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THE NOMINATIONS.

The Republican City Convention yesterday placed in nomination the following ticket:

For Mayor—JOHN W. RIDDELL.
For Treasurer—W. C. MCCARTHY.
For Controller—JOHN MCCARGO.
For Solicitor—J. F. SLAGLE.

JOHN W. RIDDELL, Esq., our candidate for Mayor, is very generally known throughout the city and county, having occupied the office of Assistant District Attorney for a series of years. Mr. RIDDELL is but thirty-eight years of age and may be classed among our self-made men. Nearly a quarter of a century ago he was thrown on his own resources and found a situation in the GAZETTE press room as fold boy at seventy-five cents per week. Possessed of indomitable energy he rapidly pushed himself forward in the estimation of influential friends and obtained an appointment as midshipman in the navy. The one ambition which led him to seek advancement from the humble position in the GAZETTE establishment, caused him to resign his place in the navy and return to Pittsburgh to embrace the legal profession. He entered the office of the late lamented HARRY B. MAGUAW, Esq., made rapid advancement in his studies, and, passing a creditable examination was duly admitted to practice in the various Courts of Allegheny county. During the term of JOHN M. KIRKPATRICK, Esq., as District Attorney, Mr. RIDDELL acted as his assistant, in which capacity he displayed rare legal ability. Under the recently enacted law creating the office of Assistant District Attorney, Governor GEARY appointed Mr. R. to the position, having been urged to do so by members of the legal fraternity and the united Republican press of the city. We feel that the selection of this gentleman will be received with satisfaction, and that he will be inducted into the office for which he has been nominated by the Republican City Convention. With his legal experience and knowledge he cannot fail to make an efficient chief executive.

For Treasurer, Hon. WILLIAM. C. M'CARTHY, the present Mayor of the city, has been put forward. That he is qualified for the discharge of the duties pertaining to the office none will gainsay. His financial management of the affairs of the Mayor's Office recently appeared in a highly favorable light in his report to the Controller, wherein it was shown that he had paid into the city treasury ten thousand dollars more than any of his predecessors for a corresponding period. If elected, the citizens can depend upon him proving an honest and capable officer.

JOHN MCCARGO, Esq., has been renominated for the office of Controller. He has held the office for several successive terms, and has invariably discharged its important duties in such a manner as to demonstrate his fitness for the position. He is deservedly popular with the entire party.

J. F. SLAGLE, Esq., the candidate for City Attorney, at present holds that office, and his nomination is but a fitting acknowledgment of his past services.

THE WAR OF RACES.

If a war of races is possible in this country, the white people in the South will certainly succeed in creating one. By their own free choice they plunged the country into war, in defence of their asserted right to carry their institution of slavery to every place protected by the American flag. By their free choice they refused to lay down their arms to prevent emancipation. By their own free choice they refused to treat the emancipated with common honesty, or to be restored to the Union on the just and easy terms proposed by Congress. By their own free choice they refused to register and vote, and now that the negroes have the political power they attempt to revenge its exercise by refusing them work and the means of living. They court a collision with the negro by every means, and try to stir up the old color-phobia of the North, that in this collision the power of the government may be set against the government allies. The prefer to exterminate these victims to their injustice, rather than see them in the enjoyment of their freedom. They are so inured to scenes of violence that they cannot consent to live without some class on whom they can exercise their ferocious passions. If Congress would permit them to re-enslave the negro by continuing to hold him amenable to the old slave code, they would consent to the name of emancipation; but, otherwise, they will throw themselves across any plan of reconstruction and call upon Northern Democrats to save the white race from negro equality. This they have done with such measure of success that they are emboldened to such course toward the freedmen that there is imminent danger their patience may be exhausted and they driven to retaliation, when the war of races is to begin.

Let not Northern men forget that the "horrors of St. Domingo" were invited by the attempt to re-enslave men made free in a rebellion. The white planters of the Island rebelled against the French government. This emancipated the slaves and called them to its standard. When the rebellion was put down, it made friends with the rebels and joined with them to re-enslave its allies. Will the American government re-enact that chapter of meanness and injustice, and thereby invite a similar result?

ALABAMA CONVENTION.

The Louisville *Courier*, in common with the Rebel press in general, shows its good taste in ridiculing the Alabama Constitutional Convention, calling its members "buck niggers," &c., &c., but the following resolutions show that that body stands far above the Conservative press in good sense and magnanimity. These resolutions were adopted by a strong vote:

Resolved, That a committee on removal of disabilities, to consist of thirteen members, be appointed by the Chair, to whom the members of the Convention shall present the names of such disfranchised persons as have aided and are aiding in reconstructing the civil government of the State in accordance with the laws of Congress, which names shall be reported to this Convention before its close.

