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DAKOTA POLITICIANS.
 They Favor Division and Admission, and Are Adjusting Their Fences Accordingly.

ST. PAUL, Dec. 30.—A vote has been taken by a Deadwood, Dak., paper, on the questions of single or double statehood, and it is shown that a little more than five-sixths of those answering are in favor of division and admission as two States. The answers received are from various parts of southern Dakota, and those coming are of all occupations and all political faiths. This vote is believed to be a fair representation of the public sentiment on the matter, which daily grows stronger. It is generally believed that division and admission are simple questions of time. While awaiting the outcome with considerable anxiety, the people have begun to look after their property to be saved when the two States are introduced. Every word at the national capital is watched for eagerly, while a number of Dakota towns are looking after their fences and generally brushing up the matter, that they may become the seat of government. From Washington it is reported that the Dakota bill will be taken up and passed at once after the adjournment of the Senate. The bill, however, and action by the present Congress would not be altogether surprising, although the people seem scarcely to expect it. The southern half of the Territory has a population of 100,000, and two Congressmen, and action for such legislation is already on foot.

PAWNEE BILLS' BOOMERS.
 They Will Enter Oklahoma on Feb. 1, When 15,000 People Will Be Ready to Move.

WICHITA, Kan., Dec. 30.—An enthusiastic meeting of the Oklahoma boomers from towns of southern Kansas was held here, yesterday, at the headquarters of Pawnee Bill. It was decided to start Feb. 1, as by that time it would be known what action Congress would take on the Springer bill. An address to the government and people as to their plans and purposes was ordered published. Pawnee Bill produced 1,000 letters of inquiry from 21 over the United States, and said that all the companies now have enrolled over 15,000 people who will be ready to move at the date named. All will meet at Oklahoma City and proceed upon the country in a body. Advice from the territory are that an engagement took place yesterday between a party of settlers and scouts of the army. Five of the former and four of the latter were injured, but the boomers were not stopped.

Gold Certificates Stolen.
 MINNEAPOLIS, Minn., Dec. 30.—A bold and successful robbery was perpetrated at St. W. C. Penfield's music store, yesterday morning, when \$2,000 gold certificates were taken from the safe. Mrs. Penfield and her clerks were engaged with customers, when the safe, which was left open, was visited. Mrs. Penfield missed the certificates about noon and suspected a man named James Smith. The detectives found that Smith had one of the certificates cashed at the Northwestern Bank and then deposited \$200 in the Security Bank. This money was recovered. The officers expect to recover the second certificate.

Policeman Dies of Hydrophobia.
 ST. LOUIS, Dec. 30.—Police officer Henry Fehle, of this city, died a horrible death from hydrophobia, Friday night. Last September, while walking his beat, he was bitten on the right leg by a dog, but thought nothing of the wound. On Monday the leg began to swell, and on Thursday he was taken down with violent symptoms of hydrophobia. He passed from one convulsion into another, and finally died in great agony, Friday night. Dr. Bernays, who attended him, says the case was genuine hydrophobia.

Reception to Commander Warner.
 TORPEKA, Kan., Dec. 30.—Major William Warner, commanding in chief of the 9th U. S. R., was last evening tendered a public reception in the hall of the House of Representatives. Major Warner responded briefly to speeches of welcome and short speeches were also made by members of the commander's staff.

WHEN INDICATIONS
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MRS. PARSONS'S TONGUE.

It Reaches "Rivers of Blood," and the Chairman Summarily Checks Her Eloquence.

CHICAGO, Dec. 30.—About four hundred people, or as many as could crowd into the Waverly Hall, attended a meeting of the Socialist Labor party, called for the transaction of business and the promotion of socialist doctrines. Mrs. Lucy Parsons was present and made her speech, in the same hall which was closed against her a week ago. Inspector Bonfield's men were in the hall in citizens' dress, but did not interfere in any respect with the proceedings. A resolution was adopted unanimously imploring the aid of the press and citizens generally to the end that the humblest citizen as well as the politician may enjoy all the rights guaranteed by the Declaration of Independence and the Constitution of the United States. Thomas Morgan, local leader of the Socialists, made a very conservative speech, containing many statements in which Mrs. Parsons took exception. She said she could not sit quietly and bear it stated that those who are dead and silent in their tomb had anything to do with the throwing of the Haymarket bomb, although in the war against tyrants all things are justifiable. She stated that before peace could be had in a society like that in this country rivers of blood would have to run. When she got to this point the chairman interrupted her and said time was up.

