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their record was clean and unas-

sailable, why fear to go before the

people on that record, and manfully

and boldly show it and defend it if

If the Democratic party was as

vulnerable as they say it was; if it

was the progenitor of negro rule.

as they falsely allege it was; if it is

a gold standard party, as Rocky

Mount Butler and some of his pals

say it is; if it was the tool of the

meney power and of the railroad

corporations, as they lyingly assert,

why did they not seek and invite

joint discussions, when they could

show all this up and dumbfound the

Democratic speakers who under-

took to defend the Democratic

They missed the opportunity of

their lives when they didn't do this,

but adopted this cowardly course of

dodging and advising against joint

They may have thought the peo-

ple could not see through this cow-

ardly dodge to avoid discussion, or

understand why it was resorted to.

but they were very much mistaken,

for the people did see through it and

understand it, and the people hate

a coward who aspires to leadership.

They lost east from the very day they

thus publicly confessed and heralded

Their latest, but probably not

their last, confession of cowardice

is their whining about Democratic

intimidation after they have as-

serted broadcast that they have an

invincible majority and that they

were going to carry the election by

overwhelming numbers. Do men

who are as largely in the majority

that they are being intimidated and

that through this intimidation they

may lose the State? They do not

believe these stories about intimi-

dation, and should be ashamed to

utter them, or if they do believe

them they should be ashamed to

acknowledge that they can be thus

It isn't conscience, that Hamle

talked of, that makes cowards of

them, but the knowledge that they

have been playing a disreputable

MORE OBJECT LESSONS.

ville, Mississippi, a few days ago

another Ashpole affair, but on

larger scale and with more fatal re

sults, for fourteen negroes paid with

their lives the penalty of resisting

the law, and four white deputies

This riot was caused by the band-

ing of negroes to resist the arrest of

a negro who had got into an alter-

cation with his employer, a white

man, whom he felled with a hoe and

beat badly. Officers went to arrest

the negro but he was not to be found

at his home. Next night a posse

went when they found the man

with about fifty other negroes who

opened a fusillade upon the posse,

killing one and wounding three

more, and thus opened the war

which cost these fourteen negroes

In Chattanooga about the same

time negro soldiers started a riot by

trying to release a comrade who had

been arrested by a policeman. In

the melee a white man was killed

and a policeman and several of the

Here are two collisions in both

which lives were lost, both resulting

from the negro's defiance of law and

Thus it is everywhere in th

South, where a negro is seldom

arrested, (unless for an offence

against some other negro), without

some attempt being made by other

negroes to prevent arrest or to take

him from the officers of the law if

arrested. In nine cases out of ten

this has been the cause of the col-

lisions between the races in the

South, and yet this is thirty-four

years after their emancipation, with

all the opportunities they have had

in the meantime, with their schools

and churches, for enlightenment and

RUSSELL OBSTINATE.

There may have been some who

believed that Governor Russell would

realize the gravity of the situation

and show some disposition to meet

in a concilatory spirit the committee

rom this city who called upon him

Wednesday, but we were not of that

naturally obstinate, and in spite of

the counsel of conservative Republi-

cans in this city he insists that a

county ticket be run, although the

principal names that he mentions

has thus given another exhibition of

his disposition to run counter to the

best people of this community, and

to aggravate the gravity of the situa-

tion instead of using his good offices

He may put up a Republican

to mollify it.

number. Daniel L. Russell

improvement.

soldiers were wounded.

attempts to resist it.

their lives.

were shot, one fatally.

There was a race riot at Harpers-

part and are doomed to defeat.

cowed by a minority.

party?

discussions.

their cowardice.

SUBSCRIPTION P ICE. The subscription price of the We ly Star is ollows:
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A COWARDLY CAMPAIGN.

The two characteristic features of the Rep.-Pop. campaign have been deception and cowardice. The fusion between the Republicans and Populists was conceived in deceit, for not one of the manipulators of that trade had the candor or the honesty to acknowledge its real inspiration.

