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STATE TICKET.

SUPREME JUDGE,
GEORGE A. JENKS, Jefferson County.

AUDITOR GENERAL,
ROBERT P. DECHERT, Philadelphia.

If it were not for the pardoning power one half of the officials under Grant in the revenue service would to-day be in the penitentiary still—Grant's pardon made them free after a few days behind the iron bars for stealing millions of the revenues.

In our state the republican leaders Kemble & Co., would be in the penitentiary yet for the crime of bribery, had not Hoyt pardoned the convicted leaders The democrats have no such a record against them.

The New York *Herald* has interviewed Hugh [McLaughlin, the leader of the Brooklyn Democracy, and learns from that gentleman that the New York delegation to the Cincinnati convention will support Gov. Tilden for president if he shall be a candidate, but that Gov. Tilden cannot transfer the delegation to another candidate. Mr. McLaughlin said that in the event of Tilden's withdrawal his friends in New York would divide between Payne of Ohio and English of Connecticut; that Mayor Cooper, ex-Mayor Wickham and Coporation Counsel Whitney would espouse the cause of Payne while ex-Congressman John Fox and others would support English. Some other dark horses will no doubt prick their ears in amazement when they hear of this state of things in the New York delegation.

In the course of the spicy debate in the senate on Tuesday on the bill regulating the appointment of federal election supervisors, Senator Conkling took occasion to say:

"This bill and its kindred measures bear the imprimatur of the honorable senator from Pennsylvania (Mr. Wallace), whose unresting brain is the loom on which are woven so many of the devices of the democratic party. He is still as the breeze, but dreadful as the storm. He never hunts anything with a brass ban'l. The extra session and its management was never inspired by him. If it had been there might not have been more light, but there would have been a great deal less noise. It would not have reverberated nearly so far. It would have been so managed as not to alarm nearly so many of the people of the country as were alarmed by that revolutionary and extraordinary proceeding. But these measures mean business."

Senator Conkling is entirely correct. The democratic bills originated by the senate for the modification of the federal election laws are chiefly the work of Senator Wallace and they do "mean business." If the house of representatives does its duty the business will be done, says the *Patriot*.

All our first class colleges seem to have changed from educational institutions to training schools for boat racing, and the best hand at paddling a canoe has the highest honors and sheds lustre upon his Alma Mater. While many of our college students can paddle a canoe to the fancy of fops and silly ladies, in the water, when out of the water they prove unfit to paddle a canoe in business or in the professions with success. It has got so now in some of our once noted institutions of learning that no matter how big a blockhead one is turned out in science, literature and the classics, if he can only row a boat as to beat some other fellow from some other college, then his education is deemed finished, and a whole course is taken up to train for that kind of empty honors. We have always deemed the columns of the REPORTER too valuable to chronicle such feats.

The Chicago correspondent of the Cincinnati *Commercial*, republican telegraphs this resume of the situation there:

First—Grant is a candidate for President.

Second—He is in the hands of his so-called friends, and will stick.

Third—That his nomination at Chicago will be secured by the same cast-iron methods employed at Springfield.

Fourth—That the honest Republicans and the honest newspapers who are opposing Grant have deceived themselves and others by trying to believe that the Republican party has not fallen into the hands of political machines who are powerful enough to compel a nomination contrary to the views of three-fourths of the rank and file of the party.

Fifth—That the Blaine men are as noble a band of blowers as ever kicked up a fight and then ran.

The Patriot says on the final ballot in the republican national convention four years ago the delegation from Pennsylvania cast 30 votes for James G. Blaine and 28 votes for Ruthford B. Hayes. The 28 votes for Hayes from Pennsylvania nominated him; if the unit rule which was adopted by the state convention that appointed the delegates had been enforced the entire 58 votes of the Pennsylvania delegation would have been given to Blaine which would have caused the final ballot to stand, Blaine 379, Hayes 356, thus securing the nomination of the former. But the national convention decided that the unit rule could not be enforced, the Blaine men under the lead of "Bob" Ingersoll opposing its enforcement and their opponents generally taking the opposite ground. The result proves how easily politician mays sometimes overreach themselves. It is just possible that several democratic statesmen in Pennsylvania have discovered by this time that they missed their mark by defeating the adoption of the unit rule at the late state convention. For our own part we are rather glad that they did.

