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NEGRO POLITICS

It was natural for the slaves of the South,, when emancipated, to place themselves in the hands of the Republicans, who professed to have won for them the boon of liberty because they happened to be in power when the war ended. It was still mornatural for them to give their confidence, without restraint, to those who, in addition to, as they believed, having given them freedom, had invested them with civil and political rights. Uneducated, and consequently with little general or special intelligence, the freedman gave themselves up with childlike faith to the instructions and orders of their supposed benefactors. While unskilled in political history and intrigue they acsupposed liberators, and the unconscious instruments of carpet-bag corby promises of 40 acres and a mule worst men in the State to be placed the Republicans invented tissue balthe imaginations of the freedmen riot- in charge of public affairs. Colonel lots and are the last to make use of ed in dreams of landlordism and white Thompson's nomination has been them. - News of Courier. laborers, and in visions of paramount enthusiastically received throughout dignities at elections and musters, the length and breadth of the State and as planters, State officials and by the people. Congressmen. The whole South, in all its elements of social and political existence, was to be turned upside reported from all quarters as unpre-pleasure of visiting my old and much down, bringing the former slaves on top, and putting their old proprietors anderneath. Fooled to the bent desired by their Radical friends, the Baltimore from the South, and that I had seen this year, and should no "bunko" game began. The negro South Carolina and Georgia, which accident happen to their cotton crops was put at all the hard work, have always heretofore bought wheat, they will be sure of their part of the and the carpet-bagger with their scal- shipped last week 100,000 bushels to greenbacks. I also enjoyed a visit to awag allies, enjoyed the offices and that city and New York. The cotton Wallaceville, and was pleased to find the profits. A freedman's bank was crop is also reported excellent in all everything prosperous. opened for deposits, at first on a sections, and with the prospect of the sound basis, commanding confidence. Egyption crop being cut off by the The trap was well laid, and the war now going on in that country it. Mr. Editor:-Our camp meeting at money of the trusting blacks flowed is believed prices will be high and, Lorieks' lasted from Thursday till freely in. When enough of the savings that the financial prospects of the Monday, and we are glad to say that of their hard earned toil had been ac- South are unusually good. camulated to warrant a divide, the trigger was sprung, robbing the in- It is stated that the appropriations | the assistance of Revs. R H. Perrin, dustrious and saving colored people made by Congress for the present C. C. Danlap and Wm. D. Chaffield, of their money. Meanwhile the fiscal year exceed \$8 for each man, managed the meeting very intellishrewd manipulators of Republican woman and child in the country. The gently. All the sermons were largely

political existence if the States and head by itself.

their Federal Union, ignoring the do-

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fallacy that all power was centered in

South succeed. What are the chances

for the other thousands who do the

work at elections to get even a bun-

dle of fodder? Not any. The drack'

and "feed trough" belong exclusively

to the white carpet-baggers, scala-

wags and colored "drivers," who

oversee the ignorant colored hands,

who, having no pride at stake, are

the slaves of any Republican "bosses"

wherever from. This is the present

position of the negro in politics, and

he may be expected to continue in it

until he becomes intelligent enough

to understand his privileges as a citi-

zen of a State as well as of the United

States, and freeing himself from the

thraldom of party, becomes in its full

meaning, a freeman. As a rule stolid

ignorance and credulity bind the race

in Radical chains, but the more intel-

ligent have thrown off the Republi-

can collar, and their influence is being

felt. A few of them now regard the

Radical claim, that because he is a

negro he must be a Republican, as

manifestly presumptious, and there

is good reason to believe that in the

next few years his mental and politi-

OUR LEADER.

the aid of the Democrats to the full

extent of their ability. -In this State

where popular education is needed,

Colonel Thompson himself, as Super-

cal condition will be improved.

the President, and Congress, the To the Candidates and Voters of Lexington County.

