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To the Young Men's Association of  
Democratic Clubs and ~~its~~  
their guests I desire to extend  
a most hearty welcome to  
the State Capital and to con-  
gratulate you ~~for~~ upon the  
magnificent outpour-  
ing of the Young Democracy,  
into whose ~~hands~~ keeping  
the affairs of this govern-  
ment both State and National,  
~~have fallen & are soon to fall~~  
~~are long to remain, I hope~~

It is seldom in an off  
year in or judicial year in  
N.C. ~~do~~ we see such interests  
manifested as is shown here

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Today, and well my friends  
think is so, for there is danger  
a head that can be over-  
come, <sup>only</sup> by thorough organization  
and systematic work. This  
I know you can and will  
do ~~be~~: We have more at stake  
in N.C. Today than ever before.  
More necessity for the preservation  
of our excellent State & County  
Government— More necessity  
that <sup>the</sup> Democracy should continue  
in control of the National Govern-  
ment that ~~see~~ the people may re-  
ceive the benefits of Tariff reform,  
of the repeal of the election law,



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The passage of the income tax, the reduction of public expenditures generally and to carry into effect the party's pledge of war on all trusts and combines organized for the oppressions of the people. Because, for sooth, we here in N.C. did not get all we wanted and demanded, it is the more reason we should adhere still closer together, demanding of our representatives in the next Congress to use every effort to carry into effect the utterances of our state platform. - For one I have been always of the

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opinion that it is wise, if you  
can't get all you want to  
Take what you can get. Certainly,  
but for the compromises <sup>entered</sup> ~~into~~  
~~into in the late Congress~~  
~~upon~~ question the Country  
would for two years longer <sup>have</sup>  
been afflicted with ~~the~~ <sup>misapprehensions</sup> ~~Kutty~~  
~~issue~~ ~~that most iniquitous of~~  
it. But pardon me. My purpose  
was not to enter into a discussion  
of the political situation but  
to welcome and tender to you  
the freedom of the Capital and  
listen to words of wisdom  
~~that will today fall from~~  
~~falling from~~ Democratic lips