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DOES DANIELS SPEAK FOR BRYAN.

"We will not permit Butler to take any part in the Democratic campaign for Bryan," said Josephus Daniels, Democratic National Committeeman for North Carolina. "He cannot speak upon any Democratic stage, and will be repudiated by us."

DEMOCRATIC NEGROES ARE ALL RIGHT.

A number of prominent negroes have recently declared for the Democratic party. One of the recent converts is a negro preacher, or bishop, in Georgia, named Turner. The Democratic party will no doubt be wise enough to have these negroes go North and out West where neither party steals votes, and make speeches, and then secure domination for the Democratic party. It is not necessary for any of them to be sent to North Carolina, for here all the negro counties go Democratic by tremendous majorities. For instance, look at Halifax county, which is the biggest negro county in the State. It has 2,000 negro majority and the total vote is only six thousand, yet it went Democratic by six thousand majority at the last election—at the last steal. Every county that was carried by the Populists or the Republicans was a white county. Every negro county in the State went Democratic and every negro vote in them was counted Democratic.

By the way, it is surprising how quick this Georgia negro preacher became a sweet-smelling gentleman, a scholar and statesman as soon as he declared for the Democratic ticket.

In the eyes of a Democratic negro calamity-howling politician, the negro is all right when he votes the Democratic ticket.

WHO IS RESPONSIBLE FOR THE LABOR FAMINE?

The negro labor is leaving eastern North Carolina in droves. The exodus continues to increase. It is impossible for many farmers to get their crops harvested. Labor will be scarcer next year than it is this.

Why is this negro labor (the very best labor for the South,) leaving and who is responsible for it? These are questions that every farmer should investigate for himself and find his own answer.

The other day the annual convention of the Commissioners of Agriculture of all the Southern States was held at Raleigh. The Secretary of the convention, Mr. Royal Daniel while in Raleigh, heard much about the negro labor leaving. He wrote a letter to the Atlanta Journal giving an account of the negro exodus now on from North Carolina. He says there is a very great scarcity of farm labor, and that the exodus has been going on for months, and is in full blast now. He put's the number who left Raleigh at 600.

Continuing, he says:

"They will continue to go, in spite of the antagonisms in New York Pennsylvania, Washington, Ohio, Indiana, Illinois and elsewhere.

"The whites would do well to face the situation calmly, coolly. The negroes are on the move. They are very credulous and will take all risks in the North. They think the North is not a graveyard, but a land of open doors and great opportunities. * * *

"But the crying question with the farmers is to procure help to gather the growing crops already greatly reduced by the protracted drought Let all who can give a helping hand."

The Raleigh Post, commenting upon Mr. Royal Daniel's report, says:

On Sunday morning The Post published a letter from a farmer in an adjoining county whose crop is now white unto the harvest, but the labor totally absent. The labor was there to help pitch and cultivate the crop, but circumstances of recent occurrence—since the August election, in fact—have caused them to leave. A farmer from Franklin county was in our office yesterday, saying it is impossible to get labor to pick the cotton or pull the fodder now ready.

It may be that the farmers, after having worked hard, and lost their crops for lack of labor to save it, will be in a much better condition for the demagogue and the calamity-howler to get in his work and lend himself into an office and upon the public treasury, but God knows it will not help the State or her honest and industrious citizens. In order to hasten this "good time"—for the demagogue—let us all keep up the "nigger racket," continue the threats against him and hold him responsible for what others do and the use others make of him; but then let us be honest enough to tell the ruined farmer whose labor has left him that his loss is the eternal gain and the only opportunity of the calamity-howler.

In all earnestness, the farmers of Eastern Carolina are in distress on account of the exodus of the labor. * * *

The attempted revival of this race issue, the threat that it will be continued, has sent thousands out of the State since August, and caused many others to long to go if not ready just yet to do so.

And in the meantime the farmers are suffering for lack of labor—the labor of this very negro—and the best class of labor on earth for our Southern people—to save the crops after having cultivated it. These farmers owe it to themselves to make exertions to assure these disturbed people of their good intentions and friendship. If this exodus keeps on, these landowners and farmers will be in a worse condition than they have been since the war, and will have no one to thank for it save the arrant demagogues whose reckless imbecility is only equalled by their unblushing and selfish aspirations."

