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## THE TELEGRAMS.

### NEWS OF THE WORLD.

#### The Returning Board in Congress!

#### NO HOPE OF PEACE IN EUROPE.

#### FAVORABLE DECISION IN FLORIDA FROM JUDGE WHITE.

#### The Plan for Counting the Electoral Vote.

## Noon Reports.

### CONGRESS.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 18.—Anderson and Wells, of the Louisiana Returning Board, arrived this morning, and were arrested at daylight and imprisoned. Officers of the House left last night for New Orleans to bring Kinier and Cassanave, the remaining members of the Board, to the bar of the House.

In the Senate, Mr. Jones of Florida, presented the petition of Wm. Call, Robert B. Hilton, J. E. Yonge and Robert Bullock, the Democratic Presidential electors of Florida, claiming to have been legally elected and asking that the electoral vote cast by them for President and Vice President be counted instead of that cast by the electors on the other side. On motion of Mr. Jones, the petition was laid on the table, and he gave notice that he would call it up next week for the purpose of submitting some remarks on the subject.

Wells and Anderson have been confined in the east room of the Sergeant-at-Arms all the morning. They will be presented at the bar of the House after the expiration of the morning hour. It is understood they will purge. The report of the joint committee is momentarily expected. They are in session now perfecting their report.

Payne, chairman of the House branch of the joint committee on counting the electoral vote has just entered the hall of the House. The report is signed by thirteen members of the committee, Morton only dissenting.

### FLORIDA.

NEW YORK, Jan. 18.—The World's Washington special says Senator Jones, of Florida, has received the following despatch:

TALLAHASSEE, Jan. 16.—Information of quo warranto has been decided upon—demurrer in favor of Democrats and against Hayes electors.

This decision is given by Judge White, of the Circuit Court, the demurrer being made that the Hayes electors, having met and acted, no court could consider their inability after the fact. By denying this demurrer the court decides that it has jurisdiction and the case will proceed to trial upon main issue, as to the right of the Hayes electors to act at all. In the meanwhile the decision of demurrer will be appealed to the Supreme Court.

### FOREIGN AFFAIRS.

PARIS, Jan. 18.—The Rome correspondent of the *Univers* says it is believed the Pope intends to fill up all vacant cardinals.

LONDON, Jan. 18.—A Persa special to the *Telegraph* reports that Turkey and Servia have agreed to exchange prisoners. Gen. Tcheranoff, interviewed in Paris, said he doubted not that the war would be renewed in the spring. All the Constantinople correspondents of London journals and nearly all those at other European centres express the decided opinion that the Turks will not yield. The *Daily News*' Constantinople dispatch says the ultimatum is a more efficient document than at first supposed. It does not sacrifice the executive powers of the international commission.

At a meeting of the masters' and operatives' committees of the Lancashire cotton trade yesterday the masters unconditionally rejected all the operatives' conditions because they would result in a general advance of wages. A meeting of operatives will be held, and a rupture is expected.

The *Times*, in its financial article, says private advices from Russia continue to afford strong evidence of the injury already done the mercantile community by apprehensions of war. One firm of cotton spinners employing 12,000 hands, has lost so heavily since Russia assumed a warlike attitude that the establishment would have been compelled to close had not the firm obtained assistance, it is said, from the Government, which was unwilling to suffer such a calamity to involve so large a number of employes.

CONSTANTINOPLE, Jan. 18.—It is understood that 1,000,000 or 2,000,000 Turkish pounds of paper money will be issued.

BERLIN, Jan. 18.—Princess Marie, sister of the Empress and wife of Prince Charles of Russia, is dead.

