The Commonwealth.

- - Editor B. E. HILLIARD, - -

Published Every Thursday.

Entered at the Post-Office at Scotland Neck, N C , as Second Class Matter. THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 20, 1900.

NATIONAL TICKET.

For President : WILLIAM JENNINGS BRYAN.

For Vice-President:

ADLAI E. STEVENSON. For Congress-Second District :

CLAUDE KITCHIN:

For Elector-Second District : T. C. WOOTEN.

SUGGESTIONS TO FARMERS.

We note that the English cotton mills have agreed to shut down for about fifteen days and are endeavoring to get the mills of this country to do the same. Evidently the object is to depress the price of cotton.

Now, how would it do for the farmers of the South to hold their cotton and not sell any during that time?

MR. SIMMONS' ENDORSEMENTS.

THE COMMONWEALTH long before the August election took the ground that Hon. F. M. Simmons would be the Senator to fill the place vacated by the expiration of Butler's term. We stand humble opinion, he is the peer of any by our first praition, and give nearly man in the State in argumentative oraall our editorial space this week to a few of the many and forceful endorsements which are every day appearing in the Mr. Simmons in the style of speaking papers in his favor.

We ask that every voter into whose concerning Mr. Simmons.

While we would emphasize every word of it, we call special attention to Judge Womack's 9th reason why Mr. Simmons should be Senator. It seems to us that in that short paragraph is enough to grapple every Democrat in the State to Mr. Simmons in the party's interest, to say nothing of the man the career at the bar of their favorite himself. It seems to us that from this with that of Mr. Simmons. Mr. Simto stand aside.

The following strong letter appeared in the News and Observer of last bunday endorsing Hon. F. M. Simmons : Rockingham, N. C., Sept. 8, 1900. First, and above all other reasons, Mr. Simmons' moral character and private life are without stain. Elected to Congress when a very young man, he withstood all the Devil's glittering

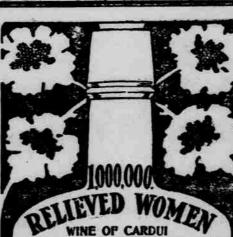
SIMMONS STRONGLY ENDORSED

temptations there, and returned to his people sober and clean. From that early age until now he has been subjected to all the temptations which beset the pathway of a prominent and commanding public man. He has passed through it all without blemish on his character for sobriety and up-rightness in all the relations of life. There has never been a charge affecting his character except that he acted as Chairman of the State Executive committee of our party in the last three campaigns in which we were successful. This is a very serious offence to negro organizers and to those who would have sold their votes to the negroes of North Carolina for small offices but for

public sentiment which Simmons aroused against such treason to the white race. Every man who voted the Democratic ticket because he feared the indignation of the people if he voted otherwise hates Simmons for being

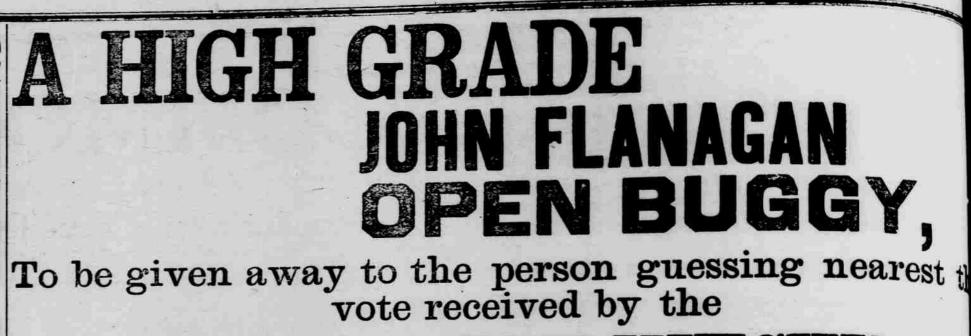
chairman. We challenge any Democrat to show any wrong he did during his three campaigns. We challenge any Democrat to show where he advised one lawless act. There is not a cleaner, maniter man in the race for the great honor of

ceing our Senator. We contend that Mr. Simmons should be chosen because of his great ability. He is the peer of any North Carolinian in intellect and mental powers. In my tory, which is the only kind effective in the United States Senate. There are men in North Carolina who surprass effectively upon the stump, but in clearness of statement, and power in debate he is without a superior in the Carolinians would be proud of him. He has a legal mind, and his success at the bar attests his ability. We invite those who, while admitting Mr. Simmons' superior claim to the gratitude of North Carolinian, favor the linians. He did possibly more than election of some other candidate who belongs to the legal profession because in the their opinion he posseses greater ability than Mr. Simmons, to compare





