

THE WEEK.

During the past week the committee on counting the electoral vote have had several sessions, but the members observe the injunction of secrecy so strictly that very little of a positive nature can be learned in regard to their proceedings. The session of Saturday lasted six or seven hours, and almost every plan of settlement which has ever been suggested, either in Congress or elsewhere, was discussed. No vote was taken. The consideration of these various propositions has now proceeded so far in joint session that things must come to a head soon and it would not be surprising if the committees come into their respective houses on Wednesday, and report either that they were ready to submit a plan for the adjustment of all controversies that may arise or that their labors have been in vain. A great diversity of opinion exists among the members of the two committees in regard to the prospect of an agreement. Those who take strongly partisan views are not hopeful, while those who are conservative and are most willing to concede something for the sake of harmony think that some plan that will not only be accepted by the two committees but also by both branches of Congress, will be devised.

In Louisiana, Governor Nichols has taken but a single week to establish not only a stronger claim than Packard to recognition, but a stronger claim than Kellogg gained during the four years in which he was bolstered up by Federal authority. Chosen to his high office by a majority of over 8,000 in a popular vote of 160,000, his authority is acknowledged by all of those who voted for him and by thousands, including many leaders of the opposition, who voted against him. He has organized a Supreme Court composed of five of the purest and ablest men in the State. He is backed by a majority of the legally-elected members of the Legislature, whose numbers are daily re-enforced by desertions from the Returning Board Legislature. He has organized a force of militia, which is numerous, well armed, well equipped and eager to do his bidding. He has put his own metropolitan police in possession of the Capital, and it is admitted that to him alone is the city indebted for the preservation of the peace during this troublous period. He has demonstrated his hold upon the property-holding class by the tender of an advance payment of taxes sufficient to keep the government in good running order for any reasonable time which may elapse before his authority is fully established. And by coolness, moderation and firmness under most trying circumstances he has won the commendation of all non-partisan observers in the North as well as in the South.

A dispatch dated New Orleans Jan. 14, says the Republicans are much depressed after a week in which the tide has been steadily against them. The event of Saturday was the secession of three colored Republican Senators from Packard's State House Legislature and the additional defection of two. These five came into the Democratic Senate, breaking the quorum in the Republican body and giving the Democrats a quorum of Senators holding Returning Board certificates. The seceders are Breaux, Wheeler, Demas, Hamlet and Weber. The transfer was effected by ex-Lieutenant Governor Pinchback, through negotiations with Lieutenant Governor Wiltz, and upon the written assurance of Governor Nichols that his administration, particularly in its course toward the colored race, will be in strict accordance with his speech accepting the Baton Rouge nomination.

Geo. William Curtis, of *Harper's Weekly*, who acted as one of the sponsors for "the reform-within-the-party" bantling, which was produced at the Fifth Avenue conference last spring, has come to the conclusion that: "The bee that party chieftains should get out of their bonnets as soon as possible is the idea that the intelligence and independence of the Republican party will approve and sustain anything if it only promises to elect Mr. Hayes. No Republican chief or follower can be more sincerely anxious than we are to see him President. But it is upon the condition that his title shall be as clear and his reputation as spotless as they have always been."

The defection of such men as David Dudley Field, of N. Y., Hon. D. D. Pratt, of Ind., and hundreds of others all over the country will have the effect of waking up more than Mr. Curtis.

Western Pennsylvania still leads Mexico. The latter has one ex-President while the former has several hundred ex-"ile" kings.

OUR LAW MAKERS.

After a recess of one week which was considered necessary to appoint committees and complete their organization, both Houses met on the 10th. In the Senate, various bills were presented among which, we notice one to supplement the act to exempt property to the value of \$300 from levy and sale on execution and distress for rent, approved April 9, 1849, and the supplements thereto for the purpose of preventing the unfair and fraudulent procurement of the waiver of the benefit of said acts.

The Speaker *pro tem* announced the standing committees, on which we find our esteemed Chief, assigned and associated as follows:

Education—Messrs. Roebuck, St. Clair, Butterfield, Wright, Clarke, Nagle and Hawley.

Public Printing—Messrs. Keefe, Dunkel, Cooper, McNeill, Chestnut, Hawley and Engleman.

Retrenchment and Reform—Messrs. St. Clair, Seymour, Fisher, Wright, Peale, Hawley and Burnett.

New Counties and County Seats—Messrs. Stone, Lamont, Davies, Seamans, Allen, Fertig and Hawley.

From his position on these committees, we shall not expect great things of the member from this district, but we are none the less certain that he will represent his constituents as faithfully in a hopeless minority, as he would were the case different, and our party was in the ascendancy.

On Friday Mr. Lawrence, Rep. of the 45th dist., offered the following resolutions:

WHEREAS, The tranquillity of the country has been disturbed and its business prosperity imperiled by the extraordinary difficulty of ascertaining in the nearly balanced vote what has been the result of the late election for the electors of President and Vice President;

And whereas, To ally an excitement that may endanger the public peace and precipitate upon the people the calamities of a civil war, from which they have been lately delivered, it seems fit and proper that the legislatures of the states whose prerogatives and vital interests are involved in the issue should declare and emphasize these principles embodied in the national constitution by which the decision of the pending question can alone be safely and lawfully reached.

Resolved, by the Senate (the House of Representatives concurring), That the will of the people in electing a President and Vice President of the United States can only be expressed in the manner prescribed by the constitution, and the persons having a majority of the votes of the electors appointed by the states of the Union in the manner prescribed by the legislatures thereof must be by force of the constitution and laws declared President and Vice President respectively and must be on the 4th of March inaugurated and thereafter duly respected as such.