## Night Reports.

### WASHINGTON.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 18.—In their report submitted with the bill, the committee say they have applied the most practical study and deliberation to the subject, and believe that the bill reported is the best attainable disposition of the difficult problems and disputed theories arising out of the late election. They speak of the difficulty of reaching a conclusion, and they dealt with abstract questions so far as they are necessarily involved in the legislation proposed. The report implies that legislation may be had on the subject in accordance with the Constitution, but the committee think that the law is inconsistent with the few principal theories upon the subject. The bill is only directed to ascertaining for the purpose and in aid of the counting what are the Constitutional votes of the respective States and whatever jurisdiction exists for such purpose, the bill only regulates the mode of exercising it. For this the Constitution gives warrant, and therefore the law proposed is not inconsistent with that instrument. The committee regard it of far greater moment that the will of the people should be legally carried out than the question of who shall be President for a prescribed term. They therefore endeavored to frame a fair and impartial measure. The legislature and judiciary are represented in the tribunal in equal proportions. The composition of the judicial part of the committee looks to a selection from different parts of the republic, while it is thought to be free from any prepossession or supposed bias, and the addition of the necessary constituent part of the whole in order to obtain an even number of the commission is left to an agency the furthest removed from prejudice of any existing attainable one. It would be difficult, if not impossible, the committee think, to establish a tribunal that could be less the subject of party criticisms than such a one.

The committee felt bound by the highest duty to let no ties of party feelings stand in the way of a just, equal and peaceful measure for settling the question from the embarrassing facts that are at present surrounding it. The committee concludes as follows:

In conclusion, we respectfully beg leave to impress upon Congress the necessity of a speedy determination upon this subject. It is impossible to estimate the material injury the country daily sustains from the existing state of uncertainty. It directly and powerfully tends to unsettle and paralyze business, to weaken public and private credit, and to create apprehension in the minds of the people that disturb the peaceful tenor of their ways and mar their happiness. It does far more. It tends to bring republican institutions into discredit, and to create doubts of the success of our form of government and of the prosperity of the republic. All considerations of interest, of patriotism and of justice, unite in demanding of the law making power, a measure that will bring peace and prosperity to the country, and show that our republican institutions are equal to any emergency, and in this connection we cannot refrain from expressing our satisfaction that your committee, composed of equal members of both parties have fortunately been able to do what has been attempted in vain heretofore, almost unanimously agree upon a plan considered by them all to be just, wise and efficient. We accordingly recommend the proposed act to the patriotic and just judgment of Congress.

Signed by Geo. F. Edmunds, Fred. T. Frelinghuysen, Roscoe Conkling, A. G. Thurman, T. F. Bayard, Matt. W. Ransom, of Senate committee; H. B. Payne, Eppa Huntton, Wm. M. Springer, Geo. W. McCrary, George F. Hoar, George Willard, of House committee.

A BILL TO PROVIDE FOR AND REGULATE THE COUNTING OF VOTES FOR PRESIDENT AND VICE PRESIDENT AND THE DECISION OF QUESTIONS ARISING THEREON, FOR THE TERM COMMENCING MARCH 4th, A. D., 1877.

Be it enacted, &c., That the Senate and House of Representatives shall meet in the hall of the House of Representatives at the hour of 1 o'clock p. m. on the first Thursday in February, A. D. 1877, and the President of the Senate shall be their presiding officer. Two tellers shall be previously appointed on the part of the Senate and two on the part of the House of Representatives, to whom shall be handed, as they are opened by the President of the Senate, all the certificates and papers purporting to be certificates of the electoral votes, which certificates and papers shall be opened, presented and acted upon in the alphabetical order of the States, beginning with the letter A, and said letters having then read the same in the presence and hearing of the two houses, shall make a list of the votes as they shall appear from the said certificates, and the votes having been ascertained and counted as in this act provided, the result of the same shall be delivered to the President of the Senate, who shall thereupon announce the state of the vote and the names of the persons, if any elected, which announcement shall be deemed a sufficient declaration of the persons elected President and Vice President of the United States, and together with a list of the votes entered on the journals of the two houses. Upon such reading of any such certificate or paper when there shall be only one return from a State the President of the Senate shall call for objections, if any. Every objection shall be made in writing and shall state clearly and concisely and without

argument the ground thereof, and shall be signed by at least one Senator and one member of the House of Representatives before the same shall be received. When all objections so made to any vote or paper from a State shall have been received and read the Senate shall thereupon withdraw and such objections shall be submitted to the Senate for its decision, and the Speaker of the House shall in like manner submit such objection to the House of Representatives for its decision and no electoral or votes from any State from which but one return has been received shall be rejected except by the affirmative vote of the vote of the two houses. When the two houses have voted they shall immediately again meet and the presiding officer shall then announce the decision of the question submitted.

