sir, perhaps you are in a majority; but take them up and count them, and see where you are. Take each district by itself, and see whether, by the votes of the people, you have a majority of Senators on this floor. Sire, you will find it not to be so. Desiring, nevertheless, to see that the business of the Senate may proceed, I am now, as always, for an amicable and equitable adjustment; I am for the proposition of the Senator from Berks and anxious to elect our officers; but I believe that the position contended for by the other side is at variance with the custom and the law, that this is a question of principle involving the right of each body to select its own officers. In times like these I am for standing by the landmarks of the past, and shall maintain, as a Senator in

my place, the position we have taken.

Mr. LOWBY. Our friends on the other side talk organization every time but vota disorganica. tion every vote. I ask that the Senators on the other side be a little more explicit. Two of them have risen and made the proposition that some Senator on this side and some Senator on some constor on this side and some constor on that side should resign, I suppose, in order that we may be further disorganized. If they allude to me, I will tell them that I will not resign, although I might as safely go before my con-stituents as any of these Senators. We are not sent here to resign: we are sent here to do our. sent nere to resign; we are sent here to do our duty. The fortunes of war have taken away one of our number, and I care not whether the Senator from Clearfield or the New York World communicated that fact to Jeff David the Senator from the New York World the Senator from Clearfield or the Senat s the same. They think in Richmond that they have an opportunity to lajure the Union party here; we think so too. Jeff Davis has got one of our men, and if "the tyrant" should

take one of theirs, then we could organize.
But here we stand and the gentleman has the boldness to intimate that his party is in a ma-Why that hardly requires an answer. The question is settled in Pennsylvania and all over this broad land, that the Union shall be maintained; and the people have designated by the election of their efficiers, who they con-sider in favor of maintaining that Union. Senators say that this body is not organized.

They stand up strongly for organization, when, if their construction should be carried; out; we are most effectually and dangerously disorgan ized. You, Mr. Speaker, are Speaker of the Senate until your successor is elected. We could have voted not to proceed to the election of a Speaker, but in conformity with an old established custom we proceeded to ballot and have continued balloting.

We are told by one Sonator that this is a

question of principal; we are told by the Senator from Clearfield, and we are told by the Senator from Berks that it is a question of the loaves and fishes. One contends for the principal for the interest, and the other for the interest of the principal. I wish they would agree.

[Laughter.]

Mr. CLYMER. I wish you would.

Mr. LOWRY. We do agree, Mr. Speaker.

We agree that we have a Speaker, and they have agreed that we have a Speaker, and have been sworn by him; and they have sworn tha they will support the Constitution of the United States, and the Constitution of Pennsyl vania—under protest.

Mr. Speaker, I move that Mr. PENMEY be unanimously declared the Speaker of the Sen

ate. [Laughter.]
- Mr. TURRELL. Allow me to say one word The Senator from Clearfield assumed and stated as a fact that the Republican cutous had adopted a resolution to go into an election for as a fact that the Republican curious had inations to lie over one day be suspended, and adopted a resolution to go into an election for that the House now proceed to elect a Chief Speaker. If the gentleman was in the caucus, Clerk. he has a right to state what occured there. If he was not and has such information, I would say that he has information not possessed by any Republican Senator. Such is not the fact. Mr. WALLACE. In reply to the Senator Mr. Bracect: from Susquebanns, allow me to say that the Messus. Allen organ of the Republican party, at this place, Bigham. Billibgfelt, Bownian; (Rancaster) furnished us with the list of nomices of the Brown, Cochran, (Eric.) Cochran, (Fried) cancus of the Republican party, commencing phia,) Coleman, Denniston Etnier, Foster with the Speaker in the chair and going Glass, Guernsey, Hezlett, Henry, Heron, Hill through to the lowest officer in the Senate.