2. That all factious opposition and all threats of violence designed or intended to prevent or imperil the declaration and confirmation of the constitutional election of the President and Vice President are unpatriotic in spirit, dangerous and revolutionary in tendency and merit, and should receive the condemnation of an outraged and indignant people.

3. That the lists which the duly appointed electors of the states respectively are required by the constitution of the United States to make of the persons voted for as President and Vice President and the number of votes for each and which are to be by the electors certified and transmitted by them sealed to the president of the Senate, and which certificates are to be opened by him in the presence of the two houses of Congress and counted, are the constitutional evidence of the votes cast for President and Vice President.

4. That under the constitution the persons having the majority of all the votes actually cast by the duly appointed electors of the states respectively are by force of the constitution and laws the President and Vice President from and after the beginning of their term of office, and any attempt to defeat the election of a President or of a Vice President by either House of Congress upon the pretext that certain persons, duly certified to be the electors of any state were not such electors, or by throwing out or refusing to count the legally certified votes of any state, or by impeding the counting of the electoral vote to ascertain the result, or for any other cause than that provided for in the constitution, when no person has a majority of votes of the electors duly appointed, will be a proceeding fraught with danger to the public peace, perilous to the stability of our government and exposing our nation to contempt in the general opinion of mankind.

Resolved, That every Senator in Congress be instructed and our Representatives requested to let their action on this question conform to the spirit of this declaration.

Resolved, That the Governor be requested to have a copy of this preamble and resolutions forwarded to each of our Senators and Representatives in Congress as early as convenient.

All efforts to postpone were resisted by the republicans, and the preamble and resolutions were passed, by a strict party vote—28 to 15.

In the House, there has been nothing but routine business transacted.

THE EIGHTH OF JANUARY.

There was a very general assemblage of Democrats on Monday Jan., 8th in different parts of the country to testify to their faith in the election of Tilden and Hendricks, and to pronounce their purpose to insist upon all constitutional modes of securing the establishment of that result.

In Louisiana, the inauguration of Nichols, was the most striking demonstration which could have been suggested, of the true sentiment of the conservative element in that state. Twenty thousand of the best people in the state were present. Governor Nichols' inaugural address was short and conservative. He declared his intention to be Governor of the state, and Gen. Longstreet announced his determination to stand by him. He believes that Nichols was fairly elected.

In Indiana the Democratic state convention was a monster affair, all counties being represented. The chief features of the meeting were speeches of Hon. Geo. W. Julian, Hon. B. W. Hanna, and Hon. Daniel W. Voorhees. The resolutions call upon Congress to provide a plan for counting the electoral vote; that the two houses alone have the power to count, and not the president of the Senate.

The convention at Columbus, Ohio, was attended by fully 8,000 persons. The convention was called to order by Hon. John G. Thompson, who announced that the object of the assemblage was to declare the belief of the Ohio Democracy in the election of Tilden and Hendricks. Gen. A. J. Warner was then appointed temporary chairman, and addressed the meeting at some length, declaring his belief that Tilden and Hendricks were fairly elected. Gen. Durbin Ward was made permanent chairman and made a stirring address. Speeches were also made by Gen. Ewing and George H. Pendleton, and resolutions supporting Tilden, a count by Congress, and a mass meeting at Washington on February 14, were passed.

A mass meeting of the citizens of Richmond and all citizens of Virginia in the city was held in the House of Delegates to consider the issue involved in the solution of the presidential controversy. Ex-U. S. Senator R. M. T. Hunter presided, and the meeting was participated in by a large number of leading and representative men from all parts of the state.

In Washington, the Democratic mass convention at Ford's opera house was fully attended, being crowded to its utmost limits. Mr. Richard H. Merriek, of that city, presided over the meeting, with a long list of prominent Democratic citizens as vice-presidents. Speeches were made by Mr. Merriek, Hon. Henry Watterston, Kentucky, and Mr. Joseph Pulitzer, of St. Louis, and others, and the meeting continued in progress until a late hour.

HURRIED LEGISLATION.

In commenting upon the undue haste which our Republican Senate made to obey the will of their master, the younger Cameron, in passing the resolutions endorsing the programme of the conspirators at Washington, the Harrisburg correspondent of the Philadelphia Times, uses the following language: "It was in vain that of the Democratic side Allen urged that so important a proposition should be first printed and understood by the Senate before action; that Yerkes declared that it is by free discussion that the liberties of the people are preserved, and that silence and peace are always the pretexts of the tyrant. Ermentrout offered a substitute postponing judgment and action until the truth could be known. Hawley, of Susquehanna, protested in the name of a Republican constituency. Among the new senators, Peale, from the Clearfield and Clinton districts, the able successor to Senator Wallace, and Corbett, a real representative of the Reform Convention, desired to be heard in behalf of their people against this conspiracy. But all alike were denied a voice, and under the whip and spur, applied by Lawrence and Herr, the resolutions were rushed through. A division of the question was called for by Yerkes, that the resolutions might be voted on intelligently, but by another extraordinary ruling this was denied also, and the whole dose was administered together and swallowed entire by the majority, and Minister Cameron has now the indorsement of the higher branch of the Legislature of his own State. Now many of the younger Republicans are regretting the record so hastily made; but Lawrence consoles them by the assurance that he has merely showed them "one of the tricks of the trade."

They are still reporting at the headquarters of honesty. Hon. D. D. Pratt, late United States Senator from Indiana, and more recently Commissioner of Internal Revenue, thinks Tilden was elected, and he's an honest enough Republican to say so.

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Jan. 17, -3-3m

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