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GENERAL CITY NEWS.

BLOODY CHRISTMAS ROW.

Political Difficulty Near Fayetteville—Radical Negroes Ambush a Colored Democrat Who is Assisted—One Man Killed and Several Wounded.

We regret to learn of a disturbance having fatal results, which took place near Fayetteville on Christmas Eve.

A negro Democrat of Cumberland county has since the election been threatened a number of times by Republicans of his color. So often had these menaces been made and in such manner that on last Saturday when he had occasion to visit Fayetteville he sought the protection of some of his white friends. On Sunday morning he started for his home, accompanied by several gentlemen. When they had reached a point some four miles from town, a party of negroes suddenly sprang upon them from a covert in the woods and attempted to seize the colored Democrat. The whites resisted and a determined conflict, fought with knives and bludgeons, was waged. A white man named Kennedy was killed, while several of the combatants, both white and black, were seriously injured.

The affair is the deplorable result of the policy adopted by the Republican negroes to punish the Democratic negroes for voting as they have the undoubted right under the laws to vote—as they please. Such reprehensible conduct deserves severe punishment.

The Sheriff has captured two of the persons engaged in the riot.

Mayor's Court.

George Vann, disorderly conduct; dismissed at the prosecutor's cost.

John Watson, disorderly conduct; fined \$20 and costs or thirty days on the streets.

James Clinton, assault and battery on Tama Morris; fined \$10 and costs or fifteen days on the streets.

George Mack, disorderly conduct; fined \$50 and costs or thirty days on the streets.

Joseph Mack, Cato Mack and John Maggett, disorderly conduct; judgment suspended upon payment of costs in each case.

Lewis Hicks, disorderly conduct; fined \$50 and costs or thirty days on the streets.

Jno. H. Risley, firing gun in the city; fined \$10 and costs or fifteen days on the street.

Wilmington Light Infantry.

The company will leave here to-morrow morning at 6:30 a. m. train for Charlotte. The company are ordered to their armory to-night at 7:30 sharp, for inspection in full dress (except plumes). On Friday morning they are ordered to the armory at 5 o'clock and will leave the armory at 5:30 sharp for the depot. Be sure, the Captain says, to send your blankets to the armory between 9 and 1 o'clock to-day to be packed, with names marked on them. Have valises at the armory Friday morning by 5 o'clock.

To the Authorities.

At the solicitation of seafaring men, we again renew the request that lights be placed on the river and that the pilot marks be restored.

Our attention has been called to the fact that the buoy on the wreck of the Raleigh is in a sinking condition, and should be replaced by a better.

The Colored Industrial Fair.

The Industrial Fair opened yesterday with a large attendance. Addresses were delivered by Rev. J. W. Hood, Bishop of A. M. E. Church, and J. P. Bourke. There are thought to be 500 strangers in the city who came to see the Fair, and more are expected. The Fair is to continue throughout the week.

For Raleigh.

In addition to the W. L. I. the Cornet Concert Club will attend the Inauguration. They will accompany the Light Infantry.

A Christmas tree, spread by Mr. John Taylor, for the benefit of his Sunday School pupils, at Walnut Hall Tuesday night, was loaded with presents for the little ones. The occasion was a lively one.

Gov. Brogden has pardoned James Heaton, who was convicted on two charges, one for inciting a riot and the other for staying an election.

The police have received their new suits and are sporting around town in them. The suit is of dark cloth and without any brass buttons.

THE LATEST NEWS.

THE NEW SENATE.

Senators Whose Terms will End on March Four—Men Who will Probably be Re-elected—Doubtful Seats, etc., etc.

From the Baltimore Sun.

The terms of 27 Senators expire on the 4th of March next—25 by regular process, which makes the period of service of one-third of the members of the body end every two years, and two by the limitations of the commissions of Senators appointed to fill the vacancies occasioned by death. In addition there is a vacancy to be supplied occasioned by the refusal of the Senate to admit Mr. Pinchback. The outgoing Senators are Messrs. Anthony, Alcorn, Blaine, Boutwell, Cooper, Clayton, Cragin, Davis, Ferry, Frelinghuysen, Goldthwaite, Hitchcock, Harvey, Hamilton, Key, Kelly, Logan, Norwood, Price, Robertson, Ransom, Saulsbury, Stevenson, Teller, West, Windham and Wright. Of these, Messrs. Anthony, Ransom and Teller have already been chosen their own successors. In place of Mr. Goldthwaite, Alabama sends Mr. Morgan. Mr. Alcorn gives way to Mr. Lamar. Gov. Kirkwood, of Iowa, takes the seat of Mr. Wright. Kentucky's new Senator, in place of Mr. Stevenson, is Mr. Beck, who served a long time in the House.

