

THE OREGON VOTE.

On the afternoon of Monday, December 4th, as previously announced, Governor Grover and Secretary Chadwick, in the presence of a large assemblage, proceeded to canvass the vote of Oregon, with the following result:

For Electors—Odell received 15,206; Watts, 15,206; Cartwright, 15,214; Klippell, 14,136; Cronin, 14,157; Laswell, 14,149; Clark, 509; Sutherland, 510; Carl, 507; scattering, 4. The first three electors were for Hayes and Wheeler, the second three for Tilden and Hendricks, the three last for Cooper and Carey. It will be seen from the above that the Republican Presidential majority is 1,057.

For Congress—Williams, Republican, 15,347; Lane, 14,229; scattering, 8. Dick Williams' majority, 1,118.

At the close of the count, the Governor announced that, in the matter of the election of a member of Congress, certificate would issue upon the canvass to Richard Williams. In the matter of the electors, a protest had been filed in the office of the Executive against the issuance of a certificate to Mr. Watts as an elector, on the ground that he (Watts) is ineligible, having been postmaster at Lafayette on the day of election, and instructs the Governor that his duty is to issue certificates to the three qualified candidates having the highest number of votes. The protest was filed December 21, and is signed by R. R. Thompson, J. C. Atkinson, Geo. L. Curry, C. B. Bellinger, J. S. White, J. F. Miller, J. H. Reed, W. F. Trimble, James K. Kelly, W. H. E. Finger, W. W. Thayer, B. Jennings, B. E. Acker, A. D. Shelby and T. Patterson, and is accompanied by an affidavit of four citizens of Yamhill county as to the personal identity of Mr. Watts, and as to the fact of his being postmaster up to November 14th. The board adjourned until half past nine a. m. Tuesday, to give time for parties to file counter statements, when the questions raised could be argued and investigated.

After hearing arguments from Senator Kelly and others, lasting through the entire day of Tuesday and until ten o'clock at night, Grover took the matter under advisement until Wednesday morning, when he decided not to give a certificate of election to Dr. Watts, but to issue a certificate to Mr. Cronin, one of the candidates for Elector on the Tilden ticket. It is generally believed that the Governor was acting under orders from Tilden. And here is an account of the finale of the whole matter, as given in the columns of the Oregonian:

The hour of 12, noon, (Wednesday), when the electoral college was required to meet and vote, having arrived, the Republican and Democratic electoral candidates assembled in a committee room opening in the Senate chamber. The certified list of electors containing the names of Messrs. Cartwright, Odell and Cronin had been prepared by the Governor and were handed to Secretary Chadwick, who attached his official signature, and placed thereon the seal of State. Then placing all three lists in one envelop, it was sealed up. Mr. Chadwick then presented himself at the door of the room where the electoral candidates were assembled and rapped upon the door. It was opened and Mr. Cronin was standing just inside, ready to receive the envelop, which was handed to him by Mr. Chadwick. After the lapse of a short time, Mr. Klippell appeared and called for J. N. T. Miller, of Jackson county. Mr. Miller, who had of course been selected as one of the tools in carrying out the plot, was on hand and went into the room. Then John Parker, of Linn county was called, and, like Miller, he was not so far off but that Bill Watkins soon led him to the door, and he also was admitted. Then the whole plan was understood and all were able to form a correct idea of what was going on inside. Cronin refused to give the certified lists to Cartwright and Odell, and they refused to recognize Cronin as a qualified elector. Cronin assumed that a majority of the certified electors refused to act because they declined to acquiesce in his illegal assumption of the office, and so he declared their places vacant, and filled them with Miller and Parker, and the three proceeded to cast what the Democrats claim is the electoral vote of Oregon, a proceeding which, were it not of such a farcical character as to excite derision, would be considered as one of the greatest frauds in law and precedent on record. That upon the refusal of the electors to act with him, Mr. Cronin should have cast his vote for Mr. Tilden and sent or carried it to Washington is no matter of surprise, for, though he was not elected, the fraudulent official notice of election given him by the Governor would at

