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A Spritful Contest—The Result Very Doubtful.
VANDERBILT.
Another Unsuccessful Donation—More About Crooked Whiskey.
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WASHINGTON.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 14.—Senators—A bill was passed to extend the duration of the Court of Commissioners of the Alabama Claims.

The Secretary of War has submitted the report of the engineers upon the improvements at the South Pass, Mississippi. The report was made by Major C. B. Comstock. The Secretary of War asks for further appropriations to continue the examinations.

Resolution calling for the report of unsettled accounts and defalcations was referred to the Committee on Finance.

The resolution to allow McMillan to withdraw his credentials, was taken up, and the motion to refer it to the Committee on Privileges and Elections was lost, and permission to withdraw passed by a strict party vote, except Dawes.

Louisiana affairs were ventilated except where they bore upon Pinchback, to whose case no allusion was made.

During the discussion Howe said he did not believe a man in the country or a Senator on the floor did not believe the McEvry government a sham.

Bayard said he believed in his soul that the McEvry government was the legal one in Louisiana, and that he had been kept from his place by usurpation and Federal power. [Applause.]

House—Blaine introduced his school and religious bill, based on the Message.

Several bills for a resumption of specie payments; also, a bill repealing a bill for resumption in '73, with Mr. Blaine's bill, was referred to the Judiciary Committee.

Bills offered—Blaine, of Me., proposing an amendment to the Constitution, providing that no State shall make any law respecting the establishment of religion, or prohibiting the free exercise thereof, and that money raised by taxation in any State for the support of public schools, or derived from any public lands devoted thereto, shall never be plundered by the control of any religious sect, and that no money or lands so devoted shall be divided among religious sects or denominations.

By Davis, of La., to amend the act of March 3, 1871, incorporating the Texas Pacific Railroad bill, similar to West's, introduced in the Senate.

By Morey, of La., to remove the political disabilities of all citizens of the United States, and to prescribe an oath of office.

By Davis, of N. C., to repeal the law forbidding the payment of claims, accounts and demands of Southern citizens for Quartermaster's stores, &c., and appropriating \$500,000 to pay for the same.

Frost, of Ill., offered the following resolution and demanded the previous question on its adoption:

Resolved, That all subordinate appointments under any of the offices of this House, in the judgment of the House that wounded Union soldiers who are not disabled from the performance of duty, should be preferred.

A standing vote on recording the question, showed 77 yeas, voting in his favor, and 104 Democrats against it. The vote was taken by tellers with the like general result. So the previous question was not seconded.

Cox, of N. Y., then offered the following amendment to the resolution, and moved the reference of both resolutions to the Committee on Accounts, and demanded the previous question.

Resolved, That the management of the Union of the States has been restored, all the citizens thereof are entitled to consideration in the appointment of officers under the Government.

Hale, of Me., inquired whether Cox's resolution was offered as a substitute to For's resolution.

The Speaker replied that he understood it to be offered as an amendment.

Starkweather, of Conn., made the objection, that as the State of New York had already been called, the gentleman (Cox) could not put in a resolution now.

The Speaker ruled that it was too late to make the objection.

Frost said that he had tried to make the objection as soon as the resolution was offered.

Hale, of Me., inquired whether the House had acted on the amendment.

The Speaker—It has not. That would be going on the subject matter of the resolution now, which is not the purpose of the gentleman from New York. His purpose is to refer both resolutions to a committee.

Cox—The original resolution was an ad captivum affair. My resolution is in the nature of an amnesty.

Reagan, of Texas, made a point of order, that neither the original resolution, nor the amendment was in order, and neither of them proposed anything which the House was author-

ized or required by law to do.

The Speaker over ruled the point of order, stating that if it was tenable, it came to late.

The vote was taken by yeas and nays, and resulted 108 yeas to 102 nays.

The Message which the President will not send to Congress on Southern affairs will relate in a greater part to the late troubles in Mississippi, and to the mode of conducting elections in that State, information having been gathered by persons designated for that purpose.

Col. Lamar presided at the Democratic caucus yesterday.

Banning, of Ohio, and Robbins, of North Carolina, secretaries.

Mr. Washelli, of N. C., offered a resolution for the appointment by the Chairman of a Democratic Executive Committee, to consist of three Senators, six Representatives and three citizens of the District of Columbia.