Mr. TURBELL. It may be so. If it be so

to me perfectly clear that under the Constitution this is an organized body, and no custom that may be alleged to exist or which may have existed can interfere with the plain intention of that the property of the constitution with the plain intention of that lostrement. It is so clear in my mind that, as the Senator be side me (Mr. CHARCENEYS); has remarked, the Constitution has intended an organized government, that an argument at this time is industrial. is that the Speaker of the Senate shall be Governor whenever a vacancy occurs by death, resignation or otherwise; there is no provision made beyond that: It was therefore contem-plated by the framers of the Constitution that there should always be a Speaker of the Senate; because it is not even contemplated that the office of Speaker of the Senate shall at any time be vacant, and that in such a contingency the Speaker of the House of Representatives or anybody else shall act, but it is ordained that whenever the Governor shall be removed the Speaker of the Senate shall act. And a case has been cited when Gov. Johnston, being Speaker of the Senate, assumed the vacant chair of the Governorship and a Speaker pro tempore was elected in his stead. Upon leaving the Speak ership his functions as Speaker, had ended consequently the necessity for a Speaker pr

I will say one word in reply to the view a by gentlemen on the other side. They speak with great favor of the magnanimity and the valuable services rendered by Major Whirs, and say how they commiserate his situation, and what honor is due him for the services he has rendered. I would suggest to them that the greatest honor and the best reward they could give him would be to have this senate act as though he were here. Would any gentlemen on the other side dispute that? Af Major Writers were here, would he not rote for such an organization as has been suggested by gentlemen on this side of the Senate? Why then will they go so far as to deprive him still further of that right which by the fartunes of war he is prevented from exercising? This thing could very easily be settled if gentlemen on the other side were as anxious to show their Johnson, Speaker—52. ward they could give him would be to have this Senate act as though he were here. Would This thing could very easily be set-tled if gentlemen on the other side were as anxious to show their good will toward those who are serving their country, as they pretend to be. I think, theremilton Spear:

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Messrs. Alexander, (Centre,) Alexander, organized Senate, a body that under the Constitution never dies, and I hold that the rules of the previous session are the rules of this body until altered, and that we have now nothing to do but to call the orders of the day and go through with the business. If the gentle of the gentle of the responsibility.

Mr. Speaker, I call the orders of the day.

Mr. KINSEY I move, sir, that when this Senate adjourn to-day it adjourn to meet to morrow morning at eleven o'clock.

Milton Spear:

Messrs. Alexander, (Centre,) Alexander, (Clarlon,) Barger, Beck, Beiton, Bowman, Cumberland, Boyer, Chambers, Ellis, Gilbert, Graber, Hakee, Hargoett, Hopkins, Hoover, Horton, Jackson, Josephs, Kerns, (Schuylkill), Klinel Labar: Along, Mands, Marshall, Missimer, Myers, Nelson, Nolyes, Pershing, Potteiger, Purdy, Quiglby, Beiff, Bex, Bloes, Biddles, Robinson, Schofield, Seatight, Sharps, Shimer, Spangler, Walsh, Wester, and Winterest.

Mr. KINSEY I move, sir, that when this Senate adjourn to-day it adjourn to meet took the prescribed oath of office. fore, that no further argument is needed; I believe, sir, that you are the Speaker of this

Sanate adjourn to day it adjourn to meet to morrow morning at eleven o'clock. The motion was agreed to.

Mr. NICHOLS. I move that we do now

On the motion, The year and nays were required by Mr. WILSON and Mr. STEIN, and were as follow,

YEAS—Messis, Beardslee, Bucher, Clymer, Connell, Hopkins, Kinsey, Latta, M'Sherty, Montgomery, Nichole, Reilly, Ridgway, Smith, Stark, Siein add Wallace—16

**ORGANIZATION** A committee from the House of Representatives (Messrs. Smith of Philadelphia and Mr Persuing) being introduced, informed the Senate that the House was organized and ready

Mr. KINSEY moyed that the Senate proceed to a further ballot for Speaker.

On the motion,
The yeas and nays were required by Mr. CONNELL and Mr. BEARDSLEE, and were as follow, viz : 1 YEAS Mesurs. Beardslee, Bucher, Clymer.

