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The white men of North Carolina have never before been more aroused or determined to carry an election than they are now. They have borne and forbore until forbearance has ceased to be a virtue, and they will no longer tolerate any further danger of negro domination in any portion of this State. The edict has gone forth and will be carried out, and that is the ignorant negro must be eliminated from politics and white supremacy made certain and permanent in North Carolina.—Chatham Record.

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## STRONG SPEECH TO WHITE MEN.

Charlotte Observer.

The Democratic speaking at the court house last night was attended by a very enthusiastic lot of Democrats.

Claude Kitchen, Esq., was introduced by Chairman J. D. McCall as the man who sought the seat now occupied by the negro Geo. H. White, of the second district.

Mr. Kitchen was greeted with cheers. He stated, in the outset, that Geo. H. White occupied the seat from the second district, but that he would have it after the November election.

The question at issue is whether the white people shall control this State. No Republican is asked to change his opinion. He can still cling to all the tenets of his faith, the principals of his party, but it is asked that the Republicans vote in accordance with their color and breeding—as white men.

"The east knows what negroism means; you people do not," said the speaker. He described the departure from the Democratic ranks in Halifax county in 1892, 1894 and 1896—and then came negroism. What happened in Halifax county obtained in the other eastern counties. Mr. McKinley appointed 12 negro postmasters in his county, but Satan took two of these, said Mr. Kitchen. These appointments had been made in spite of the protests of the white people. Similar appointments in other counties were instanced. He spoke of the 29 negro magistrates in his county, and of how the white tax-payer was at the mercy of the negro. This was "taxation without representation," and he and his people knew that this was opposed to every principal of American liberty or government. But, with folded arms they waited for the time when the question could be settled in peace. He referred to the election of two negroes to the Legislature, and how crime began and increased 25 per cent.

The jeers, the taunts and insults of the negroes, protected by negro policemen, in Wilmington, were degrading and intolerable. In Halifax a like attitude was manifested on the part of the negroes.

Mr. Kitchen gave the particulars of this disgraceful trial in Halifax county, in which a white man, upon no evidence, was humiliated by a charge of criminally assaulting a negro girl—a case which was summarily dismissed.

The speaker described how an appeal was made to the white vote of Halifax county to stand together and how this appeal had been successful, save for 61 votes. Let the white Republicans remember always that when they vote against the amendment that they vote as the negro rapists would vote—a character of men he described by illustrations, which showed the horrible work of the black fiends.

When the negro as a political factor is eliminated one never hears of an assault up

on a white woman by a negro man. In South Carolina, for instance, there has not been such a case for five years.

As to the statement made by Linney and other Republicans that the negro vote should make the east Democratic the speaker asked that the condition of the east be remembered—when it was remembered that the white men of the east had determined to stand together and rule at no matter what cost. The white people of North Carolina are going to stand by Senator Vance's declaration that "the negro shall not dominate my State," said Mr. Kitchen. The negro must go from politics. Henry W. Grady's assertion as opposed to negro rule was put side by side with Vance's contention—these being worth the support and sanction of all white men.

"Go back in all history and you will find that the white man has gone down before no race. No harm is meant to the negro. He is not blamed half so much as the white man who makes him a political associate. The Democrats are stronger and the negro is weaker; he shall have his rights in all places. But a right to rule my county and State is not one of his rights, and God helping me, he shall never have it," said the speaker. (Cheers) "We mean no harm, but we expect to put the negro in a position where he and his white man can do us no harm. There are two ways to settle this great question; one in peace and according to the constitution and the other—God forbid! The white people of this State are not only opposed to the 40,000 white people putting negroes into office, but we are also opposed to the 120,000 negroes putting bad white men into office. We are aiming at the bad white men who turn their backs on their race. But for the 80,000 negro votes that we are going to eliminate, Butler, Hal Ayer or none of their gang would ever have been put into office. Butlerism and negroism will be eliminated together."

The Republican party has been a deadly enemy to the poor white man, and the speaker illustrated by reference to the poor man's disfranchisement by that party and the passage of the civil rights bill.

Senator Edmunds' opinion as to the constitutionality of the amendment was termed as an insult to the South, since in that Senator's State of Vermont no Confederate soldier has been allowed to vote, or was allowed to vote up to 1893—if since.

With derision the speaker referred to the Republican scare-cry of the injustice the amendment would do to the poor white man. The Washington Post and The Asheville Register, national and State Republican papers, both declared, in effect that the negro was better than a poor white man. In numbers of eastern counties the Republicans, to show their love

for the "poor white men," kicked them out of offices, which were refilled by negroes. At Wilmington 14 white policemen were discharged for 14 negro policemen. Wilmington brought to mind the remembrance of the negro editor Manley's insult and he described the scene that ensued—how the white men—but no white Republicans—had found revenge for the malice of the publication.

