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The following is the catechism of questions to which the candidates for county offices and members of the General Assembly now canvassing the county are called upon to answer satisfactorily:

1. Have you voted for, or given your moral and active support to the regular Democratic nominees at the general election from 1890 to 1894, inclusive? Did you vote for Pope in 1894? Did you vote for Evans, the regular Democratic nominee?

2. Do you endorse the present State Reform Administration, and the legislation enacted since 1892?

3. For whom will you vote for United States Senator at the approaching primary election?

4. Are you in favor of the enforcement of the law enacted by the Legislature creating a Bank Examiner?

5. Are you in favor of a strict enforcement of the Dispensary law, as regards the illegal traffic in whiskey?

6. Are you in favor of the Metropolitan Police Bill and of its enforcement whenever necessary?

7. Are you in favor of expending any portion whatever of the free school fund for any other purpose than the support of the common free schools of the county?

8. It is prepared by the red hot reformers probably who reason that an aspirant's fitness is fixed not by what he is now—but what he has been—not upon integrity, competency and ability—but by submission to party shackles—a talent for sacrificing his political soul to factional expediency. What we want is integrity and competency for the county offices—ability to formulate legislation for the good of the people—bravery and honesty to stand by men and measures regardless of factional affiliation. Give us honest brave true Democrats.

As to the 1st question: Ho may or he may not; he may have been a resident of Ireland; the point is—is the man now an able, true Democrat, and honest man, unsuspected of rascality, untainted by insinuation, charge or suspicion. "As for 'old Pope' as someone rendered—he was a coat-tail swinger of swingers—the most violent Reformer in the State; had shared Reform "pap" for years, but when he wanted to be Governor, and Ellerbe and Evans were proposed, he flunked, sulked, and later, went over body and soul to the Republicans. Tillman had no further use for him and he skedaddled to look further for pap. His brothers who were continued in office stuck and stick. Those who voted for him made the same blunder that the Reformers did who put him on the country. He declared himself a protectionist, therefore a Republican. Tillman was a protectionist till he touched the hem of Bryan's garment and abandoned it. We want no more of Pope.

No. 2. It is a cyclopaedia of matter, much of it vicious, some of it good. The good is endorsed; the bad should be repudiated. Much of it is experimental, as with all legislation, and time is the only test.

No. 3. Of course for the man chosen at the primaries; but all three of the candidates ground into one can't make a Senator. The General Assembly should have the whole State to choose from, unshackled. The primary for United States Senator is a bad mistake—the old plan the best, holding the representatives responsible to the people. Ours is a representative government, not a pure democracy. The State is led away from her ancient landmarks. Hayne or Calhoun neither could have been elected under such a system. Any mouthy blatherskite lawyer or cross-roads demagogue could have beaten them. Senators are chosen every six years so that they may be removed from popular clamor. Wait a few years until light comes with socialism and nihilism from the monster West—the west now pushing and crowding with the dangerous isms of the old world—the refuse of the old monarchies.

The bank examiner. This officer is to examine the State Banks only, which are not banks of issue. The expense will fall on the banks, and therefore on the money borrower. The examiner will catch up with a thief after the robbery. It is only giving to the Administration the appointment to a fat place, and giving so much power to an Administration is endangering the people's liberties. Besides, the officers of a bank are usually, if rascals, plenty able to fool the examiner, and if the examiner is a rascal, he can be bought. It is, however, of doubtful expediency. The Federal Government alone supplies our money, through its machinery, and all democrats oppose the Government having anything to do with the business.

Let the experiment of the dispensary go on. After awhile it will sink in the nostrils of the people, as undemocratic; as giving the managers of the thing inordinate power, as creating a filthy ring—as extremely corrupting—as a monstrous monopoly by the State. Better have prohibition—anything.

6. As long as this dispensary business is persisted in, it may be necessary. A metropolitan system destroys local self-government, and any system that necessitates it is vicious, un-republican, undemocratic.

7. No. Let the money levied for schools go to support the schools, with out diversion.

No. We are wild as rabbits with new theories of government. Our "daddies" knew something and had a simple government. Put men in office that you have sufficiently observed to be satisfied of these qualifications: 1. Men of ability to discharge the duties of the particular office. 2. Democrats, anti-protectionists, who believe and swear by the free trade policy, as possible, who want few offices and few appointments by the powers that be—who belong to nobody but the people.

