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Gen. Bratton was introduced first. He spoke, as usual, of the Federal Government's enmity, the election law, the usefulness of the reform movement, and such things as the reading public are familiar with in his speeches. He was listened to very respectfully, but there was no demonstration. The people were waiting for the lions of the day and harboring their strength for shouting later.

Chairman Gaillard introduced as the next speaker Capt. B. R. Tillman, who said:

Mr. Chairman and fellow-citizens of Sumter—but I really do not think Sumter has got any claim to all of you. [A voice: "Go to —"] Confusion and cheers.

A few years ago, on this very spot, I had the honor and the pleasure of addressing you Sumter people. I came to you labeled as a demagogue. [Cries of "Right, correct."] When you saw and looked at me you knew the accusations were false. [No, no, no.] Some time ago I met a drummer from the upper counties who is a strong anti-Tillman man and he was a gentleman. [We all are.]

[Mr. Tillman shook his head as indicative of questioning the claim thus made, and said: "Show it by hushing, then"]

Continuing, he said: "This drummer had been to two or three meetings in the up-country, and saw how the Tillman frolic was moving on down the country. [It ain't here.]"

Capt. Tillman smiled, and the crowd gave vent to cheers and hurrahs for the different candidates.

Gen. Earle advanced to the front, and a shout of "hurrah for Earle" was immediately taken up and prolonged until deafening applause. Gen. Earle said: "Let me ask all my friends in this audience as a special favor to myself to give Capt. Tillman, as well as the other speakers who will address you to-day, a most respectful hearing. The audience responded, "We will do it," "Send him back to E. G. field," "Put a tag on him and ship him."

Capt. Tillman, resuming—This drummer, who had been attending some of these Tillman meetings in the up-country, said: "Don't fool your-elves; just wait until you get in God's country, and you will see a change." [Right about that.] If you will be quiet and hear me for my cause, I shall thank you; if you do not want to hear me, I shall also thank you, as it will save me the labor of making you a speech. [Voices: Hear him hear him.]

You have the name of "Game Cock county," and in looking in the eyes of this audience I believe you are true Carolinians, and have too much self-respect and too much bravery to howl down any man. [Cheers.] Put stoppers in your Earle bottles, and put in your Tillman stoppers, too; for I know lots of them are here. Two years ago I was sent here by the executive committee of the farmers to discuss the issues then regarding the public mind. Governor Richardson was the only candidate in the field for the office of governor, and this is the first time in the history of Sumter county when the people have had the opportunity to see the candidates for State officers face to face, and hear them discuss the issues. [Cries for Earle.]

Now what did they holler "Earle" for just then? [Laughter.]

I sowed some Tillman seed in this county, and while you have threats to holler for Earle, I know there are more Tillman men in Sumter county than there are Earle men. [Cries for Earle and Tillman.]

Col. Earle again stepped to the front to quiet the crowd.

Col. Earle—you have heard me many times before. Let me ask you again as a special favor to myself, to hear Capt. Tillman patiently and respectfully. [We will hear him.]

Tillman continuing—What does this grand outpouring of the people of the State mean; this up-rising, this turmoil and this excitement? [You want office.]

Do you want one? [No.]

That is a pitiful tale. I am 43 years old, and never asked for one yet. [You need one.]

Suppose I do want office; am I not free, white and twenty-one? I am here as a candidate, but I defy any man to say I asked for the place. [What did you come here for?]

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Give me a few minutes, will you? This is a case the people of South Carolina have got to decide between Bratton, Earle and Tillman.

Col. Earle (addressing the crowd)—Hear his indictment; I will reply to it.

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Yes, I can and will prove it. The first charge that I bring is that they have robbed the Democrats of their just representation in the legislature. In 1885 the legislature found itself confronted by the provision of the constitution requiring the census to be taken, the representation to be made according to the population. Let me show you how they have robbed you, the county of Sumter in 1880, with its 37,000 population. [Cries for Earle.]

I know you could not stand the physics. But you've got to stand the physics of the general assembly. The county of Richland, with 29,000 has twelve, two that belong to you, and you have been robbed of your rights. [Cheers.]

They have trampled the constitution under foot and certain men have perjured themselves in doing it. It is the same way with Edgefield. We are entitled to six representatives and fourteen delegates to the State Convention.

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