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THE TELEGRAMS. NEWS OF THE WORLD.

Bradley Selected as Fifth Judge in Electoral Commission.

PEACE EXPECTED IN EUROPE.

A COUNTESS COMMITS SUICIDE.

CORRECT RETURNS FROM FLORIDA RECEIVED BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE.

Maddox "Cornered" by Congressman Field.

Noon Reports.

WASHINGTON.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 31.—A sub-committee of the committee on Louisiana affairs examined Marshal Pitkin in his parlors at Willard's last night. The Marshal is not very well.

Maddox, a treasury agent, who was in constant communication with Wells, declines to answer or explain his letters.

In the Senate the concurrent resolution was adopted, providing that no persons shall be admitted to the Senate wing of the Capitol during the count of the votes for President and Vice President except upon tickets issued by the President pro tem of the Senate and Speaker of the House; such tickets to be distributed equally to such Senators and Representatives by the Sergeant-at-Arms of the House of Representatives.

Gov. Wells is sick. This morning the returning board were in quite close confinement. Visitors were admitted by card and conversation held within hearing of the officers of the House.

Judge Bradley has been selected as Judge for the Fifth District.

Three letters from Gov. Wells, one to Hewitt, one to Cameron and one to Senator West, will be produced to-day. A heavy cloud hangs over the returning board.

MASSACHUSETTS.

Boston, Jan. 31.—Hon. J. Wiley Edmunds, one of the most successful and prominently known business men in New England, died to-day.

NEW YORK.

New York, Jan. 31.—Cyrus G. Clark was arrested for attempting to negotiate \$21,000 worth of forged Central Pacific bonds.

MISSOURI.

St. Louis, Jan. 31.—Prof. Edward L. Seymour, who arrived here from Chattanooga or Atlanta, two months since, was found sitting in a chair this morning with his throat cut. Pecuniary troubles.

EUROPE.

London, Jan. 31.—A circular from Constantinople says it is believed that peace will be concluded with Serbia, and it is rumored that Montenegro received Turkey's overtures favorably.

Countess Havre threw herself from a window of her mother's residence, Beakly square, and died of her injuries. Grief at her husband's death unsettled her mind.

Dispatch from Constantinople says Count Chesdordy, the French Plenipotentiary to the late conference, and Count Corti, the Italian Ambassador, left there yesterday.

Night Reports.

WASHINGTON.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 1.—The Florida majority report will show from certified copies of every return made to the Board of Canvassers 91 majority for Tilden.

The President of the Senate has received from Governor Drew the official proceedings of Tilden's electors and the canvass of votes under the new Returning Board showing 96 majority for Tilden.

The official papers are, first, a certified copy of the act of the Legislature authorizing the new Returning Board to canvass the votes for President and Vice President. Second, a copy of the returns as canvassed by the new Board certified by them. Third, the Governor's certificate of the appointment and due authorization of the Tilden electors. Fourth, the declaration by the electors themselves duly certified that they met and cast their votes for Tilden.

House passed bill regulating admissions to galleries during count, and adopted the report of the Judiciary Committee admitting B. Ford, from Colorado, who was seated.

Barnes, of New Orleans, the telegraph manager, was discharged from custody.

The House is in session to-night. The Florida Committee will probably report.

SENATE—Hereford, of West Virginia seated.

Sinking fund for Pacific Railroads resumed without action.

The Senate then adjourned.

The Republican Congressional Committee employ Wm. Everts, V. W. Stoughton, Stany Matthews and S. S. Shellabarger to prepare their case before the committee.

Justice Clifford will be present at the Electoral Committee. The committee met at 11 o'clock to-day. The Clerk of the Supreme Court administered the oath to Clifford, who qualified the other Commissioners. A committee was appointed to frame rules.

Before the Committee on Privileges and Powers, John G. Pickett produced the following letter written by J. Madison Wells, of New Orleans, dated November 20th, 1876:

My Dear Sir: You fully understand the situation, can't you advise with me relative thereto.

