

Col. Bingham Released.
Col. Bingham, who was arrested a few days since by Kirk's men has been released. It is supposed that he was arrested as a witness. Col. B's release will be gratifying news to the friends of the Bingham School, which opens with flattering prospects, August 24th.

POLITICAL CHIT-CHAT.
Official and Otherwise

Latest reports from Raleigh intimate that "Rotating" Dick is vibrating. Reports from Bladen and Columbus, unofficial, state that F. W. Eoster has been appointed "EMBALMER" of the dead body of the Republican party. His intimate friends, however, have recommended him to the King of Prussia, as amputating Surgeon-in-Chief to his Majesty.

General Orders signed T. H. E. Poole, Commander-in-Chief, disband the Holden-Pearson-Kirk Militia, previous to the meeting of the General Assembly. It is supposed Kirk will return to Tennessee.

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We understand that the question was seriously debated at the Headquarters of the Grand Army of the Republic for this State whether Pool, Holden and Abbott have made much by their military movement. It was referred to the next Legislature for decision.

It is doubted very much in official circles whether the various Radical aspe- ctures of Wilmington will have as much money to spend upon the next canvass. "Othello's occupation will be gone."

We are authorized to say that Radical Railroad Presidents will be expected to make their reports of bonds sold and money spent, to the people of North Carolina through their representatives in the General Assembly.

It is reported that Judge Tourgee will hereafter hold courts in all the counties of his District, and quit his political cam- paigns, or get excused from holding courts at all. In the latter event it is thought he will be retired upon less than half pay.

The War in Europe.

Military men, familiar with the history of former wars, have seen with surprise the slow movements of the French armies, so different from the usual celerity of that nation. Instead of assuming a vigorous offensive, as was expected after the declaration of war, the French have waited pas- sively within their territory until their enemies have concentrated their forces.— Now, the French find themselves on the defensive; the war is carried into their own country, and if the last accounts are to be fully credited, they have suffered a serious defeat at both ends of their line.— Had the French armies pushed on ten or twelve days ago, there is but little doubt that the Prussians would have retreated to their defensive positions on the Rhine between Coblenz and Mayence. Strategically speaking, they are hardly excusable for not doing so. Politically speaking they are still less excusable, for if Napo- leon wished to decide the possible hesita- tion of the South German States, the surest way was to strike the first blow in- stead of wasting time. Now, it is very probable that Bismarck's prediction may be accomplished; that if Napoleon did not cross the Rhine by the 21st of July he would never cross it at all. In war, "time is the best ally," as Jomini says; and in the present campaign the French have evi- dently lost much precious time.

It is clear that MacMahon was surprised at Wiesenburg. It was a blunder to leave Donay's division at such a distance from the main body, exposed to the attack of a vastly superior force (three Prussian corps). It would seem from the dispatches that MacMahon's army came up to its support too late, and probably in successive frag- ments; and, consequently, MacMahon was himself defeated.

upon General J. H. SIMPSON, U. S. A. Corps Engineer, at the Purocell House. General SIMPSON visits our city with a view to the improvement of our river and harbor un- der the recent appropriation of Congress for that purpose.

General SIMPSON is an officer of much ex- perience and reputation, and we feel con- fident that his investigations and labors will be for the best interests of navigation and economy to the United States. He pro- poses to visit the inlets as soon as the proper arrangements can be made.

The Legislature.

We don't think there is much doubt of a two-thirds Conservative majority in each branch of the Legislature. A few Sena- torial Districts are still unheard from, but we are safe in the following calculations. The Conservatives have undoubted elec- tion Senators from the following Districts, to wit:

