## HON. CYRUS THOMPSON AT NEWTON.

**A Thousand Voters Heard the Defender of the Constitution and the Upholder of Liberty Make an Eloqnent and Convincing Speech.'**

NEWTON, N. C., July 7th, 1900.

Dr. Cyrus Thompson spoke here today. Yesterday Hon. C. B. Aycock Democratic nominee for Governor, was here, and spoke to a gathering reported to have numbered between four and five thousand, by his friends. Twenty-five hundred would be a liberal estimate of that number; and it is a well known fact that the gathering was composed of one-tenth of voters, and nine-tenths women and children. The effort of Mr. Aycock's friends to procure for him a big show, inspired them to beg everything to turn out to swell the crowd, whether they listened to Mr. Aycock's speech or not. And this effort met with something like a show of success.

Special efforts were put forth to make the occasion something like a gala day, and some of the people were attracted by the report that the streets were ablaze with bunting, flags, etc. They were simply out for a lark, without any comprehension or appreciation of the purpose for which the speaking had been arranged.

To-day, Dr. Thompson addressed a crowd of nearly one thousand of the sturdy voters and representative people of the county. There were no frills of any kind, and the audience was composed almost exclusively of substantial white citizens, who listened with the closest attention to one of the strongest speeches ever made in North Carolina. The crowd sat for two hours and a half without any sign of impatience, and whatever sign there was made during the speech was in favor of his continuance, after the speaker had stopped.

Dr Thompson began his speech by a pleasing reference to the decorations, flag flying, &c. of the day before; and then declared that he was in favor of the flag and believed in the doctrine that the Constitution followed the flag.

He stated that the size of the crowd and the character of his hearers was an agreeable surprise to him—that following the great day of Mr. Aycock's speaking, he had expected but a small audience—that he had never spoken in North Carolina to a more intelligent and inspiring audience than he saw before him. That he had no barbecue to offer, and that the presence of the sturdy yeomanry of Catawba was a declaration unmistakeable that they comprehended the fact that they could not live by barbecue alone.

After adverting to the fact of Mr. Aycock's refusal of a joint discussion, a democratic lawyer in the audience rose up and asked, "Do you think that it is fair, in the absence of Mr. Aycock to say that he has run from a joint discussion?" to which the answer came quick, 'I cannot say it in his presence, because he is not here. And I know this to be true, and you will admit it, that if he had challenged me for a joint discussion, and I had refused, you and he and every Democrat in North Carolina that supports him would have proclaimed it everywhere that I had raised the white feather, and had run away because I was afraid to meet him. I think that my statement is fair."

The lawyer then said, coming inside of the bar, "Well, there is a man here that is not afraid to meet you, if Mr. Aycock is," to which Dr Thompson answered, "That being the case, there is but one logical conclusion, to-wit; that the Democratic State Convention made an egregious blunder when it nominated the Wayne man for Governor, instead of the Catawba man."

This put a quietus for a time on this SELF IMPORTANT young lawyer. Later on, however, in the discussion, this same lawyer, with a broad, satisfied countenance, called out, "Oh, you ought to vote white! You ought to vote white!"

Dr. Thompson said, "Well, what do you mean by that? What is required for a man to vote white?"

The lawyer answered, "Vote the Democratic ticket."

Dr. Thompson asked, "Does that make a man white?"

The lawyer replied, "Yes."

Then said Dr Thompson, "If that be the case, you will find that Lowesville, in Lincoln county, one hundred and ten negroes who are white men, because there ARE ONE HUNDRED AND TEN NEGROES THERE who voted the Democratic ticket in 1898. And this is remarkable. It is stated in the Scripture that the leopard cannot change his spots, nor the Ethiopian his skin. But if what you say is true, the negro in North Carolina becomes a white man, and loses his color, simply by voting the Democratic ticket."

The speaker discussed the Constitutional Amendment in its different phases. He declared that the amendment as it now stands, was not the amendment to which the Democratic party pledged itself, at its recent State Convention, and that it was not the amendment which was passed by the Legislature of 1899; but an amended amendment, which might again be amended on the 24th of July. That after all, it was not the amendment which the Democratic party proposed to pass in the beginning of the session of 1899; that THAT amendment proposed not only an educational qualification, but also a three hundred dollar property qualification; and proposed to raise the poll tax age from fifty years to sixty years. And that it did not have 1908 as the great day for the ending of the hereditary fitness of the white man for the ballot, but the year 1902.

