#### COURIER LAFAYETTE

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY, 16, 1877, Democrats, if you desire the success of the good old principles of Democracy, you must also put your shoulder to the wheel. Let every good Democrat who ber before we enter upon the new volume, which commences February 23d, If the money accompanies the name, only \$2 25 will be required to pay for the paper one year.

#### THE COMMISSION.

mission, with its Republican majority, which can and should be settled by having disposed of the Florida case the tranquil methods of law. An by deciding the Hayes electors legal. let there be no mistake; to reject the ly appointed continue their work by plan proposed by the Joint Commit riding down everything not directly tee ineans that there is to be no set to the interest of Hayes. Louisiana tlement of the question harmoniously. is the next hitching point, and then That the senate will declare Haves will come Oregon and South Caroli. elected possibly; that the House wil na. The Democrats have some hopes declare that there has been no elecin regard to Louisiana. They will tion, and proceed to elect Tilden; and base their claims upon four different that on the 5th of March next two positions: first that the returning Presidents will be inaugurated and board had no statute authority to can- the country thrust upon a sea of trou vass the votes for electors; second, bles. Every man who opposes the that if it had, it lost its authority by proposed settlement, must do it berefusing to fill its membership; third, cause he desires that there shall be no that in the absence of the requisite peaceable and lawful inauguration of affidavits, it had no power to exclude one President; he must be willing that the vote; and, fourth, that the board the whole matter shall be settled by sold its decision for money. It is ex. strife, hoping merely that his party pected that some of these points will may come out of the reign of misrule have some influence with the Commis- the winner. That is a fearful risk sion and that they will not walk over for either party or the nation to take. the objections made by the Democratic members with as little regard to justice and right as they did in the Florida case.

#### INDIGNANT.

The President is said to be highly ois for not re-electing John A. Logan to the Senate. He had adopted him as his personal candidate; had given reasons to the public for that partiality; and is ued a general order to the officeholders to assemble at Springfield and do their level best for this favorite of the Administration and friend of the White House. In spite of all these efforts and influences and the regular nomination to back them, Logan could not pull through. He was able to get the full Republican vote, including the patriots who proved their anxiety for "reform from inside" by supporting the most blatant demagogue in Congress, who has done as much as any other leader of the party to lower the dignity and

honor of the Senate. Grant would not hesitate a moment. if the opportunity offered; to nomi nate him for a Justice of the Supreme Court, and as he is not likely to get and arbitrary action" in then revers- Spain was relatively powerful, and that chance before the fourth of March, he will doubtless seek some other life appointment to confer upon

The negro Haves elector; Beverly Nash, of South Carolina, who testified before a Congressional committee that he was offered a bride by Col. Childs of Columbia to cast his vote for Til den, was formerly a slave of the late W. C. Preston, and afterward a bootblack in a Columbia hotel. He has been one of the most prominent political leaders of his race, has served as a State Senator during most, if not the whole, of the time since reconstruction, and, of course, has been mixed up in the disreputable transactions by which the course of legislation in South Carolina has chiefly been distinguished of late years. He is a flucht speaker, and has a faculty, of using funry stories and anecdotes it will probably require something more than the unsupported assertions his story.

G. Harris that "he is good enough scut. to represent Tennessee Democrats in the Senate," and it is extremely probable that this is the reason why the Tennessee Democrats elected him.

It may fairly be doubted whether a republican form of government, ac took the great pains to impress upon any man can dive deeper in the ocean cording to the American notion of rethe public mind the distinction be of public disgust, and stay down long. publicanism and the intent of the tween an unconstitutional act and an er, than William A. Wheeler has Constitution, under which four men "extra constitutional" act. They were scribed as a threatening attitude, and surface by disproving his previous three quarters of a million of people existence.

| Control of the safety of the republic was the suit of the safety of the

WILL IT BE SATISFACTORY?

