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Notice Democratic CIRDS.

Notice is hereby given that the regular Democratic County Convention will be held at the Court House in Camden the first Monday in May next, (being the 7th day) at 12 o'clock.

The purpose of the Convention is for reorganizing, for selection of six delegates to the State Convention which meets in Columbia on the third Wednesday in May, for election of members of State Executive Committee and such other business as may arise.

The various Clubs, as required by the party rules, are requested to meet at their respective headquarters on the fourth Saturday in April, (the 28th day) and elect delegates to the County Convention, one for every twenty-five members and majority fraction thereof. Each club will also select a member of the County Executive Committee. Thos. J. Kirkland, W. L. McDowell, Co. Chrm. Secretary.

The Hobos.

We are called to account by the Messenger of this week for a two-line local which appeared in The Chronicle of last week regarding hobos. Just why we are called up for so small a thing as a hobo we cannot exactly conjecture, but nevertheless have no objection to an explanation.

The article in question was written by Mr. Henry Niles on Tuesday of last week, who, while the editor was confined to his bed by sickness, was acting as editor and local reporter as well as devil, and who we believe had just cause for jutting down the observation, as he informs us that at least three tramps called at the office that day begging for exchanges. While we have great pity for the tramps (or hobos) we would not modify our citizens who have unfortunately been out of employment by classing them as hobos, that name being more commonly applied to dirty, ragged, wandering tramps, and who were referred to in the above mentioned local. Our home loafers we had no reference to whatever. And now if our contemporary wants to know anything more about hobos we respectfully refer it to the devil—but we are sure that it was just mistaken in the kind of hoio we meant.

Strait for Congress.

Dr. T. J. Strait, of Lancaster, sent word to the editor of this paper a few days ago that he will be a candidate for the Democratic nomination for congress in this district this year. As yet it cannot be foretold with any degree of certainty who will receive the nomination, but there are those who claim that on account of the doctor's arraignment of McLaurin two years ago he lost a great many votes in the last congressional primary which he will be able to command this year, for the reason that McLaurin's recent anti-Democratic proclivities have entirely vindicated every charge made by the doctor. En passant it might be observed that shooting stars is no more stupid employment than that of certain newspapers in this State which are making an effort to explain away the mistakes of our junior senator. Fort Mill is a representative South Carolina town of 1,800 population, and there are not in this place a dozen electors who will ever again vote for "nearly-haired John."—Fort Mill Times.

Dewey for the Presidency.

A special to The World from Washington says: Admiral Dewey deserves The World to announce to the greatest people that after

mature reflection and in response to the earnest entreaties from all parts of the country, his former decision not under any circumstances to run for the presidency is rescinded.

A World correspondent saw the admiral at his home at six o'clock last evening.

Admiral Dewey said: "I realize that the time has arrived when I must definitely define my position.

"When I arrived in this country last September I said that nothing would induce me to be a candidate for the presidency.

"Since then, however, I have had the leisure and inclination to study the matter and have reached a different conclusion, inasmuch as many assurances have come to me from my constituents that I would be acceptable as a candidate for this great office. If the American people want me for that high office I shall be only too willing to serve them."

It is the highest honor in gift of this nation what citizen would refuse it?

Graded School Notes.

DOGS.

St. Bernard dogs are very useful because they help men. I made a story about a St. Bernard dog. I was as follows: A man in a monastic community had a monkery and a few St. Bernard dogs who were trained to find poor and suffering men. One day there was a terrible snowstorm, and a monk was over the monkery out a St. Bernard dog. After the storm became long way, he came to a man lying nearly frozen in the snow. The dog quickly ran back to the monasteries and the monks fired a small fire of wreath around him, and when the dog then returned again. He soon reached the spot where the poor man lay. The man took the bark off and drank the contents, then took the cloak and wrapped himself in it. The dog saw that the man was too cold to walk, and it ran back to the monasteries and two of the monks followed it to the spot and they took the poor man back with them to the monasteries.

I know a dog that can drive the chickens out of the house and under stands anything you say. I like the St. Bernard dogs the best.

Naile Alexander

Age 12—Grade 6.

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