pictures and other printed matter than ever before went out from the headduties of the chairmanship, made many cannot be excelled for Style burdened with the great weight of the they were powerful appeals to the judg- and Finish. speeches in all parts of the State, and ment and conscience of North Caroany other man to awaken that great He has done more for education than courage exhibited by our people in any living North Carolinian, by doing both campaigns. When danger surrounded us we all wanted to bear what amendments to our Constitution. He WHY SIMMONS SHOULD BE SENATOR Mr. Simmon's said ; and when he de- has done more for the ex-Confederate fied their threats of Federal troops and soldier than any other living North News & Observer.



Our Next Congressman,

In the November Election. Everybody allowed o guess for each dollar's worth of goods bought at o Hardware store. Two or more persons guessing

vote, or nearest to it, will draw or divide the value of the quarters of a political committe in this Buggy as they may prefer. State. He was the author of much of this literature. It was superbly written Offer holds good to and inwhen he wrote it, and I especially cluding the day before eleccarefully every line we print this week State. He would so conduct himself clearness with which he writes. In both campaigns Mr. Simmons, though tion. Flanagan's Buggies

Mr. Simmons' genius for politics has

held by negroes and by white men

who loved negroes better than Confed-

feat a Confederate soldier, or the son of

'65, but the war for the independence

North Carolina's civilization has been

Simmons enlisted as soon as he was old

enough, and in the last great battle

going on from 1861 until now. M



The Hardware Hustlers, Scotland Neck.

SIMMONS' PARTY SERVICE. SIMMONS FOR SEXAL ELEVEN GOOD REASONS The Greensboro Telegram of last News and Observer Saturda, giving arguments in favor of the different candidates for the Senate, said the following of Mr. F. M. Sim-M. Simmons elected to the States Senate for reasons even standpoint every other aspirant ought mons has not only exhibited great Gurts, with the courage of Carolintan, not by giving a little To the Editor :--Permit me to give, mons: mons has not only exhibited great ability in the practice of his noble pro-tession, but in his public service he

We call special attention also to has shown himself to possess ability of what Mr. Cameron Morrison's letter to a high order. He was a member of the News an i Observer says about Mr. Simmons in connection with the Confederate soldiers.

ALL WOULD ANSWER "SIM-MONS."

The following pointed communica-Observer over the signature "Justice"

"If you had asked every Democrat in North Carolina in October, '98, whom they favored for United States of his term the farmers unanimously re-Senator to succeed Butler four out of nominated him for Congress in the State for the Democracy !'

"If you had asked them all in July 1900, the same question, about the same proportion would have answered : leated. Simmons, if he defeats fusion and se-In 1898, when North Carolina wa cures the adoption of the amendthe most damnably governed State in ment.'

"You may ask any Republican of more negroes in office in our State prominence in North Carolina whom than in all the other States in the he dislikes most and dreads most in the Union combined ; when nearly all the political conflicts in North Carolina, white men in office were placed there and he will reply : 'F. M. Simmons.' by negroes, and to spite of overwhel-

"You may ask any McKinley Popu- ming white majorities ; when the white list in North Carolina, whom he dispeople were still torn and divided by likes most and dreads most in a politi- class feeling and bitter disagreements cal fight in North Carolina and he will until reason had well nigh been deanswer: 'F. M. Simmons.' throned in North Carolina the demo-

"You may ask any Republican or cratic party selected Mr. Simmons as McKinley Populist in North Carolina, its official head by electing him chairwhom he would dislike most to see in man of the State Executive Committee. the United States Senate in place of From then until now he has been the Marion Butler, and if he will speak unquestioned leader of the white peothe truth, he will say : 'F. M. Sim- ple of our State who are opposed to mons.'

"You may any the astute Democrat WHO BELIEVE IN THE PRINCIin North Carolina if they had a hard PLES OF THE DEMOCRATIC uncertain political contest to fight in PARTY AS ENUNCIATED IN ITS North Carolina, whom would be select NATIONAL PLATFORM. It requirto lead his forces, and almost without ed ability to lead the Democratic party exception he would say: 'F. M. Sim- through this crists in our State's hismons.