Donovan, Glatz, Hopkins, Kinsey, Lamberton, Latta, W.Sherry, Montgomery, Rellly, Smith, Stark, Stella and Wallace—16. Navs — Messis. Champneys, Connell, Dunlap, Fleming, Graham, Hogo, Householder, Johnson, Lowry, M'Candless, Nichols, Ridgway, Turrell, Wilson, Worthington and Fenney,

Speaker —16. So the motion was not agreed to. On motion of Mr. CONNELL,

Adjourned,

The then Senate

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES. WEDNESDAY, Jan. 6, 1864. The House was called to order at 11 A. M. by

O God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Chilst, the author of all our blessings, the source of all our mercles, we approach thee in the name and through the merits of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. We pray thee for his sake let the influences of thy Holy Spirit rest upon this body: "Righteousness exalteth a nation, and sinks a reproach to any people." Help us to purify our hearts that we may perfectly love Thee and worthily magnify Thy holy name Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspi ration of thy Holy Spirit, and grant that all that we do, whether as individuals or as representatives may be with an eye ito the glory of God and to the best interests of men. O Lord, Thou art our Father and our Friend. Help us to love thee and to serve the. Bless this Com-monwealth. Bless all that are in authority. Bless the United States of America and our States, cur civil and religious liberty. Bring to an end our civil and religious liberty. Bring to an end our civil strife in the triumph of our arms, through Jesus Christ our Redeemer and

mediator. Our Father who art in Heaven, Hallowed be Thy Name; Thy Kingdom come; Thy will be done on earth as it is done in Heaven; Give us this day our daily bread. Forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, the power and the glory forever Amen

The Journal of yesterday was read and ap Mr. Noves, who was absent yesterday, presented himself and was duly qualified.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS. The SPEAKER. It will now be in order to ceive nominations for Chief Clerk and other officers of the House;
Mr. M'MURTRIE nominated for Chief Clerk

. W. Benedict. Mr. JACKSON nominated Jacob Ziegler.

On motion of Mr. REX, the nominations were-closed: -Mr. LEE moved that the rule requiring nom-

The motion was agreed to.

The House then proceeded to ballot for Chief

Messis. Alleman, Balsbach, Barnett, Burgwid Mr. TURBELL. It may be so. If it be so it is incorrect in that particular.

Mr. FLEMING: I beg to state billing how I look upon this question. It seems to me perfectly clear that under the Constitution this is an organized water.

Grass, Guernsey, Hazlett, Henry, Heron, Hill, Huston, Kaiser, Kelley, Kerns, (Philadelphis) Koonce, Lee, Lilly, M'Clellan, M'Mutrie, Mayer, Marsh, Miller, Musselman, Negley, O'Hara, Olmetead, Orwig, Pancoast, Price, Reed, Slack, Smith, (Chetter,) Smith, (Lances ter.) Smith (Philadelphis) Stabberger

Horton, Jackson, Josepha, Kerns, (Schuylkill,) Kline, Labar, Long, M. Manus, Marshall, Missi-mer, Myers, Nelson, Noyes, Pershing, Fotteiger, Purdy, Quigley, Reiff, B. x., Rice, Riddle, Rob-inson, Schofield, Searight, Sharpe, Shimer, Spangler, Walsh, Weaver, Weiser and Wimley

At. W. Benedict, having received a majority of the votes, was declared duly elected Onlist Clerk of the House, and, presenting himself, duly qualified.
The House then proceeded to nominate can.
didates for the office of Assistant Clerk.

Mr. KOONCE nominated James C. Brown of Mercer county. Mr. KLINE nominated B. Milton Spear, of

Huntingdon.
On motion, the nominations were closed. Mr. HOPKINS. I move that the rule requiring nominations to die over one day be sus pended, so far as relates to nominations for all the efficers of the House, and that we now pro-ceed to the election of efficers. ... The motion was agreed to.

The House then proceeded to ballot for As sistant Clerk.
The following named members voted for

James C. Brown: Messrs. Alleman, Balsbach, Barnett, Burg-

Johnson, Speaker-52: .The following named members voted for R Milton Spear:

On motion of Mr. COCHRAN, (Philadelphia,

the House then proceeded to the nomination and election of Surgeant at Arms. Mr. JOSEPHS nominated John P. Ahern, of Philadelphia. (Philadelphia) nominate

Jimes Subers, of Philadelphia.
On motion of Mr. Kerins, (Philadelphia, the nominations were closed.
The House then proceeded to ballot, when The following named members voted for Mr. Sibers.

