

CITY INTELLIGENCE.

THE STATE SENATE.

The Election Yesterday in the First District—The Result, and How it Compares with Past Votes in the Same District.

Yesterday was the day appointed for the special election in the First Senatorial district of this city, and the result was as follows:—

Table with columns: Ward, Rep., Dem., Total. Lists results for wards 1 through 26.

Another report of the election, which receives the endorsement of the Democratic press of the city, gives the figures somewhat differently. It states that the vote was 12,840 and Dechert's 14,246 a majority for Dechert of 1406.

To show the result in still greater contrast, we give the total vote in the district for State Senator in 1868, and at other elections since that time:—

Table with columns: Year, Rep., Dem., Total. Shows election results from 1868 to 1870.

In 1868, it will be remembered, the most outrageous frauds were perpetrated in the Third and Fourth wards, and since then the colored element has entered the lists and swelled the Republican strength by about 2500 voters. The success of the Democratic candidate yesterday was due to a decrease since the October election of 937 in the Republican vote of the district, and an increase in the Democratic vote of 1081, the increase being confined principally to the Second, Third, and Fourth wards, the Democratic strongholds of the city.

Table with columns: Ward, Rep., Dem., Total. Shows results for Second Ward.

Table with columns: Ward, Rep., Dem., Total. Shows results for Third Ward.

Table with columns: Ward, Rep., Dem., Total. Shows results for Fourth Ward.

Table with columns: Ward, Rep., Dem., Total. Shows results for Fifth Ward.

Table with columns: Ward, Rep., Dem., Total. Shows results for Sixth Ward.

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Table with columns: Ward, Rep., Dem., Total. Shows results for Tenth Ward.

Table with columns: Ward, Rep., Dem., Total. Shows results for Eleventh Ward.

Table with columns: Ward, Rep., Dem., Total. Shows results for Twelfth Ward.

Table with columns: Ward, Rep., Dem., Total. Shows results for Thirteenth Ward.

Table with columns: Ward, Rep., Dem., Total. Shows results for Fourteenth Ward.

Table with columns: Ward, Rep., Dem., Total. Shows results for Fifteenth Ward.

Table with columns: Ward, Rep., Dem., Total. Shows results for Sixteenth Ward.

Table with columns: Ward, Rep., Dem., Total. Shows results for Seventeenth Ward.

Table with columns: Ward, Rep., Dem., Total. Shows results for Eighteenth Ward.

THE PAID FIRE DEPARTMENT.

The Drug Exchange Indorses the Movement, and It Gives the Mayor to Sign the Bill.

At a meeting of the Drug Exchange held to-day, Robert Shoemaker, Esq., was called to the chair, and William M. Wilson, offered the following preamble and resolutions:—

Whereas, A joint committee of the City Council of Philadelphia has, after much labor and due inspection to other cities, prepared an ordinance creating a Paid Fire Department for this city, and whereas, the bill, after full consideration of the committee, has been passed by a large majority in both branches of the Council, thus insuring a reform long needed in our city, and whereas, said ordinance is now in the hands of the Mayor, awaiting his signature in order to become a law: therefore,

Resolved, That we, the citizens of Philadelphia, wholesale druggists, importers, and manufacturing chemists, approve of the change contemplated in the proposed ordinance, and sincerely believe that the proposed reform will tend to lessen the cost of fire insurance on our warehouses and laboratories, will better protect us secure us from loss by fire and water, will allow all redress the good name of our city from the constantly recurring scenes of riot and bloodshed, and promote the peace and quiet of our entire community, and we do, therefore, respectfully request that the Mayor (Hon. Daniel M. Fox) will not withhold his signature from this most important bill, but will aid the ordinance by his signature, thus insuring the interests of this city by making the bill a law.

The ordinance is now in the hands of the Mayor, and will be signed by him, and the following gentlemen appointed as the committee of ten to wait upon the Mayor:—Messrs. John Price, Robert H. Powers, John M. Davis, H. S. Rosenberger, Charles Bullock, John T. Lewis, H. S. Zeigler, Robert Shoemaker, Charles Ellis, and E. L. Hancox.

