

# The Democratic Times.

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## The Facts as They Stand.

The facts of the political situation are as follows: About 7,700,000 citizens have voted for Presidential Electors. Of that number about 4,100,000 voted for Tilden and Hendricks, and 3,600,000 for Hayes and Wheeler; majority for Tilden and Hendricks, about 500,000 votes. The political character of the electors is as follows: For Tilden and Hendricks, 208; for Hayes and Wheeler, 166; majority for Tilden and Hendricks, 37. The 37 majority on the electoral vote is what the conspirators are now trying to reverse. If they can steal 19 votes by fraud and perjury for Hayes, they can declare he has a majority in the Electoral College. Nineteen votes added to Hayes' real vote, 166, give him 185, while 19 stolen from Tilden's vote of 203, would leave him but 184. The votes which the Radicals propose to steal are, seven in South Carolina, which they have already grabbed by an infamous fraud, four in Florida and eight in Louisiana, in all 19 votes. Tilden carried three States by a popular majority of about 12,000. Now then, count Mr. Hayes in and assume that the people of the country, wishing to save what remains to them from one civil war by avoiding another, says the *Sonoma Democrat*, and what will be the position of Mr. Hayes—a President forced upon the country by fraud and outrage, under the form of law with the spirit and letter of the Constitution violated and a Democratic Congress facing the so-called President at every step during his entire term of office? What could compensate the Republican party or any honest party for occupying such a position before the country, with the President and Cabinet the spawn of an unholy alliance between Zach Chandler and Kellogg, the rascally carpet-bag Governor of Louisiana?

## No Idea of Letting Go.

Some Democrats have an idea that if Tilden had carried California, Nevada, Oregon, or all these States, that the Presidential election would have been settled beyond controversy. There was never a greater mistake. And so long as the Pacific States were in doubt, the Radical wire-pullers claimed North Carolina. As soon as it was discovered that the vote of North Carolina was not necessary to count Hayes in, the claim to that State was dropped. If still another State had been necessary, then Mississippi would have been manipulated to secure by fraud the election for Hayes. In short, the Radical leaders had no intention, under any circumstances, of turning over the Government without a desperate struggle to hold on to the power which they have so basely used for self-glorification and self-aggrandizement.

## The Question Reversed.

The majority for Hayes in half a dozen States is small, says the *New York Sun*, and in some of these a majority of the State canvassers are Democratic. Now, suppose these canvassers should propose to throw out a sufficient number of Republican votes to give these States to Tilden, simply because this would insure his election, what would the Republicans all over the country say? They would denounce these canvassers as a pack of villains, who ought to be in the penitentiary, and they would call every man who justified their conduct a scoundrel.

## Sensible Talk.

The *Oregonian* takes a sensible and rational view of the political situation. It opposes the three Southern States being counted in for Hayes. It adds: No candid republican can entertain a doubt that it would be infinitely better for the future of his party to lose the Presidency than to retain it by questionable means. To hold it under conditions which could be challenged for unfairness would be almost or quite sure to wreck the party in the next elections. It would then be beaten at a time when the consequence of defeat would be the loss of everything, coupled with the overwhelming ascendancy of the Democrats in every branch of the government.

## Congress Meets.

Congress met on Monday last. The session will doubtless be very interesting and important. Hon. Samuel J. Tilden, of Pennsylvania, was elected Speaker of the House, having received the Democratic caucus nomination.

