

GOV. RUSSELL DENOUNCES HIS ATTEMPT TO TAKE CRAWFORD'S SEAT BY FRAUD

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YOU DON'T KNOW. Strong Reasons Why Republicans Should Support the Amendment.

Raleigh State Journal (Republican). Editor Hunt, of the Rutherford Press, a Republican paper published at our old white man and colored man's most hot position on the Amendment.

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Twenty-five years of defeat for Republicanism in this and every other section of the South, and yet the Republican party in this section has not learned a lesson.

After considerable comment Mr. Allen refers to a certain article in the "New Orleans, La., Special" in which he is a native of old Rutherford county, the home of true Republicanism, descended from pure, died in the wool.

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IT HAS ELIMINATED THE NEGRO. But the Amendment in Louisiana Guarantees to Every White Man the Right to Vote.

IT HAS PURIFIED THE POLITICS OF THE ENTIRE STATE. Elections Are Now Absolutely Fair, and Even the Republicans Admit That It is a Good Thing.

NEW ORLEANS, La., Special.—In this city the adoption of the constitutional amendment, similar to the one pending in North Carolina, resulted in reducing the negro vote from 14,177 to 1,493. These are official figures, taken this morning from the books in the office of Mr. Jere M. Gleason, State Registrar of voters for the parish of Orleans.

This fully answers the question as to whether the amendment, if adopted in North Carolina, would eliminate the negro from politics. A reduction from 14,177 to 1,473 in the city where the negro is better educated and possesses more property than anywhere else in the State, is a fact that nobody can get around.

One of the best posted men I have met in this State is Hon. Jere M. Gleason, State Registrar of voters for the Parish of New Orleans, and I interviewed him to-day about the practical operation of the amendment and found that it had been a perfect success in doing three things:

1. Eliminating the negro. 2. Guaranteeing the right to vote to every white man, whether educated or not. 3. Purifying politics.

In 1896 a full registration was brought out by reason of the hot fight made by the Democrats against the fusion of all the elements opposed to the Democratic party, and by a bitter factional fight in this city for control of the city offices, owing to a very unsatisfactory municipal administration for the preceding four years.

Registered voters, April 12th, 7,896. Parish of Orleans, Louisiana. Ward, White, Colored, Total.

It is announced that the French government, looking out for a new source of revenue, has determined to plant fruit trees all along the public high roads of France.

BRYAN NOMINATED. Allen Presents His Name to Wildly Cheering Populists.

RECENT BANKING LAW DENOUNCED. Middle of the Roaders Nominat: Barker for President and Donnelly for Vice-President.

Sloux Falls, S. D., Special.—Bryan was nominated by the Populist National convention here by acclamation. The committee on permanent organization recommended Thomas M. Patterson, of Colorado, for permanent chairman; T. H. Curran, of Kansas; Leo Vincent, of Colorado; and E. M. Delsher, as permanent secretaries.

Mr. Patterson briefly sketched the history of the Populist party. The speaker gave a short history of the financial legislation of Congress during the last administration of President Cleveland, and that of President McKinley.

Mr. Patterson said the People's party did not surrender its rights when it nominated Mr. Bryan in 1896. "We never could have nominated any other man," he said.

He predicted a sweeping triumph for Mr. Bryan in November, and that his election would mean that the rights of the people are advanced to a higher level than ever before.

A conference of chairmen of State delegations followed to discuss the vice presidential situation. Chairman Patterson made a bitter argument against "repeating the fatal mistake of four years ago."

Senator Marion Butler strongly advocated a nomination as essential to the welfare of the country. His compromise proposition was submitted by Geo. F. Washburn, of Massachusetts, who advocated the naming of several men to be presented to the Democratic National Convention, any of whom would be acceptable to the Populists.

He asked the New York Central Railroad man the other day if he knew what salary is paid to Senator Depew, chairman of the monopoly question in the House. "Sixty thousand dollars a year," he replied.

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