The Post is only partly right. All is true that this attempt to revive the race issue after the August election, is causing more negro labor to leave than would otherwise go. But the real cause of the starting of the exodus of negro labor was the infamous redshirt campaigns of 1898 and August, 1900.

It was the greed for office and power by the hungry politician, and "arrant demagogues" and cowardly thug redshirters and ballot box stuffers who made up the Simmons machine who are responsible for this loss of negro labor. These fellows have shown by their conduct that they would not only destroy the interests of every farmer, but also wreck the interests of the State in order to get for themselves political offices and power. These are the men who are responsible.

COMMENDABLE NEWSPAPER ENTERPRISE.

The Charlotte Observer was the only daily in this State that got out an edition on Monday after the storm destroying Galveston and doing other serious and deadly damage.

The Observer's account of the storms' devastation contained not only the full Associated Press report, but also much other interesting information about Galveston gathered from other sources. No big Northern paper had a better or more readable report than did the Observer.

All the people of the State who are progressive enough to appreciate enterprise, and big enough to give every one due credit, regardless of their differences, will express their appreciation of the Observer's enterprise. Probably no one in the State differs more radically from the Observer than THE CAUCASIAN, yet we are proud that the State has a daily newspaper of such enterprise

This is not the first time that simple justice has required that we refer editorially to the commendable newspaper enterprise of the Observer.

THE RED SHIRT BRAND OF IMPERIALISM.

The Democratic National Committee is printing and sending out as campaign literature on imperialism the following from a speech of Abraham Lincoln in the debate with Judge Douglas at Chicago, July 19 1858:

"Those arguments that are made that the inferior race are to be treated with as much allowance as they are capable of enjoying, that as much is to be done for them as their condition will allow—what are these arguments? They are the arguments that kings have made for enslaving the people in all ages of the world You will find that all the arguments and kingcraft were of this class—they always bestride the necks of the people, not that they wanted to do it, but because the people were better off for being ridden. That is their argument. * * * Turn it whatever way you will—whether it comes from the mouth of a king as an excuse for enslaving the people of his country, or from the mouths of men of one race as a reason for enslaving the men of another race, it is all the same old serpent."

It is noticeable that so far no redshirt Democratic paper in this State has endorsed or even published the above doctrine. Why? Because the red shirt brand of "Imperialism" we have here in North Carolina is worse than anything that McKinley has done or is charged with doing in the Philippines.

Mr. Bryan cannot talk imperialism in this State without condemning the Simmons red shirt machine more than he could condemn the McKinley policy in the Philippines.

We noticed a few days ago in some Democratic paper, (which paper we have unfortunately misplaced) that the Board of Aldermen in Wilmington had voted to pay the Wilmington Messenger for the printing outfit of the negro Manly, which printing outfit was burned by Waddell and his red-shirt mob of the election in '98, after they knew that Manly had left Wilmington. Did the Wilmington Messenger own the outfit, and if it did, did it not own Manly also? If the Messenger did not own Manly, did they not at least have the power to shut him down if he did not pay for the outfit after he published the infamous editorial which the Wilmington papers copied and rolled as a sweet morsel under their tongues, and kept standing until the election as a campaign document.

If the above news item is a fact, it contains whole barrels full of food for thought.

The politicians who make up the Simmons machine have shown by their conduct that they would wreck the interest of every farmer and the State besides, in order to get for themselves the offices. Such men are not only unworthy of holding high positions, but they are dangerous men to be in charge of the affairs of State.

THE CAUCASIAN in publishing the votes of each county put Lincoln two hundred for the amendment. Our attention has just been called to this mistake by the Chairman of the People's Party Committee of that county. We take pleasure in making correction to the effect that the county went against the amendment by sixty majority.

THEY CONTINUE THEIR BRAZEN FALSEHOODS.

The Wilmington Star is evidently ashamed for the outside world to know what the Simmon's Democratic machine has done in the State. In a recent editorial, replying to the criticism of a Northern paper, it says:

"The negro race is not excluded from the privilege of the franchise in North Carolina, and there is not one of them who cannot vote when he qualifies himself to vote, something which they can do in a short time if they are so disposed."