KILRAIN AND MITCHELL.

The Former Is Willing and Anxious to Meet Sullivan, but Sees No Glory in Jackson.

ST. LOUIS, Dec. 30.—The Kilrain-Mitchell expedition of the Delaite movement arrived in St. Louis, to-day, and will give an exhibition of their skill as boxers at the Natatorium, to-morrow night, under the auspices of Prof. Bill Clark, the "Deliait Chicken." Kilrain and Mitchell kept closely to their rooms at the Southern during the day, and Parson Davies did the talking for them. The Parson stated that either he or Kilrain would be the match with the New York boxer, to the effect that he would meet the Sullivan party in Buffalo, N. Y., on Jan. 7, and the Parson stated the match will be closed within ten days or the party who refuses to fight will be shown up. Mr. Davis claimed that Kilrain was not only willing but anxious to meet Sullivan, and would agree to anything in reason to bring about the match. As to Jackson, the Australian wonder, he did not see money or glory in a meeting with the black. There was nothing to win, and everything to lose. The Parson thought that Kilrain had been overestimated. Bill Bradburn defeated Glover in nine rounds. It took McLaughlin forty-two to best him. His defeat of Conley through the blow Kilrain and Mitchell, who have been misrepresented, and that adverse comment is the cause of their shabby treatment wherever they go.

Fatal Christmas-Tree Fire.

PITTSBURGH, Dec. 30.—At 6 o'clock this evening fire broke out in the residence of Michael McGee, partially destroying the building and causing the death of Mrs. McGee, a child of eight years. In the front room stood a Christmas-tree. One of Mr. McGee's children, in lighting the candles on the tree, fired the tree itself. The flames spread to the building, and had gained considerable headway when the fire department arrived. Two adjoining frame buildings were also badly damaged by fire and were carried away. Kilrain and Mitchell, who have been misrepresented, and that adverse comment is the cause of their shabby treatment wherever they go.

Woman Suspected of Murder.

CLEVELAND, O., Dec. 30.—Leonard Wetzal, a laborer, died, on Friday last, under suspicious circumstances. When the coroner began his investigation he discovered that Wetzal's skull had been crushed, and that he had a pistol-wound in the abdomen. His wife said that he had told her before he died that he was assaulted and robbed by some men on last Monday night. She was examined to-day, by the coroner, and told a story which, if it can be substantiated, will result in her discharge. The police are in doubt as to her guilt.

Seven Persons Drowned.

RIPLEY, O., Dec. 30.—This morning, after midnight, a short distance from here, Mrs. Turner and her little daughter, also a daughter of Geo. Lloyd, three Brooks brothers and a man whose name is not known, all colored, attempted to cross the river from Kentucky to Ohio in a small boat. As some distance from the shore waves from two passing steamboats cut their craft and all seven occupants of it were drowned. Their cries for help were heard by persons on the steamboats, but darkness prevented the rendering of assistance. All the perished here in Kentucky. None of the bodies have yet been recovered.

Saloon-Keeper Whipped by White Caps.

LIMA, O., Dec. 30.—John Morison, proprietor of the only saloon at Hawarden, has been repeatedly visited by White Caps, who paid no attention to the threats. Last night a party of men, masked as White Caps, visited him, and, after demolishing the saloon, whipped him until he begged for mercy and swore he would never go into the saloon business again.

A LARGE-SIZED MEXICAN LIE

Wags of the Sister Republic Take Advantage of National All-Fools' Day, and Perpetrate a Hoax of Monumental Proportions, Involving an Attempted Revolution and Copious Shedding of Blood.