Montgomery, Nichols, Additional Stark, Siein add Wallacs—15.

NATS—Messrs. Champneys, Donovan, Dunlap,
Fleming, Glatz, Graham, Hoge, Householder,
Johnson, Lamberton, Lowry, McCandless, Turrell, Wilson, Worthington and Penney, Speaker
—16.

Supers. Alleman, Balsbach, Barnett, Burgwin, Bigham, Billingfelt, Bowman, (Lancaster, Brown, Cochran, (Erie,), Cochran, (Philadelphis.). Coleman, Dennison, Kinler, Fester,
Glass, Gutrnsey, Hazlett, Henry, Heron, Hill,
Huston, Kaiser, Kelley, Kerns, (Philadelphia,)

Koonce, Lee, Lilley, M'Clellan, M'Murirle, Mayer, Marsh, Miller, Musselman, Negley, O'Harra, Olmstead, Orwig, Pancoast, Price, Reed, Slack, Smith, (Chester,) Smith, (Lan-caster.) Smith, (Philadelphia,) Stanberger, Sutphin, Watt, Watson, Wells, White, Windle and Johnson, Speaker - 52.

The following named members voted for M Abern: Messrs. Alexander, (Centre.) Alexander, (Clarion.) Barger, Beck, Benton, Bowman, (Cumberland.) Boyer, Chambers, Ellis, Gilbert,

raber, Hakes, Hargnett, Hopkins, Hoover, Horton, Jackson, Josephs, Kerns, (Schuylkill,) Kline, Labar, Long, M. Manus, Marshall, Mitsimer, Myers, Noyes, Pershing, Potreiger, Pur-dy, Quigly, Beiff, Rex, Rice, Riddle, Robinson, Schofield, Searight, Sharpe, Shimer, Spangler, Walsh, Weaver, Weiser and Wimley—45. Mr. Subers, haviog received a majority of the votes, was declared duly elected, and was qual-fied in accordance with law

ied in accordance with law.
The Sergeant-at-Arms announced, through the Speaker, that he had appointed the following named gentlemen as his assistants; J. T. Sample, C. E. Idell, Reuben B. Palmer, J. H.

Miller; all of whom were duly qualified.

The Calef Clerk announced, through the Speaker; that he had appointed the following named persons as transcribing clerks: Calch W. Walker, J. B. Niles, A. D. Harlan, Henry Butterfield; all of whom, except Mr. Butter-field, presented themselves and were duly qual-

Mr. QUIGLEY moved that the House now proceed to the numination and election of a Doort eeper.

The motion was agreed to. Mr. HAZLETT hominated James T. M'Jun-Mr. QUIGLEY nominated Sebastian Slober, On motion of Mr. BECK, the nominations

The House then proceeded to ballot, when The following named gentlemen voted for Mr. M'Jankin

Messus Alleman, Balsbach, Bernett, Burgwin, Bigham, Billingfelt, Bowman, (Lancaster,) Brown, Cochran, (Erie.) Cochran, (Philadel) phia,)! Coleman, Denniston, Etnier, Foster Glass, Gnernsey, Hazlett, Henry, Heron, Hill: Huston, Kaiser, Kelley, Kerns, (Philadelphia,) Koonce, Lee, Lilly, M'Clellan, M'Murtrie, Mayer, Marsh, Miller, Musselman, Negley, Mayer, Marsh, Chester, Pancoast, Price, Reed, Slack, Smith, (Chester,) Smith, (Lancaster,) Smith, (Philadelphia,) Stanberger, Sutphin, Watt, Waison, Wells, White, Windle and Johnson, Spedker—52.

The following named, contlemen, voted for Messrs. Alleman, Balsbach, Barnett, Burgwin

The following named gentlemen voted for Mr. Lieber: Messrs: Alexander, (Centre,) Alexander Clarion,) Barger, Beck, Bonton, Bowman Cumberland,) Boyer, Chambers, Ellis, Gilbert Cumberland, Boyer, Dhambers, Ellis, Glibert, Graber, Hakes, Hargnett, Hopkins, Hoover, Hörtön; Jackson, Kerns; (Schuylkill,) Kline, Labar, Long, M'Manus, Harshall, Missimer, Myers, Nelson, Noyes, Pershing, Pottelger, Purdy, Quigley, Reiff, Bice, Riddle, Robinson, Schofield, Searight, Sharpe, Shimer, Spangler, Weaver, Weiser and Wimley—43.