Sec. 2. That if more than one return from a State shall be received by the President of the Senate, purporting to be the certificates of the electoral votes given at the last preceding election for President and Vice President in such State, unless they shall be duplicates of the same return, all such returns and papers shall be opened by him in the presence of the two Houses when met as aforesaid, and read by the tellers, and all such returns and papers shall thereupon be submitted to the judgment and decision as to which is the true and lawful electoral vote of such State of a commission constituted as follows: During the session of each House, on the Tuesday next preceding the first Thursday in February 1877, each House shall, by viva voce vote, appoint five of its members, who, with the five Associate Justices of the Supreme Court of the United States (to be ascertained as hereinafter provided) shall constitute a commission for the decision of all questions upon or in respect to such double returns named in this section. On the Tuesday next preceding the first Thursday in February anno domini 1877, or as soon thereafter as may be, the Associate Justices of the Supreme Court of the United States now assigned to the first, third, eighth and ninth circuits, shall select in such manner as a majority of them shall deem fit, another of the Associate Justices of said Court, which five persons shall be members of said commission, and the person longest in commission of said five Justices shall be the President of said commission. The members of said commission shall respectively take and subscribe the following oath:

"I, \_\_\_\_\_, do solemnly swear, or affirm, as the case may be, that I will impartially examine and consider all questions submitted to the commission of which I am a member, and a true judgment given thereon agreeably to the Constitution and the laws, so help me God."

Which oath shall be filed with the Secretary of the Senate.

When the commission shall have been thus organized it shall not be in the power of either House to dissolve the same or to withdraw any of its members. But if any such Senator or member shall die or become physically unable to perform the duties required by this act the fact of such death or physical inability shall be by said commission, before it shall proceed further, communicated to the Senate or House of Representatives, as the case may be, which body shall immediately, and without debate, proceed by viva voce vote, to fill the place so vacated, and the person so appointed shall take and subscribe the oath heretofore prescribed and become a member of said commission; and in like manner, if any said Justice of the Supreme Court shall die or become physically incapable of performing the duties required by this act the other said Justices, members of the commission, shall immediately appoint another Justice of said Court, a member of said commission, and to such appointments regard shall be had to the impartiality and freedom from bias sought by the original appointments of said commission, who shall thereupon immediately take and subscribe the oath heretofore prescribed and become a member of said commission. All the certificates and papers purporting to be certificates of the electoral votes of each State shall be opened in the alphabetical order of the States as provided in section one of this act, and when there shall be more than one such certificate or paper as the certificates and papers from such State shall be opened excepting the duplicates of the same return they shall be read by the tellers, and thereupon the President of the Senate shall call for objections, if any. Every objection shall be made in writing and shall state clearly and concisely, and without argument, the ground thereof, and shall be signed by at least one Senator and one Representative before the same shall be received. When all such objections so made to any certificate, vote or paper from a State shall have been received and read, all such certificates, votes, and papers so objected to, and all the papers accompanying the same together with such objections, shall be forthwith submitted to said commission, which shall proceed to consider the same with the same powers, if any, now possessed for that purpose by the two houses acting separately or together, and by a majority of votes decide whether any and what votes from such State are the votes provided for by the Constitution of the United States, and how many and what persons were duly appointed electors in such State and may thereupon take and interview such petitions, depositions and other papers, if any, as shall be by the Constitution and now existing law, be competent and pertinent in such consideration, which decision shall be made in writing, stating briefly the

grounds thereof, and signed by the members of said commission agreeing therein. Whereupon the two Houses shall again meet and such decision shall be read and entered in the journal of each House, and the counting of the votes shall proceed in conformity therewith, unless upon objections made therein in writing, by at least five Senators and five members of the House of Representatives the two Houses shall separately concur in ordering otherwise, in which case such concurrent order shall govern. No votes or papers from any other State shall be acted upon until the objections previously made to the votes or papers from any State shall have been finally disposed of.