"You may overhear a stranger ask of would have intensified class feeling and any well informed citizen of North put off the day of our coming together Carolina 'Who is your most powerful antil our civilization would have and effective Democratic organizer and been destroyed. Mr. Simmons led leader in North Carolina?' and almost wisely. His fees have never charged without exception the answer would be : him with a mistake. Immediately upon his assuming the duties of chair-'F. M. Simmons.'

"You may ask any thinking Demo- manship he commenced to skilfully crat in North Carolina, 'Who among pursue policies which rapidly brought all the United States senatorial aspir-ants would make the State the wisest gard to class, or condition in life; he and most useful representative in the was wise enough and strong enough to upper branch of the national Congress?' let every other question be in abeyance and if he will dive down into the lowest and to focus all the courage, intellect depths of his honest convictions he and character of the white race upon will reply : 'F. M. Simmons.' the paramount question of white su-

"Other states and countries honor such men; can North Carolina afford not to He not only pointed out the way do so? Can the people of the State be and perfected the most perfect politidriven from the support of such a man by the cry from a few inactive, dor-mant and inert individuals, who shout loudest when the 'meeting' is over? In the great political battle on every field of the campaign. He not only Can the silly cry of 'Politician' from organized our forces, BUT BY COM-a few of those who are never on the MON CONSENT SHAPED AND

battlefield until the enemy has retired, GUIDED OUR POLICIES. He gathdeter the grand army of fighting North | ered the facts and figures for the argu-Carolina Democrats from doing merited ments against fusion rule, and every justice to one of the best generale that speaker and editor in the State can

courage and gathered and gave more adoption of the amendment all that is money, more facts, more literature, valuable of what they lost on the field Congress when quite young, and did more hours of tedious work and thought of battle, that is, the right and the primarics. not Lesitate to discuss the great ques- than any of the splendid and patriotis power of the white people of the State tions which came up before Congress. He exhibited in the debates before campaigns he never wanted courage and now in the evening of their lives that great body at that early age abili- and he never erred in policy or organ- they can enjoy the glorious satisfaction ties that gratified the whole State. He was materially useful to the State

and perfecting the Constisutional and the entire South 1n his skilful fight Amendment, and he wrote the most daughters always enjoy Anglo-Saxon while in Congress, to place jute on the powerful argument in favor of the con- government. free list and cheapen bagging to the tion appeared in Sunday's Charlotte laimers. His fight for cheap bagging stitutionality of the amendment we have ever read or heard spoken. His put hundreds of Coulederate soldiers in won him the gratitude of the farmers advice was valuable and influential in good offices which would have been of his district and hatred and fear of framing the excellent election law unthe bagging trust. At the expiration der which the last election was held. He has done much for our State, but erate soldiers or their sons. He has five of them would have said : 'Sim- Black District. It was charged at the I do not think the Senatorship ought been the commanding spirit in making mons, if he succeed in carrying the time, and believed to be true, that the to be given to any man as a pension. It forever impossible for a negro to debagging trust poured money into the We ought not to bestow the Senatorship as a reward for party service, or one, for any office in any township. district with which to organize the for noble exhibition of generosity to town, county, city or district in the negrces and defeat him. He was deworthy institutions and good causes State. Mr. Simmons was not old

or for service in the Civil War. A enough to be in the war from '61 to man who would ask to be elected to the Senate for such reasons alone is of our people and the preservation of the whole Union; when there were not great enough for the position. But we favor the election of Mr. Simmons because we believe, judging from the character, ability and patriotism he has already shown, he can be ot when the final victory was won he was greater service to North Carolina in in command. We want him to go to the United States Senate than any the United States Senate to help proman in our State. The fight over the lect the honor, and the fame of the exnegro question in the South has been Confederate soldiers and their sons and removed from the State to National daughters who were engaged in the politics. The National' Republican two great battles of 1898 and 1900, and platform denounces our amended Con- to continue the fight for justice and stitution and the Constitutions of good government and our constitutionother States, where similar disposition al rights. has been made of the negro as a voter. Our amendment and our course in politics for the last four years will be to bestir themselves for him. Every issailed by the great leaders of the Democratic sorehead and every enemy Republican party in the United States of organized Democracy will oppose Senate. Who can defend us with him. Every man who wanted to join more courage, logic and power than the Radicals but feared public senti-Mr. Simmons the man who led us ment will oppose him. And the perthrough it all? In our humble judg- sonal friends and admirers of the great ment Mr. Summons will be invaluable and good men who are contesting the to the whole South in the Senate upon honor with him will oppose him. We ing him to the Senate. What a j-y its duty by him. Respectfuliy, it would be to see Marion Butler out of the Senate with his slanders of our people, and Mr. Simmons there to dofend us and himself! He would be great and useful upon the other great uestions which will come before that great body. He is sound upon our national platform, and will stand for the Republic against an Empire; te will stand for the people against the the rubber trusts; he will stand for bimetalism, and will help to tear down "the cross of gold" and lift "the crown of thorns from the brow of labor," ha

will stand for exact and equal justice between the rich and the poor; dem-gogues can never make him help to rob the rich in the name of the poor nor corruptionists and power make him help the rich to oppress and rob the DOOF.