There has been another brush with the Indians in which poor Lo came out second best. A dispatch dated Canada Alamosa, 25th, from Colonel Hatch, received by General Sheridan, confirms the news of the battle with the hostiles at the head of the Palomas river, in which from thirty-one to fifty-five hostiles were killed. He reports that Major Morrow had joined him with four companies. He was arranging for an active campaign, and a later dispatch from him reports more fighting, but gives no particulars.

CENSUS—DUTY OF FARMERS.

The information relative to the tenth census published in last weeks' REPORTER, should receive attention by all. Farmers in particular should sum up their statistics, according to the forms of information in our county papers. This would give all an opportunity to report more fully and not detain the enumerator longer than is possible. Each family should endeavor to lend aid to the enumerator and assist to get an early and correct report of each district. We would urge this more particularly upon farmers and heads of families, in Potter district, as it is the largest in the county.

THE REPUBLICAN NATIONAL CONVENTION.

This week, Wednesday, the republican National Convention assembles at Chicago to nominate candidates for President and Vice-President. As the REPORTER will be issued before the body is even temporarily organized, of course none of its doings can be given in this issue—nothing but guesswork based upon what transpired in state conventions during the last two or three weeks.

It is more than probable that Grant will be nominated on first ballot; and if it should appear before any ballot is had that he has a large majority of the convention, we would not be surprised to learn that Blaine, Sherman and the other candidates were withdrawn and Grant nominated by acclamation. This we do not think will be the case—there have been too many delegates who declared they would kick against the unit rule to make possible a nomination by acclamation without bringing the kicking brigade into ridicule.

There has been such an intense bitterness between the Grant people and the supporters of Blaine and Sherman, that we have our doubts about Grant's nomination, if made on first ballot, being afterwards made unanimous.

If Grant is not nominated on first ballot then we venture to say he can not be nominated at all, and his friends will be strong enough to prevent Blaine's nomination. Blaine will be next highest in convention, but we predict he will not be the nominee even if Grant fails. In the event of Grant's failure we expect the choice to fall upon some dark horse.

If Cameron and Conkling can hold their delegations solid for the third termers, and the Illinois delegation is not broken by contests, then we look upon Grant's nomination as certain.

Both in Pennsylvania and New York about one half the delegates have announced that they would vote the sentiments of their districts, which means Blaine, and deny the power of the state convention to bind them to the unit rule which would carry them solid for Grant. If the Grant men have a majority of the convention they will declare the unit rule binding which will force the New York, Pennsylvania and Illinois delegations solid for Grant.

If Grant's strength in the convention is not so formidable as to bring a withdrawal of all other candidates, then we expect to see a lively time if not an occasional row between the Grantites and the anti-third termers—some even think there may be a bolt.

Well, we shall know all about it, in a day or two.

DEM. NATIONAL CONVENTION.

The democratic National Convention meets at Cincinnati, June 22. Who will be nominated for President it is hard even to guess at, as no candidate has delegates enough instructed to show the real drift of sentiment; besides, in the democratic national convention it requires two-thirds to nominate, while in the republican convention a majority nominates—or one vote over the half.

The majority of the delegates to the National convention are uninstructed a disposition to leave the delegates free to go for the best man and the one sure to win. We believe that the Cincinnati convention will be harmonious and that the ticket nominated will be satisfactory to the democracy generally, and be composed of statesmen who will command the confidence of the people in general. There is no passion and ill-feeling between the various candidates named for the democratic nomination. This augurs well for the success of the party, and is an evidence that the democracy have the best interests of the country at heart.

The Colorado republicans have peculiar tactics too, as displayed at their state convention, held in Denver, on 25 ult. Colonel John Cleghorn, a Grant man, was made temporary Chairman. Pending a motion to appoint a committee on credentials a delegate from Chaffee county offered the following:

"*Whereas*, A Republican caucus was in session last night for the purpose of determining the work in to-day's convention; and

"*Whereas*, We, eighty-one delegates to this convention, representing Republican counties which cast in 1878, 1,700 of the 2,700 majority received by the Republican candidates for Governor, were all only not invited to said caucus but on application for admission were excluded simply because of not pronouncing a regular password never before required at a Republican caucus, therefore we protest against said action, which stifles the voice of the strongest Republican counties of the State and renders the presence of their representatives a mockery and a farce."

The resolutions were not entertained. A motion to raise a committee of credentials was agreed to and a committee of Grant delegates was appointed.

