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North Carolina Legislature.

Yesterday (Wednesday, 4th) the general assembly of North Carolina met at Raleigh and proceeded to the organization of the two houses, in conformity with the wishes of the democrats of the State and house held the night before, as follows: Lieut.-Gov.

A. Doughton, of Alleghany, president of the senate; Hon. John King, of Guilford, president of the house; Hon. W. G. Burkhead, of Columbus, chief clerk; Geo. P. Hall, of Surry, reading clerk; Artwell S. Blair, of Caldwell, crossing clerk; W. V. Clifton, of Wake, doorkeeper; D. McMath, of Alexander, assistant doorkeeper.

Hon. Lee S. Overman, of Salisbury, who, it will be remembered, was nominated by the democratic caucus six years ago and was defeated, was this time elected speaker.

The other officers of the house are as follows: Chief clerk, J. M. Brown, of Stanley; reading clerk, A. Latham, of Beaufort; enrolling clerk, A. H. Hayes, of Wain; doorkeeper, David R. Johnson, of Salisbury; assistant doorkeeper, G. L. Kilpatrick, of Lenoir county.

Archivists at Work.

DALLAS, Tex., Jan. 2.—The News that information has leaked out that an organization known as the Industrial League is being extended throughout the south and west, for the purpose of resisting, if necessary by force of arms, undue restrictions on elections. It had its origin in the belief of people's party members that they were counted out in Georgia and Alabama. In Georgia they claim as many as 3,000 votes in male attire voted the democratic ticket. The person who started this information declared the Order was for a fair ballot revolution. Fifty lodges have been organized in Texas, and one in Alabama.

The Jollies Flower.

ALBANY, N. Y., January 2.—Governor Flower was at the executive chamber all the morning. About an immense floral piece eight feet long, representing the ship of the State and named "Empire State," was placed upon the governor's desk. On the mastheads floated two banners, one bearing the words "I care a d—n for votes," the other "no debt, no cholera." This is a gift from James Oliver, of New York city, sergeant at arms of the democratic national committee and pleased the governor very much.

James Changes Hands—The Festivities Continue.

SALISBURY, N. C., Jan. 1.—The party known as the St. James Hotel, and belonging to John A. Brown, has been completed. It was on a consideration of \$6,500. McCanness will expend several thousand dollars in improvements to the building. It will be repaired and made a first class hotel. Plate will be put in the front window and a system of water works and sewerage will be placed in it. Two lower rooms on either side of the entrance to the hotel will be made into nice store rooms. In brief, the building will be thoroughly overhauled and made a credit to Salisbury.

North Carolina may well be proud of her things. She has the finest collection of deciduous trees in the South and she has a larger variety of wealth than any other State in the Union.—[Winston Sentinel.]

Georgia Fixing to Succeed Lamar and to Fill All the Other Places.

The Macon Telegraph says that Associate Justice Lamar will resign his seat on the Supreme bench soon after the inauguration of President Cleveland. Acting on this belief the Georgians are already laying their wires for the place. Col. A. O. Bacon, of Macon, who has been a candidate for governor and pretty much everything else in Georgia, is an aspirant for Justice Lamar's shoes. With Hoke Smith as Attorney General, and Turner as Secretary of the Navy, and Crisp in the Speaker's chair, and Bacon on the Supreme bench, and a half dozen or more first and second class places in the diplomatic service, Georgia will be reasonably well provided for under the new administration. If there is no way by which Mr. Cleveland can get out of appointing Mr. Bacon to the supreme court bench, we would say that Associate Justice Lamar could not do Mr. Cleveland and the country a better service than by resigning his office without delay so that President Harrison can appoint his successor.

The Electoral College.

PHILADELPHIA, Jan. 1.—Chairman William F. Harry, of the democratic national committee, has written to all chairmen of democratic state central committees and to all members of the democratic national committee of states which cast their votes for Cleveland and Stevenson, calling their attention to the act of congress which requires that Presidential electors of the several states shall meet, organize the electoral college, cast their vote, etc., on the second Monday in January. Meetings of several electoral colleges will be held Monday, January 9th, 1893. This notice is regarded as necessary for the reason that many of the states have not yet changed their laws so as to conform to the provisions of the act of congress of 1887.

Mr. Weston Did not Strike a Snag—When His Book Will Appear.

The editor of the Wilmington Messenger wishes to know if in my late visit to Europe I "struck an immovable snag" in the investigation of the Ney question. I did not. On the contrary, I struck a rich mine of valuable facts. My belief that P. S. Ney was Marshal Ney is greatly strengthened by my researches in Europe. The evidence in the case is simply marvellous. My book will be published in July or August next. The delay in its publication has been due to causes entirely beyond my control. But the book will certainly appear before the close of next summer.