The editorial states first, that no negro is excluded from the privilege of franchise, who is legally entitled to vote. This is not true, and the Star knows it, and every body in North Carolina knows it. In the last election not only were thousands upon thousands of negroes, a large number of whom owned property and paid their taxes, and who had been voting for 30 or 40 years, and indeed all their lives, were excluded from the franchise without warant of law but in addition thousands and thousands of white men were also disfranchised, either by the arbitrary action of the democratic registrar, or by the ballot-box stuffing and stealing of the Democratic officials This was all done for the simple reason that these persons did not vote the Democratic ticket.

The latter part of the Star editorial says that all negroes will be able to vote in a short time, for they can soon learn to read and write. If this is so, why was such a fuss made about negro domination, and about the virtue of the amendment in stopping negro domination? Is it any better to be dominated by a negro who can read, than by one who can not read? If all the negroes within a few years will be able to read and write, and therefore able to vote, if we had negro domination before the election, we will certainly have it in two or three years again, and have it forever.

We refer to this matter to show the lying, hypocrisy and inconsistency of this red-shirt negro calamity howling organ. The fact is, it was not the negro that the democratic machine is afraid of so much as the white men who will not wear the machine collar. Any negro who votes the Democratic ticket is a gentleman in their eyes, and any white man who will not vote the Democratic ticket, is, in their eye, unfit to vote, and therefore they steal his vote.

THAT SPASMODIC VIRTUOUS IMPULSE.

In 1896 the Democratic party had a spasmodic impulse of virtue It seemed really anxious to return from its wonderings off after false gods and to stand once more for the plain and simple principles of Thomas Jefferson. Then it repudiated Cleveland, Carlisle, Ranson and the other false leaders, and told them to get out of the party they had so long betrayed. Then it seemed anxious to get together the Populists, Silver Republicans and all others who stand for the principles of Jefferson and Lincoln

But now what a change! To-day the party has turned its back upon the Populists and Silver Republicans, and is now running after the Clevelands, the Carlisles, the Hills, the Gormans and the Crokers and the corrupt Tammany organization The Gold bugs and monopolists are fast capturing again the organization and the old line politicians are again in charge and after the flesh pots of Egypt The People's Party has its work to do over again Let us not hereafter try to put new wine in old bottles.

The Craig law to prohibit foreign corporations from removing cases to Federal Courts has been declared unconstitutional. This is what everybody, including the Democratic legislature, expected. They never expected it to stand. They drew it so it would not stand and got a big campaign fund for so doing. THE CAUCASIAN called attention to this at the time and urged the legislature, if it was honest to adopt the Wisconsin law which has stood the test of the courts. This law is on a par with the fraudulent anti-trust law.

Governor Beckham calls the Kentucky legislature into extra session to repeal the thieving Goebel election law and to enact an honest election law, giving to each political party equal representation on all election boards. The reasons that Gov. Becham gives for calling the legislature together are the very reasons that should induce him to decline to keep a office to which he was never elected.

The farmer who cannot get enough labor to run his farm and harvest his crop has no one to blame but the Simmons machine, that has forced the two horrible nigger and red shirt campaigns upon the State.

Congressman Atwater in his card said he would not yield to the overtures of the Populists who wanted him to run independent. We dare him to name a single Populist who wanted him to run.

When the negro votes the Democratic ticket, then that is white supremacy; but when the negro votes any other ticket that at once gives the same said politician negrophobia and he howls "negro domination."

A TIMELY ADDRESS

To the Populists of the 8th Congressional District.

We, your Ex-Committee, in meeting assembled at Lenoir, N. C., after careful consultation and deliberation, having the best interests of our party and the country at heart, do issue this, our address to our brethren of this district, and to all others who favor good government by a free ballot and a fair count.