GENERAL FOREIGN NEWS.
 Mrs. Chamberlain Goes to Birmingham and Meets Her Young Stepson.
 LONDON, Dec. 29.—Mrs. Chamberlain got the first glimpse of her handsome young stepson, Austin, this week, and after the first embarrassment of the meeting was over seemed much pleased with him. The young man came to London to meet his father on his arrival from the continent, and to welcome his new mother at Birmingham. They went there in a private carriage, and no one knew Mrs. Chamberlain was in England till the servant girls at Highbury spread the news around the neighborhood. A few of Chamberlain's intimates were invited to meet his wife at a small social gathering on Christmas, but he will undertake no public engagements till the presentation and public reception on Jan. 8. Two pictures of Mrs. Chamberlain, with the faces cut out, are displayed in a show window at Birmingham as specimens of the way photos are distorted by English newspapers are treated in an American postoffice.

ALL FOOLS' DAY IN MEXICO.

The Lira Take Advantage of the Occasion and Perpetrate a Huge Hoax.
 EL PASO, Tex., Dec. 30.—Newspapers published in Chihuahua, Mexico, Dec. 28, and received here yesterday, contained thrilling accounts of an alleged popish uprising in the City of Mexico. The story, in brief, was that the priests in the City of Mexico, angered at the alleged unfavorable attitude and policy of the Diaz government toward the church, headed an insurrection for the purpose of overthrowing the government, and won over to their side 18,000 government troops; that President Diaz led the loyal troops against the insurgents, and after a bloody battle completely routed them, and that 237 priests were immediately shot and about as many more condemned to death. This story was received by the Chihuahua papers by wire from the City of Mexico. Upon investigation the terrible tale turns out to have been a huge hoax perpetrated by the Chihuahua papers upon their readers. Dec. 28 is all innocent's day, and is celebrated in Mexico as April 1 is in the United States. The brilliant journalistic mind at Chihuahua evolved the plan of manufacturing and publishing bogus dispatches, and the innocents were duly deluded thereby. Intelligent citizens of Juarez pronounce the Chihuahua performance a silly and discreditable piece of work. Moreover, the right of the press to manufacture sensational news, by lying, or misrepresenting the government is not yet so fully recognized in Mexico as in the United States, and it is hinted that the perpetrators of the Chihuahua hoax will be called to account by the Mexican government in some way.

The Czar and Prince Alexander.

LONDON, Dec. 30.—The semi-official press of Berlin deny the truth of the story of the reconciliation of the Czar with Prince Alexander of Battenburg. The report originated in the meeting of Prince Alexander and the Grand Duke John of Brabant, the Czar's brother, and the Emperor Alexander's father, when, it is asserted, they merely exchanged civilities. It is further said that the Czar has quite recently expressed himself in his resolve to have Alexander do to do with Alexander under any circumstances whatsoever.

A Clue to the Whitechapel Murderer.

LONDON, Dec. 30.—The police have received and traced to their origin letters which lead them to believe that "Jack, the Ripper" is living in the vicinity of Drury Lane. They do not accept the theory that the White Chapel fiend had anything to do with the murder of little John Gid of Bradford, and seem confident that the clue upon which they are now working will result in the murderer's capture in London.

Honors of the King of Wurtemberg.

LONDON, Dec. 31.—The Post's correspondent at Nieuwstadt that the health of the King of Wurtemberg is again in an unsatisfactory condition, and that the Wurtemberg Ministry indignantly persist in their opposition to the return of Jackson, Woodcock and Hendry, the King's American favorites.

High Honors for Women.

PARIS, Dec. 30.—Two ladies will receive the decoration of the Legion of Honor on New Year's day. One is Mme. Cahen, who was an empress attendant at Metz during the war of 1870, and the other is the nun Evelyn, who has been attached to the Naval Hospital at Lorient for thirty-five years.

Don't Waste Competition.

ST. PETERSBURG, Dec. 30.—The Novov Yremya says that all Russian custom-houses have been ordered by the government to refuse the issuance of licenses to foreign vessels in the coasting trade in Russian waters.

Foreign Notes.

Mr. Gladstone goes driving and boating daily at Naples. Lord and Lady Dufferin visited and lunching with him on Saturday. Prince Murat, a lieutenant of dragons, who retired from France with the other Orleans princes, has been reinstated in the army. A manifesto issued by the new French revolutionary government declares that a commune is the only remedy for Bonapartism and radicalism. An escaped Prussian has offered to bring to Saakin General Gordon's clothes, sword and papers, which are said to be hidden near Berber. The Te Deum was sung at St. Peter's, Rome, yesterday. Twenty thousand tickets had been issued, and 50,000 persons were present. Great enthusiasm prevailed.