- 1st District, Perquimans, Chowan, Pasquo- tank, Currituck, Gates and Cam- den 2
- 2d " Beaufort and Hyde 1
- 3d " Pitt 1
- 4th " Nash and Wilson 1
- 5th " Duplin and Onslow 1
- 6th " Brunswick and New Hanover 1
- 7th " Bladen and Columbus 2
- 8th " Robeson 1
- 9th " Cumberland, Harnett and Samp- son 2
- 10th " Johnston 1
- 11th " Orange 1
- 12th " Otham 1
- 13th " Rockingham 1
- 14th " Alamance and Guilford 2
- 15th " Randolph and Montgomery 1
- 16th " Richmond and Moore 1
- 17th " Anson and Union 1
- 18th " Mecklenburg 1
- 19th " Cabarrus and Stanly 1
- 20th " Davie and Rowan 1
- 21st " Davidson 1
- 22nd " Forsythe and Stokes 1
- 23rd " Surry and Yadkin 1
- 24th " Alexander and Iredell 1
- 25th " Catawba, Gaston and Lincoln 1
- 26th " Cleveland, Polk and Rutherford 1
- 27th " Alleghany, Ashe and Wilkes 1
- 28th " Buncombe, Henderson and Transylvania 1
- 29th " Burke, Caldwell and Watanga 1
- 30th " Madison, Mitchell, McDowell and Yancey 1
- 31st " Clay, Cherokee, Haywood, Jack- son and Macon 1

This gives the Conservatives thirty-three of the fifty Senators. The Radicals have elected the following Senators, to wit:

- 4th District, Northampton 1
- 5th " Bertie and Hertford 1
- 6th " Halifax 1
- 7th " Edgecombe 1
- 8th " Craven and Carteret 2
- 9th " Jones and Lenoir 1
- 10th " Brunswick and New Hanover 1
- 11th " Greene and Wayne 1
- 12th " Franklin and Wake 2
- 13th " Warren 1
- 14th " Alamance and Guilford 1

Habeas Corpus.

The most humiliating fact connected with the recent habeas corpus trials in this State, is the offensive indignity with which Kirk treated all the writs served upon him by direction of the Chief Justice of the State, contrasted with the consideration with which he accedes to the orders of Judge Brooks. He seemed to appreciate the fact that the orders of one were the playthings of a "rude soldier," while those of the other bore authority even to the lawless marauder. One had "evaded," the other demanded consideration and consultation, and will be obeyed. Governor Holden may fret and fume through the columns of the Raleigh Standard, but his rage is impotent and ridiculous, and his threats are childish and silly. He cannot, if he would, inaugurate civil war. His orders to shed blood in defense of his law- lessness will not be obeyed, if he dare give them. The people declared for peace at the ballot box, and peace they will have. If Judge Brooks orders the prisoners be- fore him at Salisbury, they will be there. Colonel Kirk nor Governor Holden dare not order the firing of one single gun, and no gun will be fired if they do so order. Without arms the majesty of the law can and will be vindicated.

If Governor Holden is determined, how- ever, to resist the mandates of the Judge, let him not sacrifice the ignorant tools whom Kirk has gotten together. Let him by all means delay the attack until General Abbott and John Pool, the authors of this hellish outrage, can be present and lead the resisting columns. They are the prop- er persons to breast the danger, and if they have a spark of manliness about them they will rush to the Govern- or's aid. He surely needs their counsel and will soon require their conso- lation. These are cheap and safe, and no doubt Holden is welcome to them. But this resistance to the mandates of a Judge is quite another matter. We do not think in this emergency the Governor can depend upon his past friends.

We regret, for many reasons, to have had to publish the fact, just previous to the election and immediately after his action in the Habeas Corpus affair that Governor Holden had appointed Chief Justice Pearson as a member of the Code Commission in place of Mr. Barringer resigned.

We regretted it first because it gave ground for the rumor already current of the very friendly relations existing be- tween these two officials. Secondly, because it was putting the State to an unnecessary expense which can- nily be afforded.

Thirdly, because we dislike to see our Judges filling lucrative positions appoint- ed under political and other influences not in keeping with the exalted and independ- ent functions of their office.

Fourthly, because both Houses of the Legislature, by Radical votes, passed a bill to repeal the act organizing this Com- mission, but which failed of ratification, it is thought, by some person or persons sur- reptitiously taking it from the room of the Committee on Enrolled Bills.

We believe that these reasons are suf- ficient, not only to have prevented the ap- pointment and acceptance of Chief Justice Pearson to fill this vacancy, but to have com- pelled Governor Holden to have dis- banded a Commission which his own par- tisans had condemned as useless and ex- pensive. So intent, however, seems our Governor to reward his political friends, even at the expense of the credit of the State, that he takes advantage of the crime or neglect by which the repealing bill failed to become a law.