JAMES A. WESTON.

Hickory, N. C., Dec. 19, 1892.

A Cholera Scare in Arkansas.

LITTLE ROCK, Ark., Jan. 2.—Indications of cholera being the disease that has been killing the convicts for the last two weeks grows stronger every hour, and as a consequence a decided sensation has been created in the city and surrounding towns. Discovery of the terrible sanitary condition in the penitentiary has startled the community.

Statement of the Public Debt.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 1.—The public debt statement for December will not be published until Tuesday next. It is estimated that it will show a loss in cash during December of \$1,000,000, making the net cash about \$29,000,000. The pension payments during December have been slightly in excess of \$15,000,000, or at the rate of \$180,000,000 a year.

STATESVILLE'S LAST BLAZE.

Caused by Hot Ashes in a Wooden Box—The Losses.

Two of the victims of the Statesville fire of Wednesday morning were formerly citizens of Charlotte: John U. Lamprecht, gunsmith, and C. W. Grobe, jeweler. Very little of the latter's stock was saved; probably the most of Mr. Lamprecht's was gotten out. He occupied the old Carolina Hotel building, which was used for all sorts of purposes.

Grobe's store was a small one story brick structure, between the old hotel and the Patterson building and also belonged to Wallace Bros.

The Patterson building, owned by Capt. J. M. Patterson, of Troutman, was a fine three-story brick house, built about six years ago. Strange to say, he had never had a dollar of insurance on it. The hardware stock of W. A. Thomas & Co., who occupied it, was a total loss. Up stairs was the armory of the Iradell Blues, the rooms of the Old North State Orchestra, a shoe shop, colored barber shop, etc.

The next, the corner building, was owned by Messrs. J. F. Van Pelt, S. A. Sharpe and the J. S. Miller estate. There were two store rooms on the ground floor. The second floor was occupied as offices and the third was a small but well fitted opera house.

In rear of this, going up the street toward the college, was an old frame store, a mere shell occupied by negroes, and next to this a two-story brick building owned by Mr. T. C. Anderson, (the father of Mr. D. H. Anderson, of the Commercial National Bank of Charlotte,) and occupied by Messrs. Stimson & Anderson as a drug store. The fire was stopped at this point, having practically destroyed this house.

The Landmark puts the losses at \$53,700 and the insurance at \$30,900.

It Now Looks Like Bate.

NASHVILLE, Tenn., January 2.—All indications go to show that Senator Bate is gaining ground.

His friends now claim that he will be elected on the first ballot.

The Taylor fight, while energetic, has been intermittent and not in the nature of a solid front and occurrences of the last few days seem to have brought on a set-back. A letter written by Ex Governor Taylor and his friends, and the promises made, which were intended to further the Taylor cause, are food for most of the talk against Taylor.

Third Party Lease.

TOPEKA, KANS., Jan. 1.—Governor-elect Lewelling announces that he has decided to offer Mrs. Lease a position in the state board of charities. It will be one of the first appointments he will make. It is reported here that Mrs. Lease has manifested her willingness to accept the position but it is to be well understood before hand that in accepting this position she does not in any way relinquish her claim to the Senatorship.

The President-Elect Advises Caution.

NEW YORK, Dec. 30.—Notwithstanding the strong pressure brought to bear on Mr. Cleveland in the hope of getting him to withdraw his opposition to him is over today. Mr. Cleveland, was seen at his house and said: "While opposed to Mr. Murphy, I am not in favor of anyone. It is too early yet. As democrats and good citizens we should be very careful at this juncture whom we select as the Senator from New York."

Abandoned at Sea.

WILMINGTON, N. C., Jan. 1.—The schooner Eleanor, Captain McCoy, which sailed from Georgetown, S. C., for New York, December 24, with a cargo of rosin, spirits of turpentine and cotton, was struck December 25 by a gale that lasted three days, causing the ship to spring a leak. The vessel, on December 29, becoming water logged was abandoned, thirty-five miles off Topsail inlet. The crew of seven men reached shore yesterday afternoon after being in a small boat for forty-eight hours, suffering intensely. Captain McCoy, realizing the danger of the floating wreck to passing vessels, set fire to his water-logged ship before leaving her.

The French Monarchy.

LONDON, Jan. 1.—The Orleansists have by no means abandoned hope of regaining the throne of France through a revulsion in republican sentiment, caused by the revelations in the Panama affairs. What the present intentions of the Orleansists are, it would be hard to say, but it is evident that some project is contemplated that is intended to lead to the overthrow of the republic and the establishment of a monarchy. The Count of Paris has telegraphed to his son, the Duke of Orleans, who is now travelling in Indo-China, to hasten his return in order that he may take part in the deliberations of the Orleans party.