GLADSTONE'S BIRTHDAY.

Thousands of Congratulations and Presents for the Grand Old Man.
 LONDON, Dec. 29.—Polites are dead. All interest centers in the fact that the "Grand Old Man" completed his seventy-ninth birthday to-day. Everybody is talking about it. Newspapers of every political shade devote long editorials to it, and at hundreds of Liberal meetings resolutions of congratulations are being passed amid wild enthusiasm, to be mailed in due course to Naples or Hawarden. For many years Dec. 29 has been the busiest day in the year to the postoffice people at Hawarden, and, although Mr. Gladstone is far away, basking in the sunshine at Naples, the letter-carriers at the quiet little Welsh village have groaned as of yore under the burden of his sacks full of letters, while the parcels department have had as usual to put on additional men to carry to the castle innumerable birthday presents sent to the grand old statesman from all parts of the world. The gifts are of wonderful variety. Working-men send specimens of their handicraft. Admirers of Irishmen and women forward shamrock, lace and blackthorn. From classic Oxford come a letter and a book. From Cambridge rare books. To judge from the character of the presents, indeed, Mr. Gladstone's admirers must imagine that his tastes are as eclectic as his genius. They range from a pocket watch to a pair of boots. The telegraph officials at Naples have had cause to remember to-day. Almost from daybreak telegrams in heavy Anglo-Saxon dialect were pouring in, and long strings of messenger boys have been painting bills in which the greatest of living Englishmen is now recuperating the marvelous energy and vitality which have so long been the admiration of the world. The friends of Gladstone and Ireland will be glad to know that the grand old man has not for many years felt in such good health and spirits as he does to-day. Advice from Naples describe him as robust and ruddy, full of animation, and walking and driving with ardor equal to the most vigorous of his youth. He actually talks of climbing Vesuvius and renewing acquaintance with the famous crater, which he first made thirty-eight years ago.

The Liberals are always occasionally hopeful and enthusiastic upon the birthday of their great leader. To-day they are cheerfully asking another why Mr. Gladstone should not be as long as "Uncle Tom's Cabin," the former Speaker of the House of Commons, who died yesterday at the age of ninety-five, full of intellectual vigor to the last. De Lesseps is three years older than Gladstone, and is to all appearance good for many years of hard work. Lord Palmerston lived in his harness to the age of ninety-one, and might have lived ten years longer or more had he taken as much care of himself as Gladstone does.

LIGHT FOR THE DEMOCRATS

They Begin to See That They Cannot Afford to Strangle the Senate Tariff Bill.

THE SENATE TARIFF BILL.
 House Democrats Begin to Realize that They Cannot Afford to Kill the Measure.
 SPECIAL TO THE INDIANAPOLIS JOURNAL.
 WASHINGTON, Dec. 30.—Congressman McMillin, of Tennessee, is the first Democratic member of the committee on ways and means to admit that it would not be politic for his colleagues to strangle the Senate substitute for the Mills bill in committee. "We will act upon the bill," he said, "when it reaches us, as promptly as possible, and will give the House an opportunity to discuss it, and if it reaches us in season the people will have an opportunity to understand fully the difference between the two houses on the subject."

Mr. Whitney Trying to Pay Commodore Belknap for Raising John Roach.

Mr. Whitney is trying to pay Commodore Belknap for raising John Roach. The Commodore is a man of high standing in the navy, and his services in raising the ship were of great value. The government is now trying to settle the account with him, but there are some difficulties in the way.

Certificates Issued to All Members-Elect of the Next House Except Three—Gossip About the Inaugural Ball—General Notes.

The Rev. Dr. Marquis, of Chicago, said that he did not know much about dancing, anyhow, and, therefore, did not care to give an opinion. "I don't know that dancing is the worst thing in the world, but as a rule, church members don't indulge in it, and I think the question is rather one for a person's conscience to decide. The inaugural ball has become a feature of each incoming administration, and I suppose that General Harrison will do as he has done in past years."