He declared that this whole scheme was an effort to strike down the ballots of white men who would not bow to the Democratic oligarchy, under cover of the ignorant negro; but that the amendment now has 1908 in it, instead of 1902, not for the purpose of adding to its constitutionality, but for the purpose of beginning this elimination of white voters at the earliest day that they could be deceived into accepting it. He further said that what they wanted in the beginning, they would secure in the end, if they succeeded in this campaign. That every State south of us had gone further than this proposition goes; that Virginia is going further, and that North Carolina, under the leadership of the Democratic party would go as far as this, because the spirit which animates the democracy of the South, is the same in North Carolina as it is in Louisiana, Mississippi, South Carolina and Virginia. He declared that if this amendment discriminates against the negro because of his previous condition of servitude, and is therefore set aside by the Supreme Court of the United States, that the adoption of it will not in any wise settle the negro question in North Carolina, for the reason that it would inevitably be set aside as in contravention of that portion of the XVth amendment, which declares that the rights of suffrage cannot be denied or abridged because of previous condition of servitude; that if it is adopted, and set aside, the only purpose that can be served by its agitation in this campaign in the event of its adoption, is to give the Democratic party the offices in North Carolina. Whereupon he remarked that if every office in North Carolina was held by a Democrat, and not one anywhere in the State by a Republican or Populist, you would hear nothing of negro domination, and no proposal of eliminating the negro; because the negro is objectionable to the Democratic party only because he does not always vote en mass the democratic ticket. Wherever they control him, and get the benefit of his vote they accept it as at LOWESVILLE, AND CALL HIM WHITE. They forgot the pleas of negro domination, as in Halifax, which in their session of 1899 they did not put in their old time county government system, but left as free to elect magistrates, commissioners and all county officials, as if the county of Halifax had not a negro in it.

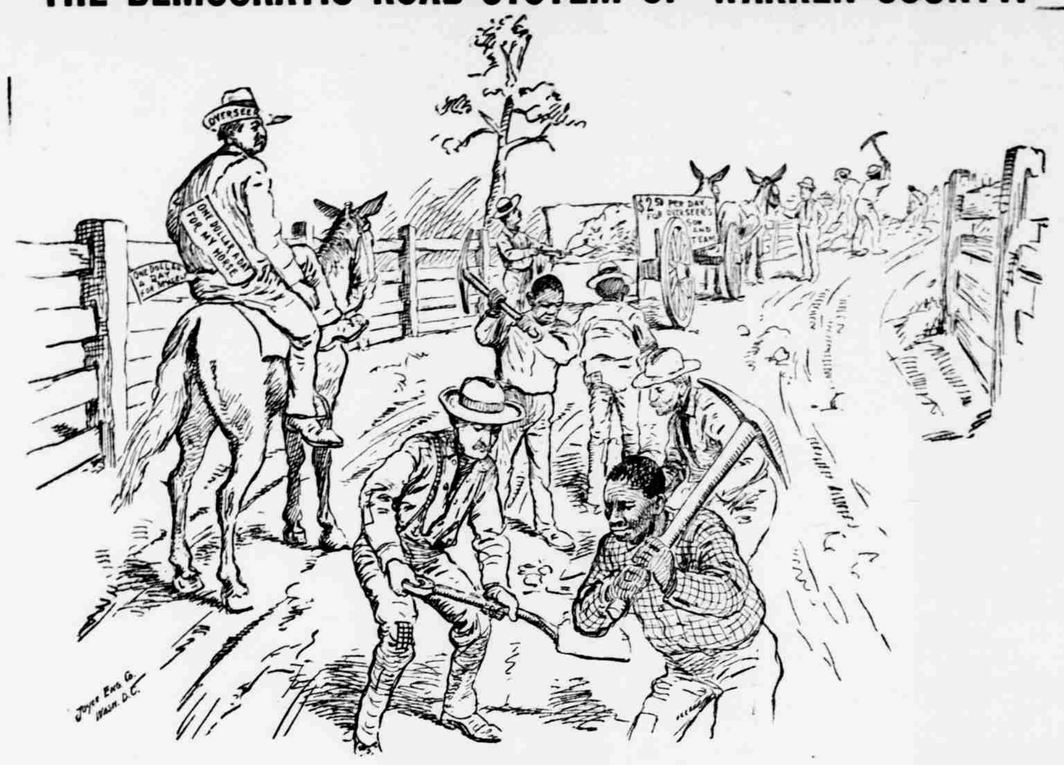
He then adverted to the fact that Waddell said in his Montgomery, Alabama, address in May, that fifty thousand negroes would still be left with the right to vote in North Carolina after the adoption of the amendment—that nowhere was the number estimated to be less than thirty thousand; and that when the Democratic party passed a primary election law for each political party in North Carolina, as it will do, the howl of negro will be transferred from the general election to the primary election, and every man will be denounced as a negro and a negro lover who does not go into the Democratic primaries, and so the negro will not be eliminated if the amendment is adopted; and so there cannot arise any strong party in North Carolina, other than the Democratic party, after the adoption of the amendment, any easier than before. He cited this instance: that in South Carolina the negro had been eliminated in politics. He said that the illiterate and poor white man had been eliminated also; that a Republican in South Carolina, since the elimination of the negro from politics in that State, desired to run for Congress. This Republican was a man of wealth and of good family. What white Republicans there were in his District voted for him, and what negroes were left voted for him; and yet the Democrats of his State drove him out of the State, and according to the newspaper reports, slaughtered his brother. Therefore, this thing will not bring peace. It will not give room for a strong political party, in opposition to the Democratic party! It will build the Democratic machine in North Carolina as it has done in South Carolina, and in Louisiana, and in Mississippi.