Sec. 3. That while the two Houses are in meeting as provided in this act, no debate shall be allowed and no question shall be put by the presiding officer except to either House on motion to withdraw, and he shall have no power to preserve order.

Sec. 4. That when the two Houses prepare to decide upon objections that may have been made to the counting of any electoral vote or votes from any State, or upon objection to a report of said commission, or other question arising under this act, each Senator and Representative may speak to such objection or question not oftener than once. But after such debate shall have lasted two hours it shall be the duty of each house to put the main question without further debate.

Sec. 5. That at such joint meeting of the two houses seats shall be provided as follows: For the President of the Senate, the Speaker's chair; for the Speaker immediately upon his left the Senators in the body of the hall upon the right of the presiding officer; for the Representatives, in the body of the hall not provided for the Senators; for the tellers, Secretary of the Senate, Clerk of the House, at the Clerk's desk; for the other officers of the two houses, in front of the Clerk's desk and upon each side of the Speaker's platform. Such joint meeting shall not be dissolved until the count of the electoral votes shall be completed and the result declared, and no recess shall be taken unless a question shall have arisen in regard to counting any such votes or otherwise under this act, in which case it shall be competent for either house, acting separately in the manner heretofore provided, to direct a recess of such house not beyond the next day, Sunday excepted, at the hour of 10 o'clock in the forenoon, and while any question is being considered by said commission, either House may proceed with its legislative or other business.

Sec. 6. That nothing in this act shall be held to impair or affect any right now existing under the Constitution and laws, to question by proceeding in the judicial courts of the United States, the rights or title of the person who shall claim to be President and Vice-President of the United States, if any such right exists.

Sec. 7. That said commission shall make its own rules, keep a record of its proceedings and shall have power to employ such persons as may be necessary for the transaction of its business and the execution of its powers.

Mr. Ellis H. Spear, of Maine, nominated Commissioner of Pensions and Elias Griswold, Judge of the Northern District of Florida.

House.—The concurrent report of the committee on counting the electoral votes was made, read and re-committed. Payne, of Ohio, the chairman, stating that thereport was signed by the seven members of the House committee and by six of the seven members of the Senate committee, and also stating that he would soon move to have the bill made a special order so that it might become a law in good time as the day for the proposed meeting of the joint convention is two weeks from to-day, being two weeks earlier than the day fixed by law. The resolutions reported by the select committee on Privileges of the House, of which Knott, of Kentucky, is chairman, and which assert that the President of the Senate has not the right to count the electoral votes was debated but no action taken on it.

SENATE.—Mr. Edwards, of Vermont, the chairman of that committee's report directed Mr. President by the select committee raised under the resolution of the Senate on the subject of the counting of the electoral vote to submit a report in writing with an accompanying bill. The report is signed, I am happy to say, by all the members of both committees, it being a report in form, joint and several to the two houses, with one exception, and all that I wish to say on this occasion after stating that we shall desire to take up at the earliest possible day as time is running very fast, possibly, and I hope indeed on Saturday the day after to-morrow, by certainly on Monday to press to a determination in some form steady from that time forth. I only wish to say in addition that the committee are of opinion that the measure we recommend is not what is called a compromise in a sense of the term, but is a measure of justice in aid of the exercise of constitutional government, and has in no sense of the term any body have a just right to say that anybody's opinions or views have been surrendered in any substantial respect. It is not a measure of policy or convenience, but a measure of constitutional justice for the preservation of the peace and order of the government. Ordered printed, read second time and placed on calendar.

Adjourned.