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 WASHINGTON, Dec. 30.—The illness of Congressman Laird and the peculiar reports which come from Tennessee and West Virginia concerning the outcome of the congressional contests in those States, are causing some of the Republican members to urge their colleagues to join them in requesting General Harrison to call Congress together immediately after the 4th of March, in order that the many contested cases may be settled at the earliest possible moment. The Democratic officials of the House will do all in their power to secure the organization of the next House, and General Clark, the present Clerk, seems willing to stretch all the points necessary to insure his own retention in office beyond the calling together of the first session of the Fifty-first Congress. It there should be two certificates for any reason in any case, he may be depended upon to enter that which certifies the election of the Democrat rather than the Republican every time. While nearly every one admits that two Republicans have been elected from West Virginia, and that Evans has been elected in the Chattanooga district of Tennessee, it is believed that four Democrats will show up with certificates from the former State, and the Herald, of this city (Boston Democrat), has this rather significant paragraph to-day: "It is said that immediately after the first return reached Governor Taylor, the Secretary of State cancelled certificates in the name of election for Bates, Democrat, signed it and affixed the seal of the state to it; that the same day the Secretary of State presented it to Gov. R. L. Taylor, who signed and sealed it, and called it the next morning Governor Taylor, for some reason concluded that Evans, Republican, was entitled to the certificate, and called on the Secretary of State to cancel the certificate in the name of Bates; that the Secretary of State either declined to surrender it or said it was misplaced, and at once communicated with Bates, who called and took the certificate, and, fearing legal proceedings for its surrender, sent it out of the State. It is said at the Capitol that Bates forwarded the certificate in a sealed package to Washington, and that the care of the Clerk of the House, the package not to be opened until further directions. Some time since these statements were forwarded to Gov. Taylor, with a request to deny or affirm them for publication, but the Governor has failed to reply so far."

Only Three Certificates to Be Issued.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 30.—Clerk Clark, of the House of Representatives, has received the certificates of 250 members-elect to the next House, and has been officially informed that certificates have been issued in all but three congressional districts. Of all the certificates issued, 163 are to Republicans and 159 to Democrats, and of those districts still in doubt two are in West Virginia and one in Tennessee. In two of them the Republicans claim majorities on the face of the returns. However, if the Democratic candidates receive certificates, the Republicans will have a majority of one instead of seven, and will organize the House. The question is whether it will be one or seven. Several Republicans who are members of the House are in uncertain health. Several whose names are often mentioned are regarded as having a very uncertain tenure of life. Every indication of ill-health on the part of any member of the next House is regarded with anxiety, and adds another argument to the many in favor of an extra session. This being the case, the candidacy for the speakership is being heated every day. Of the 163 Republicans who have received certificates of election, it is said that Mr. Cannon has 49 pledged to vote for him; Mr. Reed, 39; Mr. McKinley, 27; and Mr. Rogers, 22. There are sixteen unpledged Southern members. The other fifteen members are scattered between prospective candidates, and there is no telling for whom they will vote.

SHANTIES ON WHEELS.

The Latest of the Numerous Attempts to Colonize Oklahoma.
 WASHINGTON, Dec. 29.—The raid made from Kansas into the Indian Territory on Christmas day included about forty men. These were promptly arrested by a small force of Indian police or scouts. While uniformed experience had so taught the would-be squatters to expect this result, they brought along with them houses on wheels, in order to take away everything without loss on being expelled. Sooner than that, it said, a hundred families had crossed into Oklahoma, the other body being only an advance party; and thus one more is added to the many raids of the last ten years.

THE INAUGURAL BALL.