The whole purpose of this scheme is to get rid, as speedily as possible, of the patriotic white voter, who will not be controlled by the Democratic machine in North Carolina.

The election law was discussed, and it was clearly shown that the disfranchisement of the white man is possible under the election law, through the arbitrary refusal of registrars, and through the throwing out of the ballots of illiterate white men, who now may put their ballots into the wrong box.

This speech had a powerful effect, and the Populists in Catawba county were never in better shape than now and there is no reason in the world why Catawba county should not go five hundred majority against the amendment, after allowing for reasonable stealage.

# THE DEMOCRATIC ROAD SYSTEM OF WARREN COUNTY.




## White Men and Negroes Forced to Work the Roads Side by Side, and also to Pay Taxes to Pay Salaries of Democratic Overseers and Their Sons and Their Teams

Hon. Chas. A. Cook, member of the Legislature from Warren county, in the General Assembly of 1897, secured the passage of an important road law. It freed the poor white man from the burdensome duty of working the public roads, and besides relieved them from being forced to work them side by side with negro road hands. The law provided for a small tax (most of which was paid by the wealthy who used the road most) which fund was to be used for hiring labor to make good roads. The Democratic Legislature of 1899 repealed part of this law. This did not repeal the part requiring the tax to be paid for working the roads, but they repealed the part which emancipated the peopls from the burdensome duty of working the roads themselves and forced them to go back to the old system. The Democratic law left the tax to be paid by the people and forced the same people to pay a part of the same tax to work the public roads, while a large part of the funds raised by taxation is given to overseers and their sons and their teams. The facts in full about this vicious legislation are given below:

### Facts About Warren County Road Law.

The fusion legislature of 1895 and 1897 freed the poor people from working on the roads, and provided for the working of the same by taxation (Chap. 449, laws 1895, page 475, and laws 1897, ch. 92, page 146.) Thus, no one was compelled to work the roads, and they were worked by men who were hired and paid for labor and paid for their services.

The crazy legislature of 1899 repealed those statutes and forced the poor people to work upon the roads four days per annum without compensation. (Acts 1899, ch. 581) and they are also taxed the same rate, the taxes or tax modey being paid to the overseers or superintendents who are making money out of it, while the poor white men and colored men have to work together side by side upon the roads four days in the year, and the Democratic bosses call that white supremacy.

Not a cent of the taxes under Democratic management has ever been expended in WORKING upon the roads but it is all paid for overseering and superintending the poor white and colored freemen while at work; and paying for the hire of the horses, wagons, sons, &c, of the overseers.

The amount of money raised by taxation varies from $4000 to $5000.