In the manner complained of above, the Grantites managed to elect their delegates.

Senator Logan had his convention opened with prayer by one Mr. Nourse, and this is the prayer:

Almighty and all-wise God, we come to thee at this critical moment of our national history and ask thee in thy wisdom to make us wise, and out of our confusion make thine order. We desire the success of this party, believing that it will further commercial prosperity; that it will favor morality and will do the things which are right in thine eyes and therefore we pray that thou wilt show this convention the men whom thou hast chosen for the offices that are to be filled. And we pray, O God, that no mistake may be made to-day or during the period of this convention, so that our political opponents may not go into power on our mistakes. We thank thee that there are so many good men from whom to select. In thy wisdom, help us to choose the men, and we ask it all in the name of Jesus Christ. Amen.

Its hardly likely that the anti-third-termers in that convention have much faith in prayers ordered by Logan, as the one above was followed by the cutest piece of political chiseling—beating even the Cameron tactics in Pennsylvania.

FEARFUL FAMINE.

A fearful story of famine comes from one of the Turkish provinces, as mentioned below.

Mossoul, April 5.—The terrible famine in which we exist kills all the inhabitants of the town and those of the neighboring villages who are assembling here in masses. Their sufferings are indescribable, finding no cereals at all. Some are eating corpses and become ill in consequence. Their lamentations are heartrending. Most of them are dying as they have nothing to eat. Those of the inhabitants who have lived until now between life and death pray you to give them such assistance as will enable them to live. They take the liberty to present their prayer with tears of expectation which are flowing from their eyes covered with blood.

Signed Archbishop of the Syrians.

This letter, Heap states, was addressed to the United States Legation at Constantinople, and adds the sufferings of their people are indiscribably greater than anything of the kind in Ireland.

WHO? WHERE?

Who slit Whittaker's ears?
Who wrote the Springer letter?
Where is Charley Ross?
Where are Stuart's remains?

The problem of the Chicago convention is whether Billee Chandler is a bigger man than Don Cameron.

THE CENSUS.

The following information relative to the tenth census has been compiled, and is published for the information of the people of the district.

CENSUS ENUMERATORS FOR CENTRE COUNTY.

Through the courtesy of Supervisor Africa we are able this week to give the names of the enumerators of the Census of 1880 appointed and confirmed for this county:

No. of Dist.	Districts	Enumerators
214	Burnside & Snow Shoe twps.	Walter S. Stewart
215	Philipsburg boro.	Albert Owen
216	Rush township.	John B. Long
17	Curtin & and Liberty twps.	Jas. R. DeHaas
218	Howard twp. and Howard boro.	A. J. Gardner
219	Boggs twp & Milesburg boro.	Frank E. Bible
220	Union twp. and Unionville boro.	A. T. Leathers
221	Huston & Worth twps.	W. H. Williams
222	Marion twp.	D. K. Miller
223	Walker "	Edwin Twitmyer
224	Spring "	Edward C. Woods
225	Bellefonte boro, N. Ward	A. M. Hoover
226	Bellefonte boro. S. & W. Wards,	J. H. Crissman
227	Benner township,	C. L. Knox
228	College "	W. L. Foster
229	Patton "	John F. Gray
230	Halfmoon & Taylor twps,	P. W. Burkett
231	Miles township,	Amon E. Wolf
232	Haines "	H. A. Mingle
233	Penn twp, & Millheim boro,	Frank P. Musser
234	Gregg township	Thomas B. Jamison
235	Potter "	Ellis B. Hosterman
236	Harris "	John Myers
237	Ferguson "	W. H. Fry

Each enumerator, after being sworn, will receive from the supervisors a commission which will define the boundaries of his district and authorize him to enter upon the discharge of his duties. *These duties cannot be delegated to others.*

He is prohibited, under severe penalty, from communicating to any person not authorized to receive the same, any statistics of property or business included in his return; and from wilfully and knowingly making any false certificate or fictitious returns. It is expected that the enumerators will make the authorized inquiries at sensable times and in a courteous manner, and it is hoped that they will receive prompt and accurate replies. Any person refusing to give the required information is subjected to a penalty of $100.—The great object of the census is to obtain a true account of the population, wealth and industry of the United States. It is especially desired that the returns for this district shall be as full and complete as possible. The principal inquiries made by the enumerators will be as follow:

INHABITANT.