The Republican party was characterized as the Fred Douglas party—the party whose legislature adjourned in memory of the negro, who advocated marriages between the whites and blacks, and refused to adjourn in honor of Robert E. Lee. It was this party that turned down a Confederate soldier and appointed Abe Middleton, a kinky-headed negro as door keeper in the Legislature. In this connection Mr. Kitchen paid a beautiful tribute to the character of the Confederate soldier—who does not, and never did have, a friend in the Republican party.

Coming to a consideration of the amendment, he stated that he felt it unnecessary to discuss the measure, as he knew the position of his audience. As to the poll tax clause in the amendment he said it would disqualify no old soldier, no infirm or crippled people; it would disfranchise only those big, hulking men who sought to evade the payment of the tax.

In conclusion Mr. Kitchen said that God had given the white man for his protection, as a last resort, his manhood. He could only hope, however, that the coming political struggle might be settled in mercy and peace and not by power and might. This was the first speech ever made by Mr. Kitchen in this county. He made a remarkably favorable impression and was frequently interrupted by prolonged applause. His reasoning was clear and logical and his speech was unusually strong and impressive.

The only Democratic canvasser in the State against the amendment has been D. M. Luther, Esq., of the Asheville bar. He thought that the amendment, as originally submitted, might, if adopted, disfranchise some white men, and thus he conceived it to be his duty to take the stump against it. This he did, making a number of speeches. The Legislature having, however, at its adjourned session consolidated the fourth and fifth sections, removing all possible danger. Mr. Luther is out in an argument in the Asheville Citizen in favor of the adoption of the amendment. His change of position does him credit and his argument is one which can be read with profit.—Charlotte Observer.

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## The Republican National Platform.

The Republican platform adopted at Philadelphia last week opens with a prologue in praise of the power and beneficence of that party. It is asserted that the members now in convention can look back upon "an unsurpassed record of achievement;" that the people turned away from Democratic doctrines, dead business and paralyzed industries to invigorate themselves with Republican restoratives—a protective tariff and gold standard. The platform prologue then proclaims Democracy for assuming that the free coinage of silver possessed remedial qualities, and concludes with pyrotechnic assertions concerning the Republican party's triumph in legislative halls, on land, at sea, at home, abroad; with a final surpluse of flowers in the shape of an unlimited indorsement of the present administration. In brief, the platform is composed of planks that may be summarized as follows:

Adherence to the gold standard.

Condemnation of all conspiracies to create monopolies.

Determination to protect American labor against immigration and convict labor.

Liberal pension laws and a liberal administration of them.

Employment of natives in public service in Cuba, Porto Rico, Hawaii and Philippines.

Disapproval of the efforts of Southern whites to keep control of the States by regulating the elective franchise.

Extension of rural free delivery service.

Favors additional legislation to reclaim arid lands.

Home rule and early admission into Statehood for territories of New Mexico, Arizona and Oklahoma.

The construction, ownership, control and protection of an isthmian canal by the United States is urged.

Recommends that Congress create a department of commerce and industries in charge of a secretary with portfolio.

Insists on steady adherence to the policy announced in the Munroe doctrine.

Pledges the party to continue conferring "the blessings of liberty and civilization upon all rescued people" in Cuba, Porto Rico and the Philippines.

Declares that the promises of Cuban independence shall be redeemed to the letter some time in the future.

Presents the hope that the misunderstanding existing between England and the Transvaal will soon be honorably terminated.

Admits the country is justified in looking for a discontinuance of war tax.

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## That Settles It.

All the signs point to Democratic victory. The hens down east have been laying eggs with Aycock's initials on them, the palmists have read victory in the lines of his hand, and now the most famous dreamers have dreamed out a victory for Aycock and the amendment. Mr. S. C. Jones, of Lattimore, Cleveland county, the professional political dreamer, has had another dream, as is his custom just before every election. The Star says that for the past eight years he has never failed to dream a true prophecy, both as to the defeats and the victories of the Democratic party. Two years ago he saw in a vision the great white supremacy victory and related his dream for Star readers, therefore it is with much pleasure that the Shelby paper announces another prophetic dream from Mr. Jones in which he foretells the success of the amendment and the election of Aycock by a handsome majority. The dream says the amendment will run a head of the ticket.

That settles it. The amendment is safe.—Times-Democrat.

What the Amendment Will Do.

Prof. Alexander Melver, Republican, says:

"It will bring peace and harmony and good will to all classes of the people.

"It will maintain and perpetuate good government.

"It will promote good morals.

"It will disfranchise no white man unless he wants to be disfranchised.

"It will disfranchise no colored man any longer than he can learn to read and write and establish for himself a good character.

"It is a lawful and proper construction of the Fifteenth Amendment, Laws U. S. I shall therefore vote for it and for Aycock for Governor."

Ex-Governor Hill says that he is not a candidate for Vice President. So did Roosevelt. If Hill is the choice of the convention, and there seems good reason to think that he may be, he will do as Roosevelt did and accept.

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