

PARTY STRATEGY.

The Republican Convention placed at the head of their ticket a Liberal instead of a Republican in this in itself betrays a conscious weakness that was not expected. No party feeling that has the strength to meet the coming year with flying banners, and having well-disciplined adherents, need ever resort to the expedient, and as often defeated policy of going from their own ranks to secure an available candidate.

By the admission of an unwillingness to stand fair and square upon the Republican issues and nominating a man for Governor who belongs to a party that was designated as dissatisfied Democrats the party in this State may be prepared for a signal defeat, and then learn to stand by the grand old party and men who have espoused its cause and manfully maintained it.

Of course the Democratic party will be reminded by Republican orators of a similar little defection by it from party lines in 1872, when it endorsed the nomination of a Liberal, and advocated the election of HORACE GREELY; but that is a living witness to the truth of our assertions, because the defeat of that experiment was the most damaging defeat the party ever met, and for the reason that policy alone could be pleaded in defense of the cause it had pursued.

And the overwhelming vote for TILDEN four years later showed that a consistent Democrat was the kind of a man to draw the solid vote of the Democratic hosts. And whenever the Republicans use that as a justification for their course they do so with the knowledge of all the damaging consequences it entailed upon the party that tried it, and may be admonished that that defeat gave the dominant National party a countenance in power, so will the Liberal amalgamation ticket in this State grant a four years lease to the party now in power in North Carolina.

INDEPENDENT LIBERALISM.

There is in every portion of this country a class of voters who have never put on the party blinds to be driven by direction of the one who happened to draw the ribbon without being permitted to look either to the right or left, but to keep in the middle of the road, and see only the narrow track before them and be careful to plumb it straight up to the judge's stand and endeavor to win the grand purse of party triumph.

This class of voters are generally good and substantial citizens—no strikers nor overseers of filthy loathes—they esteem good and honest government, the greatest boon roachcashed a free and enlightened people; they can also see the blighting effect upon the country produced by bitter partisan rivalry; they can see that men in place because they belong to the party and good, well qualified ones turned out and kept out just because they don't belong to the party. They often give a hearty support to the one or that ticket as they imagine an excellence in some respect over the opposing one, hence they may be styled "INDEPENDENTS."

It has long been the hope of many that this element would by some means form an alliance and originate in some way, and under some banner; so that their combined efforts might avail what their scattered forces had failed to accomplish; become a power in a political arena.

This was why the INDEPENDENT move in the South was so happily grasped by good citizens and so keenly watched by the ultra partisans. In North Carolina it had a fertile soil; and the result was that the element here were both weary and fatigued. Neither the Democratic or Republican party could bring an over-realous investigation, and a large number of voters, weary with long eyes to see the party having to cast their votes for a party that they once had held the special banner of the old Whig party of MORRISON, GRAHAM, MANLY, and OTHERS. And when an INDEPENDENT movement opened its portals, many men of the class described, were ready

WASHINGTON LETTER.

May 10, 1888. Today on the floor of the House of Representatives the Honorable Representative [Name] made a speech on the subject of [Topic].

The speaker's remarks were highly regarded by his colleagues, and he was warmly applauded. He discussed the current political situation and offered several practical suggestions.

At the close of his address, the House adjourned until tomorrow. The speaker's views are expected to influence the upcoming legislative session.

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