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AN ELOQUENT PLEDGE.

POLK PROMISES TO CARRY THE ALLIANCE BANNER FORWARD.

It shall be in the hottest part of the contest, and that he will remain it with its snow white folds unsoiled—save by marks made by the pen of Mr. Harvey says Col. Livingston is trying to run the whole convention.

(By United Press.)

FLA., Dec. 6.—Upon the announcement of his reelection by the Farmers' Alliance yesterday evening, President Polk took the floor and said: "I am proud and honored, I say to you the slightest affection, that is the proudest moment of my life."

It is the manifestation of your extreme kindness and partiality and confidence as a personal tribute, but simply an endorsement of my fidelity to your cause and to the great interest that you have entrusted to my hands when you elected me twelve months ago. I have gone in and out before you, concealing nothing and shirking nothing that I conceived to be my duty. I stand before you with a heart too full for words, and only express to you, as I can, the deep gratitude I feel at the moment towards you all. I can say to you, my dear brethren and sisters, as you have again placed your banner in my hands as your leader, whenever I want to see that banner, so long as God will permit me to carry it, I charge you to look in but one direction—squarely in the front in the hottest part of the contest. I pledge you here and now, that with the help of my kind friends, when I shall return that banner to you, I will return it without one stain or blot on its snow white folds, save the marks that are placed there by my enemy.

May God bless each and all of you and bless your cause and our common country now and forever. I thank you for this renewed manifestation of your confidence."

Complaining at Government Statisticians.

FLA., Dec. 6.—Mr. Livingston, of Georgia, made a complaint this morning at the Alliance convention that the crop statistics relied too much on information obtained from ununiformed Congressmen. The committee on agricultural statistics recommended in their report the appointment of five Alliance Congressmen to co-operate with the government statisticians in furnishing information, so that people would not have to depend upon unauthorized reports of government statisticians. Frank Burkitt, of Mississippi, moved that a list of all sub-Alliance secretaries be taken which led to all the information bearing on statistics.

Secretary Turner protested against such a roster being furnished as it gave one man too much power. He said such a roster could be used to destroy the order by politicians or schemers; that if he, as national secretary, had possessed a roster, he could if he wished have sold it for \$10,000 during the recent political campaign.

Burkitt did not believe that Alliance secretaries were so corrupt as to fall victims of such a scheme.

Livingston favored Turner's line of argument.

Who is Running the Convention?

Harvey, of Florida, thought Livingston took up too much of the convention's time and seemed inclined to run the whole concern.

Livingston replied that he was running it systematically, while neither business or system resulted from Harvey's leadership.

Turner said Ingalls, of Kansas, had offered \$5,000 for the roster of the Kansas secretaries alone.

Wants an Unbridled Press.

Governor Buchanan, of Tennessee, protested against the amendment to the St. Louis platform passed yesterday, which gave the national president power to suspend Alliance papers if they did not advocate this platform. The protest was referred to a committee.

FOR CHIEF CLERK OF THE HOUSE.

(Special Cor. STATE CHRONICLE.)

GREENVILLE, Pitt county, N. C., Dec. 6.—I see it announced that Mr. B. C. Beckwith, the talented and efficient secretary of the State Democratic Executive Committee, is a candidate for chief clerk of the next North Carolina House of Representatives.

In politics, as in war, he who discharges well and faithfully the duties assigned him, deserves promotion and reward. The Democratic party and the people of North Carolina have never been considered ungrateful or unmindful of efficient services rendered.

Now here is an instance where the Democratic party should show and extend not only justice but generosity. Mr. Beckwith has served the Democratic party, and therefore the people of North Carolina, will be pleased to see him the chief clerk in the House, for they know well the arduous duties he performed for the party and State. As Secretary of the state committee in the last campaign he gave months of his time to the Democratic party, and how well he and the young chairman of the committee performed the responsible duties of their offices let the forty-two thousand majority for the state ticket speak.

As to his qualifications to discharge the duties of the office of chief clerk, no one who knows him will question for a moment. The writer has known him for several years, and can vouch for his competency and his pains-taking industry. The very man for the place. Let him be elected.

