FRANKLIN TIMES $\begin{aligned} & \text { otep dows out of bis high offiog and } \\ & \text { interfere with the rights and worke }\end{aligned}$ JoHM A. JOHASOR J. A. THOMAS, ED. \& OWNER ings of a sovereign State seems to tuch men as John Ay Iflord to love

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Friday, September 24 1909.
WHAT MORE POWER IS A PRES IDENT TO HAVE?
This is a question asked not from the Constitution or acts of Congress where the duties and powers are laid liberty taken by some of our late prexidents and more eepecially to Mr. Tatt. Even Roosevelt with al of his bossism and wielding of his bis stick, we do not recall a time wheroin he has taken personal interference in State matters, and especially in the open. But here comes Mr Taft, aceording to aecounts published in the leading daily papers, makihe open personal interference in the election to be held in Maryland in a short while on the disfranchisemenc of the negro, by writing letters to the republican leaders of that State demanding that they defeat the measure and.-also writing a letter to the Baltimore News denouncing the amendment as a disgrace to civilization and is a "gross injustice and is a violation of the spirit of the Fifteenth Amendment.
In order that our Southern people tion the Maryland people are suffer ing practically the same trouble that North Carolina was prior to 1900 and the Suffrage Amendment is practically the same as ours and all the rest of the Southern States and selves and good government by geting rid of the common negro Whose only consideration during possible for his vote. We have had this same experience and know fall land friends.
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