Cox, of New York, offered a resolution providing for the appointment by the chairman of a committee of eleven members, to suggest to the caucus at a future day such line of policy or action on public measures as would best serve the interests of the country.

All these resolutions, after debate, were severally agreed to.

There was harmony of views with regard to the duty of the majority of the House.

All agreed that they should, as far as possible, effect a reduction of taxation, and that the Government should be honestly and economically administered. Much responsibility devolved upon the majority of the House, although the Senate was not in accord with them.

No business, apart from that above-mentioned, was considered, and the caucus, after remaining in session an hour and a half adjourned.

VIRGINIA.

RICHMOND, Dec. 14.—The Conservative caucus to nominate a U. S. Senator, met at 10 A. M., and proceeded to ballot. Seven ballots, thirty-three in all, were taken with no result, Fremont being finally dropped. Tucker, Smith and Stuart dropped twice each, and Goode and Letcher once each.

On the last ballot, Goode having been dropped on the previous one, resulted as follows: Daniel, 60; Smith, 52; the Goode men merely voting for Smith or not at all. Previous to adjourning the caucus adopted a resolution, that in voting for Senator in joint Assembly, the Conservatives will so scatter their votes as to prevent an election till the nomination in the caucus. At noon the vote was taken in both Houses for Senator, with no result, as members scattered their votes so that the highest number for one person didn't exceed 15. Immediately after adjournment, the Legislative caucus again met and resumed balloting. The thirty-fourth ballot resulted: Daniel, 69; Letcher, 59; Letcher finally dropped. Goode re-nominated. Thirty-fifth ballot: Daniel, 61; Goode, 65; Daniel dropped; Johnson re-nominated. Thirty-sixth ballot: Goode, 69; Johnston, 65. Goode dropped.

Caucus assembled: Christian withdrawn; Cochrane re-nominated; 37th ballot: Johnston 62, Cochrane 66. Johnson dropped 2d time. 37th—No other nomination made; Cochrane received 65 votes. 38th—Judge W. R. Staples re-nominated; Cochrane 69, Staples 40. Staples finally dropped. A spirited but unsuccessful effort was here made to reconsider the rule under which the Caucus had been acting since yesterday. After some discussion looking to the adoption of a new rule placing all candidates not finally dropped in nomination, and dropping the lowest on each succeeding ballot, until a choice is made. Caucuses then adjourned until 10 o'clock, A. M., tomorrow. The new rule being withdrawn. Eleven eligible candidates still remain, to-wit: Goode, Daniel, Johnston, Tucker, Smith, Stuart, Roberts, Cochrane, Christian, Coghill and Sheffy. The seven first named are only entitled to one nomination. Friends of Goode, Daniel and Johnston, who are conceded to be the strongest candidates, are backward in putting their man up for fear of contamination, which defeating either one will throw him out entirely; hence the adoption of a new rule, similar to the one above mentioned, is probable.

TENNESSEE.

NASHVILLE, Dec. 14.—Commodore Vanderbilt has made another donation of \$100,000 to Vanderbilt University—making in all \$700,000.

MISSOURI.

ST. LOUIS, Dec. 14.—A dispatch from Attorney-General Pierpont to District-Attorney Dyer says: "The commission of Col. Broadhead has been forwarded, on a retainer of \$1,000. Another dispatch says the President desires that ex-Gov. Reynolds be engaged to assist Col. Broadhead. Mr. Reynolds has been proffered the appointment, and has declined."

MASSACHUSETTS.

PROVINCETON, Dec. 14.—While the Universalist Church Conference was in session here, 800 assembled in the church building an attempt was made to burn the church. The flames were soon extinguished, but not until quite a panic had ensued.

PENNSYLVANIA.

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 14.—The following is the result of the election for officers of the Union League held here yesterday: John P. Verree, President; J. Gillingham, Vice-President; J. L. Claghorn, Director. With the exception of one or two of the Directors, the "Regular" ticket was successful by a small majority. The "Verree ticket" represented the element which supported the Committee of '62 to its election relative to the nominations on the Republican ticket last fall, and the "Knight ticket" represented the party which opposed the Committee of '69, and endeavored to have its action declared void and unwarranted.

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