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Everybody in the county ought to appreciate the efforts of Sheriff W. T. Loya to give all the people a convenient opportunity to meet him and pay their taxes. He has not only made one set of appointments covering the county, but this week he publishes another list covering the county even better than before.

All through the campaign the second page of Butler's Cassation was loaded every week with loud-mouthed editorials. Last week it published some election returns, but not a line of editorial anywhere.

One of the most interesting things about smart men is their ability to perpetrate blunders which ordinary folks escape. Dr. Talmage in a recent printed sermon gets off the following: "David had been practicing with a sling on dogs and wolves and bandits, and 1,000 times had he swirled a stone around his head before he aimed at the forehead of the giant and tumbled him backward."

In deciding to what extent a bargain is really a bargain, it is well to consider first and longest not what we give but what we get. Along with this proposition, which appears to our mind to be a perfectly sound one, we want to inquire whether we actually want those Philippine islands or not.

Things are trying to look warlike again. Spain won't give up the Philippines, she says, without big money, and so Uncle Sam is sign meaning his warships and fixing to turn Dewey loose on the Spanish coast some more. But do we want the Philippines or not?

The Wilmington Messenger of last Friday morning appeared without editorial. It was explained in a ten-line note which was concluded with this statement: "The proprietors, staff and mechanical force were on the streets with their Winchester."

PHOENIX RACE TROUBLES.

TEXT OR WORD KILLED IN SOUTHERN CAROLINA HISTORY. Extreme Feeling Against the Tolberts—Extremism Subduing and Quiet About Mortared—List of Killed and Wounded.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 10.—A special to the Post from Greenwood, S. C., says: Five negroes lay dead at Rehoboth all day along the road side. Another was killed today and likely four others are dead and lost in the woods. One white man was buried three others at the point of death and more have been wounded. Four leads of families have left the country and armed bands of countrymen are scouring the country hunting out the Tolberts.

The second occasion for provocation was that a party hunting the slayers of Etheridge was fired into and Miller fatally wounded and Fleming badly hurt. Jesse Williams and two others are said to have confessed taking part in the ambush.

The incident of the day was the kill of Essex Harrison. Down the road came a squad of mounted cavaliers, with guns and rifles drawn on him. Fifteen men lined up on the roadside and the negro was put out in the road and told to go forward toward the heap of four dead negroes. He started. There was a ring of rifles and Harrison pitched forward dead.

Parties were out searching all day long for any one of a list of negroes who it is said, are ringleaders in the killing. The whites are particularly incensed against all the Tolberts and hold them responsible for the trouble. A party went to kill Tom Tolbert, but some prevailed upon the hot-heads not to kill a wounded man.

John Tolbert, collector of the port at Charleston, and Joe Tolbert left the county and went to Charleston. Reed Tolbert has gone to Greenville. Ezra Tolbert is quarreled with friends. Ezra was shot and killed, with the plea that he was not a politician, but a child and a good democratic wife, alone has saved him from death.

Many tried to save some of the negroes shot down, but the mixed crowd insisted on having negro blood to avenge the death of Etheridge and the ambush of Miller.

Washington, Nov. 11.—A special to the Post from Columbia, S. C., gives the following story of to-day's developments in the race riots in that State. Sheriff McCaslin, of Greenwood county, in which Ft. Mifflin is located, wired the governor to-day: "Though perfectly quiet and excitement all gone. You cannot rely on sensational rumors."

Late news from the scene of the recent lynchings indicate that the angry passions of the people are subsiding and no further bloodshed is now to be expected, unless two negroes, Okie and White, or Henderson, a white man, all of whom the negroes wish to secure, are found. There is every reason to believe that all three have made good their escape.

The feeling against the Tolberts seems to be intense. An impartial man who has been at the scene of the difficulty says: If the Tolberts return to their home any time soon trouble will inevitably follow their presence in the neighborhood, which for some time to come, if they will not be a safe place for them.

WHAT VICTORY MEANS.

AN AMENDMENT TO DISFRANCHISE THE NEGRO. "The Election Ends the Populist Party and Ends the Negro to Politics" - Says a Republican State Officer. Baltimore Sun.

BALTIMORE, N. C., Saturday.—The result of the recent Democratic victory in this State, or, as it is popularly termed, "the victory of the white men," has developed the fact that the masses of the white Republicans and practically all the Populists want the negro eliminated from politics in North Carolina. "Twenty-five thousand Republicans," said Attorney-General Walter, Republican, "voted with the Democrats."

A similar opinion is held by J. C. L. Harris, former secretary of the Republican State Committee. "No less than 25,000 white Republicans and many Populists," he said to-day, "voted the Democratic ticket."

What has been borne in mind that the Populist strength was only about 30,000, it will readily be seen that that party fell almost solidly in line with the Democrats. The question is constantly asked, "What will be the effect of the Democratic legislative victory on the negroes in North Carolina?" It is asserted by Democrats that it will be for the good of the race.

There is already a movement among the white Republicans for the formation of a "Lily White" Republican party. Heretofore there has been much trucking to the negro vote, and this is particularly true of the members of the party in the western part of the State.

