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## CONGRESS HAS NO AUTHORITY

To Reduce North Carolina's Representation in the House.

Senator Pritchard Will Oppose the Crumpacker Apportionment Bill.

HE STATES HIS REASONS IN AN INTERVIEW

ANY MEASURE WHICH HAS FOR ITS OBJECT SUPPRESSION OF ELECTION OUTRAGES SHOULD BE FAIR AND EQUITABLE.

Special to the Gazette.

Washington, Dec. 12.—To a representative of the Gazette Senator Pritchard made the following statement today: "While I am confident that the democrats carried the state of North Carolina at the last election, as well as in the August election, by corrupt and fraudulent methods, at the same time I cannot support the Crumpacker bill.

"I am of the opinion that congress does not possess the authority to reduce North Carolina's representation, and can never exercise such power until it is ascertained that a number of our citizens have been denied the right to vote.

"The clause of the constitution upon which the author of this bill relies is section 2, of the Fourteenth Amendment, which reads as follows:

"Sec. 2. Representatives shall be apportioned among the several states according to their respective numbers counting the whole number of persons in each state, excluding Indians not taxed. But when the right to vote at any election for the choice of electors for President and Vice-President of the United States, Representatives in Congress, the executive and judicial officers of a state, or the members of the legislature thereof, is denied to any of the male inhabitants of such state, or in any way abridged, except for participation in rebellion, or other crime, 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 21 years of age in such state."

"This section does not undertake to confer upon congress the authority to act until it shall appear by ascertainment in an official manner that a number of our citizens have been denied the right to vote. This has not been done and upon the face of our election returns it does not appear that a sufficient number of our citizens have been denied the right to vote to justify the wholesale reduction which is proposed by Mr. Crumpacker's bill.

"If the Amendment should be declared constitutional and honestly enforced, all colored voters who could read and write would be entitled to vote, which would enable at least 40,000 of the colored race to exercise the elective franchise. The bill provides that our representation shall be reduced to five members, and in this respect manifestly unjust. I have repeatedly warned the leaders of the democratic party that we might expect legislation of this character if they persisted in denying to our people the rights to which they are entitled under the Constitution of the United States.

"The bill is also in the nature of a confession that the government of the United States does not possess sufficient power to protect its citizens in the enjoyment of their constitutional rights and is a practical endorsement of the conduct of those who seek to nullify the 15th Amendment.

"There is a revolution of public sentiment in progress in North Carolina, and I am satisfied that republicanism has a firmer foothold in that state today than at any time since 1872. The republicans are ready and anxious to join hands with any and all persons

## CUBAN LOWER CLASSES READY TO REBEL

An Outbreak in Santiago Against United States, Said to be Brewing.

REPORT THAT IF AMERICANS ARE NOT OUT OF CUBA BY MAY THE INSURRECTIONISTS WILL RAISE THE FLAG OF REBELLION

New Orleans, Dec. 1.—Former Lieut. Session of Hood's Immunes, who served in Cuba and is now superintendent of a mining company at Santiago, passed through here today en route to New York. He says there is much discontent and talk of insurrection against the United States among the lower classes of the Cuban natives in Santiago and Puerto Principe. He declares it is well known in Santiago that an outbreak against the United States is possible. Reports are in circulation that if the Americans are not out of Cuba in May when the rainy season begins the insurrectionists will raise the flag of rebellion. He says the Cubans are well supplied with arms but he does not think the disturbances could raise over six or seven thousand men. He declares all the facts are known to Gen. Wood and all necessary precautions have been taken.

who are interested in the industrial welfare of our state. During this administration every branch of industry in that section has prospered immeasurably, and I believe that a great majority of the people are willing to vote for a continuation of existing conditions.

"I do not wish to be understood as taking the position that the republican party ought to tamely submit to the wrongs that are perpetrated in the south in the name of 'white supremacy' but at the same time I must insist that any measure which has for its object the suppression of election outrages should be fair and equitable in its provisions. The majority of the people of the state of North Carolina are conservative and patriotic, and I have an abiding faith in their honesty of purpose, believing as I do that the day is not far distant when ballot box stuffers and their aids and abettors will be condemned by an overwhelming majority of the voters of the state. In other words, the good people of North Carolina ought not to suffer in consequence of the unwise conduct of those whose sole object is to control the offices in utter disregard of the wishes of a majority of our people."

MR. CRUMPACHER TALKS REGARDING HIS MEASURE

How He Figures Out Reduction of Representation in This State.

Special to the Gazette.