The alleged object was to preserve the present election laws, which insure the present system of county government, but the real purpose was to hold the power they have and thus retain the offices they secured by fusion. Principle never entered into the thoughts of any of them. It was a pure matter of spoils, although the Populists who worked up the fusion, finding it necessary to give some excuse for it pretend that they did it to preserve the present system of county government, which enables the people of Central and Western counties to elect their own commissioners, magistrates, Ac., but they failed to reveal the fact that this system, with which they are so much enamored and to preserve which they are so anxious, puts about thirty counties more or less under negro rule, and some of them absolutely so. They didn't think the people would discover that and hoped to practice the deceit to the end.

When this fact was made known to the people of the Center and the West, and the true condition of the East was described, illustrating the practical workings of this county government system, to preserve which they fused with a party which has no more affinity with the Populist party than oil has with water, they pronounced these representations "Democratic lies" invented for campaign purposes. There they played deceit again, for every mother's son of them knew that this county government system put more negroes in office in North Carolina than were ever before in office at one time, more than there tre in any other State in the Union or in all the other States combined.

Why did they, and why do they still, endeavor to conceal or deny these facts, and when they can no longer deny them why do they delve in the past, go back twenty years and rake up some negroes who held some petty positions and parade them as an offset to the thousand or so that they with their Republican allies have put into office within

Why if they are honest do they assert that it is the purpose of the Democrats if they secure control of the Legislature to disfranchise "negroes and poor white men" when they know that in the twenty-four years in which the Democrats had control of the Legislature there never was the slightest movement made in that direction, and moreover that this could not be done, even if it were thought of, without amendment to the State constitution, which would be practically impossible? The sole purpose of this absurd fabrication was to deceive voters who might be deceived by it, when they knew there was not a particle of truth in it. So much for the deception of which this is only a part and a small

But it has been a campaign of cowardice as well as of falsehood and sneaking deception.

One of the first things the fusers who met for the purpose of working up their trade for the spoils did after the bargain was consummated was to announce the opinion that it was not advisable for the fusion campaigners to hold any joint discussions with the Democratic speakers. This was the first time this was ever done in our political campaigns, the matter of joint canvasses being left entirely in the discretion of the candidates.

When they did that they simply are of men who decline to run. He confessed in advance that they were afraid to meet the Democrats in joint debate before the people, when they had every reason to believe that such joint discussions would be invited.

Truth is not a coward, and does not run away when invited to speak | ticket in New Hanover county, but the right as they claimed to be, and to carry it inside of the law, too. | mother.

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provoke trouble, but they know their rights and will maintain them, and if trouble be forced upon them they will meet it like men.

They are neither going to invite nor

This State is as certain to go Democratic on the 8th day of November as the sun is to rise on that morning, and all the frenzied efforts of the other side, and all the letters or proclamations that Daniel L. Russell may write cannot prevent it. The white men of North Carolina were never more thoroughly united than they are now, nor more resolutely determined to rescue North Carolina from the mongrel rule that now humiliates and disgraces her. and they will do it unless the world comes to an end before the day of

THEY KNOW WHAT NEGRO RULE MEANS.

We have published in these columns a number of letters from Northern residents of this State, formerly Republicans and still Republicans in national politics, but see the effect of negro rule and for that reason affiliate in State and local politics with the Democratic party in this State.

Mr. F. W. Clement, a Northern man, has been for some years a resident of Winston, where he has charge of the street railway system and electric light plant, representing a capital of \$150,000. He is in national politics a Republican, but in State and local politics, (like nearly every Northern man in the State who is not in politics for spoils) he is a Democrat, and gives his reasons in the following letter pubas they claim to be thus advertise lished in the Winston Journal, unthemselves as cowards by declaring der date of the 22d in t:

Editor Journal—For more than five years I have been a resident of the city of Winston, coming here from New York, and I have always been a Re publican. Since coming to your State I have seen Democratic rule in State and city and also Republican rule. I am thoroughly satisfied in my mind from observation and actual experience that the good of the community and State is best subserved by the white Democrats and have resolved to affiliate with them in future in State elections, although retaining Republicanism in national causes.

