

"MUCH ADO ABOUT NOTHING."

Prominent Allianceman Says This Fuss is all Wrong--Let there be no Condemnation Until the Jury Agrees--He thinks it will be Vance.

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CARBONTON, N. C., Dec. 8 --I suggest to Dr. Beall that the business plan of the Alliance, as well as the signs and pass words, should be kept secret. Politics is by the constitution (but not in a partisan sense) made a special study.

I am very sorry indeed, if all the evils enumerated by Dr. Beall exist in his county Alliance.

I have heard there was some bad feeling in that county, but had no idea it was so bad. I have attended nearly all my sub and county and all the State Alliances, but the first, and I must say I have seen none of these things. I have seen Alliancemen differ widely on many questions, but always perfect freedom of speech and expression of opinion have been allowed; and when a question was fairly decided it was always submitted to quietly. I have seen no tests or idols set up to obey or bow down to. I have heard no man of ability, experience and devotion to the interests of the farmers denounced as unworthy of confidence.

I have never seen a man force himself into an Alliance, or forced to remain in one a day longer than he wished to remain. Alliancemen have been openly advised to note--"and when any papers by vicious and malicious misrepresentation of our officers or members, shall seek to impair our strength and unity, that such a paper should not receive our support." There is nor has been any objection to fair and honest criticism.

Where is the evidence that an effort is being made through the Alliance to force members elect to the Legislature to violate solemn pledges and betray the people, &c.?

Now what shall we do? Dr. Beall proposes to stand by the constitution. Good advice. Let us all do that; and I have no objection to a free and fair discussion of any question or the passage of any suitable resolutions as suggested. You may call it what you please--I would not continue to support a paper that viciously and maliciously seeks to injure me or impair my usefulness. I suggest that Dr. Beall's advice to all Alliancemen to attend their county Alliance, and if it declines to adopt some such resolution, they IMMEDIATELY organize as a Democratic meeting and pass the resolutions as Democratic Alliancemen, is all wrong and revolutionary so far as their duty to the Alliance is concerned. I believe such a course would ruin the order in a short time. They would have the right as Democrats to meet anywhere else and pass such resolutions as they saw fit.

But in principle they have just as much right to attend the Legislature and if it declines to pass a resolution to suit them, capture the place, IMMEDIATELY organize, and pass the resolution as Alliance Democrats.

Mr. Editor, I think all this fuss is "much ado about nothing." I believe we have a Democratic Legislature. Those I know among them I believe to be all right. We can't spare Polk. Alexander is in Congress. Carr is not a candidate. I think it will be Vance.

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