## LOCAL NEWS.

### Decidedly Suspicious.

About ten o'clock last night a negro entered the saloon of Mr. G. F. Colin, on South Water street, and proffered to sell a watch for the sum of fifteen dollars with some whiskey and tobacco thrown in. Mr. C's suspicion being aroused as to the proper possession of the watch by the negro, he requested him to wait until he could step out and get that amount of money, telling him he did not have it in the house, Mr. C. holding on to the watch. In lieu of currency, however, he returned with a couple of policemen. In the meantime the negro had "smelt a mouse" and took the precaution to secrete himself on the wharf in front of the saloon, and seeing the three approach concluded it was not safe for him to remain to complete the bargain, whereupon he made a hasty flight to parts unknown. The watch is described as a large double case gold one.

In this connection, we learn that a robbery was committed at the quarry situated a few miles up the river near what is known as the "Magnolia Tree" on Wednesday, and that a watch was one of the articles taken. This may give a clue to the recovery.

### Personal.

We copy the following from the *Marion Star*:

Col. Pennington, who has been stationed at this place with a command of twenty-five soldiers for three months past, received orders last Saturday to return to Fort Johnson, Smithville, N. C. The command left last Monday morning for that point.

Col. Pennington has shown himself a gentleman as well as a soldier, since he has been in our midst, and he and family have made many friends among our best citizens. The command have departed themselves well during their stay, and no anxiety was felt on their account, except by the colored people, who did not find in them the friend and brother they expected.

Col. Pennington was recently elected to membership in the Historical and Scientific Society of this city. He is chairman of the Department of Numismatics. Such gentlemen as Col. P. are always welcomed as visitors and friends in Wilmington.

### Clothes Stolen in Wash.

Wednesday afternoon between the hours of five and six o'clock, a colored woman by the name of Lena Shaw, who lives in Sampson's alley, which runs from Fourth to Fifth streets, between Walnut and Mulberry, had been washing some clothes. Expecting her husband, who works at the railroad shops, to come home soon, she left a tub of clothes on the piazza and went to Mr. Schulken's store on the corner of Walnut and Fourth streets, to get some tea. There was no one left at the house but her mother, an old, infirm, bed-ridden woman. When she came back all the clothes had been stolen. This is a heavy blow on the poor people, as the tub contained all their garments except those they wore.

Fayetteville Secures Telegraphic Communication.

We are indebted to Mr. L. A. Angel, Manager of the W. U. Telegraph Company, and contractor for the building of the telegraph line from Lumberton to Fayetteville, for the following telegram announcing the completion of the work:

FAYETTEVILLE, N. C. Jan. 17, 1877.—The telegraph line from Lumberton to Fayetteville was completed to-day. This gives Fayetteville telegraphic communication with all points.

### ANORE.

We rejoice with the people of Fayetteville at this event. It is a great advantage to have the telegraph. We do not see how they have gotten along without it so far.

### Burglars vs. Dogs.

A bad or rather good dog checked the advance of a burglar at the residence of a neighbor of ours. There was a scuffle between the bull(y) dog and the burglar, but the fellow got off before the gentleman arrived to aid his dog. A few drops of blood on the front piazza is evidence that this thief at least received a warm welcome.

### Turned Over to Brunswick Court.

Paris Brown, colored, who was indicted for stealing a cow, the property of Col. John A. Taylor, and who has been in the New Hanover jail for some time, was yesterday turned over to Sheriff Taylor of Brunswick county.

### Completed.

The paving of Front street between Chestnut and Mulberry streets, has been finished, connecting as it does with the Belgian blocks. That street is now paved from Orange to Walnut, five blocks.

## THE COURTS.

### Superior Court.

State vs. James McCumber and Joda Stafford, F. & A.; case continued to next term of Court.

State vs. W. H. Howe, assault and battery; judgment suspended on payment of costs.

State vs. Albert Wilson, larceny; verdict, guilty; judgment, 3 years in the penitentiary.

State vs. James Collier, forgery; verdict, guilty; judgment, 3 years in the penitentiary.

State vs. Beckey Jackson, larceny; verdict, not guilty.

