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They Want Federal Marshals and Troops at the Polls. Chairman Simmons Says Their Talk Is Bluff And Bluster and Urges Registrars to Do Their Duty.

Hon. F. M. Simmons, chairman of the Hon. F. M. Simmons, chairman of the Democratic State executive committee, was interviewed Monday in regard to the threats recently made by Lieut. Gov. Reynolds and Senator Franks, the two Republican candidates for corporation commissioners, to have United States deputy marshals at the polls, and to arrest registrars who refuse to register such persons as their party may wish to have registered.

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Mr. Simmons said that these threats simply showed the desperation of the Republican leaders. It shows they see defeat staring them in the face. It has been a custom of that party in the south whenever they see themselves about to be defeated, to turn to the Republican national administration for help. In 1896 Pritchard wanted federal soldiers; Mr. Holton is said to have recently inter-Mr. Holton is said to have recently interviewed the president with reference to sending federal soldiers here this year; and now they want to surround the reg-istrars with United States marshals, and force them to register negro boys under 21 years of age, negro criminals, imported negroes, and negroes, who having once registered in their own names, present themselves to be registered under various aliases. They would imitate here in North Carolina the late example of Kentucky's usurping governor. of Kentucky's usurping governor, who, having conspired to assassinate the man who had beaten him before the people, surrounded the Democratic legislature with soldiers to coerce it into recognizing his fraudulent claim to the office of gov-

rnor.

The mere suggestion of these things by Republican candidates and newspapers is an insult to the people of North Carolina. It is a foolhardy attempt to bull-doze and intimidate the registrars and judges of election. There are now upon the old registration books the names of between 15,000 and 20,000 negroes who have no earthly right to vote, put there by fraud and perjury, and kept there by the infamous provision of the fusion election law of 1895 and 1897. The Republican managers have sent out secret orders to the negroes to press registration, and they are seeking, by these threats, to terrorize and coerce registrars into allow. ing every negro to register, whether qualified or not

Continuing, Mr. Simmons said that he had thoroughly investigated all the acts of congress bearing upon these subjects, both personally and through competent attorneys, and that as a result of these investigations, he had found that there was absolutely no authority of law for what these leaders of the negroes propose. He said the act of congress, passed in February, 1870, authorizing the appointment of supervisors of elections and the presence of deputy marshals at the polls, commonly known as the "Force Bill," had been expressly repealed by the act of congress, passed in February, 1894, and that there is absolutely no warrant in any United States statute for their appointment, or for the exercise by them of any such authority. The deputy marshal undertaking to exercise any supervisory authority, either before any registrar or at the polls, should be immediately arrested under the provisions of our State laws, making it a misdemeanor to in any way interfere with or obstruct an officer in the discharge of his duties as registrar or poll-holder. A deputy marshal has no more right to interfere with the registration or the polls than a private citizen, and would be amenable to our State law, just as would any private citizen, for his acts in that behalf would be without color of law.

"In regard to the threat to arrest registrars," Mr. Simmons said, "no authority can be found in any United States statute for such arrests. Sections 5507, 5509 and 5510, which are cited by certain Republican papers and leaders as authority for deputy marshals interfering with elections, do not give jurisdiction to any United States court. A registrar is a judicial officer, acting under the authority of a valid State law, and can no more be interfered with or hindered in the discharge of his duty of passing upon the qualification of persons offering to register than a judge of the superior court in the trial of a person charged with illegal registration or lifegal voting, or any other offence against the laws of the State, and outside

point of the bayonet. Elections were conducted and supervised by federal of-fice-holders. All that has passed away, never, it is hoped, to return again. The people of North Carolina do not propose to tolerate the unlawful and revolutionary interference of federal office-holders, who are seeking by every abominable ary interference of federal office-holders, who are seeking by every abominable and desperate effort to have registered negroes who are not entitled to vote, as was done in the election of 1896 and 1898. This is a government by the people, and not by the United States commissioners and deputy marshals, nor federal office-holders. They may run and control, and do run and control Republican and fusion conventions. but they lican and fusion conventions, but they will not be allowed to take charge of the elections of the people. If any registrar in discharging the duties of his office is subjected to any threat or any prosecu-tion by these federal marshals, let him continue to do his sworn duty faithfully and fearlessly; they will not dare arrest him; they know they have no authority for such a course; they are simply trying to intimidate him. But, if in their des-peration, they should arrest any regis-trar, bond will be furnished him; counsel will be provided for him, and he can rest assured no harm can come to him. Those who thus interfere with him in the diswho thus interfere with him in the discharge of his lawful duty under the laws of the State will be both criminally and civilly prosecuted, for the man who swears out such a warrant, and the man who executes it will be both criminally and civilly liable—criminally because it would be an unlawful interference with the registrar in the exercise of the judicial the registrar in the exercise of the judicial discretion imposed on him by the statute, and civilly because such a prosecution would be without probable cause, and,

and civilly because such a prosecution would be without probable cause, and, therefore, malicious.

