

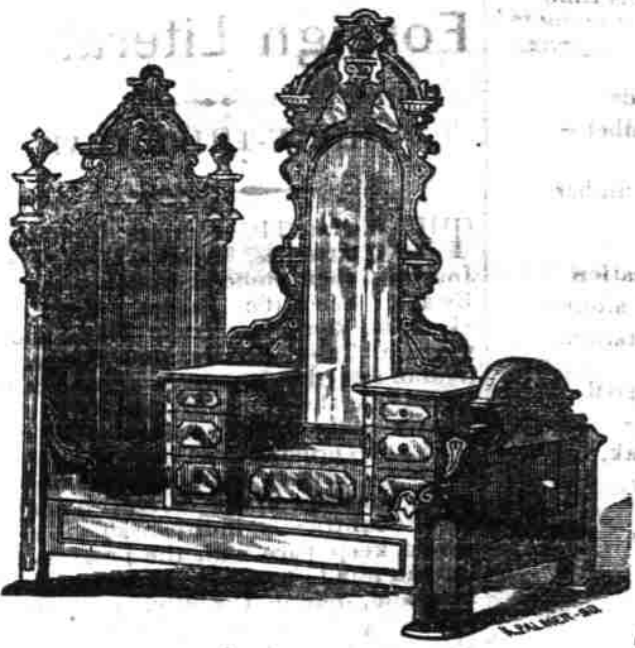
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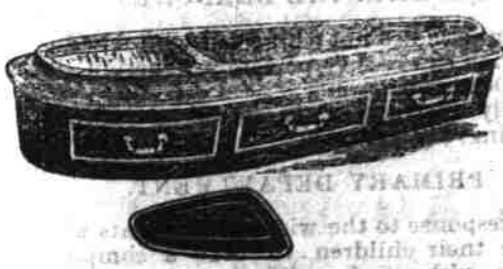
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TELEGRAPHIC NEWS.

WASHINGTON!

Republican Members of the Commission Declare Watts Ineligible.

Republican Electors from Louisiana and Florida all Pronounced Eligible.

PARTICULARS OF WELLS' RESIGNATION.

EX-GOVERNOR STEARNS ON THE STAND.

Objections Made Against the Commissioners' Report of the Florida Vote.

ANOTHER REAR ADMIRAL DEAD.

Report of the Electoral Commission Read in Joint Session.

Gives Florida to Hayes and Wheeler on Ground they Could not Legally go Behind Property Certified Returns.

SIGNED BY ONLY REPUBLICAN MEMBERS.

Chairman Clifford Returns Papers, &c., to President Ferry.

Report Adopted in Senate by a Strict Party Vote.

BOTH HOUSES RECESS.

Lengthy Objection to Report by Democratic Senators and Representatives as Unconstitutional and in Violation of Justice and Law.

WASHINGTON, D. C., February 10.—The Committee to draft a report of the decision of the Commission, with a brief statement of the reasons therefor, was Edmunds, Bradley and Miller. The third reason attracts great attention.

Third, in regard to the alleged ineligibility of F. C. Humphreys, there was not sufficient proof that he held office on the 7th of November.

It may be held that elections by the college of Louisiana cured the ineligibility of Levissee and Brewster, but in the case of Watts, of Oregon, the revised statutes declare him postmaster when he cast his vote for Hayes, notwithstanding his resignation and its acceptance.

The Committee on privileges and powers, examined Postmaster General Tyner, who produced from the files in his department, all the papers bearing on Watts' resignation, which show that Watts resigned by telegraph, Nov. 13th, and a telegraphic acceptance was sent by the Postmaster General Nov. 14.

Gov Stearns is on the stand.

Q.—Why did you as Governor, telegraph the President for advice of a party character.

A.—Because I knew that the President had acted in such a way in regard to other States.

The joint session has convened, and the reports reported last night announced. The crowded galleries are listless.

After the reading of the report, Representative Field presented objections, signed by the required number of Senators and Representatives. This involves a separation of the Houses for consideration, and will delay the progress of the count. All interest in the vote has ceased for to-day.

Rear Admiral Theodore Bailey is dead, aged 74 years.

In the Joint Session, the President of the Senate ordered the following to be read:

ELECTORAL COMMISSION, Washington, Feb 9, 1877.