## SITUATION IN SOUTH CAROLINA.

Matters are becoming very ticklish in this State. The authorities at Washington are again intermeddling and perpetrating unconstitutional, unjust and infamous acts of interference, which is only another confirmation of the universal belief that Hayes is to be counted in at all hazards and that troops will be used to sustain the decision of the scalawag returning boards. The Canvassing Board of South Carolina, imprisoned by the Supreme Court, has been released by Federal authorities. Two Legislatures have been formed and serious times are expected. The outrageous proceedings which occurred in Louisiana two years ago, have been repeated in South Carolina. Grant has determined to sustain Chamberlain and his rump Legislature (the lower house of which has no quorum and is composed of all negroes but five) with troops. The following will give an idea of how this outrage was perpetrated:

No one was allowed to enter the State House in Columbia on the 28th ult. unless on pass from Jones, Clerk of the late House, or a man named Dennis, ex-Superintendent of the penitentiary. The Democratic members presented their certificates from the Supreme Court, but were denied admittance by the corporal and guard, under orders from Dennis, who was standing by. The Democratic members of the House, after gaining admittance to the State House, proceeded to the door of the House of Representatives with the delegations from Edgefield and Laurens at their head, and demanded admission on the certificates of election taken from the record of the Supreme Court. Six soldiers were ranged on either side of the approach to the door with two officers in the center. The certificates of Edgefield and Laurens delegates being presented were decided invalid by doorkeepers, whereupon the entire body of Democrats withdrew. They assembled in front of the State House, from the steps of which the following protest was read in the presence of the military and citizens:

COLUMBIA, Nov. 28, 1876. We, a majority of the members of the House of Representatives of South Carolina, elect, protest against the refusal to admit us to the hall of Representatives. We protest against the military power of the United States being placed for the purpose of this exclusion under the command of one John B. Dennis, partisan of Gov. Chamberlain. We protest against the said Dennis' instructions to the guard to admit no one to the State House, except upon his own pass, or a pass of A. O. Jones, former clerk of the House, who may thus exclude all except his own partisans whereby the Republican programme is to organize said House. We have presented ourselves with the judgment of the highest court of South Carolina, certified to by its clerk with the great seal of the Supreme Court attached. As to our right to participate in the organization of said House, we are refused by orders of said Dennis admission to said hall, except upon his pass or the pass of said Jones, or the certificate of H. E. Hayne, Secretary of State, who is now under the condemnation of said court for refusal to issue certificates in accordance with its judgment and mandate. In protesting against this barefaced usurpation—this trampling on the laws and constitution of the State; this defiance of the highest tribunal of the State—it is our purpose to offer no resistance to this intervention, but to make our solemn appeal to the American people without distinction of party. Our veneration for law, our respect for the Supreme Court, and the usages of all Legislative assemblages, forbid our participation in such unprecedented and revolutionary proceedings. Signed by all the Democratic members, 64 in number.

## Mr. Hendricks on the Situation.

The *New York Herald*, speaking of the interview between Tilden and Hendricks on the 25th ult., says both Governors, after a careful review of the whole field, and a perfectly candid exchange of views bearing on every possible phase of the contest, have concluded not only that they are elected by a majority of the electoral vote, but also that they will be quietly and peacefully inaugurated. A gentleman who occupies a very high position in the party and was much with Governor Hendricks yesterday, said Hendricks is in excellent spirits, perfectly confident of being inaugurated on the 5th of March. He don't doubt but what the three disputed States will be counted for Hayes, but thinks this fraud cannot stand when Congress meets. Both Governors agreed, that the Vice-President has nothing to do with counting the votes, but simply opens them and that Congress alone counts the votes. The results of their legal examinations during the conference were convincing to their minds, but according to the constitution and practice of Congress, fraudulent returns of the three returning boards will be reversed by Congress, and their inauguration will follow in consequence. Hendricks was found to be in perfect accord with Tilden's steadfast position, which is to exhaust every legal and peaceable remedy to secure his rights, but to sternly discountenance every attempt at violence. Hendricks parted from Tilden in the most hopeful spirit.

## LOUISIANA.

The Republican managers have about completed their dirty work in Louisiana, and, having thrown out enough Democratic parishes and doctored up sufficient returns, will soon give that State to Hayes and Packard. The Democratic Committee have issued the following proclamation, which explains itself:

NEW ORLEANS, Dec. 1, 1876.