Resolved further, That said committee be instructed to prepare a memorial to Congress upon the subject of the removal of disabilities.

If this is the way in which "buck niggers" use political power they are certainly a safe and peaceable element in the body politic. The body of men capable of this moderation and magnitude must be a credit, not only to their race, but to the race to which we all belong. This gives promise that the negro will not disappoint the highest hopes of his best friends, and that Reconstruction will so far progress this coming winter as to make the "great reaction" a mere after-thought. Of this Convention the Mobile *Trubune* elegantly says:

"To-day the outlaws and ragamuffins of Alabama meet in convention at Montgomery. If there was still law in the land, the penitentiary at Wetumpka would be their place of meeting, but as it is, they will assemble in the Capitol at Montgomery. Pope and Swayne deserve to be crowned with corn cobs for the able and complete manner in which they have carried out the wishes of their masters, comprising the Rump. Not only have they shackled and gagged the State, but they have loaded her back with a pack of creatures who, if they were turned loose in the Zoological Gardens, would set the very giraffes and hippopotami to laughing. There they sit like terrapins on an old log in a mill pond—calling themselves a Convention."

ANNA DICKINSON EXPLAINS.

We have already published the paragraph setting forth how the fair Anna D. had blotted out the signature of the President of her country from the visitor's register of a national school ship. In a lecture at Boston last week she thusly explains her rude, rash conduct, she said:

"And here I want to tell you a little story as a matter of self-vindication here in Boston, for I love its people well, even if the *Advertiser* is published here. (Tumultuous applause.) I love you better than ever. I find that there is a story going the rounds of the Boston and New England press to this effect—that a Sunday or so ago I went down to the School ship under cover of my good and long tried friend Judge Russell, and that then and there I took violent possession of a book which I knew to be the property of the Commonwealth, or of Captain Mathews. (I will tell you for the benefit of those who may be so ignorant as not to know, that this gentleman is the Captain of the Schoolship)—and I took violent possession of this book and after magnificently penning my own name, intending to insult both the Captain and Commonwealth, marked out the name of Andrew Johnson, which I found upon another page. The substantial statement of the case is this: That going down to the Schoolship and having a pleasant morning there, a little while before I left it, the teacher of the ship handed me an autograph book belonging to him. I wrote my name therein. Turning over the pages, I came to one sulied by the name of Andrew Johnson, and holding my dirty pen in the air, made a little playful flourish over it, when he (whom I supposed to be the owner of the book) said to me, "If you will mark your pen across that with ink it will add greatly to the value of the book;" and I doing what I supposed would gratify a man, supposed to be the owner of the book, did to Andrew Johnson's name what the whole loyal nation would gladly do with his infamous record and black name." (Applause.) So much for that. I wish the man was as easily ended as his name was in that case; and I believe, say, I know, that the great mass of the loyal people in the country say Amen! to any such desire."

NEWS BY TELEGRAPH.

—Ex-Mayor Gould, of Rochester, N. Y., died yesterday of apoplexy.

—European mail advices report the death of Marshal O'Donnell, of Spain.

—Shephard, the Worcester, Mass., wife murderer, was captured in Canterbury, Conn., yesterday.

—Dispatches from Havana state that St. Domingo city has been destroyed by an earthquake.

—Seven shocks of an earthquake were felt at Kingston, Jamaica, on the 11th and 12th instant.

—At San Francisco, Cal., yesterday, the corner stone of the Parker Monument was laid by the Odd Fellows' Committee.

—At Memphis, Tenn., there were thirty-eight interments for the week ending noon Saturday, sixteen of which were from yellow fever. The city is unusually healthy.

—In the suit of the State of California against the steamship Moses Taylor, for forfeitures amounting to $76,000, in failure to stamp passage tickets, Judge Sawyer decided the stamp act unconstitutional.

—President Cabral has issued a proclamation formally denying the report that Samana, or any other portion of the Dominican territory, has been sold or parted with to the United States, to any individuals, or any foreign power.

—The Treasurer's office in Gallatin, Davis county, Missouri, was broken open on Sunday night and robbed of four thousand dollars in Davis county warrants and fifty-five thousand dollars in greenbacks. No clue to the perpetrators.

—At Roxbury, Mass., early Sunday morning, a large establishment used for manufacturing phosphate of lime and bone manure was destroyed by fire, involving a loss, in stock and machinery, of $100,000, on which there was an insurance of $30,000. W. L. Bradley was the principal owner.

—Although it is denied that Mr. Stanbery wrote the opinion against the reassembling of Congress this month, it is known, however, that the article came from the Attorney General's office, and that it reflects the views both of Mr. Stanbery and Mr. Johnson on the subject.