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"THE THREE BLACK CROWS."

How a Report Travelled--And the Eagered Form in Which it Reached the Chronicle.

The CHRONICLE published a "Three Black Crows" story a day or two since. This paper seeks to give facts only, and always investigates matters when practicable. But some times reports come by correspondence direct or indirect, which must be taken as they are received or not at all. The matter in question was the report to the effect that a Mr. Coppege, of Wake Forest, attempted to commit suicide by drinking a pint of copperas. It reached the CHRONICLE through a source which any one would regard as authentic, but that source had received it in a most grossly exaggerated form. In fact it was wholly untrue, as the following letter will show, and the letter is published in the hope that it will recall all injustice which may have been unwittingly done.

WAKE FOREST, N. C., Dec. 5, '90.

MR. EDITOR:—In your issue of today, a correspondent from this place gives an account of a Mr. Coppege attempting suicide. It is incorrect, and nothing of the kind took place. The young man, when being teased by companions about "his girl going back on him" said he believed he would commit suicide, and drank some sweetened water. That is the amount of it. The report about the student in the same article is also much exaggerated.

We do not need any spurious excitement.

Respectfully,

THE BOSTON SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA COMING.

Something about De Seve--The Phenomenal Violinist of the Club.

The eminent French violinist, Mons. De Seve, occupies the position of leading and solo violinist of the Boston Symphony Orchestral Club for the season of 1889 and 1890, and in his engagement the organization, gains a soloist and virtuoso whose distinguished abilities have been recognized and most enthusiastically praised by the leading critics of Europe and the United States. Mons. De Seve had the rare good fortune of studying as a private pupil with the great Viouxemps and Sarasate, and has shown such unqualified genius at an early age that he became the pet pupil of Viouxemps. The pronounced success and high praise attending his performances, gave him an immediate recognition as one of the greatest virtuosos ever in this country. Leading journals declare him as the Ole Bull of today, in his best days. Mons. De Seve's playing is characterized with the same breadth, richness, and largeness of tone, as the playing of Viouxemps and Sarasate; and the brilliancy of his performances always gain him from four to six encores wherever he appears. Mons. De Seve has been decorated by H. M. Queen Isabella the Second of Spain. He will be here with the Boston Symphony Orchestra on Friday, December 12th.

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DEATH BY BURNING.

The Heroic Action of a Raleigh Young Lady.

(Cotton Valley Cor. in Robesonian.)

One of the saddest accidents that has ever taken place in Cotton Valley, occurred last Monday morning about 10:30 o'clock, at the private school house of Mr. C. W. Wiggins, whereby Ella, his second oldest daughter, was burned almost instantly to death; also the teacher, Miss Lilly Green, of Raleigh, was burned very badly about the arms and hands. It seemed that she was standing with her face to or near the fire when it caught. Mr. S. O. Thompson, who was standing in the third story of Mr. E. B. Ward's gin house, saw it about the time it caught, but, before he could reach her, her clothes were burned almost entirely from her. Miss Green, in attempting to extinguish the flames was burned as above stated. Miss Wiggins lived until about 6 o'clock Tuesday morning when she breathed her last, surrounded by sorrowing relatives and friends.

The funeral obsequies were conducted by Rev. Mr. Evans, of Plainville, at ten o'clock at the residence of Mr. Wiggins, and her remains were laid to rest in the Asipole's graveyard, followed by a large number of sorrowing relatives and friends to pay their last sad respects.

All honor to Miss Green, for the heroic display in trying to save the young lady from such a terrible death, and we are sure she has the sympathy of all our people and to the bereaved family who have been deprived of one of its dearest members, we extend our sympathies, and point them to the hand of God, who is able and willing to sympathize to the utmost.

A Great Cotton House Goes to the Wall.

(By United Press.)

NEW ORLEANS, Dec. 6.—The cotton house of V. & A. Meyer suspended yesterday with liabilities aggregating \$2,500,000, and assets \$3,000. This is the third largest cotton house in the country and was supposed to be one of the wealthiest. They will ask for an extension and say they will pay dollar for dollar. The recent financial panic and the decline in price of cotton each had a share in the result.