The poor white people are forced to work side by side with the colored people, or pay $2.00 in lieu of work; or will be guilty of a misdemeanor and fine, or imprisonment. See Section 5 of chapter 581, page 778, Laws of 1899

To The Voters of Warren County: Which system do you like best? If you don't like the Democratic system that works negroes and white men on the roads side by side and in addition force them to pay a tax to support the Democratic bosses, then vote for Hon. C. A. Cook, for the Legislature,

## HERE IS THE PROOF.

### A PROPERTY QUALIFICATION IS TO FOLLOW THE "AMENDED" AMENDMENT THE DISFRANCHISERS SCHEMES FOR THE FUTURE LAID BARE.

**The Fulfillment of a Prediction Made by the People's Party is Being Quietly and Sneakingly Pushed Foward.**

The People's Party predicted in 1898, that if the Democrats came into power, they would inaugurate schemes that would disfranchise the people.

The Democrats denied this.

But the schemes of disfranchisement are before the people.

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The People's Party is now predicting that if the Democrats are continued in power, they will add a PROPERTY QUALIFICATION to the schemes already before the people

The Democrats are denying this

But the scheme and purpose both are laid bare by the following affidavit:

STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA,
Wake County.

G. D Hayes on his honor states that on or about April 17th, 1900. Gaston Powell, Democratic member of the House of Representatives of North Carolina, from Wake county, stated to him, in the presence of Mr B. E Bevers, of Oak Grove township, in said county, and State, while speaking of the proposed suffrage amendment that, "IT WILL NOT DO TO REQUIRE TOO MUCH OF THE PEOPLE AT ONCE" that if in this election (Aug 1900) we can carry this proposed amendment requiring an EDUCATIONAL qualification, then afterwards we can submit another amendment requiring a PROPERTY QUALIFICATION.'

(Signed) G. D. HAYES.

I, B. E. Bevers, do solemnly swear that the above statement of G. D. Hayes is true and correct.

(Signed) B. E. BEVERS.

Sworn to and subscribed before me this July 14th, 1900.

JOHN NICHOLS, J. P.

## WHITE SUPREMACY.

**Gone to Seed—White Man Put Out and a Negro Put In His Place.**

It is all right for a negro to get between every poor man and his job and rule prices of white labor; but when the negro, by his vote, gets between some politician and his pie, then a great cry is raised and every one who does not join in the cry is a "nigger lover."

It is said Edwards & Broughton, State Printers and proprietors, of the Biblical Recorder have become tired of negro supremacy. It is said they gave a negro a white pressman's job. If this is so, it is as bad as giving some white politician's job to some other white man by a few negro votes.

## ONLY ELEVEN

**To Hear R. D. Gilmer Speak in Duplin County.**

On last Saturday, R. D. Gilmer spoke in Magnolia township in Duplin county. After advertising far and near, he had out to hear him the whole number of ELEVEN and two of these were Pops. This shows the situation in this county. We are WHITE MEN and don't have to wear a red button to let people know it.

C. M.

### Wilful Deception.

Mercury Times.

Eliminate the negro vote and Bryan's majority in North Carolina would exceed 100,000 without a canvass. And yet there are those who pretend to favor Bryan and the reforms for which he stands, who are working hand in hand to keep the 120,000 negro anti-Bryan and anti-Democrat vote on the books to kill the vote of 120,000 good white men.—News and Observer.

The criminal ignorance or wilful deception displayed in the above extract from a Democratic editorial is inexcusable. The News and Observer, if it knows anything, is aware of the fact that if the amendment is adopted it will not prevent negroes voting at the November election. Section 9 of the amendment says:

"That this amendment to the Constitution, shall go into effect on the first day of July, 1902, if a majority of votes cast at the next general election shall be cast in favor of this suffrage amendment."

This is a sample of the lying deception Democratic papers and speakers are using to influence and mislead Populists.

At every public speaking get up one or more clubs for THE CAUCASIAN. See our campaign offer.

## KELLY AND LLOYD AT LUMBERTON.

**The Political Trust The Most Dangerous Trust to The People of North Carolina.**

Lumberton, N. C., July 10.—There was a good gathering in the Court house Monday to hear Congressman Kelly, of South Dakota, and Capt. J. B. Lloyd, who discussed the momentus issues that now so vitally concern the people of North Carolina. Mr. Kelly said when he came to this State he expected to discuss imperialism, finance, transportation and trusts, but he found here an effort being made to establish the greatest and most dangerous trust ever known, a political trust, and that it was useless for him to discuss national issues when the people of this State are confronted by such serious conditions.

