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The great victory won on the 19th by the Copperheads men of North Carolina is the most direct and severe rebuke yet given to Grant's administration. Holding, Grant & Co. to show that the people were turning against them, and they could derive no other means of continuing their power but to declare martial law. This step was unquestionably taken with a full understanding at Washington, that the Federal troops would be sent into the State to sustain Holden and intimidate the people.

Kirk's lawless bands, are, familiar to our readers, and how we have the result of the infamous scheme, as the Conservatives carry the State, carry the Legislature, securing the election of a Conservative United States Senator, and reversing the character of the Representative in Congress. The truck attempted to be pilged by Hildes and Grant has been tried once too often; it was exposed before the people of the country, and repudiated by the voters of North Carolina. The same old conservatism is the same old fraud, and the same old deception. Through the use of the same old device of doing all of the work in every South State, there.

Do you wonder the people of this "reconstructed" State have made this decision. Two years ago the State of North Carolina had \$14,000,000, now it is \$10,000,000, showing a decrease of \$4,000,000, or about \$2,500,000 a year since the present reconstructed State government came into power. The value of property in North Carolina, according to the latest returns is:

Valuation of land	\$89,097,981
Valuation of loved property	8,000,358
Valuation of personal property	1,284,778

Thus the reader will see, the reconstruction

the State government of North Carolina has during the period of its existence, increased the State debt to the extent of 37 per cent. of the amount required to pay the State debt. Again: the amount required to pay the interest on the public debt for the year ending June 1, 1920, was \$2,100,000; the amount required to support the State government, \$1,008,228.30; making the total required, \$3,108,228.30. But up to this time only \$1,000,000 has been paid. The amount the salaries, fees, and perquisites of the officials have been paid, leaving not a cent to meet the interest on the State debt! In other words the people have been taxed to the verge of desperation, loaded down with taxes, and the State government has been as easy money, and now their taxes are held out as bankrupt in credit because their expenses have been converted to corrupt use the money that should have gone to the payment of interest on the State debt!

Now it remains to be seen what device a

ent to destroy the effort of this verdict against them. If they resort to new measures of "reconstruction" to retain their power, it will react upon them with terrible force to have the infamous schemes of Rotund.

**A NONCE ADO.**—The New York *Herald* of Monday has the following, which will be interesting to the many friends of Dr. Deems in the city:

"For two years the Church of the Strangers has been worshipping in the large chapel of the University. Dr. Deems succeeded his friend Dr. Hawks in the occupancy of that chapel. The Church of the Strangers is undenominational and unsectarian; and its members, comprising only pious in Christ and good in life, are from all sects. Some time since the board of trustees, thinking the chapel not exactly adequate to the wants of the congregation, decided to purchase the Mercer street Presbyterian church for the sum of \$30,000. July 31 was the day when the purchase was consummated. Vanderbilt came forward for \$5,000 in the hands of Dr. Deems as a certified certificate of deposit for that amount, made payable to the Doctor, with the understanding on the part of Mr. Vanderbilt that it should be applied to the purchase of the property. It is proper to add that this was a spontaneous offering, and that Dr. Deems, without the slightest hint or solicitation on the part of either Dr. Deems or any member of his church."

The tone and tactics of Gov. Holden's organ, the *Raleigh Standard*, are simply infamous. If its purpose were to provoke civil war, it could not be conducted differently.

"A Judge Brooks ready to involve the people of North Carolina in civil war! Does he suppose Gov. Holden will concede him? \* \* \* The Governor will not concede until the Federal Army is used against him; and the Federal Army will not be

and against them. We are on the one side, and against them is crying all the blood and all the corruption and all the wickedness of Judge Brooks."

We suspect that Holman's desire is to provoke the state of things he pretends to deplore. Having enabled the Democrats to secure a triumph in the late election, he would now precipitate the State into civil war, by a violent and unprovoked attack on the Executive. He would thus be making Congressional interference almost inevitable, as the result of Holman's impudent attempt to set himself above the law, the country will hold that he and he alone is responsible for it. The Republican Party cannot too soon or too emphatically repudiate such a man and his doings.

— J. F. Stone, *Rich.*

Holman dares—since the election in North Carolina that "we will have fully upon the crumbling brink of a volcano," so at least says the gubernatorial order, to set the High Standard. Being the Chief of the Court, he is the only one of the North there, it is not at all unlikely that the ground is crumbling under some noble feet. A Democratic Legislature

It is a little knotty question as to the powers of the State Executive to raise an army and make war on the people he will want to respect, and the North will not very much care to what extent or reasons the Government can be pushed. The country is sick of violence, and will not look kindly on any action tending to discourage further appeals to arms. By moving troops to interfere with the peaceable exercise of the ballot Governor Holden has rendered himself amenable to the Enforcement act, and unless he forthwith disbands his regiments that statute made to eat one way, might be found to possess an edge in the night. — *N. Y. World.*