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AN INSULT.

The Republican newspapers and the officeholding contingent—State and Federal—which means most white Republicans in the eastern counties and a goodly number in the western, say that the constitutional amendment was proposed and is intended to disfranchise illiterate whites and negroes alike, and that such will be the result. Every one who makes that assertion, if he has intelligence sufficient to edit a fifth class cross-roads publication, or to hold the lowest office in the gift of a revenue collector, knows that he asserts a wilful and deliberate falsehood. Every one knows that every person, who was entitled to vote January 1, 1867, or at any time prior thereto, under the laws of any state in the United States, wherein he then resided, and every lineal descenndant of every such person, will, by the terms of the amendment, be entitled to a vote, whether he can read or not, if otherwise qualified; yet these falsifiers and would-be deceivers are deliberately telling the illiterate whites otherwise.

Now Butler and the Fusionist officeholding Populists and their newspapers join the Republicans of the classes above named and affirm the same thing, knowing it to be false. Butler and Pritchard, who have been political foes, like Herod and Pilate of old, have made friends now, hoping to keep, if it may be, their hold on their offices, which they disgrace, and Butler outPritchards Pritchard, as infamously false and slanderous as Pritchard is, in his false and slanderous representations and contentions.

Pritchard, Butler and all their imitators and tools, not only misrepresent and wilfully try to deceive, but, in so doing, they deliberately offer the grossest insults to every white man who cannot read. They in effect say to such whites:

1. You are so ignorant that we can deceive you and cause you to vote against the party which acknowledges you have intelligence and will vote your own sentiments, notwithstanding you can't read.

2. You are no better than the negroes who cannot read. True, the Democrats say you are as good as any person and may vote at all elections and never have the right taken from you, but we don't think so; and, if an ignorant and vicious negro should not vote, you should not—you and the negroes are on the same basis and we intend to keep you so, and ask you to help us, and you are too ignorant to see it.

We submit that the claim of the Fusion gang is a deliberate insult to the illiterate white man. We claim that any virtuous white man, without a particle of education, is, by all odds, a better citizen and a better qualified voter than any negro, however well educated. Education does not qualify many negroes for the franchise, though we cannot withhold it from the educated. Caucasian blood and association qualify without education. All illiterate whites should and may vote; after the amendment is ratified, an illiterate negro should not and shall not. The Democrats uphold the illiterate white; the opponents of the amendment insult him by charging him with gross ignorance and by trying to keep, even the illiterate negroes, on an equality with him. Every white man who cannot read, should resent the insult. White supremacy is the question. Is a white man better than a negro? Is he better qualified to vote? The Democrats say yes; the Fusionists no. On which side, white brother?

NEGRO RULE.

Who can read Senator McEnery's description of negro rule in Louisiana and fail to do all he can to put North Carolina alongside of Louisiana, which has eliminated the negro vote, by a constitutional amendment similar to that upon which we are to vote next August? Every white man should come to the rescue, and make the majority overwhelming. Democrats, Populists, and Republicans can all unite upon this question. Why not? Surely all will, except those, that see in its adoption, the death knell of their hopes for office. Read Senator McEnery's arrainment of negro domination:

"From the day that the negro was enfranchised and negro domination prevailed in the State until 1876, when it was overthrown, there was an era of corruption, vice and tyranny not equaled in any age. Congressional investigation and reports prove this. As an initial step to this corrupt era the Freedman's Bureau was organized. The negro was made to believe that he was under the special protection of the government and its army, and that the white man was his inferior, and that any personal grievance he had would at once be righted by the bureau and the offending white man who dared to insult him would be summarily punished. This too often happened on the unsupported testimony of some negro who imagined he was offended and his new-born liberty slighted.

"The bureau agent exacted from every planter a large sum of money for the privilege of employing negroes, reaching in some instance, to my personal knowledge, the sum of fifteen hundred dollars for the year. Negroes became justices of the peace, constables, sheriffs, legislators, State officials, lieutenant governor, generals of militia. Even the high office of governor was awarded to him. They were ignorant, insolent, and oppressive, and corrupt beyond mention. The State debt in eight years increased from four to fifty million dollars. They were police jurors in parishes and councilmen in the towns and cities. All the parochial and municipal indebtedness increased in the same proportion that the State debt had increased. The State expenses alone went to $19,000,000 a year when the legitimate expenses ought to have been then, as now, one and a quarter million of dollars.

