

REPUBLICANS should be the last people to accuse anybody or any other party of fraudulent elections. They are the last people to profess to be in favor of a free ballot and fair count." Why, the Republicans actually stole the Presidency and by the most glaring frauds stole whole States!

All fair-minded men must admit that Tilden was fraudulently counted out in 1876 and that South Carolina, Florida and Louisiana were counted for Hayes by the grossest frauds. These historic facts cannot be controverted.

The most corrupt and fraudulent elections now held in the United States are the elections held in Philadelphia, which always gives the largest Republican majorities of any city in the United States. But we need not go as far back as 1876; nor go to other States to prove Republican frauds. Right here in North Carolina Republicans have committed the most outrageous frauds, and against men of their own party at that. The only Republican Governor of this State since 1876 was nominated by fraud and corruption. Now, this is not a "democratic lie" but it is proved by Republican witnesses that Russell was nominated by the most outrageous frauds at the Republican State convention held at Raleigh in May, 1896. In proof of this we copy from Butler's own paper (The Caucasian), published the week after that convention, the following extract:

"The Republicans have been 'whooping her up' for honest elections; have been crying out for an honest ballot and a fair count, and yet the first thing they did in their convention was to begin to filch and steal votes from among themselves. Lord deliver us from any such honest ballot and fair count system as this."

The idea of Republicans who "filch and steal votes from among themselves" posing as or pretending to be a party in favor of "a free ballot and fair count!"

In further proof of how Russell was fraudulently nominated for Governor we cite the evidence of Capt. Frank D. Jones, who is now and has been for several years chairman of the Republican executive committee of this Congressional district. In a letter from him published in THE RECORD of May 28, 1896, was the following strong language:

"The Republican party has always charged the Democratic party with being the party of fraud, corruption, ballot-box stuffing, &c., and yet I venture to say that the Democratic party, in its worse days, never was guilty of such corruption, vote stealing and fraud as were the Russells in that convention, on Friday last."

Now, is not this pretty strong language for a prominent Republican to use about his own party? And after this cheating men of their own party are not these Republicans nice fellows to be pretending to be election reformers?

THE United States Commissioner of Pensions has made his annual report, from which some interesting statistics are gathered. There are now 994,000 pensioners, apportioned as follows: War of revolution, 3, war of 1812, 919, Indian wars, 5,886, Mexican war, 13,095, civil war, 945,358, Spanish war, 16,829, regular establishment 12,734. Of those accredited to the revolution is one widow and two are daughters, Indian wars 2,367 survivors and 3,519 widows, Mexican war 5,214 survivors and 7,821 widows.

There are 4,253 federal pensioners in this State drawing \$509,000 a year, which is more than two and a half times the amount paid to our Confederate pensioners in North Carolina.

The next State Fair will be held October 17 to 22 and promises to be unusually attractive. Certainly an unusually attractive premium list has been issued, there being an increase of 50 per cent in some of the premiums offered in the field and garden crops department. Among other premiums offered is a scholarship in the A. & M. College to any young man who has the largest and best display of agricultural products. Anybody desiring a premium list can get it by writing to Secretary J. E. Pogue at Raleigh.

The railroad fare will be the same as last year, half the regular fare plus 50 cents for admission.

The Philippines Humorously Described.

From The Concord Times.

Mr. Luther H. Corzine, a member of Company D, 7th Infantry, of Manila, writes home to his father, Mr. David Corzine, some impressions of the Philippines and the Filipinos, which we give below:

The Philippines as I saw them are a bunch of trouble gathered together on the western horizon of civilization. They are bounded on the west by hoodooism and smugglers, on the north by rocks and destruction, on the east by typhoons and moonsoons, on the south by cannibals and earthquakes. The climate is a combination of electrical changes especially adapted to raising Cain. The soil is extremely fertile in producing insurrections and trickery. The inhabitants are very industrious, their chief occupation being trench-building, the making of bolos and reloading Remington cartridges. Their amusements are cock-fighting and cheating; their diet consists of boiled rice, stewed rice, fried rice and rice.

The Philippine marriage ceremony is very impressive, especially the clause wherein the wife is given the privilege of working as much as her husband desires. The animal of burden is the Caribon. On a three mile journey it only takes three days rations along; but if the journey be for a hundred miles the driver usually dies of old age before reaching his destination. The rivers are serpentine in their courses, the water running contrary to all known laws of nature. Manila, the capital and largest city, is situated on Manila Bay, a large land-locked body of water full of sharks, battle ships and transport boats. Their principal exports are rice, hemp, sick soldiers and looted soldiers. The principal imports are American soldiers, beer, ammunition and tobacco. Luzon, the largest island of the group, resembles a No. 10 boot. Communication has been established between the cities by using mosquitoes, they being much larger and better able to stand the fatigue of the journey than horses. The native costume consists of a flour sack tied about the waist and any one under 12 years of age have to wait until next year for theirs. The towns are an aggregation of shacks built of bamboo and vipa, full of bed bugs, fleas, cur dogs, filth and disorder. The dogs, cats, pigs, lice and family all sleep together on terms of equality. The natives are a friend at the muzzle of a gun. The climate is pleasant for the ranches, snakes, tarantulas and scorpions. On the whole the islands are a God-for-saken, cannibalized-infested blot on the face of the earth.

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Policeman and Negro Shot.

Special to Charlotte Observer.