Yours very truly, F. W. McCLEMENT. These are the reasons of a man who represents a company which has many thousands of dollars invested in the cities of Winston and Salem. They may be called dollar reasons, but they are good ones, for dollars as well as the peace, dignity and manhood of the State are at stake in this campaign.

And yet mercenary office holders and hunters assert that there is nothing in the cry of "negro domination," that it is merely a Democratic invention for election purposes. The lie ought to choke them and would if they didn't, like the snake, have elastic throats.

TRYING TO FOOL POPULISTS.

Home Rule is a Populist organ published at Raleigh, which represents the S. Otho Wilson faction, which is fighting the Butler faction. It is for fusion, and has been all along. Now it is trying to fool the anti-fusionists, or "middle-ofthe-roaders," as it calls them, with the following rot:

"Honest Populists who are not fu sionists, called "middle-of-the road ers," are daily coming to the suppor of fusion, as they see the only result of their course is to help put in the party who reaped the ballot in '92 and '94. Wise course. The right to vote for what you please is of more consequence to us than any mere party

This was not the inspiration of fusion at all, and it was never thought of as being put forward as reason until fusion had been consummated and the Radical-Pop. stumpers, led off by Office Hunter Dockery, put up the "disfranchis ing" scarecrow and tried to scare the negroes and "poor white men' by alleging that if the Democrats carried the Legislature they would deprive the negroes and "poor white

men" of the right to vote. But logically what does this Home Rule rot amount to? Simply this. That to preserve the present system of county government the white Populists of the State are urged to vote with the Republican allies of the fusion Populists to keep thirty counties of North Carolina perpetually under negro rule, and make the race conflict endless, unless the white people in the negro-ruled counties migrate and give the counties up entirely to the negroes, the very thing that some negroes leaders, who declare that "Eastern North Carolina is the place for the negro," hope for and are working for. It is too late to play that kind of rot on the Populists, who see through it, although Rocky Mount Butler has joined the Home Rule gang in trying to play it.

Child Burned to Death. Mr. C. M. Roberts, who was in the city yesterday, told the STAR of a fearful accident which occurred in Bladen a few days ago. Adalia, the little four-year-old daughter of Mr. Charles Pate, who lives near Brompton in Bladen county, was burned to death, the fire having caught from

AFRAID OF STATE TROOPS.

A State's militia is its arm of defence in case of invasion or of domestic turbulence with which the civil authorities are unable to cope. The militia of North Carolina has never been wanting in loyalty to the State, and has never yet never failed to respond to a call to support the civil authorities, and it has remained for the present administration to acknowledge that because they are white they cannot be depended upon in this emergency to obey the orders of the Republican machine managers and help to fasten negro rule upon North Carolina.

The Government of the United States could depend upon them to carry its flag into other countries and plant it there and defend it. but the mongrel machine managers cannot rely apon them to help them carry out their infernal plot against the white people of North Carolina. This is a confession as damning to these conspirators as it is honorable to the white soldiery of this State.

If troops are to be used to carry out their schemes it will not be North Carolina white troops nor from any Southern State, for the fact that they are white and are therefore supposed to have a kindred feeling with the white people of the State bars all Southern white soldiers, and they will have to rely upon soldiers of other States. It they should be sent and they be white, the mongrel machine managers will probably not find them as serviceable as they imagine. This game was tried in North Carolina in reconstruction days, and in other Southern States then and later, and in nearly every instance the plotters who invoked the coming of the soldiers got very sick of them before they left, for they were white and it didn't take them very long make that fact apparent.

NUTS FOR PRITCHARD TO CRACK In this issue of the STAR we publish an open letter by Hon. F. M. Simmons, Chairman of the Democratic State Committee, to Hon. Jeter C. Pritchard, U. S. Senator. In his recent interviews with U.S. officials at Washington, and with others, intended for publication and purporting to represent the situation in North Carolina, he has alleged that there is no good cause for the uprising of the white men of this State; that the race animosities have been incited for political effect; that negro domination is a myth, and that there are but few negroes holding office in North Carolina, and these all of minor importance. He asserts this on the word and authority of a Senator, who should be presumably, at least, familiar with such matters, and familiar with the actual condition of affairs, with which all intelligent

reading people are familiar. For the information of Senator Pritchard and others who may have read his one-sided statements, Mr. Simmons wrote him this letter citing the counties and cities in which negroes hold offices, the number holding offices either by appointment of the fusion Legislatures, or by election by the fusion party, the number of negroes holding offices. and those running as candidates for office nominated by Republican conventions, in all numbering over a thousand, and three hundred of them magistrates to interpret the laws and to dispense justice.