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THE NATIONAL CONGRESS.

THE FARMERS OPPOSING THE CONGRER LARD BILL.

Mr. Houk Cuts a Curious Caper in the House--\$100,000 Appropriated for "Hash" for the "Noble Red Man."

(By United Press.)

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 6.—In the Senate today Mr. Paddock presented the protest of the Farmer's Alliance, now in convention at Ocala, Fla., against the passage of the Conger lard bill.

Mr. Morgan offered a resolution calling on the Secretary of the Treasury for information as to the sums of money paid by the United States on vouchers or requisitions, made by or in favor of John I. Davenport, as an election supervisor since August 1st, 1871, either for his own compensation or for that of others employed under his direction and supervision in the enforcement of election laws.

Mr. Gray resumed the floor and continued the argument against the election bill.

At the conclusion of Mr. Gray's speech, at 4:30 p. m., the Senate adjourned.

House.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 6.—Mr. Houk, of Tennessee, introduced in the House today the following resolutions:

Whereas the second section of the 14th amendment to the constitution declares that "when the right to vote at any election for the choice of electors for President and Vice President, representatives in Congress, the executive and judicial officers of the State, or the members of the legislature, is denied to any of the male inhabitants of a state being 21 years of age and citizens of the United States, or in any way abridged, except for participating in rebellion or other crimes, the basis of representation therein shall be reduced in the proportion which the number of such male citizens shall bear to the whole number of male citizens in such state;"

Therefore, be it resolved by the House, that the committee on judiciary is instructed to inquire into, to ascertain and report to this House whether or not any one or more of the States of the Union has, by any constitutional or statutory provision, violated this section of the fourteenth amendment, so that a proper apportionment of representation may be made by Congress.

In the House the resolution directing the President to request Mrs. Grant to permit the removal of the remains of General Grant to Arlington was debated without action.

The Senate bill appropriating \$100,000 to buy rations for the Sioux was passed with verbal amendments; also the Senate bill to retire General Stoneman. At 4:30 the House adjourned.

A ROWDY LEADER FEALED.

He Meets a Man Whom He Once Nearly Killed--And is Nearly Killed Himself.

(Special to STATE CHRONICLE.)

CHARLOTTE, N. C., Dec. 6.—A shocking affair occurred at Dyrastville this morning in which Capt. J. C. Mills shot Albert Cowman with a double-barrel shot gun loaded with small bird shot, in the lower part of his abdomen and in his head.

Cowman shot at Mills three times and then threw his pistol at him.

Cowman is of the gang of rowdies who came so near killing Capt. Mills after a political speaking there some time ago. He was the one who hit Mills from behind with a rock.

Cowman's wounds are painful though not necessarily fearful.

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A HORRIBLE DEATH.

A Lady's Dress Catches Fire--And She is Burned Alive.

(By United Press.)

CHARLOTTE, N. C., Dec. 6.—Mrs. Elizabeth Wilson, wife of a well known farmer of Bardette, ten miles east of here, suffered a horrible death from burning last evening.

While passing a fire place in the house her dress caught, and before the fire could be extinguished all her clothing was burned off and death had relieved her of her sufferings. She was 55 years old.

Railroad From Norfolk to Bristol.

(By United Press.)

DANVILLE, Va., Dec. 6.—The directors of the Danville & East Tennessee railroad met here to-day and decided to build a line from Danville to Bristol as soon as the work can be done. The line will be 200 miles long and practically an extension of the Atlantic & Danville road from Norfolk to Danville. Two of the Atlantic & Danville directors were to-day elected directors of the Danville and East Tennessee.

The special meeting of Concord Presbytery, to be held here next Monday evening, promises to be a very interesting one. The primary object is to take action upon an application of Rev. J. P. Marion, pastor of the Presbyterian church of Morganton, for a dissolution of his present pastoral relation. This application is an out-growth of the recent Fife meeting at Morganton, one of the results of which was a variance between Mr. Marion and some of his people. It is understood that some of the members of his congregation will be at the meeting of the Presbytery to resist the dissolution of the relation between him and the church.—Statesville Landmark.