A HIGH-HANDS OUTRAGE.—This morning was devoted by the Prothonotary of the Court of Common Pleas to receiving the returns of the judges of the various election divisions in the First Senatorial district. Two clerks, representing either party, were present, tallying the returns as they were submitted, and, what is more, policemen in citizen's clothing were stationed to arrest any Republican whose return differed from the figures as published in the morning papers, but whether the same instructions were given to them with reference to the Democratic judges it is impossible to state, owing to the extreme secrecy which is observed at the Central Station. About noon John Holmes, the Return Judge of the Eleventh division of the Twenty-sixth ward, presented his return, and on his leaving the office he was seized by a policeman and confined in the lock-up of the Central Station, where his name was recorded.

Mr. Holmes demanded to know the charge, and Detective Fletcher, who has taken a more or less active part in the elections since his induction into office, replied, "Altering election returns."

Mr. Holmes desired to know who preferred the charge, and the returning officer, who has his "lock him up" He was accordingly locked up without any further information being accorded him.

After a short time Hon. S. J. Randall and John L. Hill held a consultation, and it was agreed that the prisoner should be released on his own recognizance to appear at the lock-up in the morning. The following is a comparison of the returns submitted by Holmes and that published:—Holmes returns: Dechert, 12,840; Lyndall, 98,147. Newspaper returns: Dechert, 12,840; Lyndall, 98,147.

CLOSING EXERCISES.—The closing exercises of the Ludlow Girls' Grammar School will take place next Friday afternoon, at the school-house, Master street, about 4 o'clock. The exercises will consist of recitations and recitations by the pupils, and promises to be a grand affair.

DEAD INFANT.—The Coroner was notified this morning to hold an inquest at the Eighteenth District Court House upon the body of a dead infant found in the woods on Fifth street, near Fisher's Lane.

WE ACKNOWLEDGE the receipt of the following sums for the relief of the widow and family of Captain Christian, of the bark Menos, lost some months ago in the neighborhood of Havana:—From Captain Wm. Monday, \$2; from E. T., \$1.

SLIGHT FIRE.—About eight o'clock this morning a slight fire occurred at the cotton mill of John Derbyshire, No. 1046 Beach street.

AMERICANS ABROAD. Assassination of Two American Citizens in Honduras. The following letter from the United States Minister to Honduras gives the details of the assassination of two American citizens in the Republic of Honduras.

UNITED STATES LEGATION, SAN SALVADOR, Nov. 1, 1870. Mr. P. O. Lyndall, Dear Madam: It is a painful duty I have to perform in reporting to you the death of your husband, Dr. T. O. Lyndall. He and Mr. Robert Westcott had been travelling through the States of Honduras and Salvador practising their professions respectively, and on the 10th of October, at San Pedro de Sula, near San Juan de Sacate, they were attacked by a band of men who had engaged a servant named by the name of Bartolo Galvez to take them to a place where they were to be murdered. Mr. Lyndall was shot in the chest, and he died of his wounds on the 11th of October. Mr. Westcott was also shot, and he died of his wounds on the 12th of October. Their bodies were found and buried. I have heard lately that the gentlemen who had fired upon the two Americans, and who had been arrested, are now in Honduras, and have confessed that they were hired by the man Galvez to assassinate the two Americans.

OFFICE OF ST. NICHOLAS COAL COMPANY. The Board of Directors of the St. Nicholas Coal Company have this day declared a dividend of THIRTY CENTS per share, cash, State tax, payable on January 1st. The dividend books will be closed from December 31 to January 31, 1871.

PHILADELPHIA, December 31, 1870. ROBERTS & WORTENHOLM'S POCKET KNIVES, Balmain's celebrated Gold Pens, Pocket-books, etc., in great variety. W. M. CHRISTY, Stationer, 11 1/2 N. 11th St., below Chesnut.

HOLIDAY PRESENTS. A very handsome assortment of Fancy Articles suitable for Christmas presents. Writing Desks from \$1 to \$25. Paper-mache, Walnut, Mahogany, Leather, Rosewood, etc. Bronze Inlaid, Portfolios, Work Boxes, Walrus, Fancy Pen-holders, and Knives, in great variety. Scotch Goods, in great variety. Backgammon Boards, variety.

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STARTING FROM WASHINGTON.

The President and Mr. Sumner.

A Bitter Quarrel.

Disaster on the Mississippi.

A Terrible Steamboat Accident.

Loss of Many Lives.

A Ship Struck by Lightning.