The name of each person living in the district on the first day of June, 1880; giving color, sex, age at last birthday, relationship to head of family; whether single, married, widowed or divorced; profession, occupation or trade of persons over ten years of age, and the number of months they were unemployed during year ending June 1st; whether sick or disabled, blind, deaf or dumb, idiotic, insane, maimed, crippled, bed-ridden or otherwise disabled. Who attended school during the census year; those over ten years old who cannot read and write. Place of birth of each person and place of birth of parents of each; who were married during the year.

PRODUCTIONS OF AGRICULTURE.

Name of person who conducts each farm, whether owner, renter for fixed yearly rental, or for shares of products. Acres of land tilled, in permanent meadows, orchards, or vinyards, woodland or other unimproved land. Value of land, fences and buildings, farming implements and machinery, and of live stock; cost of building and repairing fences, and cost of fertilizers purchased in 1879. Number of weeks of hired labor on farm in 1879 and amount of wages paid. Value of farm productions sold, consumed or on hand for that year: Number of acres in grass, barley, buckwheat, Indian corn, oats, rye, wheat, flax, hemp, sorgum, broom corn, hops, potatoes, tobacco, apple and peach orchards, nurseries and vineyards and the amount of the products of each in 1879. Number of horses, asses, mules, oxen, milch cows, sheep, swine, and poultry on hand June 1, 1880. Quantity of milk sold, butter, cheese, wool, eggs, peas, beans, sugar, molasses, honey and wax produced; value of products of orchards, nurseries and market gardens, and amount of wood cut and value of all forest productions sold or consumed during 1879.

MANUFACTURES.

Name of individual, corporation or company whose annual products reach $500 annually; name of business, capital invested, number of hands employed, amount of wages paid and hours of labor, months in operation, value of material and value of products; if water power is used, name of stream; fall, number and kind of wheels, horse power etc.; if steam power is used, number of boilers and engines and their horse power.

Statistics of the manufactures of cotton, iron and steel, woolen, worsted and silk goods, and of printing, glass, distilleries, breweries, fisheries, mining, churches, libraries, schools, wealth, debt, taxation, newspapers, panperism and crime will be collected by special agents and not by enumerators.

MORTALITY.

Name, age, sex and color of each person who died during the year ending with May 31, 1879; whether single, married, widowed or divorced; where born, and bidth-place of father and mother of deceased; occupation; month when died; disease or cause of death; how long a resident of the county, and name of attending physicians.

EXHIBITION OF RETURNS.

After each enumerator has completed his lists, and before forwarding the same to the supervisors, it will be his duty to file with the prothonotary of the proper county a list of the names, with age, sex and color, of all persons enumerated by him, and to give notice by written advertisement at three or more public places in his district, that he will be at the Court House on the fifth day after filing said list, not including Sunday, and on the following day, for the purpose of making any needful correction in his enumeration.

"THOSE WICKED DEMOCRATS.—The New York Nation, a high-toned Radical organ, in alluding to current political events, remarks: "The Democrats in Congress have actually, in a Pennsylvania contested election case, voted to keep the Republican in the seat. It will be remembered, too, that Democratic members of the Committee of Investigation in South Carolina, in 1876, reported against their own side. We cannot recall any similar cases of impartiality among Republicans, who will doubtless reply that when a Democrat votes against his own party he simply, by a rare act of righteousness, makes some amends for the hopeless depravity of the rest of his career, while a Republican in sticking constanly to his own side, or, as Thadeus Stevens said, 'voting for his own rascal,' simply perseveres in right living."

CHICAGO NOTES.

J. Milton Turner, of St. Louis, chairman of the national committee for negro men, is here and opened rooms and headquarters to-day for the advancement of the claims of Senator Bruce for the vice-presidency. The arrangements for protection and order in the convention are complete and systematic.

THE BREAK IN NEW YORK.

The *Times* will state to-morrow that as a deduction from interviews the New York state delegation is divided, 39 to 31, against the unit rule.

COLORADO SLIPPING.

A report was received in this city from Colorado that the delegation from that state has broken, three members expressing their determination to vote for Blaine.

LATEST FROM CHICAGO.

The situation on Monday was: The republican stew is a fearful one. Suspicions of bad faith and cheating all around.

Edmunds has withdrawn as a candidate.

Blaine thinks he is licked but glories in pulling Grant along down.