The next important question in the Presidential muddle is whether the verdict of the tripartite tribunal will be received peaceably by the defeated party. It is bad enough when be tween man and man two take the set tlement of disputes into their ow hands and shed blood in quarrel for that which should have been settled peacefully by law. How much more fearful the criminal folly of the Amer ican people if they drift into fraction The count still goes on. The com al war over this Presidential matter,

> curred the "emp! atic disapprobation" of Messrs. Wheeler, Hoar and Frye, two years ago, for its "unjust, illegal ish offers of autonomy to the Cubaus,

Chamberlain and Packard are no now as noisy as they used to Packard has apparently settled down to a patient waiting on Grant and the gratitude of "the party," while the small following he has in the St, Loui Hotel is steadily falling to pieces u der the influence of internal disse sion and unfulfilled hopes. The Charleston Journal of Commerce states that Chamberlain has dissolved his law partnership in Colombia and that his house there is offered for sale, two circumstances which look though he intended to bring his career to a speedy end. Hampton is qui etly absorbing the powers which belong to him as Governor of the State. was not writterrout to be telegraphed When Packard and Chamberlain until late at night, when the report finalty subside, as they will do unless was necessarily broken in sending it Grant interfers, the whole South will over the country. This speech conhave a much needed spell of rest.

in his speeches in the way to carry . Another bill to organize the Ter his dusky auditors by storm. Like ritory of Oklahoma, "and for the the most of his white confederates better protection of the Indians there turning Board do not speak with formers of the Centennial season, and he has been growing rich as steadily in," has been introduced in the affection, at Washington, of Kellogg, if he does all that he anticipates he as the people for whom he has been United States Senate, this time by their late chief, and so called Gov- will certainty be remembered as one legislating have been sinking into Mr. Bogy of Missouri. All of these ernor of Louisjana. In fact, they de of the benefactors of his time. poverty, and any statement that he may | bills purport to be for the advantage nounce him in the most undiplomatic | The police troubles here are likely have made in relation to having re and better protection of the Indians, language, and compare his conduct to lead to the indictment of Murtagh fused a bribe should be received with who on their part are very much op to that of a pickpocket. Wells is es editor of the Presidents organ, and caution. Col. Childs, whom he ac posed to any legislation of the kind. pecially emphatic in his criticism of head of the Police Board, and of cused of having tempted him, pos- The Indians who would be the most this worthy. It appears from what other parties connected with the posesses, on the contrary, a high charac affected by the passage of the bill are can be gathered through their re- lice." ter for integrity, and as he has made the Cherokees and other civilized spective partisans, that Wells was to oath that Nash's charges are false. tribes, who are making satisfactory be sent to the Senate as a reward for attempt by Murtagh to secure the of the latter to make anybody believe ment with the United States that no Republican Legislature. territorial government ahall be estab-The New York Times says of Isham lished over them without their con-

CONSPIRACY.

No one can read Mr. Sherman's speedles without an overwhelming conviction that he was, while in New Orleans, the associate, abettor, and confederate of the forgers, perjurers, and conspirators who assembled daily in the Custom House to manufacture false affidavits; that he counselled with and advised them in their rascality, and that he is steeped in the crime against that State, and of which he has made himself the boldest and most shameless defender, as deeply as Wells and Anderson, and all the swarm of more insignificant villains. from Supervisor Clover to Eliza Pinkston. Mr. Sherman's partisans, who hope to profit by his disgraceful conduct, may uphold and attempt now to shield him; but sooner or later he will stand before the country an obect of scorn and contempt, as the confederate of the lowest sort of conpirators and perjurers, more infanous than they, because he dragged brough the filth into which he descended to abet them the robes of a Senator, and gave to the crime of a gang of miserable political rogues the saneon of his place and name.

WHY LOUISIANA WENT FOR TILDEN Louisiana would seize the first opport to this country, Don Nicolas Azear nallaction. tunity afforded them at the ballot box ate. All of these propositions were Two members of the Returning sore on my leg that would not heal. I tried to secure a different administration of Reclined by the Cuban representatives Board of Louisanna have been here state affairs. They did so on the 7th here and this action was approved by for sometime. The other two arrivof November last. In a vote not on the Cuban Government. At last ed on Saturday. They are all under ly the heaviest ever cast in the State. Spain sent her a special agent, Sri but heavier in proportion to popula- Jorro, who convinced of the aseless tion than was ever cast in Massachu- ness of attempting to arrange matters, ance gives one a bal impression. setts, they gave 8,000 majority for otherwise; signed in this city a treaty Nicholls for their next Governor, of peace with the representatives of But the army of the Administration the Cuban Government, in, which was employed to install into the ex Spain recognized the independence of ecutive chair a man who was rejected the island. The treaty was never ratat the polls by an overwhelming madified by Spain, because Gen. Prim. jority in an unprecedentedly full vote, who was then at the head of the Gow and whose only claim to the seat resti ernment, and who had delegated to upon the secret action of an illegally |Sr. Jorro the power to enter into the constituted returning board, which in treaty, was assassinated and his Cab

At the dates of the respective Span-Cuba relatively week. Each year since then has diminished Spain's power and increased that of Cu'ia. It is preposterous to believe that Cu ba, on the eve of her final triumph and with her enemy almost on her knees, would agree to arrangements which she spurned in the darkest our of her career .- Sun.