Washington, Dec. 12.—Congressman Pearson had a long interview with Mr. Crumpacker regarding the proposed change in representation. Judge Crumpacker authorized the statement that his bill called for the reduction of four members in North Carolina, because he was clearly of the opinion that section five of the constitutional amendment was void and that the educational qualification would therefore apply to both whites and blacks. Did the proposed measure disfranchise only illiterates of the negro race the proportional reduction would be only one and eight-tenths, but as twenty-three percent of the whites are illiterate the bill makes a reduction of four members.

The Crumpacker bill would thwart Mr. Simmons' plan to have all members from North Carolina elected by the state at large. It provides literally that the state shall be divided into districts composed of contiguous territory and containing as near as may be an equal number of inhabitants, so that in the event of the passage of the measure western members would not have to submit to the tender methods practiced in Halifax, Edgecombe, New Hanover and Scotland counties.

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## IS DE WET ESCAPING?

So the Latest Despatches From Scene of Battle Indicate.

Gloomy Picture of Conditions in South Africa Presented to Commons.

AMNESTY SUGGESTED FOR BOERS IN ARMS

CONSIDERABLE IRRITATION AROUSED IN THE DEBATE—LARGE PART OF COST OF WAR TO BE TAKEN OUT OF TRANSVAAL BY TAXATION.

London, Dec. 12.—Lord Kitchener cables the war office from Pretoria under date December 12 that General Knox reports from Helvetia that he is engaged in a running fight with General De Wet and that the enemy are moving towards Reddersburg, where there is a column ready to co-operate with them.

Boer Kitchener in the despatch says Boers attacked a post near Barton. The casualties were three killed, five wounded, 13 taken prisoners on the British side. The captured men have since been released.

Boers raided the Riverton road station December 11. They are being followed up.

A GLOOMY PICTURE. London, Dec. 12.—Considerable irritation was aroused during the day's debate in the house of commons on supply. Sir Robert Trend, liberal, painted a gloomy picture of the conditions in South Africa. He said that after 14 months of war, costing 5,000,000 pounds per month, anarchy was prevalent and famine threatened and this may be followed by a native rising. An attempt to force the colonies under military rule, he said would imperil the very existence of the empire. He thought the time had arrived for offering the Boers terms not inconsistent with British dominion. All ideas of unconditional surrender should be discarded.

James Bryce, liberal, followed on similar lines. He suggested granting general amnesty to the Boers now in arms as legitimate combatants. The negotiations, Mr. Bryce also said, should not be entrusted to Sir Alfred Milner, who was the object of almost universal distrust including at least half of the queen's subjects in South Africa.

Mr. Broderick, the secretary of war, hotly challenged Mr. Bryce's statements regarding Sir Alfred Milner.

Sir Albert Reid's speech, Mr. Broderick asserted, was impracticable, unwise and mischievous. The government was perfectly willing to offer terms for surrender, so long as it could not be interpreted as proof of weakness and thereby cause a prolongation of the guerrilla warfare.

After further reiterations the report of supply was agreed to.

During the discussion in committee of ways and means, the chancellor of the exchequer, Sir Michael Hicks-Beach, promised that a considerable portion of the cost of the war should be obtained from the Transvaal. He added that a treasury committee was about to proceed to the Transvaal to ascertain its resources and their taxable capacity. Sir David Barbour, continued the chancellor of the exchequer, had been selected for this task.

The resolution was then agreed to and the house adjourned.

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## SIR ALFRED MILNER'S METHODS CONDEMNED

Afrikaner Congress Demands Presented to the Cape Colony Governor.

HE TELLS DELEGATION HE WILL FORWARD THEM TO THE QUEEN WITH HIS STRONG DISAPPROVAL.

Cape Town, Dec. 1.—Sir Alfred Milner, governor of Cape Colony has received the deputation appointed by the recent Afrikaner congress to present to him for transmission to the British government the three resolutions adopted by the congress.

In reply to the deputation's spokesman he said: "I shall forward these resolutions to the imperial government with my strong disapproval. They are framed by clever men now engineering the present agitation and encouraging those who are carrying on a hopeless resistance."

Of the resolutions adopted at Worcester the first demands the termination of the war with its untold misery, protests against the devastation of the country and the burning of farms, which "will leave a lasting heritage of bitterness," and declares that the independence of the republics will alone insure peace in South Africa. The second urges the right of the colony to manage its own affairs and censures the policy of Sir Alfred Milner. The third pledges the congress to "labor in a constitutional way" to obtain the ends defined in the two preceding resolutions.