We are not surprised at Judge Tourgee pocketing all the money he can get out of the Treasury of North Carolina. He came to the State for that sole purpose. He has let neither truth nor honesty nor character stand between him and his object. He has gladly sacrificed what little of each he possessed to succeed. But then Judge Rodman is the other member of this Com- mission, and Chief Justice Pearson has been tendered a position also upon it. Can they afford to follow in the foot-steps of Tourgee? We trust not. Have they not heard of the ratification of the repeal of this obnoxious Commission on Thurs- day last? It is well that our most exalted officials heed the voice of the people ex- pressed through the ballot-box. Why not quit a position which has no moral exist- ence? Why hang on to the flesh-pots until driven like hungry dogs from them.

Columbus County—Our Victory—What Shall be Done With It.

Editor's Journal, it is but just that this county should have credit for all it has done for the Conservative cause. While I admit that no one has any disposition or desire to detract from her merited praise, yet in order that her record be noted and all the benefits capable of being derived from our victory be secured, I propose through the columns of your able paper to give full publicity to those who in our country's hour of need rallied like men to her defence.

The voters of Columbus county fully ap- preciated the condition of the State, and, influenced by purely patriotic motives, ig- nored all preferences, prejudices and dif- ferences, and voted en masse to wrest from unworthy hands unlimited power, usurped for the advancement of partisan and per- sonal aims at the sacrifice of all that North Carolinians hold dear.

After the victory comes the reward.— When our State is saved we then can have time to quibble over men, has been our motto, and under it we have been so far successful. Our actions told we were in earnest. It might appear invidious to make distinctions where all have done their duty, but we hope no one can find room for that feeling if we but call attention to the township in this county wherein State rank, Holden, Kirk and all that kindred abomination of infamy, Radicalism, has not a single friend. All honor to the no- ble voters of Williams township. May they live to see the full fruition of their initiatory act in the complete overthrow of Radicalism and the restoration of our dear old State to her merited position, among her sisters. To colored voters of this county we can say they are far ahead of their friends elsewhere. They know their rights, and in spite of league oath and incendiary intrigues of denagogues to array them against their interests and the interests of the State, they have acted upon principle, and have dared to prove that they are worthy of a freeman's right and know how to use it. They are too well educated in politics ever again to be deceived and deluded by the wiles of demagogues and adventurers. Work has been done, not to blind and mislead the ignorant, but to tell the plain truth which has been understood and its legiti- mate consequences secured, which was ac- tion in the right direction.

Those who have labored so earnestly and with so much honor to themselves, have their rewards, not in offices, but in seeing the true principles of government triumph.

But, Mr. Editor, our work is not done, our taxes are too high, and will be so if we continue to support our present expensive form of State and county government.— The system may be good, but too expen- sive for a sparsely settled country to main- tain.

NORTH CAROLINA

WHAT THE PRESS SAYS.
From the N. Y. Herald.

The Old North State appears to have been too much reconstructed to answer radical ends. Governor Holden made a bold stroke to save the State to his party by raising the Ku-Klux phantom and de- claring several strongly democratic coun- ties in a state of insurrection; but even these desperate measures proved futile, and North Carolina has gone democratic.

Both branches of the Legislature are largely democratic, which secures the election of a democrat to the United States Senate in the place of Abbott, whose term expires with the present Congress. The radicals elect only two of the seven members of the Senate, and so it was deemed certain before the election that they would carry at least four Congressional districts, and no fears were entertained concerning the Legislature. Unlooked for as the result was, it is but the natural sequence of the maladminis- tration of affairs in that State. The Repub- licans placed too little consideration upon the white population, and sought almost exclusively the colored vote. At the South a high majority of the colored voters held the reins of government, and the late election proves the North Carolina darkies are no exception to this rule. The white vote was fully cast and nearly solid for the democratic ticket, but the republicans ap- pear to have been demoralized and failed to poll their usual vote. Governor Hol- den's administration is a decided failure; too much of the State legislation was for the benefit of a particular race, instead of the people, and in every department affairs had become so muddled that any change would be for the better. The radical party will have to heed the lesson taught by the North Carolina election. Unless it speedily out-look from the narrow-mind- ed, corrupt, fanatical leaders which have brought it to the verge of ruin other rad- ical States will as unexpectedly wheel into the democratic camp, and that party again be in the ascendancy.