James T. M'Junkin, having received a majority of votes, was declared duly elected Doorkseper, and, presenting himself, was qualified in accordance with law.

The Doorkeeper announced, through the Speaker, that he had appointed the following hamed gentlemen as his assistants: James

McCauly, Samuel Crawford, Thomas Martin and C. Smith.
Mr. McCLELLAN moved that the House

now proceed to the nomination and election of lessenger. The motion was agreed to.

Mr. BROWN nominated James C. Sturd want:

Mr. BICE nominated James B. Templin.
On motion of Mr. MUSSELMAN, the nominations were closed.

The House proceeded to ballot, when
The following named gentlemen voted for

Mr. Sturdiyant:

Messra: Alleman: Balsbach, Barnett, Balgwin; Billingfelt, Bowman (Lancaster.) Brown, Cochran, (Erie,) Cochran, (Pilladelphia,) Coleman, Denniston, Etnier, Foster, Glass, Guern ter.) Smith (Philadelphia) Stanberger, Suthin, Watt, Watson, Wells, White, Windle and Johnson, Speaker—52

The following named members voted for Mr. Ziegler:
Messrs. Alexander, (Centre,) Alexander, (Clarlon,) Barger, Beck, Benton, Bowman, (Cumberland,) Boyer, Chambers, Ellis, Gilbert, Graber, Hakes, Hargnett, Hopkins, Hover, Horton, Jackson, Josepha, Kerns, (Schtylkill.)

Kline, Laker, Long, M Manus, Marghali, Missi

Mr. Templin:
Messrs. Alexander, (Contro,) Alexander Clarion.) Barger, Beck, Benton, Bowma Onmberland) Boyer, Chambers, Ellis, Gilber Fraber, Hakes, Hargnett, Hopkins, Hoove Graber, Hakes, Hargnett, Hopkins, Hoover, Horton, Jacksou, Kerns, (Schuylkill,) Kilne, Labar, Long, M. Manus, Marshall, Missimer, Myers, Noyes, Porshing, Potteiger, Purdy, Quigley, Reiff, Rice, Biddle, Robinson, Schoffeld, Searight, Sharpe, Shimer, Spangler, Weaver, Weiser and Wimley 42.

Mr. Sturdivant, thaving received a majority of votes, was declared duly elected Messanger, and was qualified according to law.

Mr. HENRY moved that the House proto; the nemination and election of a Postman

The motion was agreed to have the first Mr. BECK nominated Charles P. Huston. Mr. WHITE nominated B. W. Stewart. On motion of Mr. BOWMAN, (Lancast The House then proceeded to ballot, when

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The following-named gentlemen voted for Mr. Huston:
Messie Alexander, (Centre,) Alexander (Clarion.) Barger, Beck. Benton, Bowman, (Cumberland.) Boyer, Chambers, Ellis, Gilbert, Graber, Hakes, Hargnett; Hopkins, Hoover, Horton, Jackson, Kerns, (Schuylkill;) Kling, Labar, Long, M'Manus, Missimer, Myers, Ngleson, Noyes, Pershing, Pottelger, Pardy, Quigley, Reiff, Hex, Rice, Biddle, Bobinson, Schoffold, Saaright, Sharpe, Shimer, Spangler, Weaver, Weleer and Wimley. 42.

Mr. Stewart, having received a majority of votes, was declared iduly elected Postmaster, and took the prescribed oath of office; NUMBER OF HOUSE OFFICERS.

Mr. SMITH (Philadelphia) offered the fo lowing resolution, which was twice read Resolved, That the number of officers in the several departments of the House of Representations. several departments of the nouse of the presentatives be the same as last year.

Mr. SMTH. (Chester): I think there was an act of Assembly passed list year regulating the number. If that is so, I do not suppose the House can change it. I do not recollect or.

tainly how that is

Mr. SMITH, (Philadelphia.) We are going Mr. SMITH, (Chester.) We cannot repeat it y resolution.