To the people of the United States: On our arrival here, in casting about for approaches to the officers who control the elections in this State, we discovered that they were all of one political party; that the Governor had appointed none but Republicans as Supervisors of Elections, and that the Returning Officers constituting the State Board were of the same political school. Influenced by these insidious surroundings, our thoughts and hopes were turned toward the eminent gentlemen who had been selected by the President to be present and see that the Board of Canvassers made a fair count of the votes actually cast, and on the 14th of November we invited these gentlemen to meet and confer with us. This co-operation was declined, but, nevertheless, we have reason to believe that to this correspondence may be attributed the invitation to us on the 18th ultimo by the Returning Board to attend and be present at its meetings as spectators and witnesses of its proceedings. Through this courtesy, and by the services of a competent stenographer, we became possessed of all the essential facts delivered on the face of the official papers. We have been furnished with a certified copy of the duplicate statements of votes made by the Commissioners of election at each place of voting in the State. From these statements it appears that the Tilden Electors received the following votes, viz: McEnery, 83,712; Wickliff, 83,880; St. Martin, 83,676; Poche, 83,529; Deblanc, 83,667; Zay, 83,842; Cobb, 83,579; Cross, 83,652. And the Hayes Electors received the following votes, viz: Kellogg, 77,152; Burch, 77,144; Joseph, 74,889; Sheldon, 74,844; Marks, 75,221; Levissee, 75,370; Brewster, 75,457; Jefferson, 75,956. The result of the vote for Presidential Electors, as disclosed on the face of the returns opened by the Returning Board in our presence, for the Tilden Electors was: McEnery, 82,223; St. Martin, 82,129; Deblanc, 82,065; Cobb, 81,959; Wickliff, 82,346; Poche, 82,036; Zay, 82,242; Cross, 82,109. For the Hayes Electors—Kellogg, 77,023; Joseph, 74,642; Marks, 73,087; Brewster, 72,270; Burch, 76,983; Sheldon, 72,678; Levissee, 75,157; Jefferson, 75,530. In most of the cases the returns opened by the Returning Board corresponded precisely with the certified copies of the statements of the Commissioners of Election furnished us. The most material difference arose from the failure of the Supervisors of East Baton Rouge, Tangipahoa and Orleans to forward the statements of votes from all the voting places in these respective parishes. In thirty-five out of the thirty-eight States in the Union these figures would be conclusive. No one would claim that Tilden and Hendricks were not entitled to the Electoral vote of the State; but a Louisiana tribunal has been set up which, on former occasions, has overthrown the will of the people, as expressed at the polls, for which the power is not claimed in its discretion to change the result of the popular vote at the recent election. In view, however, of the returns, and the law and the facts which should control the Returning Board, with which we have made ourselves familiar, we have no hesitation in saying that the result shown by the votes actually cast cannot be changed without a palpable abuse of the letter and spirit of the law governing the Returning Board, and a manifest perversion of the facts before it. Irregularities have been committed in some instances by officers conducting the elections, and in making the returns; but they are about as much on one side as the other, and as to intimidation, violence, or other illegal acts preventing a free and fair election, there is evidence on both sides, but not of such a character as to affect the general result. In most instances the acts of violence proceeded from mere lawlessness, as in the case of Henry and Eliza Pinkston, and had no connection with politics. It is a significant fact that in the parish where it is alleged that the voters were kept from the polls by intimidation, the total vote of such parishes was as large as at any time heretofore, and in the whole State is 1,500 above any vote heretofore cast, and an honest and fair canvass of the returns, even under the Louisiana law, cannot materially reduce Tilden's majority as shown on the face of the returns.

(Signed:) John M. Palmer, Lyman Trumbull, Wm. Bigler, Geo. B. Smith, Geo. W. Julian, P. H. Watson.

## Florida.

The latest advices are to the effect that the Republican managers have "doctored up" enough returns and thrown out sufficient Democratic precincts, without the color of justice or law, to give the State to Hayes by the insignificant majority of 47. Tilden has a considerable majority according to the returns of the precinct officers.