From the Boston Post.

If ever the Post's cocked hat reason to grow loudly and hastily it was, assuredly, upon receiving the news from North Carolina. The Conservative victory there last week is one of the most brilliant and im- portant ever bulletined. It was a gallant and successful marshaling of strength, a "great victory," that held its own until the right moment and then blazed all along the line, doing its work with a thoroughness that leaves the result entirely unequivocal. The record of triumph is full. Congressional districts, United States Senator, Legislature, Attorney-General, every kind of office, and a position of ad- vantage spot is shown as the fruit of the Holdenism which has defamed, outraged and humiliated the State. The torturing of citizens, the intimidation by means of negro troops, the annihilation of private rights, the money influence and the use of every kind of tool to extort a different political sentiment have proved ineffectual. The bloody resistance so ardently desired was not manifested. Peace and safety, save the arbitrary and violent acts of the constituted authorities themselves, have been everywhere maintained. Every- where has not been inaction all this time. Conservatives fully understood the plan of proceeding and adhered to it, although making no outward demonstration that could possibly justify the oppressive Grant-Holden egoistic measures. They were, however, found a force united, ready and demonstrative enough to more than satisfy their antagonists.

There is a Providence that overrules the most atrocious of the Radical designs to the country's salvation. They elected the wrong man to govern North Carolina this time. Holden, with his negro militia, Grant backing him with United States troops, the judiciary trampled under foot, and whole counties declared in a state of open rebellion; but the free people of the State, by a single North Carolina journal against liberty, and their vote overbore- lated those wicked machinations in ruin.— Holden and his supporters are indignantly repudiated. The whole plot is blown to the moon. Negro equality is declared not to be sought supremacy. "The whole is repudiated because it indicates with truth the real temper of the Southern people and reveals their intentions. It has proved them patient, and even silent, under the gross outrages ever put upon freedom. They saw that protest was un- availing, and they held their peace until the ruling party in Congress raised its voice against the indignity. But they trusted to the final supremacy of justice and truth, and they are not disappointed. If there is any revolt at all in North Carolina, it is Holden that conducts it, with Kirk for his lieutenant.

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God grant that the Palmetto State may tell the same tale in October!

From the Savannah Republican.

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His pretensions are shamefully and criminally false, have been proved to be so by the most respectable and distinguished men of the State. His evidence of a contrary state of affairs has been produced by per- secution and torture that would have dis- graced the Dark Ages, the witnesses hav- ing been hung up by the neck or thumbs, in order to extort from their testimony which they knew to be false. His sole purpose has been to protract his own un- happy and savage reign, and by acts of atrocity unexampled in American history, except by the military tyrants of the Fed- eral government upon a defenseless peo- ple after they had laid down their arms, he hoped to terrify the people into submis- sion. Had his own life paid the penalty of these crimes, the punishment would have been just and met a universal ap- proval. But the villain has been spared.— We trust, to be made, in some oth- er way, an example to deter from similar crimes in the future.

His reports indicate that the Con- servatives have carried the Legisla- ture by a large majority; we hope it is sufficient to give them complete power under the law of impeachment, and the mer- ciless wretch will be driven from a station which he has thus disgraced. The men who have outraged should also hold them to a strict account before the criminal courts of the State. It should not be said of any man in this land of liberty that he is without the protection of law in time of peace. A criminal Executive, who violates the personal rights of the citizen, is as culpable by facts, as they have not been hith- erto. We can have no privileged class in this country, either in or out of office, to ride rough shod over the people. The highest as well as the lowest is responsible to the law, not excepting the public func- tionary who abuses office and violates the law under the pretext of official authority. Holden has clearly been guilty of high treason, and should be either hung or con- demned to imprisonment with hard labor for the remainder of his life.