THE TWIN-CITY SECTION.

A Sensation in Kernersville--Whiston's New Telephone System--Other Notes.

(Special Cor. STATE CHRONICLE.)

WINSTON, N. C., Dec. 7.—In his enthusiasm over the finding of the right man for the right place, your correspondent proposed in a recent letter the name of Mr. Peter M. Wilson, of this city, for manager of the North Carolina exhibit at the great Columbian Fair in 1893. This was done without his knowledge, and since then it is learned that he does not desire his name to be proposed since his engagements here occupy all his time very fully. Your correspondent, while he is still confident that he was right in "spotting" the man for the place, is, however, glad to see Mr. Wilson so closely engaged in our upbuilding and in the development of our excellent surroundings.

News of a most sensational and scandalous affair comes here to-day from Kernersville. Your correspondent could not get the full statement of the case, but it seems that on Wednesday night just after dark, a quadroom entered the house of a respectable white citizen while the husband was away and approached the bed of his sick wife who was alone in the room. After glancing around the room he attempted to assault her but her screams were heard by her husband, who was in the yard, who immediately ran in only to see the quadroom escape out the door. Intense excitement prevailed throughout the vicinity, and after a spirited chase the quadroom was caught and locked up. It is said that the community was so enraged that fears of lynching were entertained. Nothing further has been heard of the case. If your correspondent learns the full particulars he will not forget the CHRONICLE.

Mrs. Watson & Baxton have been employed as counsel for the prisoner, while Mr. R. B. Kerker will represent the State.

The fixtures have arrived for the putting up of Winston's new telephone system. All the wire and tools are at the headquarters and the poles will be received in a few days. There are about seventy-five subscribers to start with, which is by no means a small beginning. It is calculated that by the beginning of the new year the system will be in operation.

Although there was a considerable slackness in the leaf sale in Winston for a few days just passed, occasioned by a few of our large buyers being temporarily effected by the recent Wall street panic, now the leaf trade is looking up and improves each day. News comes here that the depression in financial circles has almost destroyed the leaf markets of some of our sister cities, while in Winston only a small number have been effected by it. It is thought that by the New Year the leaf will bring its full value on our market.

The first leaf tobacco sold on the warehouse floor at Stoneville, in Rockingham county, was sold yesterday. The new warehouse was opened and a grand sale had. Stoneville is situated in a great tobacco section and some day will become quite a market.

M. VICTOR.

For Enrolling Clerk.

(Special Cor. STATE CHRONICLE.)

I desire to place in nomination for Enrolling Clerk of the next General Assembly, Mr. Sam'l H. Webb, of Alamance county. Sam Webb is well known to many people in North Carolina. To such his qualifications, for this important position, need no comment on my part. To those members of the Legislature, who never had the pleasure of meeting him, I desire to say that he is well qualified to fill the position to which he aspires; having served the people of Alamance for a number of years as County Commissioner, and, as secretary of Alamance county fair, built up a county fair second to none in the State.

For thorough and efficient work, no better man than Mr. Webb could be selected.

DEMOCRAT.

GROVER CLEVELAND'S COUSIN.

The Wife of the New Methodist Pastor at Salisbury.

(Charlotte Chronicle.)

Mrs. Leith, the wife of the new pastor of the Methodist church at Salisbury, is a cousin of ex President Grover Cleveland. Mr. Leith comes to this Conference with the new territory ceded from Holston Conference. Mrs. Leith is rather to be noted, however, for her own mental acquirements and intellectual graces, than for her kinship to the ex-President. She writes exceptionally well, with grace, force and logic. Her occasional contributions to her church paper are universally praised for their finish and style.

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A Correction.

(Special Cor. STATE CHRONICLE.)

DURHAM, N. C., Dec. 6.—The headlines of your dispatch from Charlotte, in this morning's paper, are calculated to convey a wrong impression. It was not an insurance company organized, but an association of insurance agents; just as you editors have your press associations.

Please correct and greatly oblige.

Yours very truly,

SAMUEL L. ADAMS, Secretary.

WILL BROWER GO TO JAIL.