Of course Senator Pritchard wil not undertake to answer these inquiries, it is not expected that he will, for he would have to acknowledge himself a falsifier if he did; but there is no honest man who can read this array of specific citations and for a moment believe that negro domination in the East is a "myth" and not an actual storm-breeding condition.

Mr. Simmons very appropriately concludes his letter with some pointed inquires to Senator Pritchard as to what he would do if these conditions applied to his county of Marshall, and negro officers were thrust upon it as they have been on some Eastern counties. These inquiries are peculiarly applicable and appropriate in view of the fact that not very many years ago Senator Pritchard was one the chief promoters of the movement to organize a white Republican party, which the negro would not be permitted to enter. He, with others who were in sympathy with him and co-operating with him, contended that if the negro could be eliminated from the Republican party white men enough would join it to make it possible to contest against the Democratic party. The movement fell through, but this does not lessen the fact that Pritchard was one of its chief promoters, and that he was then as strong a believer in white supremacy as he is now in negro rule, which he supports while denving its existence. Then he hoped to win office by white votes, now he for itself. If they had such a just the white men of this county are some matches which the little one was holds office by virtue of negro votes, cause, if they were the defenders of going to carry it and they are going playing with in the absence of its which accounts for the change and for his present position.

FRANK LEAK COVINGTON.

Died at His Home in Wilmington Yes terday Afternoon, Aged Thirty Years.

With the deepest and most sincere regret, the STAR chronicles the death of Mr. Frank Leak Covington, which occurred at his home in this city yes terday afternoon at six o'clock.

Mr. Covington was a son of Mr. and Mrs. E. P. Covington and was born in Rockingham in the year 1868. While quite young, his parents removed to Wilmington and he has been a valued and prominent citizen of Wilmington up to the time of his death, holding the responsible and important position of confidential clerk and travelling salesman for Messrs. C. C. Covington & Co., wholesale grocers, of this city, He was popular and highly respected not only by a host of friends and associates here, but by a large acquaintance all over the State. For a number of years he has been a member of Hanover Lodge No. 145, L. O. O. F., and for some time held an important office n that order.

Some years ago he was happily mar ried to Miss Maybelle Sebrell, who survives him, together with his father, Mr. E. P. Covington, his brother, Mr. C. C. Covington, and two sisters, Miss Keith Covington, of this city, and Mrs. H. D. Thompson, of Baltimore.

The funeral will be conducted this afternoon at 2 o'clock from the Covngton residence, No. 712 Orange street, and the remains will be taken on the the 3.30 o'clock train to his old nome at Rockingham for interment.

NEGRO KILLED AT HAMLET

He Insulted and Assaulted a Well Known White Man Who Wore a Red Shirt.

News was received here yesterday of an incident which occurred in Hamlet Wednesday evening, which is but another illustration of the insolence engendered among negroes by the present Republican-negro regime and which withal resulted fatally for the negro who attempted to bull-doze

Mr. Brooks, who is employed on the Carolina Central depot yard at Hamlet, had occasion to enter a business house where several negroes were loafing. They were apparently drinking. Mr. Brooks was wearing a red shirt and one of the negroes stepped forward and demanded to know what he meant by wearing the shirt. He was given to understand that it was none of his business, whereupon he drew a large knife and attempted to assault Mr. Brooks, who drew his revolver and sent a ball crashing through the negro's head, killing him instantly.

It is understood that Mr. Brooks has been completely exonorated by the coroner's jury, in that the killing was clearly in self defence.

AND STILL THEY COME.

Ten Populists Near Rose Hill Declare Their Purpose to Join the White Man's Party.

