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THE CAUCASIAN'S POSITION IN THE NATIONAL ELECTION.

The CAUCASIAN was very much pained and surprised to see the action of the National Committee of the People's Party at Chicago last week. Nothing could be plainer than that loyalty to Bryan and loyalty to the rank and file of the party everywhere demanded that the National committee in accepting Towne's declination for the Vice-Presidency, should have nominated a Populist to fill the vacancy.

In spite of this betrayal of the People's Party organization and of this fearful blunder as far as Mr. Bryan's interests are concerned; yet we believe that the rank and file of the party, wherever self-respect will permit them to do so, will condone the great crime against the organization for the time being, and will hold their nose and swallow Stevenson in order to try to elect Mr. Bryan to the Presidency.

NEGROES SHOULD NOT LEAVE.

Nearly every day information comes to us either through the press or from private sources, that negroes in every quarter of the State are leaving for other states.

Is there a machine Democrat in the State who will say that less than one hundred and twenty thousand white men voted against that machine in August, and that at least thirty thousand more white men who were not in sympathy with the machine did not vote or had their votes counted wrong?

And some of the brethren who helped to win out in the last political serenade may be seen on Sunday hastily singing "From Greenland's Icy Mountains," and they will probably be heard later talking about how much they have helped to raise for foreign missions.

The full purport of the effect of this exodus will not be realized and felt until next spring, and then the

trucks, cotton planters and other farmers in the East will begin to realize the extent of the damage they have suffered as a result of the two negro campaigns of violence and bloodshed forced upon the State by a lot of designing politicians.

The department of the negroes for the last two years has not only been most forbearing and praiseworthy but indeed it presents the most remarkable spectacle of self-restraint and of the observance of law where their enemies and persecutors observed no law, that the world has ever seen.

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Every farmer in the State, every good Christian, law-abiding citizen of the State, should lose no time in giving to the negroes of the State the assurance that THE CAUCASIAN now gives. The farmers of the State especially need the negro. He is the best labor we can possibly get, especially for the truck farms and large cotton plantations.

The National Congress is in duty bound to see that a man chosen as United States Senator by a legislature that was elected by fraud shall not be seated.

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THE SAMPSON LIBEL CASE.

We call attention to communication elsewhere in this issue, regarding proceedings of preliminary trial in the libel case against seventeen leading Populists of Sampson county, brought by the Chairman of the Democratic county committee of Sampson and others in a Duplin county court.

The report of our correspondent tells the story in itself; but THE CAUCASIAN wishes to add in behalf of the people of Sampson county that they have too much self-respect, too great a regard for law and justice, and too high a sense of their duty and obligation to their fellowmen, not to regard the bringing of this action in another county a deliberate insult to every citizen of Sampson county, regardless of his party affiliations.

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The people of Sampson are fair; they are honest, they are just. Therefore we say to the prosecutors in this case: If you want an impartial trial in which the merit of your position will be given their fullest weight, don't be afraid to trust the people of your own county.

A SOLEMN COMPACT VIOLATED.

Josh Billings once wrote this: "It is no use to argy argy a success." We recognize this utterance to the extent of acknowledging that it is useless to argue against or comment on the "democratic victory" recently won by the negroes so far as affecting the results is concerned.

That each of the States of North Carolina, Louisiana, Georgia, Alabama and Florida shall be entitled and admitted to representation in Congress as a State of the Union when the legislature of such State shall have ratified the amendment to the constitution of the United States proposed by the Thirty-ninth Congress, known as Article 13, upon the following fundamental conditions: That the constitution of neither said States shall ever be so amended or changed as to deprive any citizen or class of citizens of the United States of the right to vote in said State, who are entitled to vote by the constitution thereof, hereinafter recognized, except as a punishment for such crimes as are now felonies at common law whereof they shall have been convicted under laws equally applicable to the inhabitants of all the State.

Now look at the record made or rather "recorded" (for it was not honestly made) and compare that record with the compact referred to. It shows a most grievous and flagrant violation of obligation, and at the same time illustrates the character of the Democratic machine.

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There may be and doubtless are a good many in the Democratic party. A deservingly small number, however, were in evidence during the recent campaign. Wherever they were they chose to remain silent. Since the campaign some men who affiliate with that party, and who have not lost every attribute of honesty and consistency appear to be trying to assert themselves. This number too, is discouragingly small. But it is the number we need. What it is, we fear they would find themselves without much influence and power. They have come forward too late. The fraud, lawlessness and immorality of the late two campaigns in this State have produced and emphasized ideas and practices that cannot be eradicated for a generation to come.