Twelve months ago, or even six months, when it was understood that Mr. W. J. Bryan was to lead the great free silver forces of this nation to victory, the party behind him, in order to prove their good faith and combine all the forces and factions favoring this plank in the platform, agreed to nominate as a running mate with Mr. Bryan a free silver Republican or a true Populist. But instead, and over the protest of our great leader, Hon Marion Butler, Chairman of the National Executive Committee of the People's Party, they have put forward as a candidate for Vice-President with Mr. Bryan, Adlai Stevenson, who was second in command in the Cleveland defunct administration. Therefore no greater insult could be offered to any Populist in the nation

Further, we contend that no self-respecting Populist in the State can support Bryan and Stevenson after the treatment that the Populists of this State have received from the hands of the leading Democrats and so-called champions of Bryan and Stevenson.

Your Committee hereby endorses the sentiment expressed in the leading editorial of THE CAUCASIAN of Sept the 6th, and trust that every Populist will act accordingly.

"Truth crushed to earth will rise again." Drunken mobs, red shirt riots, rotten egg hoodlums, intimidation, fraud and ballot box stuffing, cannot succeed long at a time in a state or nation. Reaction will take place and the principles incubated by the Populist party are bound to succeed sooner or later Under existing circumstances this year in this State, it will not be considered disloyal for Populists to select the best men among all the candidates out of the different parties for President and vote as their better judgment may dictate, and those Populists who have burned the bridges behind them, and have been in the middle of the road from the beginning, it goes without saying, that they will heartily support Wharton J Barker, of Pennsylvania, for President, and Ignatius Donnelly for Vice-President, both standard bearers of the principles that underlie the grandest party that this nation has ever given birth to, namely the Populist party.

WHO WILL WE SUPPORT FOR CONGRESS?

Your committee has carefully surveyed the ground and find the following conditions confronting us One a representative of the Goebel Simmons-Joe Daniels-Waddell, red-shirt, rotten egg, shot gun, intimidation and fraud gang, in the person of J. C. Buxton; the other in the person of Spencer Blackburn, the nominee of the Republican party, a party that has shared with us in the State all the abuse that a vile, corrupt gang could heap upon us, and to-day our issues in the State are the same. Blackburn, with Butler Pritchard, and all the leaders of the Populist and Republican parties pleading for human liberty, a free ballot and fair count, while Buxton and his party, or the leaders, are still keeping up the old cry, "nigger, nigger, nigger," even after they assured the people that the adoption of the amendment in this State forever settled the negro question. Therefore it occurs to us that it requires no further argument as to who we will support for Congress.

To those of our friends who think a Populist should be nominated, we wish to say that if the thieving methods should be carried out in this State, that were resorted to in the last election, it would be a forlorn hope to any candidate other than a Democrat But the next election being a national election, surely the national administration will protect its own suffrage laws and see that the same thieving crowd does not run rough shod over the most sacred rights guaranteed to the people of this nation, and if this is done the votes cast for Mr Blackburn will be counted, he having the power of the government behind him to enforce the same. Therefore, brethren, let us stand together, keep our party organization in tact, and when the reaction comes and the present misers, fraudulent election methods will be relegated to the past, and every man permitted to vote his honest sentiments and have his vote counted as cast, the people everywhere will endorse the principles of the Populist party as the party of progress, of right, and for human liberty, with equal rights to all men and special privileges to none. Then we will nominate candidates of our own party with the assurance of their election

Brethren, this address is not mandatory, simply a suggestion for consideration, and that the wisdom and wishes of the party be consulted and carried out, we recommend that a mass meeting be held in each county in the district, and such course pursued as will serve the best interests of our party, our country and the cause we are striving to maintain.

R. A. COBB,
Chairman.

A. V. MILLER, Sec.
Lenoir, N. C, Sept. 12 1900.

Not Much to Crow Over,

[Greensboro Telegram.

Our interesting contemporary of Concord, the Daily Standard in commenting on the statement that 84 per cent, of the white children and 29 per cent of the colored ones are in attendance upon the public schools, says that "notwithstanding the political cry to the contrary, we believe education is and ever will be more popular and advanced among the Caucasian than any other race" Does our contemporary think that the Caucasian parents of North Carolina have much to crow over in the statement that 66 per cent of the State's children are not allowed to take advantage of what little educational facilities that are offered?

A BRYAN DEMOCRAT'S OPINION.

Incendiaries of Figure and Distinction. Who are the Inventors and Publishers of Gross Falsehoods, Cannot be Regarded But With the Greatest Detestation.