Mr. Joe Merritt, the true blue Demo drat of Rose Hill, was a welcome STAR caller last night and he brought truly cheering news from his neighborhood and Duplin county. Scores of Populists are renouncing that party and flocking to Democracy and white supremacy. The following gentlemen who reside in his neighborhood and have heretofore voted and worked for the Populist party, have authorized Mr. Merritt to announce through the papers that they propose to vote and work for Democracy and white supremacy at the coming election:
J. J. Robinson, J. R. Blackman, W.
B. Hawes, T. J. Johnson, S. E. Johnson, L. F. Johnson, C J. Johnson,

R. D. Register, T. S. Johnson and J Mr. Merritt will go to Goldsbord

this evening to attend the great white man's rally.

They're Scarce Just Now.

A gentleman who lives about three miles from the city, in Harnett township, told a STAR representative yesterday of a good joke on Wilmington's Chief of Police. Wednesday afternoon, in view of the fact that it is currently reported that several of the best members of the force are thinking of resigning, the aforesaid Chief made a tour of a good portion of Harnett township in search of Populists, upon whom he could bestow a policemanship at a salary of \$45 per month. What must have been the Chief's consternation, when after riding for many miles he could not find a single white Pop.—not even when an office was in sight.

The gentleman who related the in cident says the Populists of Harnett township are all swinging into line for a white man's victory in Novem-

THE CAMPAIGN IN NASH.

Rep. Pop. Speakers Disappointed - Democratic Nominees Address a Large Gathering at Gold Rock.

[Star Correspondence.] GOLD ROCK, N. C., October 25 .- A Populist and a Republican came to this place yesterday to speak, and when they arrived their hearts were made glad by seeing such a large crowd of ladies and gentlemen out to hear them. But the crowd came to a baptizing which took place in Swift creek, and when the preacher departed with his flock of about two hundred, it left the poor Rep. Pops to speak to each other, except a handful of stragglers around the Rock:

To-day Mr. J. A. Whitaker, Demo-To-day Mr. J. A. Whitaker, Demo-cratic nominee for Register of Deeds for Nash county; Mr. C, F. Ellen, for the Senate; Mr. Larry Moore, Solici-tor; Mr. Jno. P. Arrington, Sheriff; Mr. Ed Braswell, county Treasurer, spoke to a large crowd of white and colored voters. The negroes cheered the speakers repeatedly.

An Earnest Protest Against Negro Domination in Eastern North Carolina.

GATHERING AT GOLDSBORO.

Eight Thousand White Men Present. Determined to Throw Off the Negro Yoke-Patriotic Speeches. Resolutions Adopted.

Eight thousand white men asse oled at Goldsboro yesterday to enter their solemn protest against the existing negro domination in Eastern North Carolina, and to show by their letermined spirit that it must cease forever. Probably twenty-five counties were represented, but the meeting was made up chiefly of white men from the negro-ridden counties of the

It was a great meeting; great in numbers; great in the attendance of Democratic speakers; great in the display of the invincible spirit of determination characteristic of the Anglo-Saxon race; great in its firm resolve to free North Carolina from negro

But it was not strictly a Democratic neeting; for it was composed not only of members of that party, but of Populists and Republicans who are sick of the infamy and disgrace that has been brought upon their State by the party of negro traders who have held high carnival within her borders during the past four years.

White men of all ages and conditions were there, and from the grim determination depicted upon each face, it was clear that they were there, not for pleasure or amusement, but for the fixed purpose of throwing off the negro yoke which is threatening the every interest of the Caucasian race. They were there to discuss in a calm, dispassionate way means and measures for ridding themselves, their wives and their children, of the weight

of negro insolence and negro

pudence. After the various special trains from all sections of the State, had arrived the crowd, which had assumed immense proportions resolved itself, under the direction of Chief Marshal George A. Norwood, into a vast procession, headed by the Second Regiment Band and the Wilson and Newbern bands. To the martial strains of music by our own Second Regiment Band, this great aggregation of Anglo-Saxon humanity marched enthusiastically to the court house yard, where seats for the crowd and a substantial stand for the speakers had been prepared by the active leaders of Democracy in Golds-

boro. The Goldsboro Rifles saluted the procession by the booming of cannon and wild cheering as they approached the place of meeting.