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THE ADVERTISER hears a rumor from Charleston, which seems to have some basis in fact, that a deal has been arranged by which a large number of Charleston Anti-Tillmanites are to vote for Evans for the Senate. It is stated that Evans has promised that Charleston shall have beer privileges or special saloons or that the dispensary law will be in some way modified to permit Charlestonians to get a "wee nippy" without paying the exorbitant dispensary prices. There is a class of Charlestonians who are specially fond of a glass and Governor Evans has probably found out that there is still a way open to obtain the Charleston vote, or—some of it. It is notorious that Evans' metropolitan scheme has proven a dismal failure, and, indeed, it is hinted at least that the Governor is himself opposed to a vigorous enforcement of the liquor law in the City by the Sea. At any rate, the statement of a dispensary official, Mr. Yates, has recently appeared in several newspapers that as much liquor is sold in Charleston now as was sold before the Governor took charge of the police and it has not been denied, so far as we have seen. It is said that any man who wears good clothes can buy a drink almost anywhere in Charleston. The Charlestonians complain bitterly of being prosecuted by Governor Evans but it is true all the same that Governor Evans has left it much easier for a Charlestonian to get a drink than for his so-called "wool hat" friends in the country. And the Charlestonian purchases at a more reasonable price. But there are some who say Charleston can never be pleased. "Equal rights to all" has a very pretty sound but Governor Evans will not be blamed for extending "special privileges" to the beer and whiskey consumers of Charleston when an election for the Senate is about to take place. Meanwhile profits of the dispensary may come out of the country boys.

If only those who can meet the test implied in the catechism of questions being submitted to candidates for office in this county can be voted for by Democrats then the peace and harmony Mr. Ellerbe implores in his speeches will hardly be realized. Now is the time to secure harmony by ignoring factional lines and voting for men of merit and fitness.

Mrs. Bryan hung fast to Bryan's elbow on his great tour of two thousand miles to New York and facing the hottest wave that ever swept the continent, addressed a half million people. Philip governed Macedonia, Mrs. Philip Philip, and Alexander, a tot, his ma. Bryan likewise is blessed with "Tots" and there we are.

It was a great speech of Bryan at Madison Square Garden on Wednesday night. The silver side of the question was presented with all the force of which it is susceptible. "All most thou persuadest me." It was however more an essay than a speech. It must have tired. The figure of Columbia redeemed it—if the features were not too masculine.

There was no falling of the stars as predicted—but the people occupying this particular section of our sphere will remember Evans, Ellerbe, Whitman, Earle, and the others and be content. We can't have Mirabeau, Demosthenes and Patrick Henry and all the natural and unnatural phenomena to boot.

John Gary Evans says that he and Tillman wrote the State Democratic platform and that the National platform is copied from it. Ergo, John Gary Evans is the author of the National platform. There you are.

Utopia may come at last. The North Carolina Pops. have declared for a "non-partisan Judiciary." We "jine lands" with the Tar Heelers.

Honors Safe. Harold M. Sewall, (son of the Democratic Vice Presidential nominee), will stump the State of Maine, for the McKinley ticket.

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NOTICE. The law requires all streams in Laurens County to be cleaned of all obstructions in the month of August of each year.

CROSS HILL NOTES.
 August 1st (Saturday) was observed as Children's Day at the Presbyterian church. There was a large crowd in attendance. The weather was propitious and everything passed off to the entire satisfaction of all concerned. The address of the occasion was made by Rev. W. P. Jacobs in his usual felicitous style. A protracted meeting for a week was held the ensuing week.
 August 15th was observed as Children's Day at the Baptist church at which there was a large attendance and everything was conducted in decency and order to the great pleasure of all parties consumed. The protracted meeting at the Baptist church will continue during the ensuing week.
 The closing exercises of Longview school, taught by Mr. John Culbertson were held on the evening of the 14th inst. The success of the occasion reflects credit on the teacher and pupils.
 A Lawn Party at the residence of Mr. J. G. Loner, Spring Grove, on the evening of the 13th was a grand event. A large number of the young people from the surrounding country were present and all are loud in praise of the pure, good order and social character of the occasion.
 The county campaign meeting on the 14th was a very orderly and well conducted meeting. Good feeling prevailed. The candidates all delivered themselves in handsome style, each presenting his claims to the office or places to which he aspired. There was no slang, or harsh personalities or mud slinging. Taken altogether it was a model meeting.
 The barbecued dinner furnished by Mr. Coates was a success, and was greatly enjoyed.
 Our town is overflowing with visitors and everybody is in fine humor, and social engagement, with great good will making the time pass on flying wings.
 First bale cotton for the season ginned on the 15th inst. at the gin of P. H. Koon. Cotton belonged to Mr. Ed Adams.
 SCRIBE.

