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VICTORY!

A GREAT VICTORY.

A SWEEPING LANDSLIDE.

State is Overwhelmingly Democratic.

THE State has gone Democratic by about 60,000 majority.

The Legislature is overwhelmingly Democratic in both branches. They have elected 102 out of 170 members of the Legislature.

The Democrats will elect every Congressman in the State.

Pou's majority in the district is about 10,000.

The Democrats carried every county east of Raleigh and many there by majorities of 1,500 to 2,000.

The Democrats elected about 16 Solicitors.

All the doubtful counties that were claimed by the Republicans have gone Democratic. Among them are Alamance, Guilford, Orange, Moore, &c.

The prohibition election in Cumberland gave 1000 majority for prohibition.

The so-called "Independent" movement was a dismal failure. Judge Clark ran but little behind his ticket.

The Democrats gained several Congressmen but not quite enough to capture the House of Representatives.

The State of New York went Republican by about 60,000 majority, less than last year and give her electoral vote to a Democratic President.

The result of the election in the United States greatly encourages the Democrats and makes them hopeful of success in 1904 for President.

The result in this State shows that North Carolina is solidly Democratic, and that the Republicans are in a hopeless minority.

The Democrats of North Carolina and of the United States have great cause to rejoice over last Tuesday's election.

WITH power comes responsibility. The voters of North Carolina have again entrusted the Democratic party, and that party will be held responsible for the good government of our State. It will see to it that this power is wisely entrusted and this responsibility faithfully and properly discharged.

While the people expect more from every Legislature than is possible to be accomplished, yet much good or much evil can be done by any Legislature. The next Legislature will be a Democratic that we can and properly be held responsible for all it does. Let us see to it that all acts are wise and proper. Let every member-elect resolve and determine that he will do his utmost for the enactment of good laws and the up-building of our good State.

Serious matters of public concern and perplexing problems will be considered by the next Legislature, which will require careful thought and conservative action. Fortunately there are safe and conservative legislators in each branch of the next General Assembly, and their influence, it is hoped, will secure such legislation as will redound to the public good and fully justify the existence and continuance of Democratic supremacy.

REPUBLICANS stick to their principles much more closely than Democrats do, and will vote almost solidly for any candidate nominated by their party. This was horribly illustrated in the late election. For instance the Republicans voted almost solidly for Mr. Thomas S. Hill for Chief Justice, against Judge Walter Clark, although he was a life long Democrat, and the latter had been the nominee of the Fusionists in 1898.

Another instance was the solid Republican vote for Mr. R. B. Peebles for Judge of this judicial district, who was never nominated by any convention or caucus and nobody knew he was a candidate until his name was found on the Republican ticket on election day. If the same "hue and cry" had been made by the Democrats against it would have received the solid party vote.

But with Democrats it is far different. They are the most independent voters in the world. They scratch their ticket and vote this way and for the whole county.

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THE Supreme Court of this State have an matters before them [illegible] week. There is hope among the people that they will do justice to the people of the State. The people expected something from the Democratic Legislature and they have not been disappointed. Democrats have been in power in this State for years and have passed no such laws as the Republicans and Populists complained of. If the Republicans had been in power they would have passed a dozen such laws. They talked loudly and long about what they would do if they had the chance. They had the chance and did just as they had been doing for years. They did not do what they had promised to do because they had promised to do what they had no right to promise to do. They had promised to do what they had no right to promise to do because they had promised to do what they had no right to promise to do because they had promised to do what they had no right to promise to do because they