He discussed ably the proposed constitutional amendment and said that section 5 of said amendment was unconstitutional and would be so declared by the courts, and that the balance of the amendment would stand, which would result in disfranchising forty or fifty thousand honest illiterate whites. He quoted with good effect such great constitutional lawyers as Senators Stewart, Teller, Pettigrew and Allen who said that section 5 was unconstitutional; that the courts would so declare and the balance of the amendment would stand.

The audience was thoroughly appreciative and attentive.

Mr Kelly spoke for over an hour, and after he concluded Capt. Lloyd gave us a very strong argument against the amendment. He said that great Constitutional lawyers, men of great prominence and acknowledged ability, men who had helped to shape the policy of the country for thirty odd years, men of long experience who had grappled with great constitutional questions, for years, had declared that the grand father clause in the amendment was clearly unconstitutional, and that the courts would declare that the ballance of the amendment would stand, thereby giving to North Carolina a strictly educational qualification suffrage which would apply to both white and black alike, and result in the disfranchisement of at least fifty thousand white men in North Carolina; that such was sufficient to create a reasonable and serious doubt, and that no person who was opposed to disfranchising white men could afford to take the risk of voting for the amendment; that the only safe thing the illiterate white men could do would be to vote against the amendment.

He spoke with great force and effect, and his speech was highly appreciated by the audience. The Populists of Robeson county are enthusiastic and are determined to use all their best efforts to hold Robeson and save the State.

POP.

## FUSION IN NEBRASKA.

**Between Populists, Democrats and Silver Republicans.**

The three reform parties met in in Lincoln, Neb., July 12th and agreed on State fusion. The Democrats gave way and only got Attorney General. The Republicans got Lieutenant Governor. The Populists have a majority of voters in that State.

There was a dispute over the Vice-Presidential candidate. But the Populists claim that they cannot take Towne town, and indications are they will not do so.

## HON. CYRUS THOMPSON AT CONCORD.

**Speaks to the Largest Concourse of Voters, Both Day and Night, That Has Assembled in That Town in Two Years.**

Concord, N. C., July 4.—The campaign being conducted by the Populist party through its speakers and its press, is one of the most vigorous ever waged in North Carolina, and the effect of it is being plainly seen on the sturdy yeomanry, and the honest, intelligent voters of the State.

Not in years have the people been so interested in the questions which are confronting them, and at perhaps no time in the history of the State have the people been as thoroughly determined to vote for their convictions, after having studied and examined the issues of the coming election.

Hon. Cyrus Thompson, the nominee of the Populist party for Governor, spoke here in the day to six hundred of the representative people of Cabarrus county, and at night to a large gathering of the people of the town, including the mill men of various factories surrounding Concord. Dr. Thompson is making the greatest speeches of his life; he commands the undivided attention of the people, and he is drawing crowds four or five times as great in number as the Democratic nominee for Governor is drawing.

It is a well known fact that in Concord, not so many as fifty farmers came to hear Aycock, and it is equally well known that a concourse of about six hundred people from the country came to hear Dr. Thompson. Every township in the county was well represented, and the concensus of their opinion, after hearing the speech, was that no method that could be applied to the good people of Cabarrus county, by the Democratic machine, would persuade them to vote that machine into power; nor can the machine count itself into power in that county.

Cabarrus is solid for civil and political liberty, as will be shown on the day of election.

## RANDOLPH COUNTY FIRM FOR LIBERTY.

**A Democratic Candidate Withdraws—Big Majority Against the Amendment.**

Special to the Gazette.

ASHEBORO, July 10.—The Democrats are demoralized in this county. Affidavit J. H. Pou spoke here today but there was no enthusiasm whatever.

Jerome Smith, one of the Democratic candidates for the legislature, has withdrawn from the race, and the Democratic leaders are now sifting the woods trying to get some one to make the race. It is possible that the Republican candidates for the legislature will only have one opponent in the field. They know they are leading a forlorn hope. The amendment will be buried by one thousand majority.

S. W. L.

Now is the time to send THE CAUCASIAN to your friends. Remember we are sending it below cost.

## A SPECIMEN LETTER.

**By a Man Who Cannot Read and Write, and Who is Fool Enough to Disfranchise Himself.**

WOLF MOUNTAIN N C

the Editor of caucasian I want youe to stop senden me your Dam Lien Paper for I am a white man and Don't want to rede it and some of my nabers sed they was tired of it to, you air turn all the Republican over to the Democrats Party By your Lies Elias Galloway

wolf mountain
N C

The above letter was received here through the mail on the 16th. We want to say that it is easier to say a thing is a lie than to prove it. That is why the Democratic candidates would not meet ours in joint discussion of the issues.