Don says he will decide for the unit rule; the committee swear they will not stand that, and Don kinder backs down.

The third-termers are a little tame.

Tuesday night—Grant supposed licked —Cameron stubborn and threatens two Conventions—Great excitement — Third-termers will make a desperate grab, rule or ruin. Edmunds a dark horse.

The Gunnison News is responsible for the following story: "Several years ago a man who had lost everything but his dog in stock speculations in New York, came West, accompanied by the dog, of course. After running around in this State for awhile, he finally pitched his tent near where Leadville now stands. 'Inexorable fate,—and the dog still pursued him. Owing to the high altitude, perhaps, and the meagreness of his fare, poor Tray had to succumb, and the sorrowing owner consigned the body of his faithful friend to mother earth, marking the spot with a stake driven deep into the soil. Years rolled by, bringing at last the great carbonate excitement of Leadville. The unfortunate man bethought him of the lonely sepulchre of poor old Tray in the far away carbonate deposits of Colorado. He came back and found the 'stake,' which prospectors had respected as making a 'claim,' and now spends his time at first-class hotels drinking mint juleps."

A very fashionable lady who fairly dotes on her children and is very particular about their toilets had a narrow escape last Sunday from losing one of her darlings. It was leaning out of a third-story window when it lost its balance and in a moment more it would have been dashed to pieces on the crowded pavement below. Fortunately the mother seized it just as it was disappearing over the window-sill. Clasping the saved cherub to her breathless breast, the fond mother exclaimed as tears of gratitude flowed from her uplifted eyes, "If that child had fallen into the street with that dirty dress on, I would never, never have forgiven myself." And she proceeded to dress it up, so that, come what might, the family would not be disgraced.

Statesville, N. C., May 24,—Wilmuth Jarvis, a Justice of the Peace residing near here, was visited by a run-away couple this morning, to be married. The ceremony was performed, and the magistrate sat down to fill up the blanks in the marriage certificate. Turning to his wife, he asked her the day of the month, and, before she could reply, he fell down dead.

RUSSIA.

St. Petersburg, May 25.—The great trial of nihilists has been concluded. After the public proceedings yesterday the members of the court martial remained in consultation eleven hours. They re-entered the court room at half-past three o'clock this morning, when the president sentenced Michaeloff and Saburoff to be hanged; De Weimer to fifteen years hard labor in the mines; Costenansky to twenty years hard labor; Berdinkoff to eight years hard labor, and Lowenthal to ten years hard labor.

Of the women prisoners three were sentenced to fifteen years hard labor. The women Melinowska and Boulonoff were banished to Tekolsk. The sentences will be submitted to General Loris Melikoff, chief of the supreme executive commission, for confirmation.

CURTIN AND CAMERON.

THE EX-GOVERNOR RESPONDS TO THE EX-SENATOR'S INTERVIEW.

The New York *Herald* the other day printed an elaborate interview with Simon Cameron, in which he attacked ex Governor Curtin with great bitterness, claiming he nominated him in 1860, loaned him money, and that Curtin was corrupt in office. The *Herald* now interviews Curtin, and this extract shows how he regards Cameron's attack:

General Cameron opposed my nomination strenuously in 1860. I never applied to him for aid. He was a candidate for President at that time, and desired the recommendation for that high office of the convention that nominated me for the office of Governor. My friends being in the majority in that convention gave me the nomination, and General Cameron failed in the object of his ambition at that time and place. I never borrowed from him a dollar of money nor did he ever give me one doller to promote my election. My father came to this country in 1797. He was twice married, his second marriage being with a daughter of Andrew Gregg, who was, as General Cameron states a member of Congress for many years. I had the opposition of General Cameron and his friends during all the period of time I was Governor of this State. He has never been my personal or political friend and I have had very little personal intercourse with him at any time. General Cameron has at all times and under all opportunities been persistent in his defamation of me, and when opportunity offers has always seemed desirous to use the newspapers. I have at all times been careful not to make any reply or to take any notice of expressions of his ill will, and would not at this time, in answer to your questions, if they did not seem an unprovoked and deliberate purpose to misrepresent me. My father was more than his peer in all respects, and where he was known—and there remain many memories of his useful and blameless life—General Cameron's attempt to defame his memory or belittle him will be treated with contempt, referred to the vaporings of senility, or the review of a career which cannot bring consolation or satisfaction to him or his friends."

A SICKENING SIGHT.