THE EDITORS OF THE REVIEW EXPECT TO PUT HIM THERE.

Brower Said To Be Sick of The Case Already--He is Badly Under Hack.

(Special to STATE CHRONICLE.)

REIDSVILLE, N. C., Dec. 6.—The libel suit which was brought by Congressman Brower against Messrs Gilliam & Oliver, editors of the Reidsville Review, and Jas. Bradford, a noted politician, was heard before a justice of the peace in Surry county yesterday. The examination was waived and the defendants required to give a bond of \$3,000 for their appearance at next April term of superior court in that county. A large number of the best citizens in Surry county volunteered to go on their bonds. The gentlemen of the Review and Mr. Bradford hold stiff upper lips and are confident that they will not only defeat Mr. Brower in his purposes, but will very probably succeed in sending him to the penitentiary. It is said he is already badly under hack and is sick of the suit to begin with.

The Review and many of its friends boastfully claim for that paper the honor of causing the defeat of Congressman Brower. It is thought this is the means Mr. Brower has resorted to in order to let himself down as easy as possible as he steps out of office. He may get himself deeper into trouble.

DIVIDING TEXAS INTO FIVE STATES.

As Remarked Before, It Can Only Be Done on Strong Provocation.

(Dallas Correspondence St. Louis Republic.)

In your paper of the 24th I find the following:

"While the republicans are holding the upper house of Congress by means of senators from sage-brush and jack-rabbit states like Nevada, Idaho and Wyoming, it may be worth while to remember that Texas holds a trump card which it can play at any time to break down a good working majority of republicans in the senate. By the terms of its admission to the Union Texas has the consent of Congress in advance to divide itself into five states, each of which would, of course, send two democratic members to the senate. No other state has this right, and Texans are too proud of their state's past history and present greatness to think of exercising it upon light provocation. Still, the right exists, and its exercise depends solely upon the will of the people of Texas. Any other state desiring to form a new state or parts of a new state out of its territory must first obtain the consent of Congress."

You could get the people of Missouri to divide their state with their great river as the line—or get the people of Illinois or Indiana to make two states—as easily as you could get the people of Texas to divide into two, four or five states. You could not get a majority of one precinct in our 226 counties on that proposition. Of the 250,000 votes in all Texas not 1,000 would vote for dissolution—not 300 I might say. Were you to guarantee the senate, house, president, supreme court and the governors and legislatures of all the states in the Union from to-day to the last day of our Union in return, we would not accept it.

People on the outside seem to have small conception of the patriotism and state pride of the Texan.

You may add other Alamos, other Golias, other San Jacintos to the page of our history, but until then Texas will not be divided.

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AN APPEAL TO NORTH CAROLINA.

LADIES AND GENTLEMEN OF NORTH CAROLINA:

You have heard of my great work in Western North Carolina, in educating for the last twenty-eight years, thousands of the orphans and indigent of our people, free of tuition charge.

You have also heard of my great loss in August last, by fire, in which all my buildings, libraries, notes, apparatus and records were destroyed. I am now preparing to re-build. The building has been planned and the contract is in the hands of the workmen. It will cost \$7,000, which I am to pay on July 1st, 1891. I have secured \$3,000 of the amount, and need \$4,000 more.

I call upon all good men and women in North Carolina to send me contributions. I call upon all Christian denominations, for I work for all. I call upon all Abolitionists, Masons, Odd Fellows, Prohibitionists and teachers, for I belong to all these classes.

I claim help upon the grounds that I have given free tuition to over 2,000 orphans and indigents in the last thirty-eight years.

Help, friends! Direct to me at Rutherford College, Burke county, North Carolina.

I am too rheumatic to come to you in the cold of mid winter.

Yours truly,

R. L. ABERNETHY.

A Scrap of Paper Saves Her Life.

It was just an ordinary scrap of wrapping paper, but it saved her life. She was in the last stages of consumption, told by physicians that she was incurable and could live only a short time; she weighed less than seventy pounds. On a piece of wrapping paper she read of Dr. King's New Discovery, and got a sample bottle. It helped her more, bought another and grew better fast, continued its use and is now strong, healthy, rosy, plump, weighing 140 pounds. For further particulars send stamp to W. H. Cole, Druggist, Fort Smith. Trial bottles of this wonderful Discovery free at John Y. MacRae's drugstore.