We should regard Mr. Simmons' previous public service as evidence of what he has the character, ability and patriotism to do for us in the Senate.

A cheap remedy for cougs and colds is all right, but you want something nated for United States Senator at the Simmons is the greatest political or-

than any of the splendid and patriotic works in the cause. Through the two campaigns he never wanted courage and he never erred in policy or organization. His advice was more influen- tial than any other man's in drawing that the civilization of their dear State will remain Anglo- and perfecting the Constitution of the cause will remain Anglo- and perfecting the Constitution of the cause we have had support to power of the white people of the State will remain Anglo-Saxon forever, and their cons and

term by the manipulations of the jute no man apparently willing to assume he is not in thorough account bagging trust, because of the introduct the responsibility of the State chair- principles of Democracy as e tion by him of a bill aimed specially manship, it was Mr. Simmons who at Chicago, and re-echoed a against it; as were a number of other came to the rescue and undertook the City. Nobody can say but the Congressmen who had been active work of unravelling the tangled skein of North Carolina politics and set advocates of Bryan and of a Democracy on its feet. The brilliant wholesome teachings of the advice the stands in the front ranks of the advice the stands in the front ranks of the advice the stands in the front ranks of the advice the stands in the front ranks of the stands in the stands in the front ranks of the stands in the front ranks of the stands in the front ranks of the stands in the stands in the stands in the front ranks of the stands in the stands in the front ranks of the stands in t

his nomination for the third time, and victory achieved under his leadership with the assurance that if he signed that year, and again this year, restored but what will say that Simmer them there would be none, he refused the party in the State and gave us the ical battles in North Cardian to sign the Alliance demands, insisting constitutional amendment. The saga-that he was only bound by the pledges cious chairman's friends say ho has brilliant and successful in their contained in the platform of the Dem- earned the right to anything be may of political campaigning. contained in the platform of the Dem- canned the state the Senatorship, Not a man in the State the senatorship, that F. M. Simmons is not base therefore give it to him.

4. In 1894 and 1896 he boldly and "Mr. Simmons is not without legispublicly, in the State conventions and lative experience. He has served in elsewhere, advocated policies opposed Congress, representing the Second Disby the President, declaring he would triet, and has held other offices. In adsurrender his office before he would a tion to this, he is a man of consider- attributes of leader-hip that his principles. able ability and of extraordinary per-5. Because the Fusionists hate him ception. He is a student of economic

more than they do any Democrat in questions and is well varsed in the the State, and are doing everything science of government." possible to secure his deleat in the

Democratic primaries. 6. Because the opposition fear him more than they do any other Democrat.

7. The proposed constitutional amendments in Virginia and Alabama We urge all those who favor the following our lead, together with the election of Mr. Simmons to the Senate Republican taunts of antagonistic Federal legislation, will make our amendment a live question in the United States Senate. Mr. Simmons inaugurated the White Supremacy campaign though highest merit meant highest ature, which marked the lines upon M. Paint, that its actual cost is the able to carry out any obligations which the battle was to be fought, and lowest of the low. It strikes you at by their firm. the negro question. And this of itself urge his friends to organize and go to would be a sufficient reason for send- work. Richmond will undoubtedly do hase : its constitutionality, its desire- once, the fact that you buy your linbility and its effects. He is in the refuse to use thin paints because it is best position to determine the United causes which led up to it, in the United paint. Every gallon of L. & M. is sold under an iron clad-guarantee; the only paint that is better and cheaper and mucous surfaces of the states of

contributed liberally to the campaigns, both in money and personal services, furnish color cards. and in the campaign just closed he contributed to the State campaign fund twice as much in money as any other

the terrific abuse and vilification heaped upon him by the Fusionists, would mean a repudiation and political death -an end most devoutly desired by

10. While, theoretically, it may be true that no man deserves an office. and that he who works for the party is presumed to have done so from patri-otic motives, yet the country always feels grateful to a leader who secures

ganizer in North Carolina (some say in ability. Nobody but what wing I. He has had Congressional exper- the world) and has accomplished more Nobody will refute the claim 2 He was defeated for his second in a state of chaotic uncertainty, with body can say, and say trutaida

braskan and his compers. M Not a man in the State that a ageous, brainy and a heroic "

with any problem of State or hi While he is poor, so farast and dimes go, yet he is rich in characterize a representative United States Senale.

