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THE WEST.

Dockery Declares Himself an Independent-The People Disappointed at His Harangue-Crowds of Less Than One Hundred Meet Him at Every Place

MURPHY, Oct. 19.

For several days Oliver H. Dockery has been making a most strenuous effort to convince the people of Western North Carolina that he is an independent candidate for Governor.

He says: "I repeatedly declined the nominations tendered me by the Republican party, and at the last Republican State Convention I was nominated, but did not accept the position, but as the Democrats failed to nominate S. B. Alexander, the farmers' first choice, and as the farmers had made up their minds to elect a Governor this year and having been urged to run by the farmers of the State regardless of party, and also requested in the strongest terms, being also solicited by many letters, a good number of which were from prominent Democrats—after all this I at last consented to run and be a candidate for the office of Governor. So I am before you today as such; being the best farmer in my county, a member of the Farmers' Alliance and in sympathy with 'the brethren.' If you elect me you will have nothing to be ashamed of, for I will make you an honest officer."

Thus he poses as an independent candidate for the highest office within the gift of the people. But this being an off-year, as the farmers call it, independents will have a poor show and this demagogical scheme of Oliver, My Son, will be of no avail and is really making votes for the democracy.

His stereotyped harangue on the tariff and the revenue, and his eulogy of Henry Clay and the republican party, as being the successor of the old Whig party, is long since worn threadbare. Everybody has heard it, and those who have not, become disgusted when they do, and come away disappointed, and many leave before his speech is over. Ever since he left the town of Asheville,

his "crowds" have been growing beautifully less, there being less than one hundred to hear him at each place. He realizes fully the fact that Judge Fowle created great enthusiasm in the West. These circumstances cause him to know and feel his defeat, and he shows it plainly.

He is aware of the fact that his efforts are failures and he cannot help showing it on all occasions.

Hon. W. H. Kitchen's work in the West has been productive of great good, and his success is remarkable. He has done more for Democratic principles and in correcting and denouncing the standards of Dockery & Co. than any other orator who has ever canvassed these mountains.

Nothing absolutely is to be feared from the Democracy of the West. It is true as the needle to the pole. All the talk about the internal revenue defeating the Democratic party is bosh and nonsense. They understand thoroughly the demagogy hypocrisy on this point of the Republican platform of Chicago and Harrison's letter of acceptance. All the better class of the white people of this part of the State belong to the Democratic party. All the deserters, buffaloes, rag-tag and bob-tail of these mountains belong to the Republican party. The wealth, the intelligence, morality and christianity are largely on the side of the Democracy.

The west will be free from independents during the coming election, and is true to the present system of county government as the Democracy of the east. In our opinion if the present system of county government is ever abolished it will be done by the east and not by the west.

We know the Democracy of the west will never turn over the eastern counties to the mercies of negro rule. The white men of the west are as true and as loyal to the Democracy of the east as the east can be to itself. There is no dissatisfaction in the Democratic party west of the Blue Ridge.—News-Obs.

The prayer of the Republican party in the North.

O Lord thou knowest our uprising and especially our down sitting. Thou knowest our sins and understandeth our sins a far off. Thou knowest, we have done many wicked things in the sight of the people and that we do no longer have favor in their sight. Thou knowest the negro has forsaken our party and that we no longer can make them believe our campaign tales, that the democrats will put them back into slavery. Ah that we could pull the wool over their eyes as of yore, and get them to put us into power once more. Thou knowest that the Southern republicans no longer cleave to us. Thou knowest the people of the

north no longer have faith in the bloody shirt and that we are besieged on the right, and on the left by mugwumps—Thou knowest that Cleveland's message has knocked all the wind out of the tariff sails. That New York is hopelessly democratic; that Ohio is doubtful, and that we no longer count on Indiana. Thou knowest how our servants Mahone and Riddleberger desponded and died in Virginia. Thou knowest that we have no leader now that we must be scattered as sheep having no shepherd to be devoured by mugwumps and weak skulls. Now we ask that our sins and injustices he blotted from the history of this government. Blot out the name of Joice Avery, McDonald Mckel Grunter and all that walked crooked in the sight of the people or sold or made or drunk whiskey and oh give us power to ballot out from the book of remembrance the name of Belknap, Hayes and the eight against seven. Credit Mobiles Star Route contracts and numerous other wrong doings and give us favor with the people. Give us back the negro vote and return us the southern republicans with tens of thousands in the North. Give us stump speakers in Indiana and orators in Ohio. Give us money by the million and above all give us a man to beat Cleveland for Christs sake Amen.—Seto. Sentinel.

"OLD HUTCH."

Everybody knows "Old Hutch," of Chicago. A great many wish they did not. Some even wish that "Old Hutch" was dead. "Old Hutch" is a good deal of a hog. Nobody denies that. But he is a very high-priced hog. Chicago never had a more expensive piece of pork than "Old Hutch."

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Men damned "Old Hutch." "Old Hutch" laughed. Women hated "Old Hutch." "Old Hutch" smiled. Children cried for bread. "Old Hutch" grinned. All was grist that came to his mill. And he ground it very fine.

People said "Old Hutch" was a thief. He never asked them to prove it. He cornered their wheat and got even.

But he could not escape the interviewer.

The interviewer probably wishes he had. "Old Hutch" told him the newspapers were a pack of lies. "Old Hutch" knows a lie when he sees one. Or a pack of them either. He has been speculating too long not to.

He said that he had no respect for papers as they are run nowadays. "Old Hutch" probably thinks they should be run as "Old Hutch" runs a wheat deal. We don't know.

He said they were like the bible believe what you want to. That's "Old Hutch" all over. It's his only hope of salvation. He would corner the

earth if it were not round. He has a great deal to answer for. But he can answer. Judgment day will come to him as to other men and it won't be a cold day either. Not for "Old Hutch." Post.

Can Seek Revenge.

The Raleigh Visitor of yesterday announces that Charles E. Cross, late president of the State National Bank, had sworn out a warrant against Messrs. E. R. Stamps and W. S. Primrose, the former at one time president and the latter a director in the above named bank. The warrant charges Mr. Stamps with making false entries upon the back of sundry discounted paper, and making false statements of the condition of said bank knowing them to be false. The warrant charges Mr. Primrose with making false statements of the condition of the bank during the years 1884, '85, '86, '87, '88, he knowing said statements to be false.

Cross prints a card in which he disclaims any purpose of getting Messrs. Stamps and Primrose into trouble and says: "I simply wish to prove to the good people of this city and the State of North Carolina, beyond even a question of a doubt that which I have said as to the condition of the State National Bank at the time I took the presidency of the same, also the manner in which I was induced to take charge of said bank is true."

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The Lenoir and Blowing Rock Telegraph Co.

Murder in Pitt.—On last Saturday night W. H. Branch and G. P. Fentres, murdered Calvin Cox near Greenville. One of the weapons was a board with a nail in it, which penetrated the skull. All the parties are white men, and the difficulty arose out of some old feud. The murderers are in jail.—Scotland Neck Democrat.

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