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VANCE'S GREATEST SERVICE TO THE STATE.

About the time that the Vance monument was unveiled in Raleigh letters from a number of politicians and public men were published in a certain newspaper, each letter stating what in the writer's opinion was Vance's greatest service to the State.

"We can hear the voice of the thoughtless saying that the general impression is that his closing days were embittered by defeat at the hands of the all-powerful President of his country. When one begins to answer that criticism, he has entered upon the road which leads straight to the true conception of Vance's greatness. It is comparatively easy for such a man, when in supreme power in his State, to do the just and thoughtful things which he did.

Powerful influences are at work to minimize this crowning act of Vance's glorious life, for its recognition stings the conscience of each one who hounded him then; but, mark our word, out of every hundred persons who gaze upon the mute figure at Raleigh, ninety-nine will have that feature of his life and character in their minds and hearts.

Many politicians who are today attempting to traffic in Vance's popularity by now claiming to be great admirers of him, were among the henchmen of Cleveland and Ransom; and were barking at the heels of this great man and helping to hound him to death. One of these despicable politicians is the editor of the News & Observer, who was then festering at the Cleveland pie-counter, and writing letters from Washington to his paper each week, siding with Cleveland and Ransom in their persecution of this great tribune of the people.

INDIGNATION MEETINGS.

Indignation meetings are being held in many of the counties of the State where the most glaring and infamous of the rascalities and frauds were committed in the last election. Many more counties are discussing taking similar action. But the most significant thing about the present situation is the large number of letters from every quarter of the State suggesting and urging that a great news indignation meeting be held at Raleigh.

The CAUCASIAN has not encouraged the holding of this proposed State mass meeting, and up to date has withheld from publication every letter of this kind received. In our replies to the letters received we have suggested that the result desired could be accomplished in each county where the thievery of the Simmons machine was most flagrant by holding county mass meetings.

By closely attending to your own duty you help others to do the same. Exchange.

RESULTS OF FUSION WITH GOLD DEMOCRATS AND MONOPOLISTS.

The Fayetteville Observer has recently contained several editorials exposing the trade and fusion arrangement made between the so-called Bryan men and the gold and monopoly Democrats in this State in 1898, when at the same time a co-operation of the gold and silver forces as advised by Bryan and Chairman Jones was turned down by this same combination who captured the Democratic state convention.

The Fayetteville Observer closes another editorial on the same line in its last issue with the following sentence: "If McKinley should carry North Carolina it will be done by the making of treacherous step-staple covering it with the cloak of Democracy." This tells the whole story.

The people were warned in 1898, that if the Democratic party should be successful, there would be enacted disfranchising schemes that would interfere with and suppress the rights of the people. This was denied by the Democrats, but what are the facts?

The people were warned in 1900 that if the proposed amendment should be adopted in 1900, it would not stop the "negro issue" so called. This was denied by the Democrats, but it is clear that the machine coalition by Simmons and his dirty collaborators intend to keep it going.

They can do nothing else with a hope of success. Their white skin is the only thing on God's earth they can point to as an evidence of their "superiority" over the negro, and they will keep pointing to it. They neither appear to have or claim any other "superior" attribute.

"DEMOCRATIC MANIPULATORS."

In another column we copy an article clipped from the Wilmington Star, which that paper clipped from the New York Herald and published with approval. The article is headed "Bryan in North Carolina," and it is a communication from Charlotte to the Herald.

SIMPSONISM VS. GOBELISM.

The Washington Post says: "The sooner Goebelin in every shape and form is banished from Kentucky the sooner tranquility will return."

THE NEXT "PARAMOUNT ISSUE."

There is no telling where the mobocracy and rampant hoodlums which have been inspired and encouraged by redshirt anarchy in the State for nearly three years past will end. In truth, it is a serious question as to whether or not it can be made to end at any time soon.

Nominee for Governor Declined.

Houston, Texas, Aug. 31.—Hon. Jerome B. Kirby has declined to be a Populist nomination for governor of Texas. The executive committee, it is believed, will substitute E. W. Nugent, the nominee for Lieutenant Governor.

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