(Signed) J. MADISON WELLS.

Pickett testified that a gentleman to whom he well knew called on him November 23d just from New Orleans. He told witness the exact situation in New Orleans. Objection was made and the room cleared. When the doors were opened J. H. Maddox, special agent of internal revenue department, was on the stand. He had known Wells and Anderson 25 years. The letter mentioned above, handed Maddox, was written by Wells in the presence of witness. When Wells handed witness the letter he said he trusted witness to protect him in regard to a previous conversation they had had together. Witness declined to say what the conversation was about, and asked until to-morrow to answer. The examination went on by instruction. He declined to answer whether these conversations referred to the returning board. Did they relate to Wells' action as a member of the returning board.

Mr. Field—Now, Mr. Maddox is it not the fact that you made a bargain with J. Madison Wells to give the Tilden electors the State of Louisiana for one million dollars.

Answer—I decline to answer. Witness said that Calvert was an actual resident of New Orleans. He was a kind of a body guard of Wells, but it was the understanding that all messages that came for Calvert were understood to be for Wells. He declined to explain any of the telegrams except to say that he was "Hancock," Wells was "Calvert," and Thomas was "Pickett." Witness said that he did not vote in the last Presidential election, but would have voted for Hayes if he had voted at all. Maddox was informed that he would be compelled to answer the question put to him. The committee then took a recess for one hour in order to give the witness time for consideration.

The witness—You are only wasting time, as I will still decline to answer at the expiration of that hour.

Mr. Field—That is your view.

At the appointed time Maddox was sick and was excused till to-morrow.

LEGISLATURE OF NORTH CAROLINA.

SENATE

Tuesday, Jan. 30, 1877.

MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE.

transmitting House bills, resolutions and amendments, and asking concurrence. These were appropriately referred.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS.

By Mr. Williams: A bill to more effectually prevent discrimination in freight tariffs by railroads doing business in this State. Committee on Internal Improvements.

By Troy: A bill to provide a special commission for New Hanover county. Placed on calendar.

Scalco moved that a message be sent to the House proposing that the two Houses, in joint session, go into an election of sixteen trustees for the University of the State, next Friday at 12 m. The motion was adopted and the message was accordingly transmitted.

The unfinished business, the bill in relation to the construction bonds of the Western North Carolina Railroad, came up on its second reading, after the call of the morning hour, as the special order of the day.

The special order, the bill to provide for the speedy completion of the Western North Carolina Railroad, came up on its final reading, after the call of the morning hour, as the special order of the day.

Upon motion of Scalco, the bill was taken up and considered by sections.

Troy provided a new section as section 3, proposing that the directors on the part of the State shall provide for the apportionment of the private stock to the bona fide stockholders, who shall be entitled to same under the provisions of the act ratified March 13, 1876, and that no private stockholder shall be entitled to vote in any meeting of said company until such apportionment is made, and neither shall any directors participate in the meetings of said directors until they shall be legally appointed after the distribution of stock as above provided.

This amendment, after some debate, was adopted.

Section 7 came up and York offered an amendment striking out the appropriation of \$70,000 and proposing \$50,000 instead, but Senate refused.

Johnston moved to amend by making the act to read: "This act shall be in force from and after its ratification."

The question then recurred upon the passage of the bill as a whole upon its third reading, and Mr. Moore, of Mecklenburg, took the floor in advocacy of the measure. He spoke warmly and eloquently in behalf of the bill.

Moore, colored, of New Hanover, also supported the bill.

Mr. Thorne spoke also in behalf of the passage of the bill.

At the conclusion of his remarks, the vote was taken and resulted as follows:

Affirmative—28.
Negative—Messrs. Coke, Cunningham, Latham, Moore, Robins, Roberts, York—7.

The bill was announced as having passed its third and final reading, and was ordered to be engrossed and sent to the House.