Mr. Cragin, of New Hampshire, yields his seat to Mr. E. H. Rollins, a successful Republican manager. Texas replaces Mr. Hamilton with her present Governor, Mr. Coke. Mr. Robertson, of South Carolina, will be succeeded either by D. T. Corbin, Republican carpet-bagger, or Gen. M. C. Butler, Democrat, both of whom will claim the seat. Mr. Kelly, of Oregon, will be succeeded by Gov. Grover.

All of the Senators whose terms expire on the 4th of March, and who have not yet passed the ordeal for a new election, are understood to be candidates. Messrs. Saulsbury, of Delaware, Blaine, of Maine, Boutwell, of Mass., and Davis, of West Virginia, confidently expect a re-election. Mr. Price, of West Virginia, is also a candidate for re-election, but will have several strong competitors. Tennessee will also elect two Senators, and the chances are that ex-Gov. Isham G. Harris and Gen. Wm. B. Butt will carry off the coveted honors, although Senator Key's friends think he will serve out the rest of Mr. Johnson's term, until 1881. Mr. Clayton thinks that his successor will be Gov. Garland, the Democrats having a large majority in the Arkansas Legislature. Minnesota will be pretty certain to give Mr. Windom another term. In Illinois the contest will be close, with the prospect that Gen. Logan, who will be the Republican caucus nominee, will be beaten by the independent, who hold the balance of power, with some former Republican like ex-Senator Trumbull. Gen. John M. Palmer or Gen. Farnsworth. Mr. Ferry's friends say that Michigan will give him a second term. He has a prominent competitor in Gov. Bagley. Mr. Hitchcock will doubtless be re-elected from Kansas.

Two Senators are to be elected from Louisiana, and contesting Senators will doubtless be elected by dual Legislatures. The New Jersey Legislature being Democratic by one majority, will elect a Democratic Senator in place of Mr. Frelinghuysen, Republican. Looking to the political complexion of the Senate after all these changes take place it appears that if the Republican Senators from Louisiana and South Carolina are admitted and the Democrats control the Illinois and New Jersey Legislatures, the strength of the two parties will be—Republican 41 Democratic 35. If the theory that Mr. Tilden has carried both South Carolina and Louisiana be correct, then the Democrats have a right to the three Senators to be chosen by the Legislatures of those States, and they would have 38 members of the Senate to the Republicans 38—the body being equally divided. In any event it will be seen that the Republican majority is much smaller than it has been at any time since 1861, and so very small as to put that party on its good behavior in Senator after March, 1877.

The 8th of January Demonstration. WASHINGTON, Dec. 25, 1876.—Intelligence which reaches here from different parts of the country, East as well as West, shows that the 8th of January is likely to witness one of the most imposing public demonstrations this country has ever seen. Preparations are quietly making in nine or ten Northern States for public meetings to be held on that day, not only in the large cities, but in towns and villages, by Democrats to protest against the fraudulent or irregular counting in of a President. It has become known in several States and in many localities numbers of Republicans who voted for Hayes and Wheeler have determined to join in this protest and demand fair play and an honest count. There is not the least intention to break the peace, but it is meant that the protest shall be earnest and show that the people are attentively watching what is going on and are not asleep. Letters received here from different States from influential men show that the constant reiteration by leading Republicans here that the Vice President shall count and declare the vote at all hazards and the echo of this sentiment in Republican organs produces great excitement and irritation on the public mind. The people thinking that this question should be settled by a committee of Congress and not by a predetermined partisan arrangement.

Indiana Democrats.

INDIANAPOLIS, Dec. 25, 1876.—The Democracy and Tilden Liberals of Indiana held local conventions throughout the State on Saturday, the 23d inst., to select delegates to the State mass convention which is called to meet here January 8, Jackson's battle of New Orleans anniversary. This, in former years, was a great day for the Hoosier Democracy. On the same day "Blue Jeans" Williams is to be inaugurated as Governor, and as Governor Hendricks' successor. No doubt it will be a grand gathering of Governor Tilden's friends in this State, unless a satisfactory solution of the political complication shall have been suggested before then.

The resolutions passed by the various local popular assemblies on Saturday conform to a general demand for Congress to take hold of the dilemma, and are vehemently adverse to what is termed the Republican assumption of autocratic and judicial powers in the hands of the presiding officer of the Senate.

The Investigations in the South.

WASHINGTON, December 25.—There is a fear that the hopes which have been entertained of some good and practical result accruing from the visit of the investigating committees South may not be realized. Private information was received here to-day from all of the centres where these committees are at work. It does not seem as if the Senate committees are directing their attention to the purpose of obtaining impartially the real facts surrounding the elections and the subsequent counting of the vote. To the contrary the effort is to collect stories of outrage and intimidation with which to garnish the reports of the committees. It may be expected that the reports made by the Senate committees will be principally occupied with this kind of matter, while the real points at issue will be skillfully evaded or touched upon in the most cursory manner.

Florida.