We are willing to accept our friend's claim that he is a "white man." If he had not mentioned it the question would not have occured to us. The fact that men have to label themselves or advertise the fact that they are 'white,' shows that there is some doubt about it.

We do not want to say our friend is "lien" but we are not foolish enough to believe, however, that THE CAUCASIAN is turning Republicans to the Democratic party. If that were true, our friend would want a dozen copies, unless he has less horse sense than we credit him with.

We want to say to our friend, that it is his class of "WHITE MEN" we are trying to save from the grinding Simmons machine. For unless he learns to read and write better than his letter indicates (and we have quoted it verbatim) the amendment will disfranchise him, while it will permit 60,000 negroes to vote.

In conclusion, we want to say to our friend, that both are bad, but it is more hopeful to be considered a liar than a fool. A liar can be reformed and saved, but a fool never.

## CONGRESSMAN KELLY SPEAKS.

**A Large Crowd—Speech Did Good—The People Tired of the Osborne-Glenn Rot. Special to The Caucasian.**

GREENVILLE, N. C., July 14.

Congressman Kelly, of South Dakota, spoke here to-day to a court house full of voters. The Democrats would call such a crowd 1,500. Mr. Kelly made a telling speech, and it did good. It aroused our people to see that their political liberties shall not be taken from them under the false cry of "nigger" domination. Mr. Kelly has gotten his eyes open to the campaign cry of "nigger rule" in the South. He will be able to enlighten the people in the West and in Congress, as to the so called Democracy of the South.

After his speech Osborne spoke to about half as large a crowd. But his hearers did not seem enthused They say they have heard such rot until they have gotten sick and tired. Democrats say they are actually disgusted at their own leaders and speakers.

We will give Dr. Thompson a good large crowd and hearing here on the 21st. Pitt county will do her part. Nothing but theft by the machine can defeat us, and we will catch them at that.

## NEW CONVERTS.

**In Brunswick County—Will Carry the County by a Good Majority.**

Special to the Caucasian.

You can tell the people that we Populists are yet on top in old Brunswick and gaining strength every day, in spite of Messrs Aycock, Roundtree and Craige. We expect to lift old Brunswick county from under the Simmons misrule by a handsome majority. Well may the Wilmington Star use the word doubtful when speaking of Brunswick; for the Star knows Brunswick is a Populist territory this time, in spite of all they can say or do, for there has been such a coming back of Democrats to the Populists that we have several men on our township ticket that never voted anything but the Democratic ticket, but say they are done. We expect to carry this, Shallotte Township. In this election, it gave a Democratic majority in 1898 of 108; but we are sure of it in this fight. It has a voting population of about 475, and the Democrats are sick, you bet.

B. K. G.

## WHITE MEN DENIED REGISTRATION

**More Proof That the Simmons Disfranchising Machine is After the White Man More Than the Negro.**

For the Caucasian:

Whiteville, N. C., July 7.—The Democratic registrar in Fairbluff township is refusing to register white men without any cause. I mention a case in point:

Mr. John Edmund, a man who is forty years old, a farmer, and who has lived here all of his life and voted at every election has been denied registration. He answered correctly every question and complied fully in every respect with the law. After the registrar had sworn him he proceeded to enter his name on a slip of paper. When Mr Edmunds called the attention of the registrar to the fact that he ought to register him by putting his name in the Registration BOOK and not on a separate piece of paper, the registrar got mad and refused to register him at all. This registrar is no doubt acting under instructions from Mr. Simmons. Thus we see that this political machine has begun already to disfranchise white men even before they get their infamous disfranchising amendment adopted. Their high handed conduct has caused much indignation here and will cause the amendment to lose many votes. This is a case where truly, "Whom the gods would destroy they first make mad."

