

PHILADELPHIA POLITICAL NEWS

This morning the Western Express was leaving Philadelphia, a long-nosed man undertook to ascertain the political proclivities of the passengers. Armed with paper and pencil, his first onslaught was directed at the smoking car. Here the vote stood six for Hayes, six for Tilden and twenty-two for "None of your dam business."

"Hayes or Tilden?" "Hayes or Tilden?" "Speak a little louder, please I'm awful hard of hearing!" "Hayes or Tilden?" again shouted long-nose, growing purple in the face.

"What's your vote?" "No, no, Hayes or Tilden. How do you vote?" "I voted long-nose." "What's your vote?" "Got an overcoat?" That vote was not recorded, and long-nose passed to the next seat. Here a gentleman snapped out "Hayes," and an intoxicated individual, who was interviewing a "black bottle," growled, "Whiskey, by thunder."

As the next gentleman recorded for Tilden, an old lady who was seated by his side, rose up as if in horror, and grasping the arm of the collector of straws, she excitedly exclaimed: "Mr. if that man wants that horrid Tilden for President I want you to know that I'm bills' hot for Beecher."

The vote for Beecher was duly recorded. The next man addressed was a woman. She was dressed in gray hair and a pair of gold spectacles, and in a sharp tone announced her candidate as Victoria Woodhull. Then three giggling girls avowed their preference for any good-looking young man, and things went along swimmingly in this car, everybody recording their votes, although neither Hayes nor Tilden appeared to be the popular candidate. As the conductor was passing through he recorded in favor of Tom Scott, and sent long-nose out on the platform to interview a couple of brakemen.

"Are you for Hayes?" he mildly inquired. They looked at each other a moment, and then one of them said: "Who's Hayes?" "Oh, I see you are for Tilden," laughed long nose.

"Who's Tilden?" solemnly asked the other. "Come, come, boys; you know who they are. Who do you vote for?" "Which one sets out a tree lunch?" was the roly-poly reply.

"Tree lunch?" exclaimed long-nose. "Why neither of them. They are hunting for President you know."

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