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The Growth of Our Cities. Our American cities and towns are increasing more rapidly in population than the rural districts.

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Counting the Negroes (continued). Pretending to be the special friends of the negro the Republican leaders argue that he should be given a fair square show in the battle of life and that there should be no discrimination against him, and yet when it comes to the distribution of the spoils which the negroes are expected to help to win, the color line is sharply drawn and the colored voters are told that they must fall back to the rear and wait until their white allies are served before they ask for anything or present their claims for consideration.

Counting the Negroes (continued). Originally the right of the ballot was given to the negro professedly as a measure of self-protection, that he might have a voice in the making of the laws by which he was to be governed, that he might better his condition and elevate himself, and yet in the twenty-five years in which the Republican party has used the negro as a voting machine to perpetuate its power, with all its opportunities, it has never done a single thing to better his condition, its whole purpose, as far as he is concerned, being to make him a party chattel and keep him in party bondage, which is one of the chief objects of this infamous Force bill.

Another reason for this in the depressed condition of agriculture for some years back thousands of farmers throughout the country have become hopelessly involved in debt, and discouraged, sold out at the first opportunity and seek business or employment in the towns or cities.

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COUNTING THE NEGROES.

Senator Fry, of Maine, insists on the passage of the Force bill, and is candid enough to give the true reason for it. Very few of the advocates of the infamous scheme will admit that its object is to carry Southern States which the Republicans cannot carry now. Mr. Harrison devoted a considerable portion of his message in the effort to show that it was neither partisan nor sectional. Mr. Fry is more honest and more candid when he says he wants the bill passed because the Republicans have as much right to have the negroes counted for them as the Democrats in the State of Maine have to have the foreigners in that State counted for them. This is what Mr. Fry expects to accomplish by the passage of this bill and this is the reason why he and the other conspirators support it. They take it for granted that the negro vote belongs to them, that they have a prior claim on it, and whenever it fails to come up to their expectation, it is conclusive evidence of fraud and intimidation. It is not fair play or justice for the negroes the sneaking hypocrites are striving for but votes for the Republican party.

MINOR MENTION.

THE SMITH SUIT.

The Jury find a Verdict for the Plaintiff, Geo. H. Smith.
(Special Star Telegram.)
RALEIGH, Nov. 5.—The jury found a verdict for the plaintiff in the Smith case.

The Raleigh papers of yesterday give the following account of the proceedings in the case on Thursday: One of the defendants, Mrs. Sarah C. Davis, testified that she saw her husband and the plaintiff in conversation with her father as to the death of his first wife and that he stated on several occasions that she died in Nassau in 1882, and that her name was Ellen. The defendants then closed their case.

TALK OF THE BIG CHIEFS.

NATIONAL ALLIANCE.

Yesterday's happenings in the Convention at Ocala.—The Third Party Movement.
By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

OMAHA, Dec. 6.—The Bee has received the following from its special correspondent at Pine Ridge Agency S. D., via Rushville, Nebraska: As perilous a mission as a man of God has undertaken for many a day toward averting bloodshed and loss of human life, was completed to-day, when good Father Jule, the Catholic priest, whom Gen. Brooke requested to go out and talk with the hostile Indians remaining at the Agency. It seemed sheer madness for a while to so much as think of attempting such a mission and hope to return alive, but Father Jule, having spent seven years among the Indians, four or seven of the Agency, and having been looked up to and greatly confided in by the reds, he and the officials considered it possible for him to make a final effort at a peaceable adjustment of the present crisis than any one else. The Rev. Mr. Cloud, the widely respected son of the famous chief, who went more as a guide than upon the supposition that he would be of any use in making the mission a success. The start was made Wednesday noon. They went to White Clay creek, a very unusual route, and as a result got lost after crossing White river, and the camp and the horses, about being compelled to keep moving about in order to avoid freezing.

John H. Williams, of Jacksonville, Fla., is here. When Powderly arrives this will make four members of the National Executive Board of the Supreme Council of the Knights of Labor in the city, being all of that committee except one (Kevin, of Michigan), and this fact is thought to be fraught with deep significance apropos of a third party movement.

There is said to be a strong feeling among the National Alliance members in favor of the general consolidation of all similar national bodies, it is alleged that they have offered, in the event of such consolidation, to give all national political nominations to organizations outside of their own. There is, however, a considerable element among them who would not give up their own political affiliations and place a national ticket of its own in the field. This call, when completed, will result in a committee of the National Alliance for endorsement, although some of the men in the movement are not convinced that this course will be wise or politic.

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STATE TOPICS.

THE FAYETTEVILLE OBSERVER.

Mr. J. T. Anthony was re-elected Colonel of the Fourth regiment, receiving twelve votes out of the fifteen cast.

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Winston Daily: Died, at fifteen minutes past 1 o'clock this afternoon, at his residence on Summit street, Mr. Lewis J. Williams, in the 44th year of his age.