## KELLY AND LLOYD AT KENANSVILLE.

### DEMOCRATS CONVERTED BY THE SOUTH DAKOTA CONGRESSMAN ARE STRONGEST OPPONENTS

**Of the Amendment—Frank Osborne was Present, and Appreciating the Damage Done by Mr. Kelly, Tried to Get Together an Audience of Democrats to Repair the Damage Done to the Sinking Ship, But His Effort Was a Failure—Fair Minded People are Opposed to Such Bushwhacking Methods as Mr. Osborne Indulged in.**

Mr. Kelly and Capt. Lloyd spoke to an appreciative audience at Kenansville July 12. The court house was well filled, and the audience listened with the closest attention to the clear cut, forcible arguments that were presented by Mr. Kelly and Capt. Lloyd. A man who wore a white supremacy button approached your correspondent after the speeches and remarked: "What is Mr. Kelly's politics?" Upon being informed that he was a Populist, he continued: "Well, he made a pretty fair Democratic speech except as to the amendment. I have always been a Democrat, but I had my doubts about that amendment before, and since I heard his speech I am convinced that the amendment hits the poor white man who cannot read, harder than the negro, and I shall vote against it. I am through with this button too."

Mr. Osborne, a member of the "new moon legislature," sneaked into our town without any notice, and pretended that he wanted a division of time. His proposition was that he be given an hour and a half to open and an hour to close, and would listen to no other proposition. Of course he knew such a proposition could not be granted, and that is why he put it that way. He then sat down and listened to Mr. Kelly's speech, and as that gentleman proceeded Osborne began to grow smaller and smaller, and at the close of the speech I think an ordinary sugar bowl would fairly have covered Osborne, he had so shrunken down into his corner.

Mr. Kelly stated in his remarks, that at any of his meetings in the State he would give an equal division of time under the following conditions: His opponent must be a man of position, a thorough gentleman, a man who does not countenance vandalism, redshirtism and anarchists, (this is pretty hard on Democratic speakers admi) and in addition to this must give previous notice of his desire for a joint discussion so the same can be properly advertised. This did not strike Osborn favorably, for it was evident that he did not dare meet the South Dakota Congressman in a fair, open debate. But Osborne still had a card up his sleeve that was not played.

Shortly after Mr. Kelly finished speaking he went out, hunted about town and got together all the boys and Democratic strikers, and after Mr. Kelly and Capt Lloyd had finished and left the hall, Osborn began to harangue the kids and scattering Democrats. A few of us Populists went in out of curiosity. For an hour he raved and fanned the air. He did not attempt to answer the former arguments that had been made, simply stating that the amendment would disfranchise no one but foreign born people and niggers. Nearly his whole time was taken up with abuse and low down flings at Mr Kelly.

When the latter gentleman was informed by your correspondent of Osborne's work his comment was: "It is the hir cur that yelps," and then continued, this fellow Osborne has by his action to-day placed himself beyond the pale of recognition by any gentleman. The vilest of men can scarcely equal this bushwhacker Osborne who attacks an adversary behind his back when he is out of sight and hearing. 'His coming here to-day, Mr. Kelly continued, "reminds me very much of the man who had a collision with a polecat, he annihilated the brute but he still got the worst of it."

We have already won many Democrats over against the amendment in this county and once their eyes are opened, they are the strongest advocates against it.

OBSERVER.

### NEGRO "WHITE SUPREMACY."

The people of the State at first refused to believe that the Simmons Machine will dare to appoint negro judges of the election over the heads of and against the protest of white men.

THE CAUCASIAN announced last week a list of these negro judges appointed in many eastern counties under the dictation of "nigger" calamity howling Simmons. Since then we have received information from many other places showing that negroes have been appointed by the wholesale. The list would fill a column of THE CAUCASIAN.

We give a few more illustrations:

In Pitt county, out of fourteen poll holders, to which the Populists were entitled, the Democratic election board appointed NINE negroes, when the Populists offered and recommended the names of good and intelligent white men.

In Greene county, the Democratic election board appointed seven negroes as election judges over the heads and protest of white men

Not only did Populists and white Republicans petition the Democratic election boards to appoint good white men for every precinct, but also many fair Democrats joined in these petitions everywhere.

What do good Christian Democrats think of this?

If this is not negro "White Supremacy," what is it?"


IF THE BABY IS CUTTING TEETH

Be sure and use that old and well tried remedy, Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup for children teething. It soothes the child, softens the gums, allays all pain, cures wind colic and is the best remedy for diarrhoea. 25 cts. per bottle.


## FOURTEENTH SENATORIAL CONVENTION

**Kennedy and Robinson Nominated by Acclamation.**

[Clinton Caucasian.]

The Senatorial convention of the 14th District met at Roseboro, Sampson county, N. C., June 28th 1900 and was called to order by W. F. Sessoms, chairman of the committee. Hon. R. M. Cruviler was made chairman of the convention and Prof. F. I. McKenzie of Autryville was made secretary.