—At a meeting of the Northern Michigan Railroad Company, held yesterday at Detroit, the following gentlemen were elected directors of the Company: Hon. Erastus Corning, Albany N. Y.; General H. H. Baxter, Rutland, Vt; Thomas Swynard, Hamilton, Ontario; Nathaniel Thayer, Boston; Henry S. Wells, New York; E. B. Ward, Detroit; Henry H. Porter, Flint; Hon. Roswell Hart, Rochester; Orlando M. Barnes, Mason, Michigan.

—The "muster out" of Major General Sickles (says a special) leaves him with his usual rank as Colonel of the Forty-Fourth Infantry (Veteran Reserve Corps) and Brevet Major General in the Regular Army. His regiment is stationed in Washington City, and if he should be assigned to duty according to his Brevet rank, he would be in very close proximity to his Excellency. It is probable that Congress will call for the correspondence between the President and General Sickles on the subject of the latter's application for a Court of Inquiry, which application was denied.

—Late correspondence from Jamaica states that there was fear of another negro riotous and revolutionary outbreak. The parish of St. Thomas, in the East, is threatened. On the present occasion, as in the case of the former rebellion, there are on many as four hundred negroes disciplined according to military practice, and ready to take up arms. The Protestant Rector of St. David Parish, has been already admonished by the leaders of the colored force. A great panic exists all over the island in consequence. The Government and executive officers are on the alert. The white population is seriously menaced.

—In the Alabama Reconstruction Convention, Saturday, a resolution was adopted by fifty-seven to thirty-three, instructing the proper committees to change the names of all new counties, created at the last session of the Legislature, that were named in glorification of rebels, or after those who participated in it. Afterwards, an ordinance to change the name of Calbert county to Brownlow was tabled—16 against 15. The committees on several parts of the Constitution reported. The officers of the Executive Department are to consist of a Governor, Lieutenant Governor, Secretary of State, Auditor and Treasurer. The Auditor to hold office for four years, the others for two years, all to be selected by the people. The Governor only has been elected by the popular vote heretofore.

CANADA

Terry Rose Takes Fire—House Burned and Man, Wife and Two Children Perish in the Flames.

(By Telegraph to the Pittsburgh Gazette.)

MONTREAL, Nov. 18.—The ferry boat St. Marie, took fire in the middle of the river on Saturday. The boat reached the dock in time to land the passengers.

Another fire took place at midnight in a large wooden house on Parquar street. The occupants, Mr. Shaw and his wife, with their children, were burned to death.

An incendiary attempt to burn the house of the deputy sheriff, yesterday, was discovered before any material damage was done.

The river is extremely low, and the St. Lambreth ferry boat has ceased running. The weather is very severe.

OTTOWA, Nov. 18.—Hon. John Ross has been appointed Minister of Finance.

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MIDNIGHT.

PHILADELPHIA.

The Tack Case Again Deferred.

(Special to Gazette By Pacific and Atlantic Lines.)

PHILADELPHIA, Nov 18, 1867.

In the Court of Quarter Sessions, Hon. J. R. Ludlow, Associate Judge, W. B. Mann District Attorney, Mr. L. S. Cassidy called the attention of the Court to the case of the Messrs Tack, the hearing of a writ of *habeas corpus* taken out by them having been fixed for this morning. He said the hearing had been fixed long before it was proposed to try the homicide cases. The prosecutor had given out that he did not intend to be here on the 18th, and, it would seem, he could so trifle with the Court as to cause the administration of public justice to fall into contempt. One of the defendants was here from Pittsburgh, at a great pecuniary loss to himself, and while these gentlemen, the Mr. Tacks, were anxious to have a hearing, the prosecutor seemed as desirous of preventing it.

Attorney General Brewster said that in addition to that which his colleague had stated, he desired to say that this was a civil case pending. The District Attorney was the prosecutor in this case here, and the counsel for the prosecutor in the civil branch of the Court, and he therefore objected to any intervention on his part to delay the hearing of the writ. The Messrs. Tacks felt they had a right to be heard on the writ, as it was prejudicial to their business to have the case hanging over them, while they were subjected to the expense and trouble of traveling here. The prosecutor evaded any answer by not coming here, and spoke as though he could control the hearing at his pleasure.

Mr. Mann thought the Attorney General was at the head of the law department of the State, and had no right to complain of the District Attorney being counsel in a criminal case.

Mr. Brewster replied—You must recollect that the law has stripped my office of all criminal duties, and left only the civil branch to me.

Mr. Mann desired to say that the homicide cases had been preparing for some time, and the time for trying them had been fixed for over a month. The witnesses were now in Court, and he was ready to proceed with them. The witnesses in the Tack case were not in Court, and consequently that case could not be proceeded with, if it was desirable to do so.