A horse race was announced to come off at the Fair Grounds at Upper Sandusky, on Saturday last, between sleepy Jake, a horse owned by Jake Snider, and Duff Green, owned by Mr. Coon, both parties residing at Little Sandusky. A large crowd of people were on the ground to witness the race. The riders mounted, the word "go" was called, and the horses started off at a break-neck speed, and the race promised to be an interesting one, the horses keeping nearly abreast until about half way around the track, when Snider's horse bolted, and in doing so came in contact with a wooden post, which penetrated the animal to the depth of over a foot, cutting a hole that would measure twelve inches in diameter. The horse never slackened his pace until his entrails began to come out, which he dragged after him, and at times stepped on and tramped them in twain. He ran about forty yards across the grounds, and in attempting to jump over the fence or railing around the track the large bowel came out and caught on the top rail, which brought the poor brute to a halt. The horse was shot instantly to relieve him of his misery.

The rider, a lad of about fifteen, named Johny Snider, was thrown off when the horse bolted, and it was at first thought he was killed, but physicians examined him and discovered that only his left leg was terribly mangled. He was brought to town where he still remains, and at this writing it is thought that possibly amputation will not be necessary. Mr. Snider regrets the loss of his horse exceedingly; but a few days ago he was offered $250 for the animal. He feels happy, however that his son came out of the accident as lucky as he did.—*Nevada O., Enterprise*, 28.

Any one getting up a club of not less than for or five for the Reporter, during the campaign, at 12cts per month cash will get a copy free for the campaign.

THE ELECTORAL COUNT.

Morgan's Speech in the Senate for Justice.

In the Senate, on 23, the joint rule for counting the Electoral vote was taken up, and Mr. Morgan supported the measure in a speech.

Mr. MORGAN, in the course of his argument, said that the best thing to be done now and hereafter in reference to the action of the two Houses, is to produce just as little friction between them as possible in the nature of resolutions or restrictions. Let them meet as judges ought to meet and decide first on the evidence they shall receive, and second the weight they shall give it, and third the conclusion at which they shall arrive on their oaths in reference to their duty to their country. The speakers referred to the demand by the people for some settlement of the disputed questions as to how the count should be made.

Mr. CONKLING asked how the pending joint resolution tended to that end. It required neither the signature of the President to perfect it nor to prostrate it. It had a mere ephemeral existence, whereas by an act solemnized by the concurrence of all the elements of the law making power, there could be a permanent provision which would not be subject to the caprice or mere inaction of a single house.

Mr. MORGAN, in reply, repeated his argument that the President could not constitutionally, and at all events should not be a participant in legislation which might effect his own right to office. In this connection he intimated that the Republican opposition to the resolution might result from a desire to have the President indirectly to control the count.

Mr. CONKLING said that for the purpose of tranquillizing both the Senator from Alabama and the Senator from Ohio (Mr. Thurman), who was making some side remarks to him, the former being more intent on counting and the latter on getting votes (laughter), but both colluding, conspiring and confederating together (to use the language of the law), by hook or by crook, if possible, to secure the next Presidency to the party of which they were such distinguished ornaments, he would state that it made no difference what steps were taken for counting votes, or the mode in which it was to be done, their prospect was a mere dissolved view. In the inevitable end the people were going to elect a President who was not likely, by having any act submitted to him at this session, to be called upon to act in his own case. He thought he could assure the Senator from Alabama, bad politician as he [Mr. Conkling] was, a tyro in the art, that the people would elect the President the next time; that the votes would be counted with sufficient fairness to insure the result which they meant; and, therefore, he was looking with a good deal more pleasure than he otherwise would upon this and various other legislative proceedings, all designed to effect that result. It was a foregone conclusion, and all of them put together could not in his judgment, circumvent or confute the result.

Mr. MORGAN replied that the Republican party did not want a rule established: they did not want a law enacted. They preferred antagonizing any rule or any law at all, so they could have the advantage, perhaps, in the two houses, of saying, "You have not counted it to our satisfaction, and we will now do what we threatened to do four years ago, use bayonets." I propose, he continued, to have the country put in such a condition that we can do without the bayonet rule, and guns trained on the Capitol will not have much efect hereafter.

Mr. CONKLING—Who ever threatened, four years ago, to use bayonets?

Mr. MORGAN—I have heard, on good authority, that guns were put in position to bear on this Capotal. I was not here.