Chairman Simmons' Remarks.

The meeting was temporarily called to order by Democratic State Chairman F. M. Simmons, who in no uncertain terms explained the object for which this great meeting was held. He reviewed at some length the terrible condition of affairs in the East, giving specifically the exact status of negro rule in the unfortunate counties, all of the Federal officers being chargeable directly or indirectly to Senator Pritchard and President McKinley. In round numbers, he stated that 1,000 negroes are holding various offices in North Carolina, from Congressman down to school committeeman, and that for this reason it was only meet and proper that the white men assemble themselves together to thwart the impending danger. Senator Pritchard was censured for the threatened coming of Federal troops into the State, and Mr. Simmons' remarks protesting against such a course, were greeted with loud and prolonged cheers. The emphatic statement that negro rule can and must stop was s signal for an outburst of applause. The Democratic party, he continued, was not an enemy to the negro, but proposes to treat him fairly, but there is one fact that he must remember, that this is a government which must be administered by white men. The time has come when the white men must rule North Carolina or leave it and he declared that they are not go ing to leave, but will protect it, their wives and daughters, with their own strong arms; if need be, with their lives. He concluded by again referring to the Federal troops incident, signalizing it as the last measure resorted to by the desperate Republicans, who see no chance of electing their ticket in North Carolina.

Maj. Wm. A. Guthrie.

At the conclusion of his speech, in few happy remarks he introduced Maj. Wm, A. Guthrie as temporary chairman of the meeting.

Maj. Guthrie was greeted with storm of applause. He began his constitutional privilege of consulting together for the public good, the white people of North Carolina had met together to discuss the one supreme issue of white supremacy and of giving information to the people of the middle and western sections of the State with regard to the deplorable state of affairs in the east. It was a meeting for the exchange of views and for the purpose of prescribing a remedy for the deplorable state of affairs into which our eastern counties have unfortunately fallen. A remedy proposed, it then becomes the duty of every white man to meet the issues promptly. The speaker extended thanks to Mr. Simmons for calling upon him to act as chairman of the large organization present and said that he had come with the intenIn view of these things it is resolved:

1. That the Republican leaders have a second time clearly demonstrated their flability and their unfitness to govern North Carolina.

2. That the time has come when those who have followed these leaders should no longer do so, and that all men who love their State and their homes should units in one supreme

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tion of laying aside party differences

and coming breast to breast with his

fellow citizens for the rescue of the

State. Prejudice must be laid aside

and the issue of white supremacy must

be met. Parties and prejudice

caused the present? unfortunate

conditions. It is manifest to any

man who has common sense that if

white men come together in solid

phalanx for the removal of the exist-

ing conditions they have the power in

their own hands. He declared that in

the last election there was found in

the Populist ranks 5,000 professed

Populists, who cast 5,000 votes for a

renegade Governor, and he was elected.

The remedy is in our hands and that

without violence to the constitution.

Let white men come together, elect

members of the General Assembly,

who want a change. Let the

these magistrates elect every other

officer in the county. Continuing, he

said that he had rather live under a

good government as a private citizen

than to be Governor of North Carolina.

if inconsistent methods had to be em-

ployed in his election. Eighteen Pop-

ulists in the Legislature had deserted

their party and sold the flag of the

People's party to Senator Pritchard

and got for it negro postmasters, cus-

tom house officers, etc. He declared

they had turned their flag over to 120.

000 negro voters, and these negroes

hold it now, and until they give it up,

he said in emphatic terms, that the

white man's flag was good enough for

him. [Prolonged applause.] He left

the Republican party when it became

the common enemy of the country.

and he was proud that he belonged to

the Anglo-Saxon race—the race

which carries the Bible and civilization

in one hand and a sword in the other.

When you attempt to put your heels

on our necks, we will wipe you from the

face of the earth. Here he very rev-

rently read from the Bible the story

of the Israelites, and drew a parallel

case with the condition of affairs now

The people must bestir themselves as

in olden times and free themselves

referred to incidentally as a book very

few fusion candidates were familiar

with and cautioned them not to go a-

way and say that he had read a "pack

of Democratic lies." The fusionists

in their desperation he said, had called

on President McKinley "For Good

Lord's sake send us down some federal

troops to keep the people down. He

resented this as an insult to the white

people of North Carolina. He en-

treated everybody to arm themselves

with the ballot and fight for the

honor of their wives and daughters.