The chair announced as the Senate branch of the special committee on the special civil jurisdiction of Justice of the Peace: Messrs. Scalco, Latham and Green.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

By Hill, colored: A bill to incorporate the Mechanics' Protective Association, Wilmington. Committee on Corporations.

The resolution to inquire into the disposition of funds arising from stock in the North Carolina Railroad owned by the State, was taken up. Mr. Wilson, of Burke, explained the provisions of the resolution, and thought that its adoption would result in saving to the State the sum of \$8,000 annually. The resolution passed its several readings.

The resolution instructing the committee on County Government to report at the earliest practicable moment, was taken up and adopted. Moring would heartily support the bill.

Graves did not approve the provisions of the bill; the appropriation was too lavish, &c.

Boss supported the bill. Already \$75,000 had been invested in this work, and it would not be good policy to lose it. The asylum was needed; over 700 insane people were waiting for its completion, &c.

Mr. Bagley felt sorry to be compelled to oppose the passage of the bill.

Messrs. Leach, Finix and Parish spoke in advocacy of the bill, and urged it as a matter of justice, right, equity and humanity.

Graves was not lacking in sympathy for this unfortunate class of our people, but thought that we should be just as well as generous. The State should do what she was able and no more, &c.

Bagley again spoke in opposition to the bill. He opposed it on the ground that the State was in no condition to go on year after year lavishing large sums of money for the mere erection of a magnificent building. He thought the State had better lose the \$75,000 already invested, &c.

Pianix again urged the passage of the bill.

Todd, of Ashe, was opposed to the passage of the bill.

Pending action on the Western In-

ane Asylum bill the hour for the special order arrived and the bill under discussion went over, on motion of Cobb, until Friday, February 9th at 12 m.

The special order, the bill to amend the charter of the city of Newbern, was taken up.

[The bill proposes to reduce the number of wards from 7 to 5, one councilman from each ward.]

Clarke, of Craven, opposed the passage of the bill.

Moring advocated its passage.

On the demand of Clarke, of Craven, a call of the House was had and 90 members answered to their names.

Mr. Shotwell presented the petition of the Mayor and nine aldermen of Newbern praying the passage of the bill. He explained that the bill distinguished between the man of his rights—but simply restored the city to its former subdivisions by consolidating wards 6 and 7 with 4 and 5. These outside wards (6 and 7) were settled, during and after the war, chiefly by squatters, who pay few, or no taxes, yet under the present arrangement (a Republican gerrymander) have a large share in controlling the city. He had been informed that, a few years ago, of the 1,200 colored voters in the place hardly 12 were tax payers. It was not right to place the wealth and intelligence of so fair a city as Newbern under the domination of irresponsible squatters and non-taxpayers.

On the demand of Henderson, the previous question was called.

The question recurred upon the passage of the bill on its third reading.

The yeas and nays were called and the bill passed by a vote of yeas 62; nays 30.

The bill to provide for the collection of taxes by the State, &c., known as the "Machinery Bill," was taken up as the special order of the House.

On motion of Pianix, the House resolved itself into the Committee of the Whole.

On the motion of Ransom, the bill was considered by sections.

Pianix, the chairman, reported progress and begged leave to sit again.

The report was adopted, and leave given to the Committee of the Whole to sit again at 12:30 p. m. to-morrow.

State News.

Shelby is excited over a large bald eagle killed near that town.

Nearly every State exchange has a mention of the late lamented Col. Strango.

Rev. R. R. Michaux, of Granville county, who has been very ill, is improving.

A "ghost" haunts the premises of Miss Penina Wallace, of Hall county, moving benches, chairs, tables, &c.

The Columbus papers state that two companies of United States troops left Saturday morning for North Carolina on a crooked whiskey hunt. They will doubtless be sent to the western portion of the State.

A person whose name is unknown proposes to get up a bill of fare free for the Yarrowburgh house, Raleigh, by putting advertisements on the back. Dr. Blackhall, the proprietor, consented; the fellow visited a large number of merchants, got \$3 each for an advertisement and decamped with the funds.