least give a color of justice to his assumption of the right to cast a vote; but that he should forebore retain possession and refuse to give to the two persons named with himself therein the certified lists was an outrage more glaring, if possible than any other act in the infamous Democratic programme, and it comports with the reputation which Mr. Cronin had earned for fairness and honorable dealing, and which will carry him, with his companions in the fraud, to an early political grave. Having filled his rump college with Miller and Parker, the vote was cast, it is said, two for Hayes and Wheeler and one for Tilden and Hendricks, Miller and Parker casting the former and Cronin the latter. The bogus arrangement was finished, and it is said Cronin was selected to carry the thing to Washington. That the Oregon Democracy think they have played a fine little game and laugh over their victory, Republicans can rest assured, that it will be dearly bought and fruitless, and that the votes of Grover's rump college will be disregarded in the count of the aggregate electoral votes for President is certain.

THE CROWNING INFAMY OF GOV. GROVER.

Grover, as a member of the returning board, appointed himself Dictator, Supreme Judge, opened Court on Tuesday, heard arguments from Senator Kelly, H. Y. Thompson, Judge Thayer and Effinger, why he should, as the Supreme Judge of Oregon, refuse to give a certificate to the man who was elected Presidential Elector by 1,057 votes! And this hold-all-the-offices man, Grover, acting Governor, claiming to be a United States Senator, and assuming the authority and prerogatives of a Judge, informs the people that they are not competent to decide who they shall have as Electors; that to him belongs all power; and he uses it to declare that Mr. Cronin, with 14,157 votes is elected Presidential Elector over Dr. Watts, who received 15,206 votes! What do the people of Oregon say to this last and most stupendous outrage upon the freedom of the people? With such men as Grover in high places, what are the liberties of the people worth? The will of the people, as shown at the ballot-box, is set aside without reason or law; the sacredness of the ballot is laughed to scorn, and the people are told they have no rights which a Democratic-United States Senator-Judge-Governor is bound to respect. Will the people of Oregon sit quietly by and permit this unprincipled demagogue to rob them of their rights?

CONGRESSIONAL COMMENTS ON THE PRESS.

Congress met on the 4th inst. The House was called to order by Clerk Adams. A motion to admit the new members elect from Colorado and Maine, before proceeding to the election of Speaker, was voted down, the Democrats outraging all precedent by their votes in this matter. Samuel J. Randall was elected Speaker, the vote being: Randall, 161; Jas. A. Garfield, 82; C. G. Williams, of Wisconsin, 1; W. R. Morrison, 1; G. F. Hoar, 1. Following are a few of the press comments on the opening of Congress:

The Tribune says: The Democratic House starts on its homestretch badly. Its refusal to allow members having prima facie title to seats to be sworn in before the election of Speaker is contrary to precedent and in violation of the dictates of common sense. Its Speaker began badly in making a partisan speech on taking the chair, and as the third officer of the government at the present time, his allusion to the President was outside of all official decorum. The House went on from bad to worse with its exclusion of members elect from Colorado and South Carolina, and the Speaker seems to have followed its example with his final ruling. Altogether it was not a day for Democrats to be proud of.

The Times editorially says: The arrogance and bad temper of Randall's speech on taking the chair, and the contempt of parliamentary precedents displayed in his first ruling as Speaker, gave the key note to a session likely to be marked on the part of the Democrats by a great deal of turbulence, demagoguery and reckless partisanship. There is some reason to hope the Democratic Senators will behave more rationally than their party associates in the House. There is, of course, a certainty that the overbearing tactics by which the popular branch of Congress will be controlled will lead to several discredit and ridiculous blunders, but it is evident the bullying and bluster of Confederate colonels who were so successful in making a bear garden of the House at frequent intervals last winter will be reinforced by some of the choicest efforts of Northern demagogues. During the present session, the House will be conducted like the Democratic campaign in reliance upon sharp practice, bragadocio and brute force of unreasoning party discipline.

The Herald's editorial says: The action of the majority of the House of Representatives yesterday in case of the member elect from the new State of Colorado, was unfortunate and ill-advised. The Democratic party in Colorado took part in the Presidential election in that State, and the Democrats all over the Union counted Colorado as a State that would probably elect a Democratic electoral ticket. It is such had been the result, no one will believe that the majority of the House of Representatives would have raised a question as to the right of the State to be

present in the electoral vote. The attempt to embarrass the admission of Colorado, would fail; it would besides fatally damage the Democratic position which at present we are unwilling to believe that it will be made.