PRINCETON.
 The crops are needing rain very bad, and the watermelons are a thing of the past.
 Mr. Editor we are having the marriages in this section. It seems that they have forget that we do not know what we will get for our cotton this season. The last we have are Mr. J. C. Gambrell to Miss Mary McCullough, Mr. Sonn to Miss Sallie Traynham, Mr. Thos Davenport to Mrs. Davenport.—They have a host of friends who wish them happiness and success. I think we will have some more to relate in a short time.
 Messrs. J. B., C. W. and A. J. Taylor and Warren Mitchell are visiting friends at Pickens.
 Miss Nannie McCuen is visiting near Alma.
 Miss Maggie Carter is visiting her grandma at Rileys, Abbeville county.
 Miss Mayme Machen goes to day to Lanfords to spend a few days with Miss Iola Machen.
 Misses Annie and Eula Kay two charming young ladies of Honca Path is visiting friends in town.
 Your correspondent had the pleasure of attending the county campaign meeting in Greenville county which met at Lickville on the 6th inst. and a nice time was the order of the day.—Some fine speeches were delivered and in a refined manner. They did not get up and say that every one who had held the office had not done their duty. But if elected they would. Well, I think that meeting was a model one.—It was an honor to Greenville county and the speakers honored themselves.
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After the Tie Trust.
 At a meeting of farmers and others interested in fighting the cotton-tie trust, held in the court house last Monday, the following preamble and resolutions were unanimously adopted:
 Whereas, the manufacturers of cotton ties have combined and have advanced the price of their goods 95 per centum, while in the price of the crude material there has been an advance of only about 10 per centum, making it clear that this enormous advance is extortionate speculation; therefore be it—
 Resolved 1st, By this County Alliance mass meeting that we will not use cotton ties at the extortionate price proposed by the Cotton Tie Trust for baling the crop of 1896, but will use whatever substitute may be available.
 2d, That we ask the co-operation of every farmer of our county in this effort to protect our rights and interests against this outrageous coalition.
 3d, We respectfully ask the merchants of our county to co-operate with us by not buying the cotton ties this season from the Trust.
 4th, That the President and Executive Committee be instructed to proceed at once with such steps as may be found necessary to carry into effect the objects outlined in these resolutions.
 5th, If any source from which a substitute can be supplied enters into combination with the Cotton Tie Trust, we pledge ourselves to oppose by every honorable means to defeat their purpose, and will not use their product or supply.
 6th, Merchants holding cotton ties with the view of availing themselves of the advance made by the Cotton Tie Trust should not be patronized, and cotton factories who advance their prices on ties by reason of the combined operation of manufacturers should be dealt with as common enemies, and will not receive our support and patronage.
 7th, We declare ourselves to be the friends of cotton manufacturers, and will work in every way for their advantage and advancement, but in return we expect fair treatment at their hands and no coalition with the oppressors of agriculture.
 Meeting adjourned till Salesday in September.
 M. A. SUMEREL, President.
 C. A. POWELL, Secretary.

J. B. PARK,
 Attorney at Law.

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 R. P. ADAIR.

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Union Meeting.
 The Union of the Fourth and Fifth Sections of the Reedy River Association will meet with the Cross Hill Baptist Church on Saturday before the 5th Sunday in August.

PROGRAMME.
 10.30—Devotional Exercises conducted by J. P. May. Alternate, C. K. Hale.
 Query—What are our obligations to the Orphanage work at Greenwood?—J. M. Culbertson, Rev. J. W. Blanton, G. G. Riser and Rev. H. Fowler.
 Query—Is Baptism, by immersion, essential to obedience? Or, is there any other scriptural mode?—M. B. Crisp, Rev. D. A. Swindler, Frank Ramage, Rev. B. F. Corley.
 Query—Are we, as Baptists, laboring as we should for the dissemination of Baptist doctrine?—J. B. Whitman, W. P. Turner, J. R. Boyd, W. P. Brown.
 Hat Queries.
 Sunday, 10.30—Sunday School Address—J. M. Culbertson, Rev. B. F. Corley.
 11 A. M.—Sermon—Rev. D. A. Swindler.
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