Coming down to us through the centuries, we have here the words of a celebrated writer of wide and enduring fame.

Shall our people then detest those speakers on a thousand stumps, and newspaper men, and writers, and affidavit makers, who, in 1898 declared that if elected, the dominant party would disfranchise no man, white or black? In violation of these solemn pledges, how many scores of thousands of our people believe that a falsehood invented in Raleigh to carry the amendment, and keep the dominant party in power, was by election machinery, at the expense of the State, propagated at every county seat, and thence diffused to every voting precinct, to be certified in writing, and returned by the same channel to the capitol, to be published, and that in this way men are made to rule over us who were never elected by the people.

In proof of this accomplished fact Mr. Abel now says, "Name your man for Congress, and he shall have 1000 more votes than there are voters in Johnston county, if necessary for this election." Why then have an election at all, if an invented falsehood is to be published, and Mr Pou declared elected? Shame! Shame!! that the beautiful temple of our liberties, cemented by the blood of our fathers, is to be thus destroyed in the specious name of white supremacy.

Let it never be forgotten that session, with all its horrors, was accomplished by the now dominant party, with a good working democratic majority in the House of Representatives. Where is the pen now that signed the ordinance of secession that was to be preserved through all time?

Incendiary is the only word in our language to describe those who invent falsehoods, and publish them, conceal the truth, and will not allow others to speak it. Have they ever heard of the dialogues, or of Ananias and Sapphira? Have the clergy who officiated and voted with them ever considered of Roger William? At Smithfield, in that land of oppression, from which our ancestors were driven to seek a refuge here, Annie Askew and four other educated women were burned alive, at the stake, for opinion's sake. Ominous name! for at Smithfield and elsewhere in our State, speakers were jerked from the stand, kicked, cuffed, and forbidden to speak to the once free people of North Carolina. What shall the harvest of invented and published falsehoods be?

Already the minister has been counted out of his pastorate by false canvass of ballots for opinion's sake County Commissioners have been counted in by false canvass of ballots, when the magistrates have me for an election. At the peaceful primaries, where the much boasted amendment has been adopted, men are killed by pistol shot or disemboweled by the fearful knife in the camp of their political friends. How shall we escape the shame of the harvest of poll keepers shot, and election returns seized and destroyed at the hour of midnight by armed mobs that invented falsehoods may be published, and men put in office who are in no way responsible to the people for the manner in which they execute their trust?

How shall we escape the fearful shame, that if a man vote for Mr Bryan, or against him, that in no way can effect the invented falsehoods to be published as the machine may direct, and that machine operated at the expense of the State?

We had fearful proof of this work of the incendiary at the so-called August election; but let us hide our head in shame and say no more.

A BRYAN DEMOCRAT.

Indignation Meeting in Cumberland County.

At a meeting of the People's Party Executive Committee of Cumberland county, held August 25th, an indignation meeting was called to be held at Geddie's Gin, in said county, on Friday, September 21st, in which all white men, regardless of party, who sincerely deprecate the present Goebel-Simmons system of carrying elections in North Carolina, are invited to participate.

Hons. Marion Butler, R. B. Davis, Bryan Elector for the State-at-Large in '96, John E Fowler, Thomas E Owens, Esq., of Parkersburg, and others will address the meeting.

It is proposed that the occasion be not only one of political import, but that it be also utilized in social enjoyment and a basket picnic, and to this end we ask the hearty co-operation of all ladies in the various townships friendly to our cause, and who feel an interest in the perpetuation of social and religious liberty, to lend us their countenance and kindly offices on this occasion, fraught, as it is, with momentous issues and to be attended, as we hope, with important results.

By order of the Executive Committee.

J. E. GARRETT Chm'n.

A man who will steal votes to get in office, will steal after he gets into office.

The latest news from Kentucky is that James Howard fired the shot that killed Goebel. James Stubblefield, a former deputy sheriff of Clay county, says that Howard boasted of his crime.

The population of the city of Augusta, Ga., as officially announced is 39,441; in 1890 it was 33,300.

'A LEGISLATIVE BAR.