THE ELECTORAL VOTE FOR HAYES.

Louisiana has gone for Hayes. Florida has gone for Hayes. South Carolina has gone for Hayes. The vote has been counted, and notwithstanding the unblushing frauds, false witnesses, false swearing, ballot-stuffing, destroying returns from precincts and perishes, the majority for Hayes was so large it could not be overcome. Now let the heathen rage! We are to have an honest man, a capable man, a Republican for President, who will administer the affairs of this government for four years from next March. Right, honesty, truth and justice has prevailed. God reigns.

NEBRASKA ALL RIGHT.

The Gov. of Nebraska labored under the impression, until a few days before the day appointed by law for canvassing the vote of the State for Presidential Electors, that the duty of canvassing said vote devolved upon him. Upon looking into the matter, and finding that the law entrusted the matter to the Legislature, he hastily issued a proclamation convening that body; but it was thought impossible to convene the Legislature in so short a time—probably six days—as the Democratic members placed every obstacle in the way, determined that there should be no quorum. But in spite of Democratic opposition a quorum was obtained on the 6th, and the electoral vote of the State cast for Hayes and Wheeler. 'Ror.

WHO SHALL DECIDE?

There seems to be a wide difference of opinion as to the power of the President of the U. S. Senate in the matter of the Presidential vote. The Constitution of the United States says that the President of the Senate shall "open all the certificates," in presence of the Senate and House, "and the vote shall be counted." Precedent, at least, gives the matter wholly and entirely into the hands of the President of the Senate, who heretofore has counted the vote and decided who was elected President. If past usage is to govern the next count, the President of the Senate has the power and will decide who is President elect for the coming four years.

THE INDIAN WAR.

Gen. Crook's whole force marched on Monday for the junction of Little Powder with Powder river, where a supply camp is to be established, from which operation against the hostile Indians will be made during the winter—the very best time to fight Indians. Sitting Bull and Crazy Horse are supposed to have, together, a force of between 1,500 and 2,000 warriors. Crook hopes, with this campaign, to forever crush out Indian rebellion.

THE EASTERN QUESTION.

Telegrams state that the Turks are preparing for the struggle with terrible earnestness, fortifying and strengthening Widdin, Rustchuk, Silistria and Shumla. The Russians are hurrying their preparations, and present indications point to a bloody and devastating war between the two powers. The certainty of a great war has disturbed financial matters to some extent, and has advanced the price of breadstuffs largely.

TILDEN HOPES TO BUY ELECTORAL VOTES.

The N. Y. Times Washington special says Democrats are hopeful of being able to buy a few electoral votes for Cooper, and thus throw the election into the House, when Tilden will have a pretty good show to be elected.

Shot in the Back.

The Serbians are not a military people, and in their present war with the Porte they are extensively officered by the Russians. It is said that many of these Russian officers have been shot down from behind! The Serbians were urged into a disastrous enterprise, to which they were not very strongly inclined of themselves and now when they cannot escape service by wounding and bandaging their own arms, they take revenge by shooting down the officers who have volunteered to lead them!

It is not alone in battle that men, figuratively, if not literally, are often shot down by their own allies and professed friends. Many a civil enterprise, as well as military exploit, has been wrecked by the treachery of those professing to aid it.

If you wish to succeed in life—as who does not?—be cautious with whom you unite in joint undertakings. The unwilling and over-persuaded are never to be depended upon; neither are those of a fickle disposition, or who are capable of betraying a friend.

Condensed Lightning.

Congress has resolved to investigate Southern affairs.

A New York Tilden elector says Hayes is surely elected.

Germany refuses to participate in the French Exposition of 1878.

The British Government proposes to surrender the forgers, Brent and Winslow.

Half the coal mines in Pennsylvania have closed, 4,500 miners out of work.

Revolution is progressing in Mexico. Gen. Diaz occupies the City of Mexico, and President Lerdo and Ministers have fled.

According to Govs. Wickliffe and Bigler, the Louisiana returning board have returned as elected the Hayes electors, five Republican Congressmen and a majority in the State Legislature of 26 on joint ballot.

A telegram from Tallahassee, Florida, of the 6th, says Hayes official majority in Florida is 930. The Republicans elect the Governor, Lieut. Governor, and both members of Congress. Whoop!