Judge Ludlow said he would take up the Tack case on Monday morning next, at ten o'clock. The defendants were pressing for a hearing, and they were entitled to it at early day. All must understand that this case will be heard at the time now fixed, and that all other business of the Court would be set aside for the hearing of the same.

WASHINGTON.

(By Telegraph to the Pittsburgh Gazette.)

WASHINGTON, Nov. 18, 1867.

IMPEACHMENT REPORS.

The House Committee is in full session to-day on the subject of their reports in the impeachment case.

THE SURRATT CASE.

There is no prospect of another trial of John H. Surratt. It may possibly take place in January or February.

REPORT.

It is ascertained from an official source that Jeff. Davis will be tried on the indictment now pending.

REPORT FROM FARRAGUT.

The Secretary of the Navy has received from Admiral Farragut a report of his reception at Plymouth, England, and subsequent arrival at Lisbon. In both everywhere been greeted with the greatest kindness and courtesy.

SECRETARY WELLES

Is still improving, though he is not able to leave his bed.

CONGRESSMEN ARRIVING.

Members of Congress continue to arrive, and there is a prospect of a full attendance in both Houses on the first day of the session. Speaker Colfax reached Washington to-day.

STANBERY'S DENIAL.

Attorney General Stanbery has published a card denying that he is the author of the article affirming the illegality of the extra session of Congress. The article was signed by his initials, hence the mistake.

PATENT OFFICE.

The Commissioner of Patents will issue three hundred and thirteen new patents for the week ending Friday next. During the past week one hundred and seventy-five applications and sixty-five caveats were filed.

MILITARY ORDERS.

Maj. Gen. A. J. Smith, Colonel of the Seventh Cavalry, has been granted six months' leave. Brevet Lieutenant Colonel E. W. Smith, of the Twenty-fourth Infantry, has been assigned to duty as Aid to Major General Terry. Brevet Colonel C. H. Graves, of the Thirty-fourth Infantry, has been assigned to the same duty.

NEW YORK.

(By Telegraph to Pittsburgh Gazette.)

NEW YORK, November 18, 1867.

SECURITY FOR FENIAN PRISONERS.

The Board of Councilmen of New York have adopted an ordinance, compelling ferry companies to provide draw gates at the ferry houses as security to the lives of passengers.

SENTENCED.

Benjamin F. O'Key was sentenced to ten years in the Penitentiary for embezzling a letter in the Postoffice: David Stein, eighteen months in the Penitentiary, for attempting to bribe the keeper of a loaded warehouse; and McKnight and Wilson, who attempted to rob the store of Brooks, Bros., to four years and six months in the State prison.

SUICIDE OF A BOOK KEEPER.

Moses J. Moses, head book keeper of the New York County Bank for eighteen years, committed suicide this morning. He was seventy years of age, and no cause is yet assigned for the act.

MURDER IN BROOKLYN.

John Muller was murdered in Brooklyn, Sunday morning, during a quarrel. Three men were arrested on suspicion.

STABBING AFFAIR.

A German school teacher named Heitzheimer stabbed three men in Williamsburg, Saturday night, in an altercation about the orthography of the word "write."

CHOLERA PASSENGERS.

The cabin passengers of the steamship City of Cork, which arrived with cholera in the steerage, were allowed to come to the city yesterday.

SAILED FOR EUROPE.

Admiral Dahlgren sailed for Europe Saturday.

SENTENCED TO BE HUNG.

Thomas Watch was sentenced to be hung on the 24 day of January, at Newark, New Jersey, for the murder of Patrick Tormay.

ALABAMA.

The Reconstruction Convention.

(By Telegraph to the Pittsburgh Gazette.)

MONTGOMERY, November 18.—In the Reconstruction Convention, to-day, an ordinance was passed to a third reading appropriating fifty thousand dollars to pay the officers and members, who are to receive eight dollars per diem, and eight dollars mileage for every twenty miles of travel each way to the Capitol.

The Committee on Taxation reported a section to the Constitution providing that all taxes shall be assessed in exact proportion to the value of property, but the Legislature may levy a poll tax of one dollar and fifty cents, to be applied exclusively to the school fund. Ordered to be printed.

The franchise question was discussed until adjournment.

Arrival of Charles Dickens.

(By Telegraph to the Pittsburgh Gazette.)

HALIFAX, November 18.—The steamer Cuba, from Liverpool, arrived this morning and subsequently sailed for Boston. Charles Dickens is a passenger.

SECOND EDITION.

THREE O'CLOCK A. M

FROM EUROPE.

(By Telegraph to the Pittsburgh Gazette.)

FRANCE.

MEETING OF CHAMBERS.

PARIS, Nov. 18.—The French Chambers assembled to-day. Emperor Napoleon opened the session with a speech, wherein he affirmed that there was no longer any objection to German unity on the part of the French Government.