In Other Words, a Lobby—A Legal "Third House"—Why Should Not Congress Establish It?

From the New York Evening Post.

Why should not Congress, for its own protection, if for no other motive, establish a legislative bar, with standards as high, in their way, as those of the bar of the Supreme Court of the United States? The State of Massachusetts enacted in 1890 a law "relating to the employment of legislative counsel and agents," and has once or twice since amended it. The president of the American Bar Association, in his address at its recent annual meeting, indorsed this statute, and commended the action of the last Maryland legislature in passing a law modeled upon the Bay State's example. The essence of the Massachusetts law is publicity. It requires the sergeant-at-arms to keep two dockets. In one must be entered the names of counsel employed to appear before committees, as well as of those who make a specialty of certain branches of legislation; in the other, the names of the agents employed for any general purpose in promoting or opposing legislation, and in both must be given the names and addresses of employers and employed, the date and term and character of the employment, and other important particulars. If a person combines the work of counsel with that of agent he must advertise the fact by appearing in both dockets. Counsel and agents must file, in connection with the entry of their names in the dockets, credentials for their authority signed with the full names and business addresses of their employers Punishment for wrong doing by any counsel or agent embraces disbarment for at least three years, together with a fine of from $100 to $1,000; and any employer who fails to mention of the provisions of the law, including a sworn statement of the expenses incurred by him in connection with promoting or opposing legislation, is subject to a similar fine.

The testimony of disinterested critics, who are in a position to watch the working of the Massachusetts law, is that it has operated in the interest of clean legislation, and that it has diminished the number and raised the grade of men constituting the "third house." Its chief fault is owing to the same authority, is that it does not reach far enough; for it provides no initiative on the part of the State's officers to call to account persons who are suspected of all it dabbling in legislation from the outside, and it is also open to evasion in various ways The puzzle is how to make the law more effective without infringing upon the rights of the public. Still no one can deny that it gives reputable men an opportunity to engage in a useful pursuit which many now avoid to fear of inferentially smirching the good names. The man who, in defiance of such a law, plies his trade as a lobyist without registration, brands himself as at least a potential rascal. The statute may not furnish the police authority with the means of punishing him; but he cannot escape the moral pillory, and his disgrace will be shared by every legislator who is seen in his company.

WHAT DOES THIS MEAN?

It is Said Cleveland Will Soon Declare Himself Publicly For Bryan.

Boston Dispatch

It is said here that Richard Olney who was Secretary of State in President Cleveland's cabinet, has gone to visit Mr. Cleveland at the latter's home, Buzzard's Bay, Mass.

A report reached this city from New York to-day that Mr. Cleveland will soon make public a letter in which he will declare for Bryan on the issue of imperialism. The report is believed to have eminated from a former cabinet officer of Mr. Cleveland.

Taken in connection with the attitude of Mr. Olney, who is believed to be for Mr. Bryan, and of former postmaster General Wilson, who was close to Mr. Cleveland, this report has meet ready belief among Mr. Olney's friends here.

WALL STREET ALSO HEARS IT.

N Y. Dispatch.

Wall street men heard a persistent report this afternoon that Ex President Cleveland will give his support to Bryan. It was said that the persons who have been confidants of Mr. Cleveland were responsible for it.

According to this report, Mr. Cleveland, who has heretofore declined to make known his preference, will give out for publication within a week an open letter declaring the issue of imperialism is paramount and asking his friends to support Mr. Bryan.

BRYAN DEMOCRATS

Making Overtures to and Nominating Gold Democrats—This Explains Why Towne Was Turned Down.

Washington Post.

The Minnesota Democrats have done something toward their programme to nominate gold men for Congress this year in the hope of commanding the entire strength of that wing at the polls. Dr. A. J Stone, of St. Paul, a Gold Democrat, was nominated Tuesday to run against Representative Frederick C. Stevens. Nevertheless an effort will be made to nominate conservative Gold Democrats in other districts of the state.

Census reports show that Norfolk's population has increased 11,756, or 33 70 per cent in ten years. It is now 46,624.

FRAUD, FORCE, INTIMIDATION.

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ROWAN COUNTY.