At the conclusion of his speech, he

by members of the Democratic press.

Plain Statement of Facts.

races—the Anglo-Saxon and the Afri-

Second. That in some counties the

whites exceed in numbers the blacks,

and in others the blacks largely exceed

the whites; but in all of them the

negro is found in large numbers. Third. It is not claimed even by his

white leaders that the negro is capa-

ble of administering a government.

On the contrary the man who is the

present Republican Governor of the

State, has declared in the most em-

phatic language that he (the negro) is

Fourth. That in many of the coun-

ies, cities, and towns of the east the

local governments have been turned

over wholly, or in part, to the negroes.

Among these we mention Bertie, Craven, Edgecombe, Halifax, New

Hanover, Warren, Greenville, New-

bern and Wilmington. In these coun-

ties, cities and towns, negroes may be

found holding the offices of register

of deeds, deputy sheriffs, constables,

justices of the peace, school commit-

eemen, town commissioners, police-

men, and the like. In several other

counties many of these offices are

filled by negroes, and many of the

Fifth. That counting the offices of

register of deeds, deputy registers,

deputy sheriffs, constables, justices of

the peace, school committeemen, town

nasters, collectors, store-keepers,

raugers and the like, there are now

n office in counties and towns of

Eastern North Carolina, nearly one

thousand negroes; there being nearly three hundred negro magistrates

Sixth. That as a consequence of turn-

ng these local offices over to the ne-

groes, bad government has followed, homes have been invaded, and the

sanctity of women endangered. Busi-

ness has been paralyzed, and property rendered less valuable. The majesty of the law has been disregarded and

awlessness encouraged. In many lo-

calities men cannot rely upon the offi-

cers of the law for protection, for they

are known to be incompetent and cor-rupt. Conditions have become so in-tolerable in these communities that

they can be no longer tolerated or en-

Seventh. That this negro domina-

tion was made possible and these de-plorable conditions were brought

about through a division of the white men at the ballot box. Had the white

men remained together, as they did for many years, those things could

not have been. Eighth. That knowing these evils

came about through a division of the white men, the White Man's Party has been zealously working for months to re-unite the white men at

the ballot box, where these wrongs can be righted and these evils remedied.

dured.

oners, policemen, post-

postoffices are filled by them.

ollowing resolutions:

world the following

Legislature elect magistrates

certain Eastern counties and

nen who love their State and their homes should unite in one supreme effort to redeem the State and to place honest and capable white men in office, in State, county, city and town.

3. That our appeal has been, is now, and shall continue to be, to the ballot box and to honest white men. We have contemplated no violence, but we are determined to use all proper means to free ourselves of this proper means to free ourselves of this negro domination, which is paralyzing our business and which hangs like a dark cloud over our homes.

4. That we declare it is not our pur pose to do the negro any harm. It is better for him as well as for us that the white men shall govern. That while we propose to protect and en-courage him in all his rights and duties of citizenship, we affirm that North Carolina shall not be negroized. It is of all the States of the Union peculiarly the home of the Anglo-Saxon, and the Angle-Saxon shall

5. That we affirm that no such conditions exist in this State as justify Senator Pritchard in calling upon the President to send troops to this State. or in the Governor in issuing his brutal proclamation, and we hereby condemn in the most unmeasured terms the conduct of Senator Pritchard and Governor Russell in attempting to make it appear to the outside world that the descendants of the men of Mecklenburg, Halifax, Albermarle, the Cape Fear, Moore's Creek, of Ala-mance, Guilford Court House and King's Mountain, need the military power of the government which they helped to create and organize, to compel them to observe the law. The white men of this State, above all others, are interested in maintaining law and order, and for them to be charged by Senator Pritchard and Gov Russell with having a purpose to become insurrectionary citizens is a vile slander and we denounce them. They have been leaders in establishing negro domination among us and they are therefore responsible for the conditions now existing, and in appealing to the President to send troops into this State to aid them in maintaining negro domination they have shown that they care less for the honor and reputation of their State than they do for their official positions.