EGYPT.

THE EXILED CHRISTIANS.

LONDON, Nov. 18.—A dispatch from Alexandria brings intelligence that the American Consul, Gen. Charles Hale, has induced the Viceroy to issue a decree permitting the return to Egypt of American missionaries and native Christian converts who have been exiled from the country.

FINANCIAL AND COMMERCIAL.

LONDON, Nov. 18.—*Evening.*—Consols, 94 7-8; Illinois Central, 84; Erie, 48½; 5-20s, 70½. A. & G. W., 19¼.

FRANKFORT, Nov. 18.—*Evening.*—U. S. Bonds firmer, at 76.

LIVERPOOL.—Nov. 18.—Cotton steady and unchanged. Breadstuffs—Corn 3d higher; new mixed Western, 48s 9d. Other articles unchanged. Provisions—Bacon is lower; Cumberland cut middles, 49s; others unchanged. Produce—American Tallow advanced to 44s 6d. Spirits Turpentine firmer, at 27s 3d per cwt. Refined Petroleum, is 4½d.

ANTWERP, Nov. 18.—Noon.—Petroleum dull; standard white, 44f 50c.

RICHMOND, VA.

The Hastings Court—Charge of Judge Rives—Bonds to be Reopened.

(By Telegraph to the Pittsburgh Gazette.)

RICHMOND, Nov. 18.—Judge Burnham delivered his charge to the Grand Jury this morning. He said a happier state of society is beginning to appear, and while we cannot close our eyes to the threatened evils and disturbances in the community, yet the crisis may be safely looked to for forbearance and by a firm and impartial administration of the law. He called attention to the fact that while the greater number of crimes before the Court were committed by freedmen, all the cases must be tried critically and impartially.

A telegram to the *Enquirer* from Danville announced the robbery of the store house of J. M. Walle last night, of three hundred and twenty-five dollars in money.

The Court of Inquiry ordered at the solicitation of Lieut. Col. Rose, to investigate the charges preferred against him as conductor of the election, by citizens, commenced to-day, General Stoneman presiding.

THE WEST INDIES DISASTER.

Reported Sinking of the Island of Tortola and Loss of 10,000 Lives—The Story Discredited.

(By Telegraph to the Pittsburgh Gazette.)

LONDON, November 18.—The Colonial office not having received any particulars of the sinking of the Island of Tortola, and drowning of 10,000 people, in answer to the telegrams sent to officials in the West Indies, the story is generally discredited here, or at least believed to be greatly exaggerated.

HAVANA, November 18.—Neither the British Consul nor any other party, has received any particulars of the alleged sinking of the Island of Tortola. There was only rumors of a serious disaster by the hurricane of the 3rd of October, with no definite facts. The reports are evidently greatly exaggerated.

NEW YORK, Nov. 18.—A private letter received in New York from Tortola, written on the 1st instant, has a brief reference to the hurricane which swept over the Island on the 29th of October, and makes no mention of the general loss of life. The writer states, however, that the family of Sinclair Bryant, resident magistrate at Road Town, as the settlement is called, was all swept away, except one daughter, who was saved by a timber that struck and floated by her. The town and shipping were greatly damaged, and also that during the storm a fearful tide broke out, which destroyed many houses.

NEW ORLEANS.

More Removals of Officers—Death of a Theatrical Manager.

(By Telegraph to the Pittsburgh Gazette.)

NEW ORLEANS, Nov. 18.—Special orders No. 188, from headquarters Fifth Military District, relieves Harry T. Hays, for the same reason assigned in the former order, and appoints Dr. George W. Avery in his place. The order also removes R. P. Orrorke, Clerk of the Second District Court in Caddo Parish of Orleans, for malfeasance in office, and appoints R. L. Shelly to the vacancy created. Shelly is the managing correspondent of the New York *Tribune* and one of the Philadelphia *Press*.

W. B. Riley, Manager at the St. Charles Theatre, died suddenly of chills Saturday evening. He had arrived but a few days before from Indianapolis. The remains were buried on Sunday with Masonic honors.

General Hartsuff left for the North last night, having in charge the family of the late Brevet Lieutenant Colonel Lee.

HAVANA.

Passengers from Mexico—The Cholera—Hurricane in St. Domingo.

(By Telegraph to the Pittsburgh Gazette.)

HAVANA, November 18.—The French steamer Panama, from Vera Cruz, has arrived here. She brings as passengers the Prussian Minister to Mexico, the Bolivan Minister, and French Minister, all accredited to the late Imperial Government. Prince Salm Salm is also a passenger. All are on their way to Europe.

The body of Maximilian had been delivered to Admiral Tegethoff, and had become badly decomposed. It was expected to arrive at Vera Cruz about the end of the month.