The resolution was adopted.

prayer standing committees.

Mr. OLMSTEAD offered the following res lation, which was twice read and adopted:

Resolved, That the Speaker be authorized to increase the members of such of the standing committees of the House as in his judgment may seem neces ary—in no case, however,

exceed fifteen. RECALL OF A BILL. Mr. COCHRAN (Erie) offered the following resolution, which was twice read:

Resolved, (If the Senate concur.) that the Gov-

ernor of this Common wealth be hereby requested to return to the Legislature an act to authorize the Court of Quarter Session of Eric county to appoint viewers to view and lay out a road from the east end of Third street in the porough of Waterford, in the county of Erie, to the depot of the Philadelphia and Erie railroad. passed April 10th, 1869, without his approval.

Mr. SMITH, (Philadelphia) I have no diaposition to interfere with local matters, but it strikes me that this bill must have become a

Mr. COCHBAN, (Eric.) No. sir. Mr. SMITH, (Philadelphia.) I would like some explanation from the gentleman, so that we may vote understandingly on this question.
Mr. COCHBAN, (Eries) The bill is a mere local bill. Iteffects only Erie county, and only one township in that county. It was passed at a late day — the 3d of April last; and by the mutual consent of the members of this House and our Senator, the Governor was requested to hold over the bill, not giving it his ignature. According to the Constitution of the State, it must be recalled within the first three days of the session, or it becomes a law. I am petitioned by the people of that township (my constituents) to secure the recall of the

The resolution of Mr. Cochran (Eric) was adopted.

PAY OF RETIRING OFFICERS. Mr. SMITH, (Philadelphia,) on leave given read in place a bill entitled An act to pay the Chief Clerk, assistant clerks, and other retiring officers of the Senate and House of Representa-

(n motion of Mr. SMITH, (Philadelphia,) the rules were suspended and the House pro-ceeded to the second-reading and consideration of the bill.

The bill was read and agreed to, as follows

Be it cracted, &c., That the State Treasurer

shall pay to all officers who have returned and
assisted in the organization of the Senate and House of Representatives, ten days pay and milesge, and that section sixty three of the general appropriation bill for the year 1863, restricting the number of officers, is hereby repealed.

On motion of Mr. SMITH, (Philade phia,) the rules were suspended, the bill was read a third time. and Passed finally.

BILLS IN PLACE. Mr. GUEBNSEY read in place An act to au-

horize the Manafield Classical Seminary and State Normal School of the Fifth District, loated at Mansfield, Tioga county, Pennsylvania, to borrow money.

Laid on the table.

Mr. SMITH (Chester) read in place An act o provide fer the payment of bountles to vol-Laid on the table. Also An act to validate the investment, of trust money made by Nathan Y. Foster.

Laid on the table. Also, An act relating to the borough of West Laid on the table

Also, An act relating to the Coroner Chester county.

Laid on the table.

Also, An act supplementary to an act incorporating the West Chester railroad company.

Laid on the table. Also, An act relating to estates bail.
Laid on the table. Mr. BENTON, An act to incorporate the La-

fayette railroad company. Laid on the table. Mr. BIGHAM, a further supplement to An act entitled An act relating to Allegheny county, approved May lat, 1861. Laid on the table.

wiss steamship company,

PATITION PRESENTED Mr. SMITH (Chester) presented a petition of Nathan Y. Foster, of Chester county, for the passage of a law, to validate the investment of certain trust moneys. Laid on the table.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE Mr. FOSIER saked and obtained leave of beence for Mr. Smith, (Philadelphia.) Mr. BOYER, for Mr. SEARIGHT.

REPORT OF A COMMITTEE. Mr. SMITH, (Philadelphia,) on behalf of the committee appointed by the House, to inform the Senate that it had organized and was read? to proceed to business; reported that the committee had performed that duty.

The hour of one o'cleck having arrived, the

- Adjourned.

## By Telegraph.

FROM NORTH CAROLINA.