Mr. CONKLING—Were what?

Mr. MORGAN—That guns were put in position to bear upon this Capitol.

Mr. CONKLING said he had never heard of such a thing, or if he ever did, it was part of the rubbish which hearsay takes up on all occasions of excitement.

Mr. CONKLING added: Were the pending measure an act of Congress, requiring, first the Executive signature, or else two-thirds of both Houses to adopt it or prostrate it, it would be conservative. It would have the element of conservatism found in permanence of duration. But it is a mere device for passing hours. It is a contrivance for the nonce, intended to operate once, and once only—intended to provide a count in that election, in which I hope the honorable Senator from Ohio (indicating Mr. Thurman, who sat near him,) will carry the standard of his party, because I would like to see the standard of both sides in distinguished hands. It is for that, and that alone, as plainly as if it said, as does the placard for a show sometimes, "Positively for one day only." The two Houses, one Democrat by decided, immovable majorities (it will be a year from the 4th of March now past before either of them will or can change their complexion. This event (the one approaching) is to be made and concluded before that day; so that when we say that the two Houses shall concur in order to cast out a vote, it means nothing more than if we said either House might do that thing. Why? Because the question is to be, as is sometimes said here, a party question. It is to be a grapple for the mastery between the two political parties, and when a question shall arise on which the Democrats of the Senate with their majority say, "We propose to cast out the vote of this State," in that same hour will arise that same question, on which the Democratic majority in the House will say something. If the law could not be passed, the joint rule should at least be made to endure until abrogated by both Houses, instead of falling by the abrogation of one, as would the pending rule.

Mr. MORGAN then finished his argument, contending that the rule in its principals had the sanction of a man who at one time had the ear of the people of the United States, or at least of the Republican party, and before whom these Senators, junior and senior, bowed with absolute obedience, and whose will they seldom attempted to thwart or controvert. That man was Oliver P. Morton, who brought forward this same measure as law, and the Senate passed the law and the House disagreed to it when it was Republican. Mr. MORGAN asked why did not the Republicans pass such a law when they were in power in Congress. Instead of doing so they adopted the Twenty-second Joint Rule, and had three counts under it which made a concurrent vote of the two Houses necessary to admit a vote. Then when it appeared that one House would become Democratic, and in order to secure Hayes' counting in, the Republican Congress abrogated the rule. He went on to restate his objection to putting this measure in the form of a law. It brought up the question of how the vote should be counted into the ordinary legislature of Congress, subject to the approval of the President, who might be an interested party, and subject to all the influences that disturb party legislation. Not one of the twenty one joint rules was ever adopted otherwise than by concurrent resolution, such as this. Not one was ever carried to the President, and now, for the first time, a rule which effects nothing at all but the count of the Electoral vote, it is said, must go to the President. That objection means merely this: We intend to quarrel with the rule, no matter what you present, and you present one so undeniably fair that the only quarrel we can make is to say you have not made it a law. No, sir; if we have seen fit, and had felt it in the line of our duty on this great question, we would have adopted that Twenty-second joint rule, and then the State of New York, which is ready like a locomotive to go forward or backward, to stand still or move at the command of its managers, which is ready to take any action necessary in this Presidential campaign, we should have held the power of the State of New York, which this country dreads from one end to the other, so that it could not have changed its method of casting the Electoral vote and have come here, and against the consent of either house, have forced that vote on us; but in the face of that threat, in the of that apprehension largely felt by the people throughout the country that some such affair is to take place in that great State, we come forward with a rule that requires the concurrince of both houses before even that can be met and rejected. We have dared to be fair in this question, and our appeal is to the people of the United States for honesty of our motives and for the integrity of our conduct in bringing forward this measure for the satisfaction of the people and for peace of the land.

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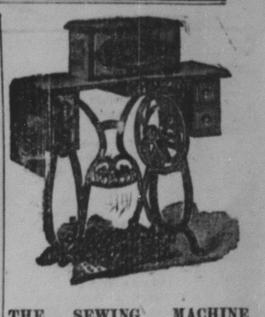

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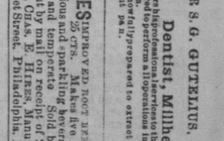

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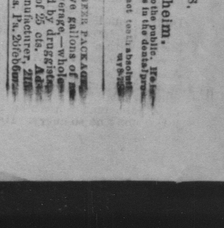

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