Many resident physicians deny the existence of cholera in this city.

A tremendous hurricane occurred at St. Domingo, on the 30th ult., which caused heavy loss of life and a great destruction of property.

BOSTON.

Dickens' Lectures—Scramble for Course Tickets—8,000 Sold.

(By Telegraph to the Pittsburgh Gazette.)

BOSTON, Nov. 18.—The sale of tickets to Dickens' course of readings to-day caused no little sensation. At sun rise parties began to gather, and as strong police force was required to enforce fair play among the eager applicants. Nearly all the tickets for the course, about eight thousand, were sold and hundreds were disappointed in not securing any. A few tickets got into speculators' hands, who offer them at twenty dollars each.

GEORGIA.

Unreconstruction Convention Called.

(By Telegraph to the Pittsburgh Gazette.)

AUGUSTA, November 18.—The Conservative press of Georgia advocate the meeting of a Convention at Macon on the 5th of December, for the purpose of organizing a party in opposition to reconstruction under the military bills, and with a view to defeat the Constitution to be submitted, which will not be acceptable to their party. Neither time nor place for the holding of the Reconstruction Convention is yet announced.

Crude Oil Train Burned.

(By Telegraph to the Pittsburgh Gazette.)

BUFFALO, November 18.—A freight train on the Buffalo and Erie Railroad, laden with crude oil, from Brockton for Buffalo, took fire near Irving, at two o'clock this afternoon, destroying twenty-one cars, a bridge over Mud Creek, and about six hundred feet of track. The passengers and freight are being transferred over the break to-night, and the road will be in working order to-morrow.

The Florida Election.

(By Telegraph to the Pittsburgh Gazette.)

AUGUSTA, November 18.—The returns from Florida show the Convention carried by a decided majority. The registered votes were nearly all blacks; but few whites voted. A large number of negroes are elected to the Convention. In Leon three out of four delegates are negroes.

South Carolina Taxes.

(By Telegraph to the Pittsburgh Gazette.)

CHARLESTON, November 18.—It is expected a new State tax bill will shortly be issued by Gen. Canby. The merchants request him to lower the taxes.

CITY AND SUBURBAN.

REPUBLICAN CITY CONVENTION.

Nominations for Mayor, Treasurer, Controller and City Attorney—John W. Riddell, sq., Nominated.

The Republican City Convention, held in the Common Council Chamber, City Building, yesterday, for the purpose of placing in nomination candidates for the several municipal offices, was one of more than usual interest. The principal contest appeared to be for the Mayoralty, for which there were three contestants, viz: Hon. William C. M'Carthy, Chas. Jeremy, and John W. Riddell. The immediate friends of each appeared sanguine of success, both in and out of the Convention. Long before the time appointed for the Convention, the body of the Council Chamber was filled to its utmost capacity, and the doors leading to the chamber were thronged with outsiders anxious to witness the action.

A half past ten o'clock the Convention was called to order by Thomas W. Davis, Chairman of the Republican City Executive Committee, who, by virtue of that position, became temporary Chairman of the Convention. The Convention then proceeded to complete the temporary organization by the election of Secretaries, when Dr. T. W. Shaw and Samuel M'Ilhenney were placed in nomination and elected by acclamation.

The Chairman stated that the Convention was now ready to receive nominations for the various city officers to be voted for by the Republican party, commencing with the office of Mayor. The following named gentlemen, were then placed in nomination:

FOR MAYOR.

John W. Riddell, Esq., of Lawrenceville, was nominated by Dr. T. W. Shaw, in a few appropriate remarks. In the Sixth ward, was nominated by Alderman Joseph Butler; and Hon. W. C. A. H. McClelland contending, was nominated by Captain B. W. Morgan.

On motion of Mr. Butler, the nominations closed.

CITY TREASURER.

Samuel Allender was placed in nomination by Alderman Joseph Butler, who moved that the nominations for Treasurer be closed.

CONTROLLER.

For the office of City Controller Messrs. John McCargo and R. J. McGowan were nominated, after which the nominations for that office closed.

CITY ATTORNEY.

The Convention next proceeded to place in nomination candidates for the office of City Attorney, when Maj. A. M. Brown and Jacob F. Slagle, Esq., were nominated. On motion, the nominations closed.

Captain Morgan then moved that the nomination for Treasurer be reopened, as he had intended to place a gentleman in nomination for that office, but being out of the room at the time the nominations were made had been prevented from doing so.

Mr. Thompson moved that the motion be laid on the table. Adopted.

Mr. Davis moved that the Convention adjourn until one o'clock, in order to give time to the Committees on Credentials to prepare their report, which was seconded.

Alderman Butler moved that Mr. Allinder be nominated by acclamation.