Our Forces Attack the Rebels near Washington

CAPTURE OF MEN, CANNON. &c

FORTERS MONROE, Jan. 6.
The steamer Guide, from Newbern, N. C.
yesterday, has just arrived here. Assistant Inspector-General Sterling is amou

her passengers.
Intelligence reached Newbern yesterday that
the expedition under Col. McCheeney, of the
First North Carolina regiment, which left. Newbern on the 20th ult., for Greenville, met the enemy on Thursday night near, Washington Both parties were surprised.

Lieut. Adams charged on and routed the

Lieut: Adams charged on and routed the enemy, killing allieutenant and five men, who were all left on the field, and captured ton men, one cannon and caisson, with the horses of Starr's battery.

Our loss was Lieut. Adams killed and five neu wounded: : 10 00

> FROM BOSTON. No coreManager

Meeting of the Massachusetts Legislature BOSTON, Jan. 6

The Massachusetts Legislature convened day.
Hon. Jonathan Field was elected President
Rulloch Speaker

the Strate, and Hon. A. A. Bulloch Speaker Rev. Wm. A. Stevens, the President of Amerherst college, delivered the annual sermentic

to open the daily essions of the House with robbery ended to day in the honorable sequittal of the accused. Two hundred and twenty recruits for the

Maine regiments passed through this city today for the Army of the Potomac.

From Washington

WASHINGTON, Jan. 6. Some remarks having appeared in the news papers about the disarming of the steam frigate Niagara, and the statement made that the extraordinary weight of metal on board sunk the vessel so low that she was almost nacless, it is proper to say that she has been reduced one half in her battery, because men are scarce and because by this three hundred are taken her complement. She now drays only four inches more than when she went to China; and four feet and four inches less than when she carried the Atlantic cable. She is 1300 tons larger than the Minnesota class of frigates, and draws one foot more water or three feet less

New Hampshire Union State Convention.

than the Great Western.

Concord, N. H., Jan. 6.
The Republican State Convention met here to-day. Governor Gillmore was re-nominated by acclamation. The Convention was large and the proceedings harmonibus.
The Republican State Convention to-day adopted the following resolution:

Resolued. That Abraham Lincoln har the

Resolved, That Abraham Lincoln, by the exercise, during the dangerous crisis in the nation's history, of unequalled asgacity and statesmanship, of a moderation and prudence which experience has shown to be the highest wisdom, by his spottess integrity of personal character above reproach and above suspicion and by his slowly formed yet unaltered determination that the triumph of the Constitution and the Union over secession and treason shall be the final triumph of liberty throughout the nation, has secured and merited the abiding confidence of the people to an extent never awarded to any other public man since Washington; that the best interests of the country demand that the complete destruction of the rebellion, the re etoration of peace, prosperity and the Union should be achieved under his administration of

Abraham Lincoln to be the people's choice for re-election to the Presidency in 1864.

This-resolution was carried with thunders of applause, the delegates rising to their feet and waving their hats with the wildest enthusiasm.

the Government, and that we therefore declar

XXXVIII Congress--First Session

SENATE.

Washington, Jan. 6. Mr. Howard (Mich.) submitted the follow ing resolution, which was objected to and laid

Resolved. That the Committee on the Judiclary be instructed to consider the propriety of repealing the joint resolution of July 17, 1862, relative to the construction of the confiscation act, and particularly so much of said joint rec-lution as purports to prohibit a forfeiture of real estate beyond the natural life of the of-

ender. Mr. Wilson reported from the Military Committee an act to amend the enrolling act; also a bill to extend the time for paying bounty to

Interfering in elections.

Mr. Grimes opposed the reference to the Judiciary Committee, on the ground that it related to officers in their military capacity.

Mr. Powell contended for its reference to the Judiciary Committee, as it protected the freedom of the elective franchise in the States. The evil sought to be remedied was of startling. importance. Elections had been carried against the will of a majority of the people at the

Obminittee, by 21 to 16.

Mr. Powell moved to reconsider. A length Mr. JACKSON, An act for the payment of the debate ensuel, in which the participants were account of Chaugey G. Grilley, for collecting Mers: a Land, of Indians, Powell, Ky., Dayle, TOR BEINT—The store room, cellar and warehouse long occupied by Joseph Ross, densice cusace., the course of his Ky., and Wilson, Mass. In the course of his cemarks Mr. Powell said the hero of the military operations on a railroad makes his will the supreme law, and says you shall not vote unless you become the subjects of the hero of the blood stained fields of Vienna.

