MR. ROSEN REPLIES TO MR. CAFFERY

AS TO STATE'S FINANCIAL CONDUCT

Shows Mr. Michel's Responsibility, Which He Has Never Shirked, and Upholds His Acts.

Democratic Administration in Louisiana Proof Against Such Attacks, for Affairs Have Been Soundly and Safely Carried On.

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CHARLES ROSEN. things that had been accomplished by

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because of his peculiar fitness for the position.

Mr. Parker, the head of the Hall movement, had urged Mr. Michel to run for governor in 1904, and again in 1908.

PACTS WILL BEST ANSWER

Bank of Baton Rouge, 1-10 of the deposits at \$2,500 per annum; Bank of Baton Rouge, 1-10 of the deposits at \$2,500 per annum, which motion was adopted.

Now, as to this Mr. Caffery seeks to fix upon Mr. Michel responsibility for moving to divide the deposits between two or more banks and the placing of the deposits with them. It is true Mr. Michel made the motion that it was the sense of the board that the fiscal agency should be divided. But it is also true that all the other members of the board voted in favor of this resolution, and Mr. Caffery should have said that the Whitney Bank demanded all the deposits or none at all; while all the other banks stated that they were willing to take whatever the board would allot to them.

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and Attorney General hat the board elect a its place, which motion

The banks did not consent to pay 31-2 per cent interest and refused to accept the deposit on such terms.

It is not a fact, as Mr. Caffery churges, that the banks agreed to pay this rate.

This Mr. Caffery did not mention, but Governor Sanders so stated at the meeting of April 15, 1909.

At this meeting there were present Governor Sanders, Lieutenant Governor Sanders, Lieutenant Governor Lambremont, Auditor Capdevielle, Treasurer Steele, Speaker of the House Dupre and Attorney General Gulon. Secretary of State Michel was absent, and yet Mr. Caffery seeks to hold him responsible for the action taken at that meeting, although be it said that the action taken was entirely proper.

Mr. Dupre informed the board that owing to the death in Mr. Michel's family it was impossible for him to attend the meeting.

Mr. Caffery also complains that act 23 of 1907, requiring the letting of the deposits to the highest bidder, was repealed by the Sanders administration, and for this he likewise holds Mr. Michel responsible, and yet the Times-Democrat on Jan. 6, 1809, on this whole subject, itself said:

"At a recent meeting the board divided the New Orleans deposit between three banks, the New Orleans National Bank, Whitney Central and the Filbernia, and fixed the rate of interest at 31-2 per cent and at the same time required that those fiscal agents charge no more loans made to the state, and that they charge nothing for their services in connection with refunding of the debt which matures on Jan. 1, 1914. The three banks repiled that the rate fixed would involve an actual loss and would be

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OR ABUSE,
and the state has prospered under the
beneficent influences of Democratic administration.

It seems to me that it is a rather
late date to be impeaching the integrity of these administrations, of
which Mr. Michol has been a part for
the last fifteen years. He assumes and
claims with pardonable pride his share
of responsibility in this great work.
His office has been one of the best
administered in this state, and all he
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I do not believe the people of this state will approve such a course, I believe that they will judge Mr. Michel as he should be judged, by his record of public service and by the administration of his public office, unsurpassed in the history of our state. Upon this issue he appeals to the Democratic electorate of this state, not to the Republicans of this state, not to the Republican voters of this state, as 5,500 out of 6,000, have registered as Democrats in order to vote the Good Government League ticket at the coming primary. After that they will go back to their party and vote the Republican ticket in the national election. The only hope of the Good Government League is through these votes, and I do not believe the Democratic voters of this state will support such a movement, involving as it does an attack upon the integrity of the Democrats of this state for the past twenty years. Mr. Michel is and always has been a consistent Democrat. He makes his appeal to the Democratic voters of this state, and I believe that by the Democratic votes he will be elected governor of Louisians for the next four years.

Absent Chairman's Tribute. Absent Chairman's Tribute. Abbeville, La., Dec. 28, 1911.

Hon, S. A. Dickson, Chairman, Shreveport, La.: Please convey to the assembled audience of the John T.

Michel rally my inexpressible regrets in not being present at this gathering of the friends of our standard-bearer, John T. Michel. He is pre-eminently fitted by his true worth and his years of experience in legislative affairs and his ability to fill the office to which he aspires. And I feel confident that the majority of voters of this, our beloved state, will so record their preferences at the approaching primary election. The honor of presiding on an occasion of this kind would have been a distinction which I would have been tion for which I would have been deeply grateful and most assuredly appreciated. WILLIAM WINTER.

preciated. Caddo Poll Taxes Lag. Shreveport, La., Dec. 28.—Some local office-seckers are disturbed over reports from the sheriff's office to-day that few more than 3,000 of the 5,000 veters of the parish had paid their poll. taxes.

MR. McCAFFERY DOES NOT MEN-TION THIS