To the President of the Senate of the United States, Presiding in the two Houses of Congress:

Under the act of Congress, entitled an act to provide for, and regulate the counting of the votes for President and Vice President, and the decision of the question arising thereon, for the term commencing March 4th, A. D. 1877, and approved January 30th, A. D. 1877, the Electoral Commission, mentioned in said act, having received certain certificates and papers, purporting to be certificates and papers accompanying the papers of the electoral votes of the State of Florida, and the objections thereto, submitted to under said act, now reports that it has duly considered the same, pursuant to said act, and has decided, and does hereby decide that the votes of Frederick C. Humphreys, Charles H. Pearce, William H. Holden and Thomas W. Long,

named in the certificate of M. L. Stearns, Governor of said State, which votes are certified by said persons, as appears by the certificate submitted to the Commission as aforesaid, and marked No. 1 by said Commission, and hereunto returned, are the votes, provided for by the Constitution of the United States, and that the same are lawfully to be counted as therein certified, viz: (4) votes for Rutherford B. Hayes, of the State of Ohio, for President, and four (4) votes for William A. Wheeler, of the State of New York, for Vice President. The Commission, also, has decided, and hereby decides, and reports that the four persons, first, the four named, were duly appointed electors in and by said State of Florida.

The ground of this decision, stated briefly, as required by said act, is as follows:

That it is not competent, under the Constitution and the law as it existed at the date of the passage of said act, to go into evidence *alimodo*, and the papers offered by the President of the Senate, in the presence of the two Houses, to prove that other persons than those regularly certified by the Governor of the State of Florida in and according to the determination and declaration of the board of State canvassers of said State prior to the time required for the performance of their duties had been appointed electors, or by counterproof to show that they had not, and that all proceedings of the courts or acts of the Florida subsequent to casting of the votes of electors on the prescribed day are inadmissible for any such purpose.

As to the objection made to the eligibility of Mr. Humphreys, the Commission is of the opinion that without reference to the question of the effect of the vote of an ineligible elector, the evidence does not show that he held the office of shipping commissioner on the day when the electors were appointed, and does hereby decide and report that as a consequence of the foregoing and upon the grounds stated, neither of the papers purporting to be certificates of the electoral votes of said State of Florida, numbered 2 and 3 by the Commission and herewith submitted, are the certificates or the votes provided for by the Constitution of the United States, and that they ought not to be counted as such. Done at Washington the day and year first above written.

(Signed: Sam'l F. Miller, W. Strong, Joseph P. Brady, Geo. F. Edmunds, O. H. Horton, Fred F. Frelinghuysen, Jas. A. Garfield, Geo. F. Hoar, Commissioners.)

The objections were then read and the joint session broke. The House without further business took a recess to 10 o'clock Monday.

In the Senate, the President laid before that body the following: Washington, D. C., Feb. 9, 1877.—Sir, I am directed by the Electoral Commission and decided upon the matter submitted to it under the act of Congress concerning the same, touching the electoral votes from the State of Florida and herewith by direction of said Commission, I transmit to you the said decision in writing, signed by the members agreeing thereto, to be read at the meeting, and to be read before the two Houses according to said act. All the certificates and papers sent to the Commission by the President of the Senate, are herewith returned.

NATHAN CLIFFORD, President of Senate.

The Senate then repaired to the House to read. Upon returning the Secretary read the objections submitted. The motion for recess to Monday argued by the Democrats was lost, by 26 to 44. A strict party vote.

Mr. Sherman offered the following: Resolved, That the decision of the Commission upon the electoral votes of the State of Florida stand as the judgment of the Senate, the objections made hereto to the contrary notwithstanding. Adopted by a strict party vote, recess to Monday.

An objection is interposed by the undersigned Senators and Representatives to the decision made by the Commission convened by the act entitled an act to approve and regulate the counting of the votes for President and Vice President, and the decision of questions arising thereon, for the term commencing March 4th, A. D. 1877; as to the true and legal electoral vote of Florida, on the following grounds: The decision determined that the vote cast by C. H. Pearce, F. C. Humphreys, W. H. Holden and T. W. Long, as electors of President and Vice President of the United States, in and for or on behalf of the State of Florida, is the true and legal electoral vote of said State, when in truth and in fact the vote cast by Wilkinson, Call, E. Younger, Robt. E. Hilton and R. Bullock, is the true and lawful vote of said State for that said Commission refused to receive competent and material evidence tending to prove that C. H. Pearce, F. C. Humphreys, W. H. Holden and F. T. Long, were not appointed electors in a manner prescribed by the Legislature of the State of Florida, but were designated as electors by the return of a board of said State corruptly and fraudulently in disregard of law, and with the intent to defeat the will of the people expressed in the choice of Wilkinson, Call, E. Younger, E. Hilton and Robt. Bullock, who were legally and rightfully appointed electors by the State of Florida, in the manner prescribed by the Legislature thereof.