army, the navy and the United States Courts. So thoroughly has this po-Mr. Editor:-As the people of this litical falsehood been infused into portion of the county have not had their minds that the colored people the opportunity of conversing with are to-day without State pride, and the candidates, and as we have not only think of themselves as members as yet seen through your columns of the Republican party. Who has where they have declared themselves ever heard a colored man boast of either for or against the stock and registration laws at any of the public meetings in the county. We are being a Sonth Carolinian, Alabamian or Georgian, or the citizen of any State? All they cherish is their "Reanxious to know the sentiments of publican nationality." In consequence each of the numerous candidates that of this the Afro-American race is not have been announced in your colmerely the ignorant tool of the Radiumns, and hope they will not hesitate cal leaders, but, in truth, their very to express themselves through the slaves; held in political toils of party Dispatch. We have no doubt that service as stringent as were the old each candidate will respond to the bonds of personal slavery. Do they above request on these important get office at the North and West? points. By so doing the good citi-No, but they do the work while their zens of Lexington will be better premasters sit in the custom houses, pared to vote for the candidates that postoffices, internal revenue offices, will best represent them in the next etc. Do they hope to get office? Yes, Legislature. but only a small proportion at the

We think that the future prosperity and happiness of our country depends entirely upon the action of the next Legislature and we are confident that if the rights and interests of the people are not better represented and protected in the future than they have been in the past, our country is ruined for good, and it will be found, by sad experience, that our happy system of government will be gone forever; for the time is at hand when every true and patriotic citizen, not only of Lexington, but throughout the entire State, is called upon to unite shoulder to shoulder in electing men of a high moral character who will, by wise action on their part, relax the tyrannical hand of oppression that is upon us.

MANY VOTERS. PLATT SPRINGS, Aug. 9th, 1882.

In answer to the foregoing inquiry and one of a similar character from another source, we will state that we have attended all the barbecues and heard the sentiments of all candidates for the Legislature expressed from the stump. All have declared themselves as opposed to the stock law as it now stands. Some are opposed to it in toto; others to forcing it on lo-The nomination of Col. Hugh S. calities where it is not wished by the Thompson for Governor commits the citizens. We make this statement as Democratic party more strongly than we don't think candidates have time. it has before been committed to edu- before the election, to answer individeducation of the people in an the other issue of which appear only one Southern States has always received the election.—En.]

This is too bad! Three Republicans, including Kellogg, are strugintendent of Education has been the gling for the Republican nomination foremost worker. His nomination in the Third Louisiana District, and for Governor, therefore, was simply instead of "toting fair" they resorted an emphatic endorsement of his work to the methods of cheating each as an educator, and a rebuke to pro- other which they usually keep for fessional politicians. He has never the exclusive benefit of the Democrats. held any public office except an edu- At the election at Franklin for delecational one, and he was not a candi- gates to the Convention 515 votes date for nomination for Governor. were found in the ballot-box when cepted as true and pure the fictions In fact, he would have in a few days 359 persons had voted. This miracle of hypocritical philanthropy that been elected President of the Uni- was wrought by the use of tissue were poured into their ears. Is it a versity of South Carolina, and he ballots by Kellogg's adherents. As wonder, then, that the negroes became preferred an academic to a political none but Republicans were voting willing victims of the frauds subsectareer. It is noteworthy, too, that they could not charge it on the Demoquently practiced upon them by their the platform, adopted by the Convencrats at Franklin, as they do in South tion, calls for aid from the National Carolina. We hope that the Demo-Government to educate the negroes. crats on the stump this year will not rupt plans and practices? Dazzled The educators are surely not the forget to remind their audiences that

> For the Dispatch PEAE, Aug. 12, 1882. Mr. Editor: - Crops in this vicinity Crop prospects in the South are are good. A few daws ago I had the cedentedly fine. A Washington dis- respected friends, W. A. Kesler and A. patch says that last week 250,000 W. Lever. A stroll over their farms bushels of wheat were received at convinced me that they were the best

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it was of a successful character. L. A. Clay, Pastor of the Circuit, with tactics had so tutored their ignorant averge family consists of five persons, attended by white friends, who condupes as to shut from their minds which makes the tax on each family tributed liberally to our collections. any glimmerings of constitutional in the United States \$40. That pen- Several souls were converted and knowledge in regard to the separate sion fraud of \$100,000,000 is \$2 per went away rejoicing.

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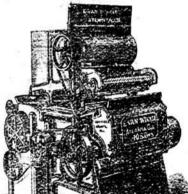
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