

W. B. Rodman,
V. C. Barringer,
A. W. Tourgee,
Secretary.

Com-
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sioners.

Office of Commissioners of the Code,

Raleigh, N. C.,

1868.

Conrad W.
Monday:

Dear Sir:

A few days at home has satis-
fied me of the necessity for the Special Militia Bill
& particularly for the Bill against the intimidation
of voters. Let our friends pass these bills at once
especially the last. Our adversaries will not
attempt open force till close about the elections
& at the polls. But they are now using every
art of intimidation. This is their trump card.
They will be accomplished a goal that if let alone.
If you know as much about Negroes as I do, you know
they are a timid, quailing people, & unless they
backed, which will not be the case in closed, entangled
counties in many instances, they give way under
pressure & before a show of terror. Let us have promptly
an efficient law against intimidation.

If there any chance for the Bill in behalf

of the Amendment? This is a popular bill & would
help in much. Give it your attention.

Let our friends be wary about extravagant
alliances. Money means war is scarce & there is
agony to be a mighty host about Texas - it may be
dearer to people more than the show of battle in
a season of war.

I was at Salisbury Monday in attendance upon the Federal
Court, where I saw many gentlemen of the bar from all
parts of the State. They discuss the "Case" generally, &
are disposed to give it a candid criticism & a fair
trial.

Don't forget to send me the second part of the
Case & every bill prepared by the Commission in time
I left Raleigh. Be sure to send "the Penal Code"
by the first opportunity. I need it every day.

Faithfully & r

Victor L. Bennett

John Long:

Raleigh:

Or:

Hon. V. G. Barings
Concord
N. H.

Dear Sir
I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 10th inst. in relation to the above named matter. I have the honor to inform you that the same has been forwarded to the proper authorities for their consideration. I am, Sir, very respectfully,
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