Third—For that the decision of aforesaid, upon the resolution and order of said Commission previously made, as follows: "Ordered that no evidence will be received or considered by the Commission, which was not submitted to the joint convention of the two Houses by the President of the Senate, with the different certificates, except such as relates to the eligibility of T. C. Humphreys, one of the electors.

Fourth—For that, said decision excludes all the evidence taken by the two Houses of Congress by the committees of each House, considering frauds, errors and irregularities committed by the persons, whose certificates are taken as proof of their due appointment as electors.

Fifth—For that, said decision excludes all the evidence tending to prove that the certificate of Stearns, Governor, as also, that of the Board of State

Canvassers, was procured or given in pursuance of a fraudulent and corrupt conspiracy to cheat the State of Florida out of its rightful choice of electors and substitute therefor those who had not been chosen as appointed electors by said State in the manner provided by the Legislature thereof.

Sixth—For that, the said Commission refused to recognize the rights of the courts of Florida to review and revise the judgment of the Returning Board, or Board of Canvassers, rendered through fraud, without jurisdiction and rejected and refused to consider the action of said courts after decision that Pearce, Humphreys, Holden and Long were not elected to cast the electoral vote of the said State of Florida, which said decision was rendered by a court of said State, lawfully brought before said court, which court had jurisdiction over the subject matter thereof, and whose jurisdiction over the said Pearce, Humphreys, Holden and Long had attached, before any acts were done by them as electors.

Seventh—For that, said decision excludes all evidence tending to show that the State of Florida, by all the departments of its government, legislative, judicial and executive, had decided, as fraudulent, all the certificates of Gov Stearns, as well as that of the State Canvassers, upon which certificates the said Commission has acted, and by means of which the true electoral votes of Florida have been rejected, and false ones substituted in their place.

Eighth—For that, the count of the votes of Pearce, Humphreys, Holden and Long, for President and Vice President would be a violation of the Constitution of the United States.

Signed by Senators Jones, Cooper, Barnum, Kernan, Sausbury and McDonald, and Representatives Knott, Field, Holman, Tucker, Thompson, Jenks, Finley, Sawyer, Ellis, M. O'Carroll, Hewitt and Springer.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

Attention, Hornets.



ASSEMBLE at your Engine House for parade to-morrow (Monday) evening at 3 o'clock. By order of the President, ROBT R. RAY, Secretary.

The Regular

ANNUAL Meeting of the Stockholders of the Charlotte Building & Loan Association will be held in the office of R. E. O'Connell, over Merchants & Farmers National Bank, on Thursday the 15th inst. at 7 P. M. for the election of officers for the ensuing year. R. E. O'CONNOR, Sec. & Treas.

Sale of City Property in Charlotte.

ON Monday, the 5th day of March, 1877, I will sell at public auction, at the Court House door in Charlotte, that valuable City Property known as the Blair place, fronting on E and C Streets, being lots Nos 65 and 66.

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Dissolution.

THE firm of Wilson & Black has been dissolved by mutual consent. All persons indebted to the late firm and all having claims against them will please call on W. M. Wilson, who is authorized to settle the business. W. M. WILSON, W. J. BLACK, feb11 3t

Special Notice.

WE take pleasure in informing the citizens of Charlotte, that our Mr. W. A. Howell, of Newark, New Jersey, who visited this city last Fall, will be at the Central Hotel for about ten days, with a fine assortment of samples, of goods in our line of the latest styles, such as Casimeres and Suitings for the Spring trade. Please call and examine our assortment. Measures taken and fits guaranteed. WESTERVELT & HOWELL, First Class Custom Tailors. feb11 1t

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THE firm of Wade & Pegram is this day dissolved by mutual consent, and the business will be settled by PEGRAM & CO, who are authorized to sign the name of the firm in liquidation. R. D. WADE, S. S. PEGRAM, February 1st, 1877. feb11 1t

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