From the Baltimore Gazette.

The returns from the North Carolina election are not all in, but are sufficiently full to indicate that the Democrats and Conservatives have carried the State by from five to fifteen thousand majority.— Both Houses of the Legislature also have been carried by decided majorities. Of the seven members of the Senate, the Radicals they have carried five and the Democrats two. The Conservative candi- date for Attorney General has also been elected. The victory is the more important, inasmuch as the large majority in the State Legislature renders certain the choice of a Democratic Senator for the United States, in place of General Abbott, whose term is about to expire.

Some idea of the vast change that has taken place in North Carolina since the last election may be had from the fact that at the last election the Conservative ticket carried seventy-seven on joint ballot in the State Legislature, whereas now, it is believed, that the Conservatives will have a majority of two-thirds, or from one hundred and ten to one hundred and thirteen members of both Houses out of one hun- dred and sixty-seven. For once the ballot- box has triumphed over the schemes of fraud and force, and cruelty, which were brought to bear upon the people of North Carolina. Holden and his satellites, instead of pro- ducing the requisite amount of terror, have been withdrawn, and it will be strange, indeed, if Kirk himself be not brought to the bar of justice for the cruelties he has practiced and for his contemptuous de- fiance of the process of the Courts. The Legislature, however, will make no use any longer of "Kirk's hands" will be withdrawn, and it will be strange, indeed, if Kirk himself be not brought to the bar of justice for the cruelties he has practiced and for his contemptuous de- fiance of the process of the Courts.

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They are behind the age and in the wrong part of the world to carry out the scheme contemplated by the one and abet- ted by the other. These gentlemen are doing nothing but buying peace on almost any terms, there are people in North Carolina who may be cowed by a display of cold steel; and had Governor Holden possessed an army of a hundred thousand men, distributed all over the State, we might have had a different result to record. But what might have been locally gained for radicalism in the old North State would have been more than lost in other States, whose citizens have been looking on at the Holden out- rages and feeling their gorge rise within them at the spectacle. As the case stands, radicalism has lost by its abuse of power in North Carolina, and elsewhere, too, it has inflicted upon itself a serious injury. If the Conservatives have made the gains reported against such odds, we may be sure that men of the same party in other States will take heart and do equally well at their next elections; while all through the North the opposition will derive courage and strength from the North Carolina victory. Happily for hu- manity, the struggle in North Carolina, owing to the pacific disposition of the Con- servatives, passed off with little or no bloodshed. But it will not be safe for the radical governors of other States to repeat the dangerous experiment of Holden; and we cannot believe that President Grant will blunder into a second disastrous ex- hibition of his partisan feelings in the same manner.

And now a word to the North Carolina conservatives if they have elected a major- ity of both. They should be a great one, but they should be a great one. They should take great pains by their demeanor to refute radical assertions of their unkindness to the negroes and their generally lawless conduct. Such al- legations will continue to be made against whatever they may do; but if not substan- tiated by facts, as they have not been hith- erto, they will not be believed by persons capable of reading newspapers and learn- ing the truth for themselves. If in any corner of the State there is a gang of men calling themselves the Ku Klux Klan, of which we have doubts, the conservatives should express it at all hazards. Every- where they should appear as the friends of law and order, as contrasted with the lawlessness and anarchy which Gov- ernor Holden has encouraged. If there are negroes voting with the Radicals; there are also negroes voting with the Conservatives; and it is clearly for the interest of the latter party to win over colored adherents from the ranks of its op- ponents by every measure of kindness and conciliation. Not the negroes, but the Radical white carpet-baggers are chiefly to be feared for the North Carolina vote. It is only upon the carpet-baggers that punishment should be inflicted, and that not violently, but by depriving them of the legitimate exercise of party power, of all share in the spoils of the local govern- ment, which is all they are after. They should be brought to better mind and frozen out of the State, and driven else- where, to be kept constantly moving by other peaceful risings of the people in their majesty, until they give up their peculiar vocation.

If the Conservatives have gained it— will be of incalculable advantage to the cause of political reformation throughout the whole country.