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SAM JONES IN ALABAMA.

An Editorial Endorsement of the Rev. Sam Jones, Taken from the Alabama Baptist.

(Published by Request.)

Several months ago a band of Christian workers, composed of members from all of the churches of the city, except the Episcopal and Catholic, inaugurated a movement to secure the services of Rev. Samuel P. Jones in their fight against sin and its train of evils. The little band—about forty—had a hard pull, and their road was all the way uphill. Sometimes they were discouraged and almost despaired of success of the movement, so great was the opposition by the worldly minded, the indifferent and the immoral element of the community. But they persevered, and succeeded.

For nine days, from October 18th to October 27th, services were conducted by that wonderful man, Rev. Sam Jones. Meetings were held three times a day, and people congregated under the large tent from near and from afar. On rainy days the people went by the hundreds and thousands, and never seemed tired during services that lasted from two to three hours each.

Mr. Jones is a wonderful man. We have never seen his equal in many respects. In preaching, his words are at times full of pathos and tenderness; of love and affection; persuading men to forsake evil and cleave to that which is good and noble and right and pure.

His methods are not those of any other man we have ever seen or heard of. He is sincere, we honestly believe, when he says God has converted him from sin and given him a work to do. He is fighting sin and is conscious of the fact that he has always been fighting for God and for the good of humanity.

He is a "fisher of men." Somethings he says sound harsh, but he usually drives home a truth with a sledge hammer stroke. Thousands go to hear him because of his peculiarities in preaching, and many have been taken into the ark of safety. Men have been "born of the Spirit" while under the influence of God's love, who had gone there to jeer at the speaker and mock his words.

The service on last Sunday afternoon, for men only, was the grandest sight ever witnessed in Montgomery. There were present about five thousand men. After a powerful sermon by Mr. Jones, he invited all to come who would change their course of living and be reconciled to God and live consistent members of the church. A song was sung, led by the matchless singer, Prof. E. O. Excell, and at least four or five hundred men shook hands with the preacher, with tears flowing down their cheeks, and souls and means from their very souls. It was a grand sight, the like of which we have never witnessed before. Old men, steeped in sin, folded each other in loving embrace, and wept and rejoiced. White and colored rushed forward and grasped the preacher by the hand and asked him to continue to pray for them, until the large crowd was a moving mass of souls pressing to the front to vow obedience to God and to his church Two old men, who had lived lives of sin and wickedness, clasped each other in their arms and bathed their cheeks in each other's tears. No one present, even among the preachers, ever saw such a sight. The spirit of God moved upon the people and the angels sang songs of rejoicing as they saw sinners returning to God. It was a beautiful sight and one that memory will carry to the grave.

A hundred or more will join the churches and the reaping is to go on from week to week. The best work done was in stirring up the members of the churches to a deeper interest in Christian work. On Monday night last an immense audience gathered in the tent to hear the evangelist's last sermon. At the close of the services it was the almost unanimous vote of the audience that Mr. Jones should return again to Montgomery next year.

Now, then, what shall we write? Just this: Instead of a little band of forty or fifty to invite him, Mr. Jones will come again at the earnest solicitation of thousands. No man ever grew upon the people so rapidly and captured their hearts more completely. Even the most prejudiced have become his friend and his critics are few. He did a good work in Montgomery, and public sentiment did arise, as from a sleep, and has been robbed in strength.

The fight on bar-rooms, gambling, dancing, card parties, wine suppers and other sins, was just what he begged the brethren to pray for—"a prairie fire that would burn everything in its way, from a jack rabbit to a buffalo."

What, then, do we think of Mr. Jones? Well listen: He is a man of wonderful power, a soldier of Christ, a follower of the Lamb, a terror to evil doers, a preacher of strength, a cyclone of the gospel of salvation—in short, we believe him to be among the greatest of the living ministry and a man who will dare to rebuke sin because it is right