"Let every registrar act as his duty requires; register those who are 'entitled to register under the law, and see that no man who is not entitled to register is allowed to do so. Our laws prescribe, as the State has a right to do, the qualification of voters. It requires a certain age; it requires a certain residence; it requires that the party offering to register shall be a bona fide resident of the State, county and precinct. In these respects, our election law is not different from the law in every other state in the Union, and from what has always been the law here. A boy who is not 21 years of age is not entitled to register simply because he is a negro; a man who has committed an infamous crime is not entitled to register simply because he is a negro; nor is a man entitled to register more than once simply because he is a negro; and wants to vote the Republican ticket.

He made a full confession.

For the first time in his pugilistic career Tom Sharkey went down to decisive defeat Monday night in the historic arena of the Seaside Athletic club, Coney Island, and big Gus Ruhlin, the Ohio pugilist, won a clean knock-out after 15 rounds of fighting that made a memorable battle.

Edward and Minnie Clegg, at Mounds ville, W. Oa., faith curists, had a child that became sick, and refused to have a physician ordered there by the Humane society. The child died. Warrants have been secured charging the child's parents with murder, and they were locked up. The society is determined that while people who are grown may select their own means of healing, children must not be allowed to die unattended.

Five dollar silver certificates of the new design made their first appearance Monday in Washington and took the place of the old fives in all treasury payments from the cash room. The feature of the new note is a large typical Indian head in the center, with ablue seal, and a large letter V. with ablue seal, and a large

"These are the people the Republican candidates and leaders wish to force on the registration books. It is to get these negro boys and criminals upon the registration books that these desperate men bluster, and threaten to invoke the manufacture of the Paris of States and the second of the secon bluster, and threaten to invoke the machinery of the United States courts, and the presence of deputy marshals at the polls. Their threats are mere wind and fury. There is no authority in the United States law to enforce them. They need frighten no one; it is in line with Butler's threat to whip white men out of the State, and of Blackburn's threat to assemble to white men who are not willing. sassinate white men who are not willing to submit to the negro rule of the Republican party."

### Practical Education at the A. & M.

We have received a little hand-book of the North Carolina College of Agriculture and Mechanic Arts, of Raleigh, N. C., and we are glad to see that this institution is devoting itself scalously to technical education and manual training. Our State needs men well educated is all lines of engineering, especially, mechanical and electrical engineering, and also in cotton manufacturing. For the development of our great natural resources, we need also thousands of skilled workmen—expert carpenters, wood-turners, bilacksmiths, machinists, mill-workers, boiler-tenders, electricians and dynamo tenders. The A. & M. College trains lads for such work, and if they possess talent, educates them for all technical professions.

The college last year enrolled 802 students, of whom many paid their own expenses by labor at odd times. Students who do not labor may attend the college at a total expense, including clothing and books, in facteverything, of about \$140. This can be reduced one-half by securing a tree scholarship and obtaining work at the college.

Entrance examinations will be held in the county court house Saturday, July 28, at 10 a.m., in the office of the county superintendent of public instruction. Any hoy may obtain a copy of the little handbook, with full information about the college and the examinations, by applying to President George T. Winston, Baleigh; N. C. We have received a little hand-book of

### A Good Cough Medicine.

## GENERAL NEWS.

Matters of Interest Condensed Into Brief Paragraphs.

Georgia delegates to Kansas City are said to favor D. B. Hill for vice-president. The carpet mill of Masland & Sons, in Philadelphia, was burned Monday. Loss \$75,000 to \$100,000.

Of the five battleships to be built, three will have superimposed turrets and two are to be of the old style.

About half the American troops in Cuba are to be withdrawn and brought home to enable sending more troops to the Philippines.

The governor of Bombay, India, reports that there were 10,277 deaths from the cholera out of 15,479 cases during the week ended June 16.

Another effort will shortly be made to obtain a re hearing of the famous Carter case. The plan is to try to bring him be-fore a civil court on a writ of habeas corpus and then have the case tried upon its

Jack Thomas, a negro, who attempted an assault on Mrs. Leene, a widow living in Suwanee county, Fla., Friday night, was taken from the sheriff by a mob Mon-day, hanged to a tree and riddled with bullets. He made a full confession.

negro, and wants to vote the Republican in the center, with a blue seal, and a large letter V, with the word "Five" also in blue, running in a curved line across it.

As an artistic production this note is regarded as equal to any ever issued by the government.