FROM EUROPE.

The Eastern Question.

CONSTANTINOPLE, Dec. 20.—It is officially stated that the reports that Turkey had determined to act upon the Eastern question independently of the powers are without foundation in truth.

LONDON, Dec. 21.—With respect to the forthcoming meeting of the conference of ambassadors of the great powers in London, it is now known Prussia has in her acceptance stipulated that no topic foreign to the question of revision of the Paris treaty of 1856 be introduced into the deliberations.

The adhesion of France to the conference is still awaited.

Waited Movements in England.

LONDON, Dec. 21.—(Special to the New York Telegram).—A letter appears in the Times over the signature of Karl Russell, in which he urges the immediate embodiment of 100,000 militia.

This Morning's Quotations.

LONDON, Dec. 21.—11:30 A. M.—Consols for money 91 1/2, and for account 91 3/4. Bonds quiet, 1862, 87 1/2; 1863, 87 1/2; 1864, 87 1/2; 1865, 87 1/2; 1866, 87 1/2; 1867, 87 1/2; 1868, 87 1/2; 1869, 87 1/2; 1870, 87 1/2.

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FROM THE SOUTH.

Horrible Steamboat Accident—Seventeen Dead Rescued.

NEW ORLEANS, Dec. 20.—The steamboat Nick Wall, from St. Louis for Vicksburg, struck a snag on Sunday night at Grand Lake. The cabin fell off and floated four miles. The boat is a total loss. The hull is tied up at Maryland Landing. The freight is badly damaged. There were one hundred and twenty-five deck and fifteen cabin passengers aboard. Seventeen dead bodies have been recovered, and any others are supposed to be lost. Charley McClure was drowned.

CONGRESS.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

Mr. Brewster's bill for the relief of petitioners from some hundreds of working men in New York for the emigration by corporation of the unemployed and landless population of the East. The bill asks Congress the right to purchase lands from the Creek Indians, by which the Indians are to be compensated, and the right to organize with their capital before they start.

Mr. Wood, from the Committee on Foreign Affairs, reported a bill relating to telegraphic communications between the United States and foreign countries. Recommended by the Committee.

Mr. Sargent introduced a bill to forfeit to the United States certain lands granted to the Placerville and Sacramento Railroad Company to aid in constructing a railroad from Folsom to Placerville, California. Passed.

Mr. Boylston introduced a bill granting pensions to the widows and children of soldiers of the Missouri expedition. Referred.

Mr. Julian presented the memorial of Victoria G. Wood, claiming the right of suffrage under the Constitution, and fifteenth amendments to the Constitution, and asking that she be admitted to the same, and that the right to the women of the United States, referred to the Judiciary Committee and ordered to be printed in the Clerk's Office.

Mr. Butler, of Massachusetts, rose to make a proposition in reference to postponing the vote on the amnesty bill. Mr. Franksworth objected, and called for the regular order. The Speaker decided that Mr. Butler was perfectly in order.

Mr. Butler said he had supposed he was proceeding with the consent of every gentleman in the House. He went on to say that a number of members had left the floor, not expecting a special announcement for the bill, and he therefore proposed its postponement until the second Wednesday in January.

Mr. Franksworth moved the operation of the precedent which the motion could not be sustained. Mr. Franksworth, of Illinois, objected.

Mr. Butler moved to reconsider the vote on the amnesty bill. Mr. Franksworth moved to reconsider the further consideration of the bill and amendments till Wednesday, the 11th of January.

Mr. Wood, of New York, asked Mr. Butler to state to the House whether he desired to evade a meeting of the question. Mr. Butler, in the slightest degree.

Mr. Wood—ask him whether he meant to postpone in order to evade a meeting of the question, or whether he desired to evade the question, and I pleaded the House that, so far as in me lies, the question shall come to a vote on the 11th of January.

Mr. Wood—the bill and amendments have been thoroughly discussed, and the House is entirely conversant with the question before it in an open, frank, and honest manner.

Mr. Butler—The gentleman judges me by himself. Mr. Wood—There can be no objection to postponing it except for delay. When the House resumes session after the holidays the actual and absolute business of legislation will demand every hour of time, and we cannot then determine the question.

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FOURTEEN DAYS.

DRESS GOODS.

FOR CHRISTMAS PRESENTS.

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