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## AGAIN THE VOICE OF BUTLER.

Again have the Populists of North Carolina met in convention, and again have they been deceived into believing that they were listening to the principles of Populism, pure and undefiled.

But what can the Populists of the State expect?

Will they always be fooled into thinking that in convention, theirs is the voice? That Populism means actually to them "the voice of the people?"

Why will the Populists of North Carolina not recognize the fact that theirs is not the voice of Populism which guides and controls them, but that instead of Populism, it is Butlerism that moves them as one man, and that the individual Populist is today submitting to greater baseness, to greater political tyranny, than he ever did under Democratic rule.

The Populists in North Carolina today imagine themselves free men; their committee, composed of men who are enjoying public office, secured through the voice of Butlerism, gives them high sounding addresses; they shout and return home, not seeing that theirs is a political bondage of the most deplorable character.

The supreme self conceit of the address issued from the last Populist convention, with its complimentary mention of the great deeds done by the party for the advancement and good of the people of this State, while remarkable in itself is strictly along the line of the Populist leaders.

It sounds of Populism, but it is the voice of Marion Butler.

What "blessings" the people of the State have enjoyed, since the 31,000 Populists took control of the State, and the management of its affairs!

Truly the "blessings" of the people have been many, as it has given North Carolina a Populist Senator, and made immortal an Ayer and a Ramsey!

And the people think it is Populism and its glories, that the Committee issues to them, but it is only the voice of Butler.

We, the Populists, will congratulate each other, and rest thankful that by "our principles" the Old North State is made safe, and the ignoble schemes of designing politicians are thwarted.

And returning home, the Populists will rest in perfect security, and satisfied, that they, the masses, have the power.

Truly the power is theirs, but not to be used, while they are deceived by the voice of Butlerism.

## Know His Business.

Anent the prevailing discussion as to the highest speed ever attained by expert shorthand writers, there is a story going the rounds of the feat of a Georgia court stenographer which by long odds broke the world's record in that line of work.

It was when the eminent jurist, the late Judge Richard Clark, was presiding in the Atlanta circuit of the Superior Court. One of the most remarkable murder trials was in progress. The evidence was conflicting, and the Judge was called upon to charge the jury on some decidedly new and interesting legal points. Now, the Judge was a rapid talker. In this instance it was very

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"Mr. —, are you getting my words down correctly?" asked the Judge.

At this the stenographer seemed to wake up. With little concern he replied: "That's all right, Judge, fire away. I am about 15 words ahead of you now!"—Washington Post.

## ALTRUISM IN ANIMALS.

Some Show Friendly and Unselfish Traits Difficult to Understand.

A French scientist has lately written an interesting paper on altruism in animals, arriving at the startling conclusion that animals are perhaps better Christians than men. He says, "Animal societies are less polished, but perhaps more humane, all things being equal, than our own," and gives several instances of animal species made use of by another and performing services for the latter without receiving anything in exchange.

Among others is mentioned the case of the crocodile and the bird trochilus on the banks of the Nile. This bird performs two services for the crocodile. It enters into its mouth and dislodges the worms and leeches which trouble the crocodile. It flies rapidly away, giving vent to a peculiar cry, when the ichneumon, the enemy of the crocodile, approaches, thus apprising its companion of the ichneumon's presence. In return the crocodile shakes its tail whenever it wishes to close its mouth, thus giving the bird warning. The crocodile in no wise recompenses, but contents itself simply with respecting the person of the little animal. The service rendered is unilateral. But it is easy to understand that by the exercise of extremely little intelligence, if not unconsciously, the crocodile may be led to defend its trochilus.

Sometimes one animal will borrow the services of another temporarily, as in the case of the serpent who is ferried across a river by a duck, or, as frequently seen, several animals assist one another in crossing streams of water, in lifting large stones, in moving the trunks of trees, in constructing dams, in hunting or in mutual defense. Aphids, who have the power of secreting an abdominal fluid of which ants are passionately fond, are kept by the ants in stables like milk cows and carefully watched.—Chicago News.

## ENGLISH ROYALTY.

What It Is Said to Cost the British Taxpayer Yearly.

The chancellor of the exchequer went out of his way recently, says Labouchere, in London Truth, to explain how little the monarchy costs England. The crown lands, he said, belong to the sovereign and produce \$2,000,000 per annum. The queen receives instead of this revenue \$1,925,000 and the rest of the royal family \$1,000,000. Therefore the total cost of monarchy to the taxpayer is \$925,000. The entire calculation proceeds on the erroneous assumption that the crown lands are the private property of the sovereign. They are not. They originally formed a portion of the general revenue of the country, out of which came the maintenance of the sovereign.

That subject flunky Lord Bute, wishing to curry favor with George III, inserted in the civil list act which was passed on that monarch's accession a renunciation by him of the crown lands, and this renunciation by a sovereign of what he did not possess is the basis of the theory of these crown lands being the private property of the occupant of the throne.

According, therefore, to Sir Michael Hicks-Beach's own figures, monarchy costs England \$2,925,000. The real amount is, however, much higher, for there are numberless expenses incidental to the institution which he does not include. The hard fact remains that in France the president receives \$200,000 per annum and fulfills with decent splendor all the duties of the head of the state, while with England the monarchy costs nearer \$1,000,000 than 1,000,000 francs. A defender, therefore, of monarchy on the ground of economy hardly holds water.

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## What Causes the Gulf Stream.

About the middle of the century Lieut. M. F. Maury, the American hydrographer and meteorologist, advocated a theory of gravitation as the chief cause of ocean currents, claiming the difference in density, due to difference in temperature and saltness, would sufficiently account for the oceanic circulation. This theory gained great popularity through the wide circulation of "Maury's Physical Geography of the Sea," which is said to have passed through more editions than any other scientific book of the period, but it was ably and vigorously combated by Dr. James Croft, the Scottish geologist, in his "Climate and Time," and latterly the old theory that ocean currents are due to the trade winds has again come into favor. Indeed, very recently a model has been constructed with the aid of which it is said to have been demonstrated that prevailing winds in the direction of the actual trade winds would produce such a current as the Gulf stream.—Harper's Magazine.

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