The ladies of Walden are to hold a Fair on an early day, to aid in building a Meth- istic Episcopal Church at that place.

The Old North State whisky distillery near Charlotte, is again under way, and working up a large amount of corn into spirits.

Rev. Wm. Burnt, of Davie county, N. C., and a graduate of the same Seminary will be pastor of the Fayetteville Baptist Church.

Rev. W. A. Lindsay, of Va., who recently graduated at the Theological Sem- inary of Greenville, S. C., has accepted the care of the Baptist Church at Wilson, N. C.

Mr. B. F. Biggs, late proprietor of the Ocean House, at Portsmouth, Va., will give up that business for the purpose of entering upon his duties as Sheriff of Wil- son county, to which position he has just been elected.

The following is the revised list of mon- ey order offices in this State: Asheville, Chapel Hill, Charlotte, Concord, Elenton, Elizabeth City, Fayetteville, Goldsboro, Greensboro, Hillsboro, Kennesville, Louis- burg, Morganton, New Bern, Pittsborough, Plymouth, Raleigh, Salem, Salisbury, Statesville, Tarboro, Trinity College, Warrenton, Washington, Weldon, Wil- mington.

A GROSS OUTRAGE.—On last Friday evening, Mr. H. C. Reed, a citizen of Raleigh, was suddenly confronted, in his own house, by J. W. Holden and Stephen A. Douglas, who demanded of him certain statements in writing relative to the recent hang- ing of Wm. Patton in Alamance county. Part of these Mr. Reed was willing to give but to others he objected. Douglas then drew a pistol on him and swore that he would shoot him if he did not sign the statement. Reed refused and Douglas persisted with many oaths in the presence of Mrs. Reed, who had entered the room. He finally, however, desisted when the spirited lady threatened to send for aid to have him arrested. The weapon, which had been found over in \$1,000 each for trial.

Hon. Josiah Turner, of the Sentinel, while a prisoner in Holden's Bastille at Yanceyville, is not forgotten by his friends. The Sentinel says that a fund is now being raised for the purchase of a valuable pres- ent to him, and that they are the prop- ertors for Mr. Turner to spend a month at Greenbrier White Sulphur Springs, Vir- ginia.

LAWLESS OUTRAGE.—Mr. Turner, the editor of this paper, having been seized by surprise and borne off to prison, we have not, until very recently, been in- formed of the circumstances of outrage and indignity to his household, which en- sued after his arrest.

We learn on undoubted authority, that after surrounding and capturing him when alone near the Railroad station, a band of armed men went to his dwelling, held a "house" on the premises, and there hunted through every room in the house, without warrant, tak- ing several pieces of firearms, including the shot guns of his little boys, and bore them away with them, whether as trophies of victory to be sent to Holden, or for some other use, we are not informed.

Wilkes' Spirit of the Times argues that the Nathan murder was committed by one of those criminal peripatetics called "sneak thieves."

THE SAVANNAH AND CHARLESTON RAILROAD COMPANY.—The Savannah Republican, of Thursday, publishes a full report of the trial, in the Superior Court, of the case of McDowell & Callahan vs. the Savannah and Charleston Railroad Company. As these gentlemen are well known in this city, as former residents, we publish for the information of their friends, the fol- lowing condensation: Judge Schley in- structed the jury (1) that if all the parties to the contract were not joined in the suit, against the defendant, the plaintiffs could not recover in this form of action; (2) that the plaintiffs could not recover under the mechanics' lien act, unless they had complied with all the prerequisites; (3) that the contract was entire, the plaintiffs having agreed, for the sum of \$475,000 in bonds, to construct the road; (4) that if the road was not completed within the contract time, and the failure was the fault of the plaintiffs and not owing to Providen- tial causes or the hindrance of the defend- ant, the effect of such failure was to work a forfeiture of the penalty of \$25,000 in bonds. The jury, after a lengthy delibera- tion, failed to agree upon a verdict, and was discharged.