Wilson Express: Gidson Hayes, who lived in Cross Roads township, sold out last fall and moved to Bay River. He sold to Mr. James Lucas, a neighbor, the pen as it is called for \$250. A few days ago Mr. Lucas proceeded to remove the shunks, when about the centre of the pile he found a bundle of Greenbacks amounting to \$86. As yet no word to the treasure has been found.

GENERAL NEWS SUMMARY.

Brof Harte is genial and improvident.

Complaint is made of the late hours of Washington society.

No sentence of death has been executed in Belgium since 1863.

A Newark milkman the other night went to a bad in pumps. The cream of the joke was to see him skinned.

Within the last seven weeks the English language has been enriched by a new word. It is Haysism. It means counting in a President by stolen electoral votes.

The Spiritualists and The Detectives by the king of detectives, Allan Pinkerton, of Chicago, whose other recent publications, including *The Expressman and Detectives*, and *The Model Town and Detectives*, have reached a circulation of over 40,000 copies, will be published in a few days by G. W. Carleton & Co.

Wade Hampton's government seems to be getting along very well. Thirty-five thousand dollars had been paid in to the State Treasurer by nine counties up to the 23d instant. All parties are obeying the Hampton office; his administration is in full accord with the constitutional and benevolent institutions look to him for support. He appoints to office regardless of color.

The orchestra at a theatre in China is composed as follows: Gongs, fiddles, glass trumpets, bamboo flutes, castanets and tambourines. When all these get started the music begins. On the stage, men invariably play all the parts, including those of women; the absence of breeches and beard enabling them to do so with entire impunity.

LOCAL NEWS.

For a few days the Journal will be printed on paper too narrow rather for the purpose. The mill was out of the right size, and it was too late for us to get an order filled elsewhere.

Attempted Rape.

Hector Davis, colored, was before B. VanAmringe, Justice Peace, on yesterday, charged with an attempt at rape upon the person of Lucilla Clarke, colored. The preliminary examination was had, and the testimony of Lucilla Clark, the affiant, was taken, but as the evidence in the very nature of such cases is generally in keeping (in its loathsomeness) with the diabolical crime itself, we withhold it from those polite ears whose business does not bring them in contact with the judicial investigation of them. There was some little commotion created for a while, from the fact, that Davis refused to obey at first the warrants which had been placed in the hands of Acting-ton Howard, who had been specially deputized by Justice VanAmringe to serve it upon him. Officer J. K. Davis thereupon announced a posse with the view of taking him *vi et armis*. Officer Davis informed us however, that he found the prisoner, Hector Davis, in the street, and that he consented to submit to the arrest, but requested that the crowd be had brought with him should be dismissed; which was done, and he was taken in custody. Lucilla Clarke says she is about seventeen years old; she showed a very badly bruised and swollen eye which she alleged was caused by blows from the prisoner. She swore positively to his identity. The prisoner is a married man and has been engaged as a fireman on the steam-boat Wm. Nye. Pending a fuller examination which will take place to-day at 4 o'clock, the court ordered that the prisoner give a justified bond of \$500 for his appearance.

Important to Merchants.

We call the attention of business men in other cities and towns to the subject-matter of a resolution offered by Mr. Fishblade at the tax-payers' meeting held in this city on Tuesday night, and which was adopted unanimously. The resolution is reprinted for the purpose of directing special attention to the matter:

Resolved, That it is the sense of this meeting that it is very injurious to the interests of Wilmington, and the other cities of this State, that merchants should be virtually charged double tax, by first paying taxes under Schedule B for all their purchases, and then paying property tax on the same goods on April 1st; and that the Legislature is respectfully requested to abolish either one tax or the other.

Under Schedule B tax the merchant is taxed for the same property on which he pays tax as general property. This double tax works injustice because it is onerous and oppressive.

The Signal Service Telegraph Line.

