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OUR RALEIGH LETTER.

INTEREST IN THE SENATORIAL CONTEST. IZORHARRS.

Activity of Republicans and Populists a Note-Worthy Feature—Vote Suspended "Arrangements" in Contest Indignation Among Democrats—The State Fair to Be a Big Thing This Year.

Correspondence of the Gazette.

Raleigh, N. C., Oct. 15.—Three weeks more and then the presidential election and the senatorial primary!

If the senatorship is not regarded as of more importance by North Carolinians, they certainly exhibit more interest in it, and it is the subject of discussion wherever you see two or three men collected—and it is not limited to Democrats.

Their mottoes are explained in the letters last week, the plan being to avoid a contest for election with some of the "Democratic" friends of the senatorial aspirant referred to by which method it is claimed both will be "qualified" to participate in the primary—the "Democrats" already having "qualified" by voting the Democratic ticket in August—and without the loss of any votes by Mr. McKim.

I understand that these "arrangement" with negroes in an eastern county (where there are no white Republicans) was being attempted last week by some so-called "Democrats" of the same stripe.

But I was impudently told by a Republican leader here this week that "many a white Republican vote will go into the senatorial primary box and none of them will have the name of Simmons on it."

That's it! It is not that they care a fig about the man whom they want to vote for, but because they think they can probably successfully use him to defeat Mr. Simmons—the one man of all North Carolinians whom they hate and fear most and whose influence they desire above all things, to break.

Plain as the nose on your face! But will such an "agreement" injure Mr. Simmons with the true Democrats of the State? On the other hand, will it not serve as a notice and a warning to them to rally more solidly than they have done so far to his support, in the intervals of the Democratic party and the perpetuity of its organization?

But the friends of Mr. Simmons say the Simmons tide has now set in its earnest, and that its flood is due on election day, when he will triumphantly elected; that he is stronger to-day than ever before, and will be stronger next week than now; that a great many former Whig and Jarvis men are coming over to his side, and the Populism of the cause of their first choice and preferring Mr. Simmons next, and that others will come to him without personal preference, because they see it will be best for the party.

The publication yesterday of a letter written by General Carr in December, 1897, to Secretary De Bossers of the Senate, in connection with the Atlanta, Ga., convention, in which General Carr made the statement that he endorsed the bill of Congressman Fowler of New Jersey, designed to "fix the money standard of this country upon a gold basis," is adding to the "safety of notions" at this writing.

THE WITHDRAWAL OF EX-GOVERNOR JARVIS from the senatorial race was generally commended by all, and it is a matter of common report here, as these lines are being written, that Major Waddell will retire soon.

With the hope of your pleasure, and apology to your readers for the space they may reluctantly yield, I will subscribe myself

FRIEND OF GOOD ROADS. An Inauguration.

In answer to numerous inquiries, I will state for the benefit of the election officers of the county that the registration for the November election will commence on Monday, the 23rd day of October, and that registration will close at sunset on Saturday, the 27th day of October.

In all other respects the same procedure will obtain as in the August election. The polls will be opened at sunset and closed at sunset.

The registration books and blank returns will be furnished by the County Board of Election, and those who have not received them will please apply to Mr. J. B. White, Dallas, N. C., at once.

CLIPPING FROM EXCHANGE.

The News From Surrounding Counties. Yorkville News: Mr. William Carson died at his home just below the southern corporate limits of the town of Yorkville last Sunday night of pneumonia.

The remains were interred at Falls Church, four miles south of Yorkville on Monday. Sam Jones has come and gone. The night of his lecture, Tuesday, was somewhat threatening and many in the country were no doubt kept away by that, and for some reason not yet explained, the S. C. & G. E. railroad did not keep its promise to bring in those who wished to come from along its line.

Lincoln Journal: The Populist Congressional convention for this district met in Salisbury Friday of last week and nominated as its representatives A. C. Shuford, of Catawba county. The convention endorsed the "Middle-of-the-Road" Populist candidates for President and vice-President.

Such a time with the mumps Lincoln county never had before, and they are so plentiful at Long Shoals that Jake Rhyme says he has been three times a day at his home.

Mr. J. B. Ervin, who has finished the work of surveying three lines across the mountains into Tennessee for the Carolina & North-western, is here with his crops of engineers doing the preliminary work of surveying the new route up the river via Hardee, High Shoals, Long Shoals, Laboratory, Lincoln, Daniel, and Elm Grove Mills.

Gray & Love tell you something of their stock on the back page, read it. It is full of interesting matter to intending buyers.

The New York Racket—Pants to sell you pants. Their suits and fancy vests a with prices quoted. Baby's first pair of shoes free at Roby's. Have its measure taken and get a nice pair free.

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