The holding of a thousand offices in the State and the prospect of many more is what led to most of the white sentiment against the negro. That sentiment has been him as a man, but as a political machine, all the one way and with an increasing desire for office.

There had never been a race conflict in North Carolina until the one at Wilmington last Thursday. That conflict did not really result from politics, but from an editorial in a negro paper and reflecting on the white women. Republicans here say the editor ought to have been killed as soon as he wrote it, but that they deplore the killings which did occur.

The Democrats have a three-fourths majority in both branches of the Legislature. They will submit a constitutional amendment to the voters next August, which will disfranchise the ignorant population of the State. This is what one of the best known Democrats in this State tells me. When he was asked if this would disfranchise ignorant whites as well, he replied: "Some provision, such as prevails in South Carolina, Louisiana or Mississippi, will be incorporated in the amendment, so that the unlettered whites will continue to vote."

A widely-known Republican says: "We ought to separate State politics from national politics, and leave all the white men to vote the Democratic ticket, or if you like, the white man's ticket. In this you have control of the State, keep up government and avoid Federal interference. There is enough law on the Federal statistics to put many a man in the penitentiary for interference with voters before and threats after the election. The constitution can easily be so amended as to eliminate the negro from politics. The negroes ought to see this themselves."

Two prominent negroes, Prof. N. C. Bruce and Rev. Joseph Herry, publish what are really open letters to the negroes, advising them to get out of politics, and stay out. A Republican holding a national position says that if the negroes are eliminated the whites will divide, and that if in 1903 the Democrats make free silver the issue, the white Republicans will give them a first fight. For all ready the white Republicans have in their mind the formation of a "Lily White" Republican party here.

TRoubles in MR. CHURCH'S CHURCH.

Disfranchisement Between the Pastor and His Flock Lead to Wholesale Renunciation Among the Officers. Atlantic City Outlook.

It has been an open secret for some time that certain differences existed between Mr. G. H. Church, the Baptist pastor here, and certain leading members of his flock. As we understand it these differences are due to Mr. Church's gospel mission work. The members referred to desired him to devote his time and effort to the immediate, but he desired to devote a portion of his time to holding meetings outside of his congregation.

The pastor has a great majority of the congregation with him and he has thus maintained his ground. He desired the co-operation of his congregation in his outside work but the members who opposed his plans refused to sign the resignation of certain officers of the church at a business meeting held Sunday a week ago.

Mr. Church's great victory shows the popularity of the man. He is not only personally popular wherever he goes, but he is a man of ability, an able campaigner and a gentleman of such high character and winning personality that he makes friends wherever he goes.

Looking Facts in the Face. (Hallowell Times.) We observe that several of our northern exchanges, notably the New York Times and the Baltimore Sun, say that the election was a stinging rebuke to the McKinley administration. We do not so regard it.

Gagging Over the Philippines. (Boston Post.) Imperialism has come to mean the annexation of the Philippines or the retention of these islands by the United States under some form of possession. The annexation of Hawaii, being an accomplished fact, has been swallowed by the American people.

Populist Headquarters Have Been Closed. (Atlantic City Outlook.) The party had simply ceased to exist. The great bulk of its members became "white supremacy men." The Republicans caught a few of them, but mighty few.

Major Gains on the Result of the Election. (Atlantic City Outlook.) "They sold me out two years ago. Republican has overtaken you. I tell you if you'll just wait the Lord'll turn the other fellow down and put a paddle in your hand. Then if you don't do the rest it's your own fault."

State Superintendent Melrose has completed the summary of the returns from all the counties. These show the apportionment of public school funds (this year) to be for whites \$537,125, negro \$234,073; assessed value of white property \$210,109,272; negro property \$64,478,682; white polls 178,700; negro polls 71,038; incident whites, 14,718; negroes 10,714; amount actually paid by whites on property \$499,232 23 and by negroes \$200,000.

Seven companies of H. H. Hays's Hays's troops are in a state of readiness, demanding their overdue pay. Martin county claims that the rest should have the Speaker of the House and nominates H. W. Stubbs. J. Frank Ray, of Mecon, is also in the list of those who are urged by their friends for Speaker of the House.

NEURO PROBLEM AT RALEIGH.

Talk Among the Politicians About Eliminating the Negro from Politics. Raleigh Cor. Charlotte Observer, 15th.

With a view to ascertaining his views on the question of the future status of the negro as a voter in North Carolina, your correspondent specially interviewed Dr. Cyrus Thompson, chairman of the Populist party, who talked interestingly and frankly, and said: "I have asked prominent Democrats what action will be taken with reference to the negro. I have been told on the one hand that he will be disfranchised, and on the other hand that he will be permitted to vote, but will be given no office."

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Healey's New Party. (Atlantic City Outlook.) Healthily, happy children make better men of us than do sad ones and old men planning before they die are more important than anything that can be done after, in the mother's tomb and they depend on life and the future of the children. A vast and steady woman cannot bear great and healthy children. Most of the women of whom it is usually said, "Proper care and proper medicine will cure almost any disorder of the system," are in fact, women who are in a state of nervous prostration. It is health, nothing, more important than anything else, that is the secret of long life.

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