GENERAL ALFRED DOCKERY.—WE INTER- view JIM.—Learning that the Spartan General had arrived in the city, Monday afternoon, by the W. C. & R. R. train, we hastened to "interview" him. We found him stopping at the Purocell House, and in reply to a request for an interview sent to his room, the General kindly met us in the Reading Room. Replies to vari- ous inquiries propounded by us were sub- stantially as follows:

I am satisfied that Holden has been the cause of Col. Dockery's defeat, as well as of the entire party in the State. It is to him that the Democrats owe their success, and when they are portioning out the rewards, Holden should not be forgotten.

[I assured the General that the Conser- vatives did, indeed, owe Holden much, and that he would not be forgotten by them.]

I saw, a month ago, to what we were tending, and I have urged a different course. Col. Dockery and the Republi- can people of my section are, and have been from the first, opposed to Holden's suicidal policy of calling Kirk and his troops to their work in this State. It has defeated Col. Dockery; without it he would have received an overwhelming majority.

Moore would have given the 200 ma- jority to Col. Dockery, instead of to Col. Waddell, if Holden had let her alone. Instead of that he must send a squad of troops there under command of Miller, when there was not even the shadow of a pretext for it, as Miller assured a friend of mine that he had no instructions whatever to arrest any one. This was all bad enough, but it was made worse when Mil- ler, on the very eve of the election, turned the old Sheriff out of his office, and placed his books and papers in the hands of another party. This was the cause of the revolution in Moore, and it turned the people crazy.

Yes, sir! Col. Dockery could beat Col. Waddell two to one were the election to take place two weeks from this time. As you say, he will have an opportunity for trying it over again in two years from this time. Or, should he desire it, he may not have to wait so long.

New Hanover, it is true, polled a greatly reduced Republican majority, but this fact would have been as nothing had Holden kept his troops away from this District and not inflamed the people against the Republican candidates. Holden has de- feated Col. Dockery and the Democrats should vote their thanks to him.

Yes, it is true that New Hanover has fal- len off very heavily in the vote for Col. Dockery, but I do not think the reasons why she has done so at all apposite to the present conversation and it will therefore do no good for me to speak of it.

The North Carolina Election.

If we may believe the cheering news which the telegraph brings us to-day from North Carolina, President Grant has "killed his soul" in vain with the machina- tions of a Holden, and the "realities" of a Kirk. In spite of the lawless terrorism suffered to run riot in that noble old commonwealth, the plans of the Radicals at Raleigh, acting in concert with their em- ployers at Washington, for keeping the State misrepresented, and its voice made a lie in the Federal councils, have come to naught. It is reported, and with appar- ent authority, that the Conservatives have elected not only five out of the seven mem- bers to Congress to whom the State is en- titled, but such a decisive majority on joint ballot of the State Legislature as will secure the return of a Conservative to the Senate of the United States next winter. This result, if it be even approx- imately achieved, will reflect the high- est possible honor on the courage, the self- command, and the intelligence of North Carolina. It will intensify also the in- dignation of good men everywhere that a people so quietly determined to right without a blow at the ballot-box wrongs which in many lands and in all ages have driven men into bloody revolution, should be insulted by the persistent denial of them of any real control over their State authorities.

Whether even two such persons as alone would have accepted a Radical nomination to Congress in circumstances so subversive of all the principles of freedom as those which shall be permitted to occupy seats in the Federal Legislature, is a question which ought to be raised when these men make their appearance at Washington. If the Democracy of the nation, as we doubt not they will, do their duty manfully at the polls in the coming elections, the question could hardly be raised in vain. If any thing ought to vitiate the return of a man claiming to represent a free people, it should be proof that he has been chosen under loaded batteries turned upon voters, and within sight of the torture indic- ated by an irresponsible military officer upon his political opponents.—N. Y. World.

Intelligence from North Carolina, in re- gard to Thursday's election, is still meagre and inconclusive. It seems certain that the participants of riot and bloodshed, which were Gov. Holden's pretext for in- voking the presence of Federal troops, were not realized. And it seems at least probable that, notwithstanding Holden's extraordinary efforts,—we might almost say, in consequence of the fact that his gains have been on the side of the Demo- cracy. There is a possibility of managing election matters a little too times.

N. Y. Times [Rad.]

Cap Fear Harbor.
We had the pleasure yesterday of calling