Six parties for retailing liquor without a license, were dismissed on payment of costs.

State vs. Annie Speight, called and failed.

State vs. Sealy Osborn, disorderly conduct; jury out.

State vs. Richard Moore, larceny; verdict, guilty; judgment, 3 years in the penitentiary.

State vs. Alex. Patterson, larceny; verdict, guilty; judgment, 3 years in the penitentiary.

### U. S. Commissioner's Court.

Margaret Dahmer was arraigned before U. S. Commissioner Cassidey, for retailing liquor without a license. She was bound over to the U. S. District Court on a bond of \$200.

### Mayor's Court.

Jno. Fisher, disorderly conduct; fined \$20 and costs or thirty days on the street.

Jno. Fisher, drunkenness; dismissed on the payment of costs.

Sandy Alexander Patterson, larceny of some sausages, the property of W. M. Monroe.

### Hotel Arrivals.

PURCELL HOUSE—Thursday—John B. Palmer, Columbia; W. H. Tyley, W. C. Short, W. F. Young, Walter S. Moore, Baltimore; John French, Rocky Point; A. F. Powell and lady, Whiteville; N. Ottaway, Brunswick county; Mr. and Mrs. J. Augustus, Rogers O. Friak, J. B. Hunter, A. K. Neff and lady, J. A. Charlotte, New York; Mrs. S. Hooper, Miss Hooper, Miss Folsom, maid, Boston; A. S. Yeady, Rondout; D. M. Cooleidge, J. W. Derrig, Portland; Robt. Korogay, Mt. Olive; A. J. C. Mingham, Tilden; D. M. Carmichael, Marion, S. C.

MANNING HOUSE—Thursday—O. H. Hanewacker, Ebenezzer; J. A. Wooten, White Hall; Moses Doby, Syracuse, New York.

### Tapering Off.

We learn of but two attempts at burglary on Wednesday night, and hope that those who are on stealing "bent" will give the community a "rest."

### Temple of Israel.

Divine services will be held this evening at 5 o'clock, and Saturday morning at 10:30 o'clock, Rev. Mr. Mendelsohn officiating. The public are invited.

### Index to New Advertisements.

George L. Schutt—Flowers, Flour, Oat-meal, N. C. Hams, &c., &c.  
Chas. H. Polley—Gun and Locksmith. Work warranted.  
A. Weill—Dry Goods, Clothing, Boots, and Shoes. At his old stand.  
James C. Stevenson, offers the best standard groceries.  
H. Munson—Attention gentlemen! Cheap and handsome suits.  
Foreclosure Sale—D. G. Worth, mortgagee.  
J. B. Huggins—Dealer in general groceries.

Wm. L. Smith & Co.—Fire and Life Insurance Companies.  
Green & Flanner—Wholesale and retail dealers in drugs, &c.  
P. Heinsberger—New books, new dramas, stories, poetry, music, &c.  
J. W. Lippitt—Fruits, candies, toys, cigars.

Giles & Murchison—New hardware store. Plows very cheap.  
T. C. DeRoset—Fire, Marine and Life Insurance Companies.  
S. Jewett—News dealer, Bookseller, and Stationer.

Zimmerman & White—Upholstering of all kinds done with dispatch.  
Haverly Minstrels—Opera House.  
Johnson & Elwell—Paper hanging, wall paper and mattresses.  
R. M. McIntyre—Dry goods, carpets, blankets, &c.

Our music-loving citizens are anticipating a relief from the winter's monotony. The Haverly Minstrels Monday night, and perhaps Prof. Van Laer's amateur concert for the benefit of the orphans, the next evening.

Gen. R. E. Lee's birthday was January 19th, 1808—sixty nine years ago to-day.

### Currency.

The jail at Pittboro, was burned on the 16th inst., we learn.

Col. Kenneth Murchison, of New York, is in the city.

We regret to learn of the indisposition of Judge French.

New advertisements will be found on the Second and Fourth pages.