Captain Morgan objected, because the Convention was not full. He said they could make no nominations until after the Committee on Credentials had made their report. Twelve seats were vacant, he said, and it was out of order to proceed to the nomination of candidates without giving those gentlemen a voice in the matter.

The Chairman at this point became so great that it was impossible to hear what was said, and the Chairman decided the motion out of order.

Mr. Kirk then moved that all business be suspended until the report of the Committee had been received.

The Chair said that question had already been decided in the affirmative.

About one o'clock the Committee announced that they had concluded their labors, and when the Convention was called to order presented a majority and minority report, the former signed by Messrs. Shaw, Mecklin and Tainell, and the latter by Messrs. Holmes and Beck. The majority reported in favor of excluding the delegates elected from the Third ward, Pebbles township, and Lawrenceville, and Peebles township, and admitted Messrs Wainright and Hovack, the contestants from the First Ward, Lawrenceville.

The minority report agreed with the majority in excluding the Third ward delegates, but recommended the admission of the regularly elected delegates from the other contested districts.

Mr. Kirk moved the adoption of the minority report.

Mr. Thompson moved to lay Mr. Kirk's motion on the table.

Mr. Tainell moved that the room be cleared of all persons not delegates, which prevailed.

An attempt was then made to clear the room, which, after fifteen or twenty minutes of the wildest confusion, succeeded.

Mr. Morgan then moved that the reports of the Committee on Credentials be again read, so that the delegates might understand how they were voting.

The Chairman decided the motion out of order, unless the motion to adopt and the motion to lie on the table were withdrawn.

The motions of Messrs. Kirk and Thompson were then withdrawn, after which the reports were read.

Mr. Thompson then moved the adoption of the majority report.

Before arriving at a vote on the question a lengthy discussion ensued on the reports.

Mr. Kirk hoped that some gentlemen of the Committee would explain why the regularly elected delegates from the First ward, Lawrenceville, and Peebles township had been rejected by the majority report.

Mr. Holmes said that it was because they were McCarthy men, and the majority of the Committee were Jeremy men.

Mr. Shore, chairman of the Committee, said that the Committee were satisfied that the election was not conducted fairly in the First ward, Lawrenceville, and that the delegates elected from Peebles township were officers of the election board.

Mr. Kirk said that the latter objection was not stated one; that at a State election a member of the board could be voted for.

Alderman Butler said that such was not the law.

The question was called, and when the name of Mr. Sims was called, he said he was in favor of excluding the delegates from the Third ward, but he did not think he regularly elected delegates from the other contested districts should be excluded; he would therefore have to vote against the adoption of the majority report. The balloting then proceeded and the report was rejected by a vote of eighteen nays to sixteen yeas.

Long, loud and tumultuous applause followed the announcement of the result from the lobby and hall.

Mr. Kirk then moved the adoption of the minority report, which passed to a vote without debate, resulting in a tie, sixteen for and sixteen against, but before the result was announced the delegate from the Tenth Ward, Messrs. Sims and Simpson, asked that their votes be changed from the negative to the affirmative, stating that they did not understand the question properly.

Mr. Tainell objected. He said no member had a right to change his vote after it was recorded.

The Chair decided that any gentleman had a right to change his vote before the result was announced.

The vote was accordingly changed and the minority report adopted by a vote of eighteen to fourteen.

At this point the proceedings met with a slight interruption, by the appearance of His Honor Mayor McCarthy, who in a few appropriate remarks declined being a candidate for Mayor, and requested that his name be withdrawn from the Convention.

Mr. Morgan then moved that the nomination for City Treasurer be re-opened.

The Chairman decided the motion out of order, inasmuch as the gentleman had been before the Convention once and was not present.

Mr. Davis appealed from the decision of the Chair, and upon a vote being taken the Chair was reversed by a vote of eighteen to sixteen.

Mr. Morgan then nominated W. C. McCarthy as a candidate for City Treasurer.

On motion, the nominations closed.

Mr. Davis moved that a committee proceed to nominate a candidate for Mayor.

Mr. Shore moved to vote by ballot. The yeas and nays being called, the motion was lost by a vote of twenty-two to sixteen.

Mr. Sims then moved that the vote be taken by marking, which motion prevailed. Yeas 22, Nays 16.

The roll of delegates, was called and they proceeded to mark, for Mayor, with the following result:

FOR MAYOR.

John W. Riddell, 22; Charles Jeremy, 16.

Mr. Butler moved the nomination of Mr. Riddell be made unanimous, which prevailed.

Mr. Morgan, on behalf of Mr. Riddell, who was absent, thanked the Convention for the honor conferred upon him.