Mr. Powell's bill was referred to the Committed Mr. Powell's bill was

tee on Military Affairs.

The bill extending the time for paying boundles to volunteers, was received from the House

and passed its second reading.

The Senate adjourned.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES. The post office appropriation bill was con-

Mr. Washburne (III.) took occasion to de nounce railroad companies as swindling the Government, and advocated a new line between

Washington and New York.
Mr. Stevens said he was not prepared to denounce railroad companies because he knew mothing about them.

Mr. Pruyn (N. Yck riplied to Mr. Washburde, protesting against the wholesale denunciation of railroad companies, because a few of them. n the opinion of Mr. Washburne, had attempted swindle the Government.

to swindle the Government.

Mr. Brooks made a few semarks to show that he had just as much right to ask for an investigation of a rallicad stoppage recently in Illinois, on accounted the weather as the gentleman had to demand an investigation of similar stoppage hatriagn Weshington and gimilar stoppage between Washington and New York. The bill passed. Mr. Arnold made an anti-slavery speech

From Cincinnati. Two persons were killed and thirty two wounded in a collision on the Cincinnsti, Hamilton and Dayton milroad, yesterday. The trains were running at the rate of thirty miles, an hour when the accident coursed both trains were badly wresked.

Gray Hamilangay & Recommendation of the coursed of the course of the

Gray, Hemingray & Bros. glass establishment, No. 18 Columbia, street, was destroyed by fire last night. The receipts of the Sanitary Fair are estimated at \$200,000.

Gov. Bramlette and Rebel Sympathisers. Governor Bramlette, of Kentucky, has less a proclamation ordering the military commandants, where loyal citizens are taken off by guerrillas, to arrest at least five rebel sympathizers who live in the vicinity where the outrage is

From Chattanooga,

A dispatch from Chattanooga says that the weather has been stinging Pold for the last three days. Two soldiers froze to death at Bridgeport, Ala., on the 30th ult. The soldiers are re-enlisting rapidly. The rebel lines are 35 miles from Chattanooga.

The Maine Legislature.

The resolution was adopted.

OPANING THE HOUSE WITH PRATER.

Mr. ALLEMAN Coffered, the following resolution, which was twice read and adopted:

Resolved. That the Speaker of the House lot charge preferred by Count Jonnes, of being implicated in the Malden bank murder and adopted:

Representatives invite the clergy of Harrisburg.

The Case of the House lot of the Secarcia and W. Dingle, Jonnes, of being implicated in the Malden bank murder and adopted.

The Legislature of Maine was organized to day of the Secarcia and W. Dingle, Jonnes, of the Secarcia and W. Dingle, Jonnes, of the House. Governor Coney will be inaughrand for the House and for the House implicated in the Malden bank murder and ated to morrow.

Sale of Five-Twenties

PHILADELPHIA, Jan. 6.
The subscription agent reports the sale of \$1,769,750 in five-twenties on Wednesday .-Deliveries of bonds are being made to Decem-

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olieation of Pensions, Bounties, Back Pay and War Claims.

cruiting Accounts Made Out.

NOTICE-PHILAD'A AND READ-

The Senate considered Powell's bill preyenting officers of the army and navy and other parsons engaged in the military cervice from interfering in elections.

Mr. Grimes and After MONDAY, Decrease 14th, all before entering the cars. will be checked. cents extra on each ticket purchased on the train, for which they will obtain from the Con-ductor a check receipt. This receipt will be redeemed, and 25 cents paid therefor, in cash, upon its presentation at any Ticket Office of the Company. G. A. NICOLIS, the Company.

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ING RAILROAD COMPANY:

point of the bayonet.

Mr. Davis favored the reference to the Juli is next seed on, for the passage of r. law re diclary Committee, as it was introduced, the chartering said bank, with its present name and question whether certain acts performed by style, location and privileges, and with a capital military men shall be a civil office.

The Senate refused to refer to the Judiciary the directors.

S. D. WARD.

Chapter. Honesdale, July 4, 1868;

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