## GENERAL NOTES AND NEWS.

A full-blooded Mongolian began his studies in the Willamette University last week. Governor Tilden is said to be reading all law on constitutional questions and elections.

Mart. Brown's daily *Albany Democrat* has suspended. It was a lively sheet and we are sorry to miss it.

Senator Morton has returned to Washington. He says the Chinese investigation is very interesting and important.

The *Times*' Washington special says Secretary Taft has expressed the opinion that Hampton is elected Governor of South Carolina.

Geo. E. Thomas, formerly Superintendent of the California State Company, has been elected Sheriff of Walla Walla county by 550 majority.

Clarkson N. Potter writes the *New York Herald* a long letter, maintaining that sooner or later the election will go to the House and Tilden be elected.

The *Morning Star*, a leading Republican paper, advises the South to prepare for another struggle, and never submit to the seating of Packard.

If Hayes had been elected the news would have been flashed around the Globe in forty-eight hours. But as it is, it takes a month to "doctor" up the returns.

During the past five years Oregon has paid \$18,000 internal revenue tax, a very large sum compared with that paid by other and wealthier commonwealths.

Southern Democrats are daily in receipt of telegrams from the north and west calling on them to stand firm and they shall be supported to the utmost.

The result of the New York billiard tournament was a tie among Slosson, Rudolph and Joseph Dion. Dion gets the prize for the best general average.

The Democrats are trying to defeat one of the Republican electors in Pennsylvania, Samuel W. Starkweather, because of a mistake in printing on some of the tickets.

Carl Schurz denounces the action of the South Carolina returning board as an act of high-handed usurpation which should be solemnly protested against by all citizens.

Gen. Crook attacked a Cheyenne camp of 100 lodges on Powder river on the 25th ult., capturing the village and the greater part of the herd. Lieut. McKenney, of the 4th cavalry, was killed.

Wigginton (Dem.) was defeated by one vote by Pacheco (Rep.) in the Fourth Congressional District in California, and will contest the election. Luttrell (Dem.) was elected in the Third District by nearly 1,000.

The first "case" under the new liquor law was tried in Columbia county last week. The witness, when asked what he was doing in the saloon, replied that he went in to change his breath. That settled the question.

The Washington ring wants Mr. Tilden counted out. Ross Shepherd is bankrupt, and he knows that he will have no chance to retrieve his broken fortunes under Tilden. Shepherd is for Hayes and heavier contracts.

A memorial of the Anti-Chinese Union Club is in circulation throughout Oregon and Washington Territory. Any person receiving such memorial is requested to canvass for names and return the same to the club at Astoria.

The Democratic city of New York registered 183,000 on a population of over a million; the Republican city of Philadelphia registered 186,000 on 700,000 population. Or one to about every four of her entire population. Where are the frauds?

The *World's Cincinnati* special says: Judge Stanley Matthews has received a telegram from Senator Sherman declaring that the Louisiana returning board's count is fraudulent on its face, and asking him to communicate with Governor Hayes.

After reading Gov. Chamberlain's proclamation to rifle clubs, demanding the surrender of their arms, the club at Rock Hill, S. C., procured a box, placed in an old horse pistol, a flint-lock rifle and an army musket, and shipped it to the Governor marked "C. O. D." The expressage was \$18.

Bad Doble reached Chicago a few days ago en route to California, having in charge the most formidable public stable of trotters that was ever known. The horses comprise Goldsmith Maid, 2:14; Bodine, 2:19½; Rarus, 2:20; Thorndale, 2:21½; Sam Purdy, 2:20½; Clementina, 2:21, and Abe Edginton, 2:26.

The *Times*' Washington special says the Republicans are hardly to be found who uphold the proceedings in South Carolina. A Boston gentleman well expressed the feeling, who said: "If Hayes takes his seat it will ruin the party; but let Tilden have the Presidency, and the next time we will beat you out of your boots."