It does seen to me, that the who so richly deserves the pe and who is so capable of filling # to have it, and I have but littles LETTER TO REV. G. W. Phelps. hension but what he will get it. EDWARD F. YARBORD Louisburg, N. C., Sept. 13.

out what Mr. Simmons is a

HOW'S TIHS!

that we gave an article of poor quality the stamp of our personal guarantee. We offer One Hun !red Dollars We heartily recommend the L. & M. ward for any case of Catarrh that Paint because it fulfills well nigh im- not be cured by Had's Catarrie possible conditions. Highest merit F. J. CHENEY & Co., Pras. Todedo, U

We the undersigned, have know cost. It does in the original package. J. Cheney for the last 15 years. wonderfully successful campaign just but then you know you add so much lieve him perfectly honorable linseed oil to every gallon of the L. & business transactions and fiour

West & Truax, Wholesale Drag

Walding, Kinnan & Marvin, What

Price, 75c. per bottle. Soli Druggists. Testimonials free.

CATCHING WOLVES.

The Suffolk correspondent b Norfolk Virginian-Pilot says "It is reported that a small P wolves has been preying on hogs and other small stock near Neck, N. C. One man set a bit



HYPOPHOSPHITES

the house for the foilowing reasons:

FIRST - Because, if any member of the family has a hard cold, it will cure it. SEGGNE - Because, if the chil dren are delicate and sickly, it will

CAMERON MORRISON.

person, and gave his entire time, with-

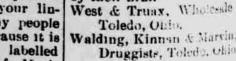
New York. out compensation, for seven months. 9. His defeat by the Democrats, alter

his and our political opponents.

and lowest actual cost. Seems as

SCOTLAND NECK, N. C.

Dear Str :- Never shall it be said

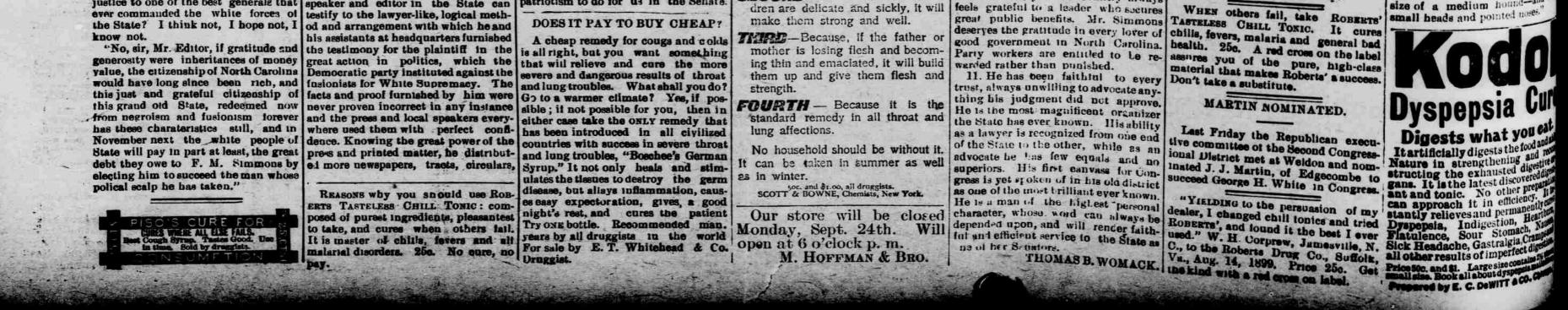


Mesers. E. T. Whitehead & Co. will be pleased to quote lowest prices and Hall's Family Pills are the les-

Yours sincerely, LONGMAN & MARTINEZ

FIRE IN WASHINGTON. A disastrous fire broke out in Washington Thursday of last week, and be-

tore the flames could be stayed a large section of the business portion of the town was destroyed. The losses were estimated at \$150,000. THE COMMON. strange animals are not indigent resemble Canadian wolves-about size of a medium hound-and



should always be kept in

OF COD-LIVER OIL WITH