Tilden's friends now say, since Hayes has a majority of the electoral votes, that the House can do nothing for him, unless by hook or crook it can refer the whole thing back to the people, and have a new election! Tilden seems to have lost his head with the balance of the crazy Democrats. If it were possible to have a new election, Tilden would be worse beat than ever, even if he spent the balance of his fortune.

Wade Hampton, of South Carolina, says he has been elected, and he intends to be Governor. Large bodies of men had assembled at the State capital, and an outbreak was hourly expected. The Senate and House, in joint session, canvassed the vote, and declared Chamberlain elected by 3,044. Gov. Chamberlain is hourly in danger of assassination. The end is not yet.

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something, and as I tumbled over I saw de ole woman makin for de roof wid de teakittle and de stove plates followin' her, while de boys and de gals was as brack wid smut as de ace ob spades. De stove's goose was cooked for a fact."

"What was de cause ob de 'splosion?"

"I'm strongly 'clined to believe dat dar was powder in dat wood, an' dat de powder was done put in dar by dat white man to catch some theivin' niggers who nebber buys no wood, an' bressed ef I don't think dat man 'specks me, kase he couldn't find dat note, an' wuzn't make any 'poligies."

"Dat an' an outrage."

"For a fact, an' de chillen's supper was spoiled, too."—Keokuk Constitution.

A Forgetful Man.

His wife sent him up town for "sumthin' or ruther" early in the evening. On the way he met a friend, and they spent a half hour in an animated dispute as to whether Hayes or Tilden had the best chance for an election, and, when he had left his friend he had entirely forgotten what Maria had sent him after. It was in vain that he tried to think up his forgotten errand. For three long, weary hours he wandered around from saloon to saloon, seeking to stimulate his unreachably brain and prick up his memory. 'Twas no use. The more he stimulated the more he didn't remember. He hated to go home and acknowledge as much to his wife, and so he just dropped on his friends to gather their sympathy. After he had managed to scrape considerable of the article together, and just as the chimes of St. Xavier Church was chiming the midnight hour the telegraph editor opened a dispatch and remarked that the Associated Press announced the death of Dr.—, the famous physician of—.

"By the jumping Juniper Jupiter, I remember now," said the visitor, rising slowly from his chair and turning as pale as a cholera patient; "I remember now. My wife had the cramp-colic and sent me to bring the doctor! D—n politics! I wonder it she's alive yet!" And he shot out that door for the doctor without staying to hear what the chances were in New York.

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"Six-penny?" answered the clerk.

"No" sir. They were shoe-pegs, sir."

"That was strange," mused the clerk.

"And another time when I ordered shingle-nails," continued the stranger, "the clerk put up four stove-handles, three nutmeg-graters and a coffee-mill. Can I build a cow-shed out of coffee-mills? Can I shingle a barn with stove-handles? Can I clap-board a smoke-house with nutmeg-graters?"

"Curious mistake, that," said the clerk.

"And another time, when I asked for shingle-nails, they put up four corn-poppers and a match-safe. These things have sunk deep into my soul, and you mustn't blame me for seeming particular. Now, these are nails, are they?"

"Of course."

"Shingle-nails?"

"Yes, sir."

"Just write up on this card and give me your name, the name of the firm, the number of this store and the date of the month. I don't want to make trouble, but if I find when I get home that you have put me up with bark-brick and harness-snaps in the place of shingle-nails, I'll come back here and make it warm for you!"—Detroit Free Press.

An Irishman being a little fuddled was asked what was his religious belief. "Is it my belief ye'd be asking about?" said he. "It's the same as the Widly Brady. I owe her twelve shillings for whiskey, and she believes I'll never pay her; and faith that's my belief too."

Not having received a copy of the Portland Standard this week we fear it has defaulted.

Word having reached here from California that Mrs. Griffin is not expected to live, the Dr. starts for her bedside by first steamer.

Miss Lizzie Westlake is thought to be out of danger, and slowly recovering.

Blain is looking for those handsome suits this week.

Baptist concert next Wednesday night, free to all.

New To-Day.

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Table with 2 columns: State and Votes. Includes entries for Hayes, Tilden, and various states like Arkansas, Kansas, etc.

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