EX-PRESIDENT HARRISON MAKES SOME DENIALS

Did Not Go to Washington to Oppose Ship Subsidies—Called on President.

Indianapolis, Dec. 12.—Ex-President Harrison returned to Washington today and immediately denied the charge made by Chairman Harnley of the republican state committee that he went to Washington to defeat the ship subsidy bill. He said that it was his steadfast purpose to refrain from meddling with legislation. He also said that the relations between him and McKinley are strained. He said he called on the president twice. Harrison further denied Harnley's statement that he favored the ship subsidy bill in '88. He said he had never said nor done anything that could be construed that he was in favor of the measure.

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## WASHINGTON'S CENTENNIAL

Yesterday's Celebration at the Capital a Most Notable Event.

A Great Parade, and Speeches In the House of Representatives.

GOVERNORS RECEIVED BY THE PRESIDENT

THE CITY GAILY DECORATED AND CROWDED WITH VISITORS—ALL PUBLIC BUSINESS SUSPENDED—PLANS FOR THE NEW WHITE HOUSE.

Washington, Dec. 21.—The national capital is in gala attire today in celebration of the 100th anniversary of the establishment of the seat of federal government at Washington, and for the time being the wheels of government have ceased revolving, business, public and private is suspended, while the president and his cabinet, the senate and house of representatives, the federal judiciary, the governors of many states and a great concourse of citizens and visitors join in the elaborate festivities if the day. Perhaps never again will this generation witness such a significant gathering of the heads of states and of the chief executive of the nation. One hundred years ago the transfer of the seat of government was made from Philadelphia to Washington and the site previously selected by President Washington was taken possession of by the various branches of government, President and Mrs. Adams driving over from Philadelphia, the senate and house holding their sessions here for the first time. For months Washington has been preparing for a fitting commemoration of this interesting historical event.

From an early hour today the streets were filled with an eager and expectant throng. Pennsylvania avenue was a blaze of color from end to end, the business houses being hung with bunting, flags and patriotic devices. The great public buildings added their share to the brilliancy of the spectacle.

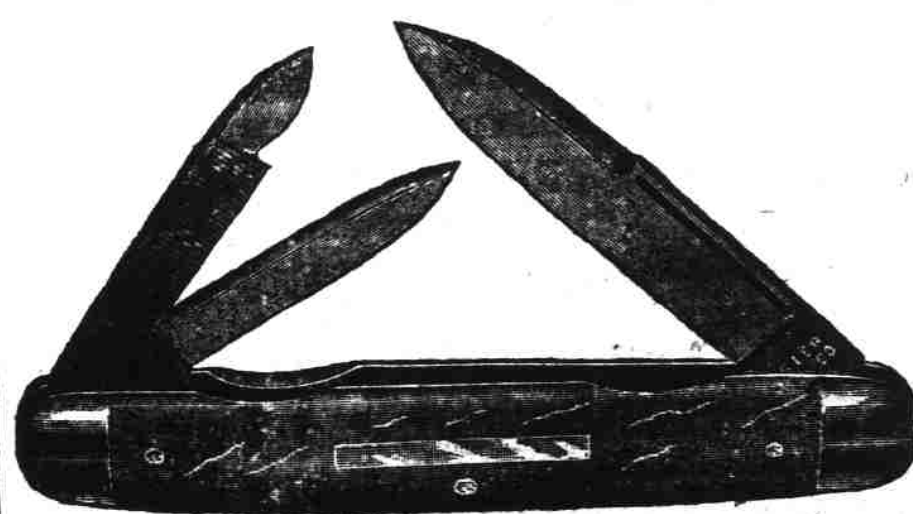
The program of the day began with a reception at 10 o'clock by President McKinley and members of his cabinet to the governors of the states and territories in the executive mansion. This was followed by the unveiling in the east room of the model of the proposed enlarged executive mansion, which is to be a lasting memorial of today's celebration.

The other events of the day were a parade from the White House to the capitol, participated in by the president and other dignitaries and visitors and the district militia, and joint exercises by the senate and house in the hall of the house of representatives. At night a reception was tendered the governors of the states and territories at the Corcoran gallery of art.

The distinguished guests began to arrive at the mansion some time before ten o'clock and half an hour later all of the large public rooms were comfortably filled, the brilliant military uniforms of the staff officers adding much to the spectacular effect of the scene. At just 10.30 o'clock the president descended the west stairway with Secretary Hay at his side. Immediately following were the other cabinet

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