The Cotton Mills of our city are steadily at work, and we note frequent shipments of their print cloth.

Our commercial editor desires us to return his thanks to the gentlemen of the Foreign Consulates for numerous favors.

The river is still very high, but the steamers have stopped going up as far as Aversboro as the water is now falling and it is feared they may be caught.

We met on the streets yesterday, Mr. Isaac Wells, formerly an old citizen of this place. Mr. Wells is now located in Wayne county.

We saw yesterday the new machinery, &c., for the new distillery Messrs. Alderman & Bro., intend to build in place of the one destroyed by fire on Point Peter.

We are pleased to hear that Captain Green, of the steamer North State, who was injured in the collision of that steamer with the Ger. brig *Elida*, in this port, is improving. Capt. Green is an excellent officer and clever gentleman.

Since changing his name "Old Probs" has made several mistakes. Look to your laurels "Mr. Indications" or we shall believe with the ancient seers, that it takes grey beards and long experience to handle oracular prophecies acceptably.

Crayon portraits of Bishop Atkinson and Dr. W. G. Thomas were received at Meinsberger's book store a few days since. They are for a gentleman in this city, and were executed with considerable artistic skill. Both gentlemen are fine subjects for a master's easel. Mr. Eugene Harris, the artist, has caught Dr. Thomas' expression very correctly. The Bishop's features are not precisely correct, but the young artist deserves encouragement and commendation.

### State News.

Oxford is justly celebrated for good schools. Three opened there this week.

Mr. Jas. P. Leak, a very prominent citizen of Rockingham, Richmond county, is dead.

The colored people in Wake county are anxious to make contracts for the ensuing year at moderate rates.

Gov. Vance has had quite a severe attack of neuralgic rheumatism. He is better we learn from the *News*.

The recent excessive cold weather threatens to damage the small grain crop in some of the western counties.

An exchange tells the following and vauches for the truth of it: A solitary turkey gobbler, being the only fowl of his kind in a western village, put the ball in motion to improve his social surroundings. Animated with this feeling, he made a raid into the mountains and in a few days returned with fourteen young wild turkeys, which he guarded with all the zealous care of a mother and raised them all.

### MASSACHUSETTS.

BOSTON, Jan. 18.—The third joint ballot for U. S. Senator resulted as follows: Whole number 274, necessary for a choice, 138—Hoar, 100; Boutwell, 88; Abbott, 62; Rice, 17; Bullock, 4; Seelye, 4. No choice.

### CONDENSED TELEGRAMS.

Dr. Phelps, Bennett's second, was discharged.

There were two ineffectual ballots in the Senatorial contest in Massachusetts. The tenth ballot for Senator in Illinois was futile.

### Postal Returns.

The mails close at the City Post-Office as follows:

Northern through mails . . . 5:15 P. M.  
Northern through and way mails, daily . . . 7:00 A. M.  
Mails for the N. C. Railroad and routes supplied therefrom, at . . . 5:15 P. M.  
Southern mails for all points South, daily . . . 7:00 P. M.  
Western mails C. C. R. Y., daily, 6:00 A. M.  
Fayetteville and offices on Cape Fear River, Tuesdays and Fridays . . . 1:00 P. M.  
Fayetteville by C. C. R. Y., daily (except Sundays) . . . 6:00 A. M.  
Onslow C. H. and intermediate offices, every Friday . . . 6:00 A. M.  
Smithville, daily . . . 7:00 P. M.

Northern through mails . . . 12:15 P. M.  
Northern through & way mails 2:00 P. M.  
Mails for Easy Hill, Town Creek, Supply and Shallotte, every Friday as 6 A. M.  
Mails delivered from 6 A. M. to 7:00 P. M., and on Sundays from 8:00 to 9:00 A. M.

Stamp Office open from 8 A. M. to 12 M., and from 2 to 5:30 P. M. Register and Money order Departments open same as Stamp Office.

Stamps for sale at general delivery when Stamp Office is closed.  
Key Boxes accessible at all hours, day and night.