The Democrats propose to object to the swearing in of the representatives from Colorado, holding that the enabling act has not been fully complied with. They declare that the constitution provides that the State Legislature shall specify the mode and date of State elections. The Colorado constitutional convention assumed this task, which renders the election in that State void.

The *New York World* states that Secretary Z. Chandler said just before he left that city Thursday after election: "I've got one man already down South, and the Democrats will need a d-d fast train to get the inside track of him. I don't propose to be eulched in this matter, and Hayes has got to be the next President whether he's elected or not." These were the words of the Republican Chairman as reported by General James McQuade, who with several other gentlemen heard them when uttered.

The Centennial Exhibition is the largest ever held. The amount of ground enclosed is 236 acres, and the buildings cover 75 acres. The extent and cost of other exhibition buildings, in round numbers, has been: London, in 1851, buildings covered over 175 acres and cost \$500,000; Paris, 1855, covered 30 acres, cost \$4,000,000; London, 1862, covered 24 acres, cost \$2,300,000; Paris, 1867, covered 40½ acres, cost \$4,500,000; Vienna, 1873, covered 50 acres, cost \$6,850,000; Philadelphia, 1876, covered 75 acres, cost \$8,500,000.

## One Murder to Five Parishes.

Gov. Kellogg was pushed into an awkward corner the other day in his interview with the Democratic Representatives now in New Orleans. He and all the other Governors whose States have repudiated them have been telegraphing North all sorts of lies to Republican papers without thinking that they might be called to account for them at home. Ex-Senator Doolittle asked Gov. Kellogg what foundation he had for his statement telegraphed to a New York newspaper that the vote of five parishes would be thrown out on account of intimidation and fraud. The Governor cast about for an answer and finally gave the detail of a murder that happened a year ago! One murder to five parishes! One murder to keep thousands of Republicans from the polls and induce thousands of them to vote the Democratic ticket! No, gentlemen. Start your outrage machine at once, and give us murders and assaults and threats in all their old time abundance, but don't expect the Northern people to believe that Gov. Hayes must be declared President because a year ago one murder was committed in Louisiana. You must produce a larger bill of particulars if you want to win the case.

## A Nice Trio.

At this crisis we find a beautiful trio coming to the front in the Radical party. Beast Butler, whom no decent Republican will own outside of Massachusetts; Colfax, who ought never to allow his name to go before the public again because of his connection with the Credit Mobilier swindle, of which he does not only stand charged, but convicted; and Blaine who only escaped expulsion from Congress for his connection with jobs by getting very sick and tendering his resignation. Indeed, the Republican party has fallen low when such men are recognized as its leaders.

## The Top and Bottom of It.

There is no doubt in the mind of any person whose opinion is not gangrened by partisan prejudice but that admits that Samuel J. Tilden has been fairly and squarely elected. But from all the actions of the Republican managers Hayes is going to be. This is what Radical argument has come to. Mr. Tilden was elected by the people; Mr. Hayes is to be elected by the Returning Boards. Will our Republican friends refer us to that section of the Constitution of the United States which provides for the election of President by Returning Boards?

## The Intimidation Bugbear.

If our patrons will read the dispatches which are constantly arriving, giving full particulars of intimidations, says the *Standard*, they will find by the figures given that the number of negroes in almost every instance is four to one white person. Strange how one white man can so completely intimidate, under a Radical State administration with federal soldiers, and white negroes to one—to say nothing of the white Republicans. This is the Centennial year, however, and nothing is remarkable.

## Impeachment Proposed.

It is probable that articles of impeachment against Grant, Cameron and other members of the Cabinet, for their unlawful and infamous connection with the elections in the South, may be prepared by the House of Representatives. These worthies have violated the Constitution and trampled on the rights of the people whenever it became their interest to do so, and in justice to law and decency they should be impeached, whether they are or not.

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Monday, December 11, 1876, between the hours of nine o'clock A. M. and four o'clock P. M. of said day, offer for sale for cash in hand to the highest bidder at the Court House door in the town of Kerbyville, in said county, the following described premises, to-wit:

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