Mr. Morgan James stated that he had been authorized to withdraw the name of Maj. A. M. Brown as a candidate for City Attorney, and moved that the vote be got be nominated by acclamation. The motion prevailed.

The Convention then proceeded to vote for Treasurer and Controller, by marking, which resulted as follows:

FOR TREASURER.

Sam. Allinder, 18 | W. C. McCarthy, 20

FOR CONTROLLER.

Jno. McCargo, 21 | R. E. McGowan, 17

Mr. Morgan moved that the nomination be made unanimous, which prevailed.

On motion, a vote of thanks was then tendered to the Chairman and Secretaries.

After which the Convention adjourned *sine die*.

THE COURTS.

Supreme Court Proceedings.

MONDAY, Nov. 18.—Present Judges Strong, Thompson, Reed and Agnew.

The following opinions were delivered.

Oakland Railway Co. vs. Thomas J. Keenan.' C. P. Proceedings' affirmed. Opinion by Woodward, C. J.

French vs. Mehan, D. C. affirmed. Opinion by Thompson, J.

Steel vs. Frick. Westmoreland. Affirmed by Thompson, J.

The list for Washington, Fayette, Greene, Beaver, Mercer, Lawrence and Venango counties was called over.

The following cause were non-pressed: Campbell et ux vs. McGough et al. Washington. Kepps vs. Kepps; Washington. Guernsey vs. Guernsey; Venango. Diebro et al vs. Hostetter et al; Venango.

Reed vs. Venango City Boro; Venango. Continued.

Chess vs. Ninth National Bank of New York, Venango. Submitted by H. G. Johns for plaintiff in error, and by A. H. McClelland contra.

W. H. Smith et al vs. Hon. Wm. C. McCarthy, et al. In equity. Motion for a preliminary injunction. Argued by Messrs. Veech and Lowrie for complainants, and by Sullivan and Slagle contra.

John B. Young vs. Hon. Wm. Wilson, on motion of C. W. Robb, Esq., duly admitted and qualified to practice in this Court.

De Foubell's appeal; Beaver. On motion of Mr. Young, continued.

McCall vs. McLaughlin; Venango. Submitted by G. E. Taylor for Appellant, and by McCalmont and Reed, contra.

Common Pleas—Judge Mellon.

MONDAY, November 18.—Court met at the usual hour, ten o'clock.

Schulz & Downey vs. James T. Sample. Action to recover the value of a quantity of soap sold and delivered. Verdict in favor of plaintiffs for $143,90.

Conrad Schafer vs. administrators of Charles Seibert. Action on a promissory note. Verdict in favor of plaintiff sicl.

Hirsch White vs. Hackwelder & Co. Action on a book account. Jury withdrawn and a nonsuit entered.

Following is the trial list for this day: 60. Elizabeth Morris vs. Jos. M. Dinman, guardian.

61. James McDonnell vs. John H. Wright and John M. Elliott, surviving partners of N. Holmes & Sons.

62. Reynolds & Kauffman vs. D. R. Gelsey.

63. Bernard Gray vs. McKeever, Stanley & McGrady.

64. Peter Fitzsirin vs. Q. A. Robinson.

65. John McDres Jr. vs. Henry and Fred. Everts.

66. John McVicker vs. John S. Lee.

67. John Welsh vs. C. Hertis and P. Riley.

68. E. McGlade vs. Harper, Gutmen & Co.

71. J. W. Patterson vs. J. C. Vanhook.

72. W. H. Byers vs. Henry Schmidt.

74. J. W. Barker & Co. vs. Dr. J. A. Herron.

75. Wm. Gardner vs. Columbia Mining Co.

76. J. B. Melville vs. Flint & Idaho Gold Mining Co.

77. W. H. Underhill vs. Alex. Taylor.

It is ordered that hereafter when cases are to be passed on continued application must be made on the day before they are reached on the list.

Quarter Sessions—Judge Stowe.

MONDAY, Nov. 18.—Court met at ten o'clock, and impanelled jury trials.

The first case tried was that of the Commonwealth vs. Jacob Unger, for the forgery of a judgment note of the amount of $50. Mrs. Reist, the prosecuting witness, whose name is signed to the note, stated that she could not swear positively that the signature was not hers, testified that she had not the slightest recollection of having given such a note. Verdict not guilty, prosecutrix to pay the costs.

Commonwealth vs. Jesse Collins. Charge malicious mischief, Jacob Eiger prosecuting witness. The prosecutor testified that on the 15th of July last, while he was ascending the hill near Soho with his wagon, the defendant ran into him with an empty wagon and broke the axle of his (prosecutor's) vehicle. Verdict not guilty, defendant to pay the costs.

Morris Bros. Minstrels gave their initial performance here, last night, to an overflowing house which must have reminded the few old members of the time nearly ten years