JACKSONVILLE, Dec. 25.—Republicans in this end of the State are unanimous in the opinion that Gov. Stearns must submit to the decision of the Supreme Court and quietly turn over the executive office to Governor-elect Drew on next Tuesday. They see no way open by which they can get the case before the United States Court, and there is good authority for saying that he has been notified very plainly that he cannot look for support from the Federal troops in making open resistance to the decision of the Supreme Court.

The Treasury Robbery.

It is learned that the treasury officials have become satisfied that the recent robbery of \$10,000 was perpetrated after the package had left the treasury. If this is the case, it is held the Adams Express Company is liable for the loss. The company understand this, and they have now at work active detectives in the hope of discovering the guilty party.

Louisiana.

MONROE, Dec. 25, 1876.—It has cropped out, upon examination before the sub-committee here to-day, that affidavit, produced before the Returning Board and appended to Senator Sherman's Louisiana report, are essentially different from those originally sworn to before the magistrates of Ouachita parish.

Thermometrical.

The state of the thermometer at the various stations named below was observed at the signal office in this city, at 4:31 p. m.:

Augusta, 42; Charleston, 48; Galveston, 49; Jacksonville, 52; Mobile, 45; New Orleans, 46; Norfolk, 32; Savannah, 46; Wilmington, 40.

Pistol Shots.

At intervals, during the last two or three nights, reports of pistol shots have been heard on the streets. The police have been investigating the matter, but so far they have made nothing out of it.

A handsome sum was realized from the Catholic festival, at Meginnis's Hall, on Tuesday evening.

Postal Hours.

The mails close at the City Post-Office as follows: Northern through mails - 5:30 P. M. Northern through and way mails, daily - 7:00 A. M. Mails for the N. C. Railroad and routes supplied therefrom, at - 6:30 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. ARRIVE. Northern through mail - 12:45 P. M. Northern through & way mails 8:00 P. M. The Smithville mails, by steamboat, close at 8 A. M., daily, except Sundays. Mails for Easy Hill, Town Creek, Supply and Shallotte, every Friday at 6 A. M. Mails delivered from 6 A. M. to 7:00 P. M., and on Sundays from 8:30 to 9:30 A. M. Stamp Office open from 8 A. M. to 12 M., and from 2 to 5:00 P. M. Money order and Register Departments open same as Stamp Office. Stamp Office for sale at general delivery when Stamp Office is closed. Key Boxes accessible at all hours, day and night.

NORTH CAROLINA NEWS.

Capt. J. G. Justice, one of the most prominent and respected citizens of Lincoln, died on Friday evening.

Statesville Landmark. Judge Mitchell is lying quite ill. We trust his venerable life may be spared yet many years.

Biblical Recorder. Prof. C. E. Taylor has received a call to the pastorate of the Clay Street Church, Richmond, Va. He will not go.

Raleigh News. The people of Raleigh are already giving evidence of their purpose to meet the drafts which will be made on their hospitality on the 1st day of January. Jealous of the character of the city, they will throw their doors open and entertain all who may come. Some families will entertain as many as twelve or fifteen guests.

A fine engraving of Bishop Atkinson, be a celebrated New York artist, is on exhibition in Raleigh. The Observer says arrangements will be made as soon as practicable, to supply the work in the Diocese of North Carolina through the rectors of the different parishes. In the meantime, orders may be sent to Pott, Young & Co., New York city, or to Rev. Dr. M. M. Marshall, Raleigh, N. C. It will be furnished at the moderate price of \$2.50 for plain, and \$5 per copy for India Proof impressions.

A San Francisco young lady received an invitation to attend the theatre the other evening just as the Chinaman came for her wash. She hurriedly made out a list of the washing, and answered the invitation. Then she sent the list to the young man and kept the answer to his note. There was soon a very much confused young man, a very much mortified young woman, but no theatre going for either of them that night.

"Why in the world don't you go to work?" inquired a citizen of a lazy fellow who was trying to borrow some money of him. "Go to work?" echoed the man, "how can I do anything till I know for certain who is going to be the next President?"

Wilmington District. NORTH CAROLINA CONFERENCE—FIRST ROUND OF APPOINTMENTS FOR QUARTERLY MEETINGS AS MADE BY THE PRESIDENT ELDER, REV. W. S. BLACK, FOR THE PRESENT CONFERENCE YEAR: Wilmington, at Fifth Street, Dec. 23, 24 Magnolia, at Magnolia - " 30, 31 Onslow, at Lebanon - " Jan. 6, 7 Whiteville & Waccamaw Miss. at Whiteville - " 13, 14 Bladen, at Deems' Chapel, - " 20, 21 Elizabeth, at Elizabeth - " 27, 28 Wilmington, Front Street - Feb. 3, 4 Smithville, at Zion - " 10, 11 Clinton, at Clinton - " 17, 18 Topsail, at Union - " 24, 25 Cokesbury and Coharie Miss. at Hall's - " Mar. 3, 4 Kenansville, at Kenansville - " 10, 11 District Steward's meeting, at the Lecture Room of the Front Street Church, Wilmington, at 11 o'clock, a. m., Feb. 5.

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