In English circles it is believed that there is no chance of the machinations of French Royalists and Imperialists proving successful. It is thought that the French government, by pursuing those implicated in the Panama scandal to punishment, will establish the republic on sounder foundations than before, and will render such an evil as the Panama affair hereafter impossible.

Big Fire in Wheeling.

WHEELING, W. Va., January 2.—Fire broke out at 5 o'clock this morning in the shed of Caldwell & Peterson's corugating works, and the big plant was entirely destroyed, a number of adjoining houses was destroyed and at one time it looked as if the Baltimore and Ohio railroad depot would be burned. The loss is estimated at \$100,000, Caldwell & Peterson lose \$70,000; insurance \$45,000. The fire is supposed to have started from a spark from a Baltimore and Ohio engine.

The Neuse Manufacturing Company's Mills Destroyed.

RALEIGH, N. C., Jan. 2.—News has reached the State Chronicle that the mills belonging to the Neuse Manufacturing Company at Swepsonville, Alamance county, N. C., has been burned. The company had headquarters in this city, and was engaged in manufacturing plaid cotton goods. Loss estimated at \$100,000; insurance \$80,000.

The year 1892 was remarkable for fewer failures than have occurred in any other years since 1886, the number reported by R. G. Dun & Co., the Mercantile Agency, being 10,344, or 2,029 less than in 1891. The indebtedness of firms failing was but 114 millions in 1892, against 189 millions in 1891, and about the same in 1890. The average liabilities of firms failing in 1892 has been only \$11,000, the lowest average reported since 1873. The largely increased number of traders, and the enormous increase of transactions for the year, render these figures most significant. In 1892 only one in every 113 traders failed, against one in every 93 in 1891, and one in every 102 in 1890.

Cholera is still raging in Hamburg and Paris.

CAPTURED BY BANDITS.

Two U. S. Marshals Escape from the Hands of the Robbers.

LAREDO, Tex., Jan. 2.—A telegram has been received at military headquarters in this city, stating that Guerrero and Benvides, the United States deputy marshals captured last Friday by bandits, had escaped, and that Guerrero had arrived at Aquilares, on the Texas Mexican railroad. The other one was making toward Laredo. They got separated after escaping and each one put out for himself. The companies of the 7th U. S. cavalry, with camp supplies, forage, etc., have left Laredo for the Lower country.

Now, Finally, Does This Settle It?

CHEYENNE, Wyo., Jan. 2.—The Supreme Court today decided the Carbon county cases, holding that while there were technical defects in the certificates of nomination, still they were not of such a vital nature as to invalidate the election. A peremptory mandate was issued to the state canvassing board, compelling it to count the Carbon county returns, thus giving the certificates of election to democrats in the house. While the republicans still have a majority on joint ballot, the house will never seat this one, because his certificate was secured through a clerical error. It is now conceded that the democrats and populists will elect the next United States senator.

Mgr. Satolli's Mission.

ROME, Jan. 1.—The Holy See has just received a fresh report from Mgr. Satolli relating to the impressions produced in the United States by the conference of Archbishops at New York. The Vatican is much surprised at the opposition which begins to be manifest against results of the conference and the proposals of Satolli. It is affirmed that the Pope and Cardinals Rompalli and Ledochowski have expressed their discontent in the matter, and that the Pope will shortly take important action concerning agitation in America, with the view to ending divisions which exist in the church. The reconciliation of Archbishop Corrigan with McGlynn produced the happiest impression here. Ever since 1889 high persons in Rome and America have tried to assist in this reconciliation. Last year friends of Father McGlynn opened and continued pour paroles with Rome aiming at this result. Father McGlynn stated that he was ready to come to Rome to ask reconciliation with the Pope if his excommunication was raised and his dignity as priest restored. Last spring the Propaganda depotized a man of confidence to negotiate with Father McGlynn. When Mgr. Satolli started for America the Pope confided to him the duty of making a new effort with Father McGlynn and gave Mgr. Satolli full power to act. The exact conditions of the reconciliation are not known here.

It is said that Wm. F. Harry has a salary of \$25,000 as President of a Philadelphia business concern, and says he is too poor to throw up his job for the honors of a place in Mr. Cleveland's cabinet if it were tendered. Mr. Harry seems to have a business head on him.

The canvass of the official returns shows that Johnston gets the honor as the banner county of the state for the biggest democratic majority.

The Governor has appointed Hon. Thomas H. Sutton trustee of the Agricultural and Mechanical college for the colored race at Greensboro, vice Hon. Samuel McD. Tate resigned.