Sentor Conkling's great speech on the electorial count will doubtless soon be published in pamphlet form, so that it can, all be read at once: The reports that we have had in the newspapers have necessarily been imperfect, from the fact that the speech, which was all extemporaneous, occupied a large part of two days, and stitutes a great political event, and will long be remembered.

Wells and Anderson of the Re his name with one of the great reprogress in the industrial methods of his patriotic service in returning removal of other officers. This-led civilized life, and who have an agree | Haves and Packard, together with a

The sudden solicitude of certain Republican statesmen and journals about the Constitution is edifying, ed to perfect a plan for the reorgan-The Constitution declares that "the not to say refreshing. Ten years ago United States shall guarantee to when a Republican Congress was re- President that no report can be exevery State in this Union a republiconstructing the Southern States, pected in time for action during the lican form of government." Is that these very statesmen and journals present session of Congress-

WASHINGTON LETTER

Republican Caucus and Results-What Congress is Doing-Southern Claims-The Louisiana Returning Board a bad Lot-Mr. Lamar and the Southern Pacific Railroad -- Captain Eads -- Fernando Wood's Committee-Army Reorgantzation-&c.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 29, 1877. The Republican caucus on Saturday chose Messrs. Hear and Garfield as members of the Electoral Commission on the part of the House. Mr. Hoar came very near idefeat at the hands of Hale; an opponent of the bill. Mr. Garfield, as, is very well known, opposes the bill. This fight against Mr. Hear and the election of Garfield are indications that the more radical Republicans purpose making a hard fight before yielding to conservative members the control of the party. To-da, in the Senate cancus the contest will e more bitter still. The proposal to employ counsel before the Commission has received unexpected support, and both sides will be represented. Jeremiah Black, Lyman Trumbull and Senator Carpenter have been and ployed by the Democrats. Ben Butler has been spoken of; but let us hope the party will not accept that assist

In the Senate, on Saturday, Mr. The reports that are industriously Wright called up the bil extending circulated by the Spanish officials in the Southern Claims Commission for Cuba to the effect that a peaceful two years. The bill only provides solution of the Cuban question has for the examination of claims already been agreed upon between the bellig- filed! Mr. Thurman opposed the bill erents on the basis of autonomy, are but it passed. It will go through absurd and self-contradictory. The the house and become a law. The been cured by Dr. Holloway's Pills. "There has been great maladminis Spanish Government offered the Cu. Senate also passed the Military Acad. New York, April 7, 1868. tration; funds have been wasted, pub bans outonomy, through Captain Gen. emy (West point) bill. As passed, lic credit impaired, and taxation is Dulce, as far back as 1869; a similar the bill shows a reduction of expenheavy." Such was the picture of af offer was made in 1870 by Don Ham ses from last year. Bill making ap employed in an Iron fo andry, who, in pouring fairs in Louisiana drawn by Wheeler, ilton Fish (Athorized by the Madrid propriations for fortifications &c was caused an explasion. The melted iron was Hoar and Frye in their report to Cabinet) to Senor Morales Lemus; also passed, with amendments. These Congress, February 23d, 1875. It then the Spanish Government repeated are house bills and, with the amendwas to be expected that the people of the offer through a special agent sent, ments will pass to the House for fi-

dill all the lalse counting. Mr. Lamer will attempt to get ac thought, is caused rather by the interest felt in the measure by his constituents and the people of the Southwest generally, than by his own conviction that such a bill ought to pass. He will certainly fail to secure favor-

Captain Bads meets with delay in getting his money for improving the navigation of the Mississippi. His friends claim that he is entitled to the payment in bonds of the government while others hold that the appropriations should be of \$500,000 cash. The difference causes the delay. All the members are willing to vote the

Today Mr. Wood's House committee of eleven to enquire into the use of troops by the President in the South, holds its first meeting. Mr. Wood will make the investigation thorough, and will endevaor to recomend such regislation as will give the Government a firm and fixed policy on the subject. He hopes to connect

The first trouble was caused by an to Congressional and other investi gation, and will end in the indictmen of Murtagh, and probably, more connected with the force.

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