The weather bureau's weekly summary The weather bureau's weekly summary of crop conditions says that, except in Texas and Oklahoma, cotton has suffered very unfavorable weather conditions and the crop is generally very grassy, rust and lice being extensively reported in the central and eastern portions of the cotcentral and eastern portions of the cotton belt. Too rapid growth is reported
from the central portions of the belt,
while growth has been checked by low
temperatures in North Carolina. Some
fields in bottom lands in Mississippi and
Tennesses have been abandoned. The
week has been very favorable to tobacco,
except over portions of western Kentucky
and Tennesses, where it has suffered from
heavy rains.

### INSTITUTE ITEMS.

June 25, 1900.

Miss Lera Bryan is visiting in Kinston. Mrs. J. J. Bryan left Sunday for Jones county.

Miss Nettle Hardie returned Sunday from a visit to Trenton. Miss Mabel Kennedy, of LaGrange, is visiting Miss Maude Dawson.

Miss Mollie Hardy returned Sunday from a visit at and near Kinston.

Mr. Tom M. Kennedy, of Waycross, Ga. came last week to spend the summer. Mr. J. E. Turnage returned Saturday from a three weeks' visit to Bichmond.

Mr. W. J. Brothers opened an ice house here last week. It is a great convenience to our little town.

Miss Bertha Wright, of Washington, N. C., came Thursday to visit Miss Iola Patrick and left Sunday for Hookerton.

Mr. and Mrs. D. H. Dixon, Mrs. John Taylor and daughter, Miss Julia, of Hookerton, spent Sunday at Mrs. N. E. Patrick'e.

#### ALLIES IN TIEN TSIN.

#### Internationals Enter the City With Few Casualties

Cheloo, Tuesday, June 26.—Rear Admiral Kempff reports, by a Japanese tor-pedo boat, that the combined forces en-tered Tien Tain on Saturday, June 28, sustaining small loss.

They started on Sunday to relieve the force which left Tien Tsin June 10th, and which is believed to be surrounded near Pekin.

According to Japanese reports, Admiral Seymour has been captured, and the min-isters have left Pekin, guarded by Chinese soldiers. Their whereabouts are now unknown.

London June 26, 3:35 a.m.—The British cruiser Terrible has arrived at Chefoo from Taku, with the following news:

"Eight hundred Sikhs and 200 Welsh Fusiliers have effected a junction with the American, German and Russian forces, which had been cut off by the Chinese about nine miles from Tien Tsin It was

about nine miles from Tien Tsin It was proposed to deliver an assault upon the Chinese forces at Tien Tsin last night (Sunday night)."

It is not clear what forces united. It would seem that one relieving force, cut off, had been relieved by another. At any rate, it is apparently certain that the allies arrived in sufficient numbers at 1 ien Tsin Sunday to attack the besieging Chinese.

Chinese.

"Foreign official opinion here," says a dispatch from Shanghai to The Express, dated yesterday, "inclines to believe that the worst has happened to the legations at Pekin, and to Admiral Seymour as well. Even if the legations were safe on June 19, there is no guarantee that they are safe now. The situation grows more and more gloomy. The entire absence of reliable news from the capital seems to justify the worst construction which can justify the worst construction which can

be put upon it.
"Bad news comes from Nan King,
where the unrest is said to be growing

rations. Russia has ordered out 50,000 men, Japan will send 15,000 more in a few days, and England is preparing to send a large force to China. The allies are making extensive p

## A Danger of Dissention Among

Che Foo. June 26.—The officers of the British first-class cruiser Terrible assert that discord exists between the Russians and Anglo-Americans, and say they believe the Russians are planning to break the concert and take possession of Pekin independently. They assert that Vice Admiral Seymour's command lacked unison, the foreigness subling because they was the foreigners sulking because they were under British leadership. They bitterly denounce the Russians' conduct as un-civilized and barbarous, and charge that the slaughter of peaceful Chinamen at Taku has aroused the otherwise passive

natives against the foreigners.

Many persons familiar with the Chinese character think the foreign ministers and Vice admiral Seymour are held as hostage for good terms of settlement. They also believe the whole Chinese army is joining in the movement, under the leadership of Tung Fu Hsiang, who crushed the Mohammedan rebellion. Recently he was nominally degraded for the purpose of organizing an auti-foreign uprising quietly.

Chaffee to Command Americans. Washington, June 23.—The president has assigned Gen. Adna R. Chaffee to the command of the military forces operating in China. Gen. Chaffee was at the war department today receiving instructions, and will leave for San Francisco in time to sail July 1st with the Sixth cavalry. This detachment will sail on the Grant, which has been ordered to touch at Nagasaki for further orders.

### Horrible Slaughter.

London, June 26.—Horrible news comes from Tien Tsin.