"It is well known that laws were enacted during recess. They were promulgated after the adjournment of the legislature as having been passed when they never were presented to that body. The journals were fraudulently manipulated in order to show that they went through the regular course of legislation. The courts as a rule were corrupt. Negro jurors were impaneled, and no white man had an opportunity in criminal cases for a fair trial.

A drunken judge on the United States bench at midnight signed an order organizing the legislature of the State, and no member was permitted to enter the state house without a permit signed by the United States marshal. Polling places were before dawn taken posession of by negroes, who stood in long lines, and it was with great difficulty and humiliation that a white man could vote. White mee under arrest for some fancied wrong were brought to the polls under a guard of United States soldiers to encourage, edify, and amuse the negro voters. The entire State was a military camp, and United States troops were almost daily employed as political agents. Detachments were furnished sheriffs and constables to make arrests on warrants issued by courts of record and justices of the peace. The parties in many instances were turned over to the military authorities and, under the pretense of a rescue, kept under a military guard. United States marshals forged by the hundreds the names of United States commissioners to warrents and arrested with United States cavalry the most respectable citizens on fictitious charges and placed them in irons and confined them in loathsome dungeons.

"The Republican Representative from the Fifth Congressional district of Locisiana had the boldness to publish in a Republican paper called the Intelligencer, in order to give him greater power over the negroes, that these troops had been furnished at his request, on the requisition of the Attorney-General of the Unitod States, for the sole purpose of keeping the Republicans in power. People lived in terror. Every man went armed, expecting an attack at any moment from the negroes. It was the pastime of drunken negroes riding along the roads to fire into dwelling houses. Prior to an election they became more turbulent. The people could no longer stand such a condition of affairs. For some months prior to the Presidential election of 1876 they became unusually violent and unruly.

The consequence was that the indignation of the people broke into fierce energy and overthrew the negro-carpet-bag domination. At its end the State was in a pitable condition. Tax collectors had stolen the collections they had made. The State treasury had been looted and the auditor's books made way with in order to prevent prosecution. Levees which had been built for $1 per square yard, when they ought not to have cost more than 19 or 21 cents per square yard, were found to be full of barrels in order to give them bulk. State credit was at the lowest ebb; warrants on the State treasury went begging on Caronedlet street at 20 cents on the dollar, State bonds at 50 cents on the dollar. Demoralization and distrust were everywhere."

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It Only Hurts Themselves.

The action of the Maryland legislature, in refusing to take notice of the presence of Hon. W. J. Bryan and the protest against entertaining him which has been made by certain members of the New York Democratic Club, can in no way annoy the distinguished democrat who is secure in the confidence of the masses, but will only recoil upon those who have so offended against good taste.

For three years those members of the democratic party who saw fit to bolt its action, as well as those discontented members who remained within lines under protest, have been loud in their outcry against discrimination because of their action. They have claimed that once the election was over their part taken in it should be forgotten, and that the only duty remaining was to unite for fights to come. Passing over the ease with which some men would excuse their party lapses, there might be such a joining of forces as would bring all together without asking unpleasant questions; but it seems to us that it would be the height of presumption to ask the democratic millions to surrender their convictions to the democratic fifties, for such is the relation which the opposing forces bear to each other. Notwithstanding the vexatious circumstances under which certain men deserted the party, the masses were willing to forgive and forget, and to make future loyalty instead of the past record the test by which to enter upon new campaigns.

It remains for the people, through their state convention culminating in the national convention, to say who the next democratic nominee will be. The pre-eminence held by Mr. W. J. Bryan is seen of all men; his leadership stands uncontested; his position is one which he could not create without the popular approvel, and his prominence is one which is due to his developed leadership. Even if Mr. Bryan were not in the line for the presidental nomination, the fact that he has been the standard bearer of the party, that he commands the democratic masses as does no other man today, should be enough to secure for him hospitable treatment and respectful attention.

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The Poll Tax Requirements.

Pritchard made a point in his speech in the Senate against the requirement in the amendment for the payment of poll tax so many months before the election. This is put there to prevent corrupt politicians paying a man's tax and purchasing his vote. Pritchard's real objection to it that he knows that the negroes will not pay their tax in the spring and the Hanna barrel will not be able to pay it for them in the fall. In Mississippi, from which State's constitution the provision of the North Carolina amendment was copied, the experience has been that many negroes refused to pay their poll tax and thus were denied the right to vote. Pritchard knows that it will work that was in North Carolina. Hence his opposition.

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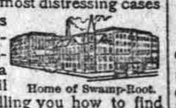

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