous bill that ever crossed the threshold of the Senate."

Such a policy, if sanctioned by law, would mean the dominance of a self-perpetuating oligarchy of office holders, and the party first entrusted with its machinery could be dislodged from power only by an appeal to the reserved right of the people to resist oppression, which is inherent in all self-governing communities. Two years ago this revolutionary policy was emphatically condemned by the people at the polls; but in contempt of that verdict, the Republican party has defiantly declared, in its latest authoritative utterance, that its success in the coming election will mean the enactment of the Force bill and the usurpation of despotic control over the elections in all the States."

Can any fair-minded, impartial man draw any tangible, practical and substantial distinction between the above plank in the Republican platform of 1860 and the plank quoted in the Democratic platform of 1892, except that the position of the two parties is exactly reversed?

In 1860 the Democratic party sought by constitutional legislation to force slavery upon the people of Kansas, then a Territory of the United States, and just about rising to the dignity of a State in the Union, and Republicans denounced them for it. And now in 1892, the Republican party seeks by legislation to invade and violate the rights of the States held by them so sacred in 1860, and practically destroy "that balance of power on which the perfection and endurance of our political faith depends."

I myself in 1868 voted with the Republican party for the reconstruction of the Southern States under the act of Congress of March 2nd, 1867, which put the ballot in the hand of the negro, and I did so as a choice of evils between civil government with negro suffrage, and military government with no suffrage at all, and just such laws for our government as a general of the army, as a department commander, from headquarters at Charleston, S. C., might see fit in his fancy to prescribe for the people of North Carolina. I voted with the Republican party in 1868 to get rid of the military. Could I consistently vote in 1892 for men and measures calculated to bring the military back?

While negro suffrage alone has turned out to be had enough in all conscience, I don't want to supplement it now with possible and even probable military rule on top

of it. We have had enough reconstruction of the South for one generation at least. We have felt and realized to its fullest extent the wisdom enunciated in the above quoted plank in the Republican platform of 1860, and I for one believe to-day in the doctrine advocated by Mr. Lincoln in 1860, even though it be under the color of law, that the "lawless invasion by armed force of any State, no matter under what pretext, is among the gravest of crimes." Believing as I do that all other party differences pale into insignificance when considered side by side with this, and as the only hope of giving effect to my sentiments on this subject, standing now where I did in 1868, I shall cast my vote in this election for Mr. Cleveland in preference to Mr. Harrison.

A word to you, my "Peoples' party" friends. A few weeks ago you tendered me, without any solicitation, your nomination for the highest judicial office in your gift. I thanked you then and I still feel and shall ever feel grateful to you for this manifestation of confidence, though I had to decline it. Since then the Republican managers who hold the Republican party in North Carolina by the throat, have as it is reported and generally believed, broken faith with you and put up a State ticket. The danger now confronts you of turning over our State government to men who favor the National Force bill with its attendant evils, and the vote of North Carolina might decide that contest. Let me beseech you as patriot, rebuke that spirit by your vote, and let us stand together and maintain inviolate the rights of the States which are essential to "that balance of power on which the perfection and endurance of our political faith depends." That balance of power once subverted any destroyed, we may bid a long farewell to the Constitutional Republic. We may expect too, in its stead, to be governed by orders from the headquarters of a military chieftain, such as your own eyes have seen in this Southland not very many years ago.

I myself would prefer the very worst system of civil government to the best form of military despotism.

WM. A. GUTHRIE.
Durham, N. C. Sept. 20, 1892.

W. H. & R. S. TUCKER & CO'S ANNOUNCEMENT.

Mr. Alex. Harrison, representing W. H. & R. S. Tucker & Co., Raleigh, N. C., will be at the Hotel Kennon to-day and to-morrow, Friday and Saturday, Sept. 23 and 24, with lines of samples, at retail, of High Class Dress Goods, etc.

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