A letter received from Rowan county says: "I have read with interest the reports of fraud and rascality for each week, but not one-tenth of it, I am satisfied, has yet been published. It was bad everywhere; it may have been worse at some places than at others. Every one of the election thieves should be indicted, but I am sorry to say that in many places, where the Democrats control everything, I feel that the sense of justice is not as strong as their prejudice, and it would be hard to convict.

Now, Mr. Editor, what are you going to do with this national political muddle? I don't want to vote for a red-shirt for anything, nor for any man who endorses red-shirts and ballot box stuffing. I would like to see Mr. Bryan elected, but I don't want to vote for red-shirt electors in order to get a chance to vote for him, and if I thought he endorses any of the methods used by the Simmons machine in this State, I would see him in Hades before I would vote for him under any conditions. I notice that Dr. Thompson says he will get on the fence and watch the dog fight. I think I will crawl up on the fence with him, and my opinion is that the fence will have to be very long, and very strong to hold all that will get up on it on this occasion.

BEAUFORT COUNTY.

Letter from Gilead: "The most fraudulent election in the history of Beaufort county and, in fact, in the history of the State, is over. One hundred votes were stolen out of 400 registered. We had no representative at the polls. They appointed a man to represent us who could not read or write, he resigned and a Democrat was appointed in his place. This was the case all over the State Is there no law to protect the votes of the people? I well know that there are many Democrats in this county who will not vote again.

"On the day preceding the election, I received several threatening letters, was advised by a Democrat friend to leave home, if I wanted to vote, that a mob was coming to take me to jail. I had the fusion tickets, and it was their intention to destroy them, and have me in jail on the day of election.

"We were not allowed to see the votes counted, and were ordered to leave the ground, or we would be shot. We left, and they counted the majority to suit themselves. It is impossible to write all the rascality, but this is a sample of how the county was carried. They made the majority so large that they are ashamed of it."

NORTHAMPTON COUNTY.

A letter from Pendleton reads in part as follows: "They used all the fraud they possibly could, the polls were guarded by armed guards, and a large rope placed around the polls so that only one could enter at a time There were no favors nor a semblance of justice shown the Populists."

CUMBERLAND COUNTY.

Letter from Cumberland county: "The election controlled by democrats lone One democrat voted who had not been registered. The ballot boxes were charged several times during the day, which caused a good many votes to be put in the wrong box. Those the democrats threw away. They did every thing possible to intimidate the fusion voters."

MONTGOMERY COUNTY.

A letter from Ether: "Since he election officers only counted 69 votes against the amendment in this township, I send you herewith a list of 95 who have been sworn as to the ballot they cast, and there are others who will qualify if necessary

"In this township a man called out the names without being qualified and held them in such a way that no one could see them, and to enter them up as he said he called them out"

"The names of the 95 who voted fusion ticket: Wiley Johnson, Dunc Lassiter, Wilburn Hancock, J M Robbins, C H Gandreth, M F Lassiter, Bolin King, N R Freeman, Benet Freeman, Wm Lassiter, Aaron Deaton, R L Cagle, A G Lassiter, Jno F Wright, I L Steed, Ira Freeman, Jno Lyon, M Ashworth, W F Hogan Alex Butler, E J Davis, J A Barnes, M W Freeman W G Sikes, Madison Cagle, Isaiah Hancock, Lee A Biles, Jno C Deaton, F E Cox, P M Parks, N V Long, P A Wright, Frank Corner, Geo L Davis, Jesse Freeman, Sewell Freeman, W L Freeman, Johnson Deaton, Geo Smith-man, Jacob Lassiter, Alex Freeman W E Auman, Jas N Cagle, Henry Fuller, Eli Pool, J C Cagle, Ned Green, Y F Wright, Archibald Freeman, J B Deaton, Alex Hogan, C W Miller J J Smith, Henry Ward, Alsey Smitherman, Henry L Davis, Jno L Freeman, Nathan Tucker, Thos B Hogan, Pass Crawford, Clegg Freeman, J Parker Britt, Jno Lunn, J M Sikes, Ezekiel Campbell, Jas Brown, E P Deaton, Wm Pruett, I M Freeman, E G Hogan, Jas A Smith, F W Vuncannon, R W Freeman, A J Freeman, L W Freeman, Jno J Davis Geo H Cagle, Linsey Freeman, L W Davis, Sr, G R Miller, Robt Freeman, Jas Dennis, Geo H Wright, William Garner J A Freeman, E H Owen, Harrison Freeman, Lewis Davis, Jno McKenzie, Worthy Williamson, Marley Crawford, Lewis Freeman J S Tucker, Jno Freeman, Sr, Samuel McLeod."