Shelby, Aug. 27.—Chief of Police B. E. Hamrick is dying tonight as the result of a shot by a young negro prisoner named Clark, who was put in jail for drunkenness; the negro is also fatally wounded, and Sheriff A. B. Suttle and Police Officer Joe Kendrick are slightly hurt, as a result of Clark's firing. The negro was shot three times by Officer Kendrick after he had fired on the other two officers. The shooting occurred in the Cleveland county jail tonight.

Two negroes, Clark and another whose name cannot be learned, got off the train here late this afternoon in a helplessly drunken condition and carrying a jug of whiskey. They were immediately arrested and taken to the town lock-up, where it is said that they were searched and then locked up. No weapons were found on them. They made so much noise and cursed so that their presence in the town prison became a nuisance to the people in the neighborhood and they were taken to jail. After being placed in a cage they continued their boisterousness and Officer Hamrick entered the cell in an attempt to quiet them. As soon as he got inside the bars, Clark drew a pistol and fired on him, the ball entering the upper side of the chest and piercing the lung. Hamrick fell into the arms of Charles Eskridge, a young man who is employed about the jail, and the latter immediately carried him outside the cell. The negro then turned his pistol upon Sheriff Suttle and fired, the ball grazing his abdomen, and then shot Deputy Sheriff Kendrick, who by this time had drawn his revolver, and shot Clark three times. Kendrick was wounded in the neck, but not seriously hurt.

Aeronauts Headed Wrong Way. St. Louis, Aug. 27.—With hardly a cloud in the sky and a light east wind, Geo. C. Tomlinson, of Syracuse, and Prof. Carl Meyers, of Frankfurt, N. Y., the contestants for the \$5,000 prize offered by the Louisiana Purchase Exposition to the aeronaut who comes the nearest to reaching the Washington monument, at Washington, D. C., made successful ascensions today from the Plaza of New Orleans at 5 p. m. The balloons gently inclined toward the west as they ascended, and then, suddenly striking a heavy current of air, sweeping from the east, they heeled due west at considerable speed. The vast concourse of spectators, which had cheered lustily when the ascent began, renewed the cheers when it was realized that the balloons were proceeding in exactly the opposite direction from the goal. The balloons were visible for 30 minutes and then disappeared from view in the western sky. Both were stocked with provisions sufficient for two days. Each balloonist carried with him carrier pigeons, which will be released periodically en route and convey messages to the World's Fair grounds.

This was the first aerial contest conducted under the auspices of the exposition management.

Two Killed in Automobile Race. St. Louis, Aug. 28.—Blinded by the dust thrown by the swiftly moving machine of A. C. Webb, of Toledo, Ohio, Barney Oldfield, of Cleveland, Ohio, lost control of his machine in a false start of the fifth event of the World's Fair automobile speed contest today, and crashing through the outside fence of the course, instantly killed John Scott, a watchman employed at the park, and inflicted injuries on Nathan Montgomery, a negro, from which he died a few hours later. Oldfield was painfully injured and his machine completely demolished.

The accident occurred after a false start. The flagman vainly attempted to signal Oldfield and Webb, who were leading, that the start was not allowed, but they did not see his flag and continued around the course at a high rate of speed. Shortly after passing the first turn of the mile track Webb secured the lead by a narrow margin, and the men were in relatively the same position when passing the three-quarter pole. In making the turn Webb's machine skidded and raised a blinding cloud of dust that completely blinded Oldfield, and not being able to see he had completed the turn, Oldfield continued his course and crashed through the fence.

Sour Stomach. When the quantity of food taken is too large or the quality too rich, sour stomach is likely to follow, and especially so if the digestion has been weakened by constipation. Eat slowly and not too freely of easily digested food. Masticate the food thoroughly. Let five hours elapse between meals, and when you feel a fullness and weight in the region of the stomach after eating, take Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets and the sour stomach may be avoided. For sale by G. R. Pilkington.

J. A. Long has been nominated for the Senate and J. B. Cunningham for the House, in Person county.

Negro Murderer Smoked Out.

Macoh Ga., Aug. 28.—A few days ago J. A. Bishop, a prominent farmer of Wilcox county, was murdered on an Atlantic & Birmingham train by a negro, who at once escaped. A search for him has continued and he was located tonight near the village of Rebecca. He refused to leave the house. It was at once burned by the mob, and the negro, running out, was shot two or three times. He has, it is said, made a confession implicating others who are now being sought for. When these are taken the mob now holding the wounded man will decide upon further action. The name of the negro is Scott. The A. & B. road sent out a special to Rebecca from Cordele tonight, and it was filled with people.

Killed by Trap Gun. Birmingham, Ala., Aug. 26.—Jim Streeter, a negro was killed today by a trap gun in the store of R. F. Lay & Son, at Poylerly, a suburb. The store has been burglarized repeatedly during the past few months. Eight weeks ago a bear trap was set in the place and Ollie Gray, a negro was caught in it and is now in jail. Depredations continued and the firm finally resorted to trap guns. Before Streeter died he confessed that he had an accomplice who had escaped but refused to give his name.

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A through freight from Raleigh to Monroe, on the Seaboard Air Line, was wrecked at Pee Dee Saturday afternoon by running into a culvert which had been washed out by the heavy rains. The engineer, Alex. Adams, and fireman Shiplett were killed, being buried under the wreckage. About five box cars were smashed into pieces. The main part of the train was composed of flat cars, loaded with cross-ties, and several of these cars were badly torn up.

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