6. That it is in the power of the Legislature to restore to the white men of the East the management and control of their local affairs. That if the Democratic party shall be placed in control of the Legislature this will be done; if the Republican party is placed in control it will not be done. We, therefore, appeal to our white brethren in every section of the State to go to the ballot box on the day of election and vote for the Democratic candidates for the Legislature.

7. That a learned and pure judiciary is necessary to the preservation of the rights of the weak as well as the The Democratic candidates strong. for this high position are men learned in the law and of eminent fitness for this great office. We, therefore appeal to all men who desire learned and pure men to sit upon the bench to work and to vote for Democratic candidates.

8. That the president and secretary of this meeting are hereby directed to cause this statement of facts and these resolutions to be published in all the papers of the State, and that the Democratic Executive Committee be requested to give them the widest possi le circulation among the people.

Resolutions Adopted.

If they are still threatened and it Mr. W. E. Fountain, who is an excomes that daughters and wives have chairman of the Populist State Comto accept insults from the Africans, mittee, and a prominent State polithe white men will show them the tician, was called for and said that the effect of shotguns and Winchester resolutions should be adopted and added that he most heartily endorsed every word in them as well as the exwas given three hearty cheers and cellent speech of Major Guthrie. He unanimously elected permanent chairfollowed in a ringing speech for man, with Mr. J. W. Granger, of Kinswhite supremacy, declaring that party ton, as permanent secretary, assisted strife must be laid aside and the white people come together as a unit for the Ex-Governor T. J. Jarvis then, with brief introductory statement, read the restoration of good government to North Carolina. He said that he was We, a portion of the citizens of under the influence of no politician Eastern North Carolina, in mass meetand that his efforts in the future will ng assembled, being mindful of the bligations we are assuming and being be for white supremacy.

desirous of informing our fellow citi-W. H. Neal, Esq., of Laurinburg, zens of the condition of affairs in our and Donald Gillam, Esq., of Tarboro, section of the State, do publish to the both prominent lawyers of their respective towns, made brief, but elo quent speeches in support of the reso-First. The population of this section lutions. of our State is divided into two distinct

Hon. E. W. Pou, the peerless orator and statesman, moved the unanimous adoption of the resolutions in one of the prettiest speeches of the day. His motion was seconded simultaneously by more than a hundred people and without a dissenting vote the resolu tions were passed amid much applause and manifestations of enthusiasm.

In the Afternoon.

At 2 o'clock P. M. Col. A. M. Waddell, Wilmington's orator and patriot, made a splendid speech, in the Opera House, which was warmly applauded by the large crowd, which filled every available space in the large auditorium. From a stand neatly and tastefully

decorated with flags and bunting. erected in the spacious Farmers' Warehouse, Hons. C. B. Watson, Chas. B. Aycock and E. W. Pou made ringingspeeches which entirely captivated the large audience assembled to hear them. They were speeches from white men to white men and were delivered with telling effect.

Never has Goldsboro or Eastern North Carolina, for that matter, had larger or more enthusiastic gatherng, and the effect of this great convocation of white men will be realized November 8th next.

Brief Mention.

- The ladies of Warsaw presented the band boys with a gorgeous bo-

- Jimmie Monroe was in his glory. as he always is when the girls smile

- That great leader of "the boys," Tom Jarvis, says, briefly, but pointedly: "We've got 'em."

- The genial Griffin, of the Hotel Kennon, was among the busiest men in Goldsboro. But he was equal to the occasion and gave the very best accommodations, both in "bed and

board," to his numerous guests. - The patriotic Democrats of Goldsboro suspended business for several hours, in order that all might take part in the great gathering.

- Asked by a STAR representative if the West was "afire," Cyclone Cy. Watson said: "I have seen nothing to equal it in thirty years."

— Davis, of the S. R. B., escaped this time with his pants and nether garments, but he had to sit up all night to make dead sure of it.