Messrs J. T. Kennedy of Sampson county and E. N. Robinson of Bladen county were nominated by acclamation to represent the 14th Senatorial District in the next State Senate of North Carolina. The issues of the day were ably discussed by Messrs Geo. E. Butler and Jno. E. Fowler. A large attendance was present.

At the close of the convention a Populist club was organized with J. W. Underwood president, A. M. Hall vice president and John G. Melvin secretary and C. F. Bullard assistant secretary. The club enrolled 30 members.

The convention is greatly indebted to Messrs Owen Autry, A. M. Hall and A. M. Lamb for the hospitalities shown it during its session. Mr. W. F. Sessoms was elected chairman of the Senatorial Committee for the next two years.

## JOHNSTON COUNTY CONVENTION

**Ex-Congressman Fowler Speaks—Strong Resolutions Passed and a Good Ticket Nominated.**

For the Caucasian.]

Smithfield, N. C., July 10.—John E. Fowler, Populist from Sampson county, spoke in the court house here yesterday to a large crowd. His speech was able and convincing. He exposed the false promises of the Democratic party in the last campaign, when they solemnly promised to submit this disfranchising amendment.

He showed that this amendment (even if constitutional) would, after 1908, a law forty thousand more negroes or more to vote, while many thousand white men could not vote.

After the speech, the county convention was held.

The committee on Resolutions introduced the following resolution, which was adopted:

"The citizens of Johnston county this day assembled. Resolved, That this is a free citizen and non-partisan convention, and that all electors, regardless of former political affiliations and opposed to the present infamous election law and the proposed constitutional amendment, are eligible and invited to participate in this convention."

After the above resolution was adopted the convention proceeded to nominate a county ticket, which was as follows:

For the Senate, H. F. Peedin, Populist.

For the House of Representatives, D. T. Massey, ex-chairman Populist county executive committee and John Sanders, Republican.

Sheriff, King H. Parker, Republican, father of the county chairman.

Register of Deeds, Andrew Fitzgerald, Populist.

Coroner, Dr. Parker, Republican, cousin of the county chairman.

Treasurer, J. W. Parker, Populist.

County Commissioners—J. W. Parker, Republican; MacD. Langdon, Republican; William Raines, Populist; Zeb Jones, Republican; Ephriam Pittman, Populist.

It is a strong ticket. Send us another speaker. THE CAUCASIAN is doing fine work. Your Cartoons have laid the News and Observer in the shade.

Look out for a good report from old Johnston. The honest masses are being aroused to the dangers ahead, if the Democratic machine again gets the Legislature.

Johnston county wants Marion Butler to go back to the Senate.

## NEGROES WILL LEAVE.

**They Have Meetings and Pass Resolutions Saying They Will Leave if the Amendment Passes**

Tarboro Southerner.

The Primitive Baptist church (col.,) at Harpers, about two miles from Cross Roads Meeting House, have adopted the following resolutions, which were sent to this paper for publication:

"To the colored citizens of Edgecombe county:

"Whereas, The Legislature of 1900 offered an amendment to the State Constitution, to be voted on in August; and

"Whereas, The object of this amendment is to keep colored men who cannot read and write from voting in the future;

"Resolved, That it has always been our wish that the colored people could get along in peace here with the white people of the county, and at the same time have the right which was given us by the Constitution of the United States to vote, and the purpose now being to keep uneducated colored men from voting.

"Resolved, That in our opinion if thousands of our colored citizens are to be denied the right to vote hereafter, it would be better for us to leave this State if this amendment is adopted and go to some state like Georgia, where, not long ago, the same kind of an amendment was defeated in the Georgia legislature. In that state the colored man still has the right to vote, and that is all that the rank and file of the colored people here ask. We do not want to hold the offices or rule the white people. We pay taxes and ought to be allowed to vote.

"Resolved, That all colored citizens should think about leaving the State, and take such steps as will help us to get out if the amendment is carried.

Elder, A. WOOTEN, Moderator.
H. C. HOWARD, Clerk.


"Delays are Dangerous."

Small pimple on your face may seem of little consequence, but it shows your blood is impure, and impure blood is what causes most of the diseases from which people suffer. Better heed the warning given by the pimple and purify your blood at once by taking Hood's Sarsaparilla. This medicine cures all diseases due to bad blood, including scrofula and salt rheum.