The bodies of massacred men and wo-men of all European countries, and also American and Japanese, litter the streets of the city. The foreign banks are looted and destroyed.

Tien Tain surrendered to the allied

troops Sanday.

BASEBALL. TUESDAY.

Pittsburg 8, Chicago 6. Boston 10, Philadelphia 6. New York 6; Brooklyn 8. St. Louis 5, Cincinnati 7.

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## State League Games

Tartoro was again defeated by Raleigh Seeday, 5 to 8. At the close of the 9th uning the score was 8 to 8. Neither earn scored again till Kaleigh made two

## STATE

#### Interesting North Carolina Items In Condensed Form.

From Ridgeway 1,000 crates of cultivated blackberries are now being shipped daily. The crop is found profitable, much more so than grapes.

Salisbury Sun: A well-to-do farmer of China Grove township tells us that some of his wheat is sprouting in the shock. It is caused by the rain the past

Senator Butler announces that Con-gressman Kelley, of South Dakota, and 'Cyclone" Davis, of Texas, will stump North Carolina next month in aid of the Populists.

The State has chartered the Waynes-ville Wood Manufacturing company, capital \$25,000, J. A. Cloninger and others stockholders, also the Smoak Manufacturing company, of Wilkes county, capital \$25,000, which will make fruit jars and tinware.

Wilmington Messenger: The relatives and many friends of Dr. and Mrs. George C. Worth, missionaries to China, are now reasonably confident that Dr. Worth and family have escaped from Kiang Ying and are now safe at Shanghai, and, in fact, are very bopeful that they will reach this country ere many weeks.

On Monday morning Dr. R. H. Speight, Richard H. Battle and J. D. Boushall, of the committee on the Vance statue, left for Providence, R. I., to inspect the completed statue, cast by the Gorham company. If satisfactory the statue will be brought to Raleigh at once and erected, but will be covered until the ceremony of unveiling, August 22.

Robert Council and J. W. Sandury, two white men, engaged in a friendly sparring match at Roanoke Rapids Monday night and the result is Sandury lies dead, while Council is oversome with grief. The men were said to be close friends. Sandury lived thirty minutes after he had been knocked down by Council, and before he died he stated publicly that no blame whatever could be attached to Council. Council.

Nashville Graphic: The sympathies of the entire community are extended to Mr. and Mrs. A. P. Bobbitt in the sad death of their infant child which died Wednesday from the effect of drinking box lye. Tuesday afternoon the mother was busily engaged attending to the household duties and while her back was turned the little one found the vessel containing the box of lye and drank some of the contents.

The corporation commission meets in Raleigh June 27th to make the annual Raleigh June 27th to make the annual assessment of railway property. The supreme court decided that it has full power in that line, but to make assurance doubly sure the legislature week before last enacted a law giving such authority. No one has any idea what steps the commission will take and how much, if at a will increase the relustion of the all, it will increase the valuation of the railways. There has as yet been no consultation on that subject.

The removal of a part, at least, of the tobacco factory of the W. S. Kimball & Co. branch of the American Tobacco company from Rochester, N. Y., is being made to Durham, N. C. This will necession. sitate the employment at the latter point of about 600 additional operatives, principally young women. It is reported that the American Tobacco company will manufacture all of its smoking tobacco and cirgarettes for export at Dur-ham, and will set up a bonded factory.

Goldsboro Argus, 26th: The marriage of Mr. Leslie Weil, elder son of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Weil, and Miss Hilda Einstein, youngest daughter of Mrs. A. Einstein; was quietly solemnized at noon today at the bride's home in this city, in the presence of the immediate families of the contracting parties, Rabbi J. L. Meyerberg officiating, according to the impressive service of the Hewbrew ritual. The popular young couple took the west The popular young couple took the west bound 2 o'clock train for Asheville, and other mountain resorts.

An attempt was made Monday night to burn the brick building in Greenville belonging to Mr. W. H. Harrington. The fire was discovered and put out. Paper and grass saturated with kerosine were found under the floor. Mr. Bright, who kept a saloon next door, was arrested and bound over to court on the charge of setting the fire. He had insurance much in excess of his stock. Mr. Bright's license to retail liquor was revoked by the mayor two weeks ago upon his being convicted of selling on Sunday, and his bar had not since been kept open.

Mr. W. S. Whedon, cashier of the First National Bank of Winterset, Iowa, in a recent letter gives some experience with a carpenter in his employ, that will be of value to other mechanics. He says: "I had a carpenter working for me who was obliged to stop work for several days on account of being troubled with diarrhous. I mentioned to him that I had been similarly troubled and that Chamberlain's Cotic, Cholera and Diarrhous Remedy had cured me. He bought a bottle of it from the druggist here, and informed me that one dose cured him, and he is again at his work." For sale by J. E. Hood.