

cation regardless of what the people of North Carolina may think about it, while Virginia can utilize a combination of education, property, and military service without inviting the interference of New York. The people of each State are held to be the best judges in a matter which most nearly concerns their own civil and social well being.

These evidences, we say, of more liberal and more enlightened thought in regard to race conditions in the South should convince the President that only harm can come of his policy of closing postoffices and defying local sentiment in order to force distasteful Federal officials upon business communities in the South. Let us see if he will learn the lesson.

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A negro was hung by a mob in Illinois on Sunday. The crime was the usual one and the punishment was the usual one inflicted for such offenses either in the North or the South. If the mob got the right man there is no reason for them to be ashamed of their work, but there is much reason why the people of Illinois should refrain from criticizing the usual, which has sometimes been erroneously called the Southern method of dealing with such crimes.