We learn that Lieut. Booth, of the Signal Service, and a party of ten men are now engaged repairing the Signal Service Telegraph Line between this city and Cape Hatteras. It will be remembered that the severe cyclone of last September washed away large portions of this wire and prostrated others. It is now intended to rebuild the line in less exposed positions where the storm wave accompanying cyclones cannot reach the poles. In few months our Signal Office will again be in communication with all northern sea coast stations.

That Coon Hunt Down the River.

Our friends had a splendid time on their hunting party, and the good steamer Dixie brought them back safely and in good humor with themselves as well as the rest of mankind. We as faithful recorders of events, announce the capturing and killing of one coon after a bully fight. As there were not ten quarters to divide some of the party took no game home. We are not advised as to who gives the coon supper.

Clothes Stolen.

A colored girl by the name of Mary Dickinson, who lives in the city, but whose parents reside a few miles out in the country, had several dresses stolen Tuesday night. She was in the habit of sending her clothes out to her mother to be washed. A colored boy with a cart usually carried them. Tuesday night about 7 o'clock he started out with them in the cart, but stopped out in the suburbs at a shop, and when he came out the clothes were gone.

North Carolina at West Point. "The Raleigh Observer says: One of the good results of an erroneous statement is to bring forward facts that have escaped from the public mind.

The Wilmington Journal correctly states that Lieut. Wm. Henry Wright, of Wilmington, graduated at the head of his class at West Point. So also did Col. William McRee, of Wilmington, one of the most distinguished officers of the army of his time.

"And also Colonel Alexander Swift, nephew of P. K. Dickinson's first wife, who, in like manner, obtained an enviable distinction in his profession."

"Both Col. McRee and Col. Swift were sent to Europe by the government as special commissioners to examine European systems, with a view to promote the efficiency of our army.

"How many more are there? Who will add to the list?"

The Ward Clubs.

All the Democratic Ward Clubs of the city are called to meet to-night at their usual places of meeting, at the hour of 7 1/2 o'clock.

In addition to the matter of the city charter they will take into consideration the selection of persons to be appointed Justices of the Peace for the city.

Poisoned by Drinking Concentrated Lye.

A small colored child whose parents reside on the corner of 7th and Harnett streets, accidentally poisoned itself by drinking concentrated lye on last Monday. The mother was cleaning up the house and used the lye, which the child in some manner got hold of. It died Tuesday.

THE COURTS.

Mayor's Court.

David Brown, larceny of cotton, dismissed.

Henry Whited, larceny turned over to the Superior Court on a bond of \$200.

Scott Berry, cursing police officer Gordon, fined \$50 and cost or 30 days on the streets.

Same for doing business as a junk dealer without a license, was fined \$25 and cost or 30 days on the streets.

Same for larceny of cotton, dismissed.

Superior Court.

State vs. Winslow Gause, larceny; verdict guilty; Judgment 5 years in the penitentiary.

State vs. John Watson, assault and battery. Judgment suspended on payment of costs.

State vs. Winslow Gause, larceny, defendant discharged as an insolvent.

State vs. Samuel Manning, larceny, defendant dismissed as an insolvent.

CITY CURRENCY.

The Guano deposited at the depot is a nuisance.

To-day is the anniversary of the treaty of peace with Mexico.

Col. W. Foster French of Lumberton, was in the city on yesterday.

Indications point to southerly and easterly winds and clear or partly cloudy weather.

The market was well supplied with oysters on yesterday. Fine New River, as low as 60 cents per gallon.

Mr. Spencer Legrand is our traveling agent, and is authorized to receipt bills for subscriptions or advertising.

The hop at City Hall last night was largely attended. Everybody had a good time. The returning suppleness to the stiffened joints of many an old bachelor would have put an acrobat to the blush.

Index to New Advertisements.

George L. Schutt—Herrings, salmon, hams, apples &c., &c.

Preston Cumming & Co.—Forage, hay.

Geo H. Bellamy—Hands wanted to cut cross ties.

P. Heinsberger—Music! Music! Giles & Murchison—Watt plows, full assortment

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