COLUMBUS COUNTY

A letter from Applewhite: "If there is any law and the courts would decide according to law, we could throw out this election beyond a doubt at our precinct, Applewhite, and everywhere else; for there was fraud a plenty all over the State. Here the boxes were moved continually On one box there was a blue mark, in which our men were depositing their tickets, but the democrats put up a board in front of the boxes to hide the label, so that the voters were confused and put their tickets in the wrong box This can be proved by over 100 men, yes, by 300 if necessary They would show the democrats in which box to vote, but would not assist our men They had guns and rifles in the house behind them They threw away 96 votes of one box which we defeated them by 66 majority on the amendment and 30 on the state ticket after they threw away all they could I believe at most every precinct in the state, the will of the majority of the people, as expressed at the polls, was defeated by force and fraud

"Two of the democratic judges were white men, and the third was a negro democrat judge, whom they appointed to represent us."

STANLY COUNTY.

Letter from Silver, N C: "With a fair election we would have carried the county by a large majority. We had red shirts in abundance. Some very bad conduct. The election is a fraud and should be declared void.

OVERTURES TO CLEVELAND, CARLISLE CORMAN AND COCKRAN.

What Does All of This Running After the Cleveland Goldbugs Mean?

New York Dispatch 17th.

Representatives of the Democratic National Committee are now in conferring with the Cleveland gold Democrats. Mr. Richardson has been to see for Secretary of the Treasury J. G. Carlisle, and the two were together former an hour. Mr. Richardson announced that Bourke Cockran will take the stump for Bryan, and will be under the direction of the speakers' bureau at the Chicago headquarters, because it was not intended to have a speakers' bureau in the New York headquarters, and he thought Mr. Cockran would be on the stump in the West a large part of the campaign.

Former Senator Arthur P. Gorman, of Maryland, arrived here today to assist the Eastern branch of the Democratic campaign committee.

Ex-President Cleveland is expected to write a letter soon and support Bryan and Stevenson.

What Some Northern Papers Think of the Amendment.

IS THE 15TH AMENDMENT A DEAD LETTER?

[Springfield (Mass.) Republican.

Some of the Southern papers have been looking up the records of the United States supreme court respecting the 15th amendment and the standing of the North Carolina negro disfranchisement act thereunder. The findings are not encouraging. Quoting from the well known Slaughter-house cases in which the court first defined the reach of the war amendments, the Richmond Times says:—

"It is plain, then, that the supreme court's fundamental doctrine is that the negro was entitled to be placed upon the same footing as a citizen as a white man, and that the suffrage was the weapon with which he was to defend his rights of citizenship. This being the fundamental doctrine of that tribunal, it must be plain to everyone that the Mississippi plan and the grandfather plan will have a terrible gantlet to run when they are directly challenged and brought in question before the supreme court of the United States."

There may be some doubt about the Mississippi plan, but none whatever of the North Carolina plan. The court will either have to set aside the latter plan as unconstitutional, or declare in effect that the 15th amendment has become a dead letter.

IT MAY REDUCE REPRESENTATION.

"If the North Carolina and other unjust devices for the evasion of the Fifteenth Amendment are permitted to stand, the vitality of the clauses providing for the reduction of representation should be tested," the Philadelphia Ledger (Rep) says. "Should such movements for the exclusion of whole classes of voters from their rights be successful and no decrease of the representation in Congress and the Electoral College of the States resorting to them follow, some of the most important clauses of the Fourteenth Amendment will be set aside Ours is a representative democracy. With unequal, inequitable representation among the States in the Federal Congress and in the Electoral College the basic principle of our national political institutions is overthrown."

The President has received a letter from Emperor William, of Germany sympathizing with the people of the United States in the Galveston disaster.

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