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A GRAND DAY

IN THE HISTORY OF CABARRUS.

Over Five Hundred Horsemen in the Procession—Conveyances of the Town and Country Fall in Line.

THOUSANDS OF PEOPLE GAZE AT THE PARADE.

Ex-Gov. Jarvis Pronounces It One of the Grandest Days of the State.

After much untiring effort on the part of the management to make last Saturday a grand day in the history of Cabarrus county's Democracy and one to be remembered for years, and the day came and with it came the crown of success.

One could hardly realize how fast the crowds were coming that morning, as there was a line of them from every part of the county. The townships endeavored to keep their horsemen together when they arrived here to show the people of the county how they stood politically.

After a great amount of whooping and cheering the horsemen were commanded to go to the depot to form their line for the procession. All showed respect for the officers, and soon the hundreds of horsemen that had been jamming the streets were nowhere to be seen. After forming their line they came up Corbin street to the Lutheran church to await their orders. From the Lutheran church back down towards the depot nothing but columns of horseback riders could be seen.

The Steel Creek band headed the procession, followed by the carriages containing the speakers and other prominent men who have been these days past trying to save our State from a repetition of such government as we now have. Next came the float bearing beautiful maidens of our town and county, whose costume was pure white, and whose voices could be heard at all times. On the sides of the float were the appealing words "Protect Us." This appropriate part of the procession was under the guidance of our townsman, Mr. Jno. McDowell.

The procession of horsemen was then led by the Mt. Pleasant band. The marshals took their position in the front of the horseback brigade, followed by at least five hundred horsemen. Last came the bicyclists with their beautifully decorated wheels. To add to the beauty of the occasion some of our boys were gaily dressed.

After parading to the O'Leil and Cannon mills all wended their way to the old Lutheran church on East Corbin street, where seats had been arranged for the accommodation of the people to hear the speeches of the day. A very impressive prayer, asking for God's guidance and mercy, was rendered by Rev. J. D. Arnold, of the Forest Hill Methodist church, before the speaking commenced.

GOV. JARVIS' SPEECH.

Gov. Jarvis said the audience was so large that like the little man who with a large wife could hug but one side at a time, so he would have to speak first in one direction and then in another. The immense audience he said was significant. No such assembly as that could have been

called together since '76. He was greatly pleased that the women had come out and with the visible marks of interest and solicitude lent force and vigor to the great movement. For the many years of good government the people had not been so stirred. This great throng assembled at the close of the campaign meant that there is something wrong and that the people are determined to right that wrong.

He criticised Governor Russell for the appointment of negroes to office whom he had said when a private citizen were as unfit to rule the country as the natives of interior Africa. He deplored the negro rule in some of the counties and cities in eastern North Carolina. The people had borne it long but the time has come that this must cease. The white people of intelligence and property are going to rule in the State.

He denounced the effort to get our charitable institutions in politics. Great pressure had been brought to bear against him when Governor to make removals on account of political associations, but that he would sacrifice his only whole arm before he would make the institutions objects of political spoil.

The speaker happily illustrated many strong points, and with his forceful presentations carried the audience with him, but it was when he pictured the attitude of the wives and daughters in the east in their fear at home and in the byways that his whole being seemed animated with earnestness, and he was inspired as he said by appeals ringing in his ears from the women and children in his home section commanding him to speak as he had never spoken to the noble people of Cabarrus to come to their help. He remembered well the gallantry of the Cabarrus company on the field of our bloody war, and he could trust the people of Cabarrus to aid them by voting for white supremacy on the 8th.

He said these evils had not existed in the State's better days. This insecurity and dread, begotten by negro insolence, had grown up under fusion rule and must be checked.

He referred to the sad instance in Cabarrus and seemed in danger of choking with emotion while tears dimmed the eyes of his hearers. His peroration was grand and it was only to be regretted that the whole immense audience could not hear him.

Mr. Klutz being called rose and threw himself vigorously into the discussion of the issues. Probably in none of his campaign speeches has he made a finer appearance or captivated his audience more completely than in this speech of about 20 minutes. He was in his best vein.

Mr. Hartsell was called for and rose, but had to stand half-embarrassed at the outpouring of enthusiasm for our gailant young leader. He knew that the people were wanting their dinner, and he made his remarks short and to the point. The purpose was accomplished, the grand assembly saw and heard him sustain their admiration for him and will send him to Raleigh to help wipe out the stains of fusion rule and place Cabarrus in the proud ranks of her sister counties.

After being treated to such elo-

quent specimens of oratory in the interest of Democracy, the thousands turned their faces eastward where three tables of good width and each measuring 150 feet in length was filled with eatables for the satisfying of all appetites. The dinner, as had been intended, was not of dainties but of substantial food, such as barbecued meats, together with nicely cooked meats from the people of Cabarrus county and of Concord.

In each tray, commonly used for the carrying of butter, there were some pieces of cold meat together with nice bread. A number of hogs, cows and sheep were barbecued at an early hour Saturday morning, beside the immense amount that had been cooked and prepared in Caton's hall Friday evening by the ladies of Concord. Still more was added to the amount Saturday morning when the good women of the surrounding neighborhoods came and emptied their baskets of good things. It can truly be said that there was a plenty for all, and a plenty left, so much so that those who came to the table last could pick out only the best to satisfy themselves. The amount wasted after all had eaten was amazing. The management had bought 5500 trays for the tables, and there were hundreds of people who did not take dinner, but who were there to hear the speaking.

Besides the crowds around the speaking grounds, the streets in the business part of town was almost crowded at the same time. While the parade was going on, there was very likely eight or ten thousand people to be seen.

A few of our citizens were intoxicated, but the number was very small when compared to the crowd present. Several difficulties were engaged in during the day, but none resulted in anything serious or fatal. There was one difficulty on the speaking grounds and two on our streets.

The precincts of the county, at least four of them, are to be highly commended and congratulated for their splendid delegation of horsemen and it shows that they are enthusiastic this year and are determined that Democracy in their parts shall win.

NOTES.

Messrs. Graeber and Levy, the butchers, showed their zeal and patriotism by bedecking themselves in the colors of red, white and blue and taking a prominent part in the procession. Several other of our enterprising merchants showed their enthusiasm in some way.

Two negroes from the eastern part of our county were here with their red shirts on and will vote the Democratic ticket this year as usual.

It was a sight unusual to our people to view the bodies of about twenty animals hanging over the barbecue pit on Saturday morning. A number of people went there at an early hour to see the work going on. Superintendent Duval demonstrated the fact that he not only had a knowledge of mill machinery but that he had attended Georgia barbecues in the days gone by. He was the master of this part of the day.

Dr. Herring, after getting himself properly fixed on his beast, and when hundreds of eyes were gazing upon him, gave his horse the command to move forward but the animal devised a scheme by which to move the doctor forward instead. The doctor was not hurt but had a nice slide down the neck of the steed to the ground.

The "Big Four," Messrs. Ed. Moss, D. Frank Cannon, Jr., Chas. Barrett and Louis Brown, had their trap and steeds decorated and were there. Their horses were hitched tandem.

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