Church People Protest Against Dancing Before the President of the Celebration.
 WASHINGTON, Dec. 30.—The Rev. Mr. [Name] of the Washington Society to Louisville Convention, [Name], has this rather significant paragraph to-day: "The subject of dancing at the forthcoming inaugural ball, which is actuating some ministers of the gospel outside of Washington, does not disturb anybody here, either among the clergy or laity. The demand that is being made that all the quadrilles, polkas, waltzes and other amusements be stricken from the programme for the night of the 4th of next March receives consideration in that it only causes a laugh. Mr. Britton, the chairman of the inauguration committee, says that he has received no protest against the dancing, and would not heed any should be received. Dancing at the inaugural ball is too firmly fixed to be uprooted except by a national social revolution, and there are no signs of such an upheaval. Presidents do not, however, dance their boots off or ruin their swallow-tail clothes by their gyrations to the music of the horns and the bass fiddle and the quadrille. The part that the President takes in the events of the ball evening is very small, indeed. No President since George Washington has really taken a ball out, and the President was on hand until the last dance, and did not, tradition says, miss a single number on the programme. Since his time Presidents have simply opened the ball out for their guests to do as they please. The first President was on hand at the evening of his induction into office he will, and his accompanying party of ladies and gentlemen, arrive in the room which has been set apart for their use in the new Executive Building, where the ball is to be held. A short time after he arrives he will appear upon the floor of the ball-room, accompanied by Mrs. Harrison and the ladies of the cabinet. He will stay for an hour and a half, he will hold a reception, surrounded by a mass of people anxious to be of those who will be introduced to him and Mrs. Harrison. The number of the fortunate ones will be very small indeed, compared with the number who will go to make up the great crowd which will find its way into the building. Many of those who crowd into the ball will glimpse of the presidential party. At about 11 o'clock the music preliminary to the first dance will strike up. It will be an quadrille. Mr. Harrison and his party will form a set and steady partner. It will be about as lively a shaking of the feet as the rehearsal of an old-fashioned minuet to the "Dead March in Sargat." When the quadrille is over Mr. Harrison and his party will go to the White House, and jump into their respective beds without delay, so tired will they all be from what they have gone through during the day. The next President, it will thus be seen, will not indulge to any great extent in what one unduly heated Methodist minister calls "the devil's pastime." There is not much on the dance, anyway. No body remembers that while he was in Washington he ever agitated his feet to music at any of the many dancing affairs which he attended. There is grave doubt if he will even be able to get through the same regulation quadrille gracefully unless he practices a good deal beforehand. He will, however, doubtless be equal to the small part required, and will be at the ball. Neither President Arthur nor President Hayes was called upon to dance when they entered upon their duties. Of course, such were the surrounding circumstances, there was no inaugural ball consequent upon President Arthur's taking the oath, and there was none when Mr. Hayes came in, so disturbed were the minds of the President-elect and his cabinet by the small part required, and will be at the ball. The night of his inauguration, and

OBITUARY.

Hon. Moses Mordecai, Once a Prominent South Carolina Politician.
 BALTIMORE, Md., Dec. 30.—Hon. Moses Mordecai died this evening, at his residence, in the eighty-sixth year of his age. His disease was ossification of the heart, from which he had long been a sufferer. Mr. Mordecai had been blind for sixteen years. He was born in Charleston, S. C., where he resided until 1855, when he made his home in Baltimore. He was a State Senator in South Carolina for the two terms immediately preceding the war. During his residence in South Carolina Mr. Mordecai was a steamboat owner, and carried United States mails anterior to the first secession, and there is now an unproved claim in favor of his estate against the United States government for the work. Before the rebellion he was accounted a millionaire, and although the ravages of war depleted his fortune considerably, he was possessed of a great deal of property at the time of his death. His wife, whom he married sixty years ago, survives him.
 General Schofield's Wife.
 WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 30.—Mrs. Schofield, wife of Major-General Schofield, died of paralysis of the heart, at 7 o'clock this morning. She had been suffering from the effects of a severe cold, which developed into bronchial catarrh, a few days ago, but was not thought to be in danger until heart failure supervened, only an hour or two before her death. Mrs. Schofield was a daughter of Prof. W. H. C. Bartlett, formerly of the United States Military Academy, and now secretary of the Mutual Life Insurance Company of New York. The remains will be interred, next Wednesday, at West Point.
 Fair Boycotters in Church.
 PITTSBURGH, Dec. 29.—The young people of Youngstown, Niagara county, have decided to boycott the surrounding churches, and to abstain from dancing. He spoke very harshly of young ladies who attended dances. The minister spoke so plainly that there is general indignation, and all the villagers sympathize with the boycotters.

Views of Presbyterian Ministers.

The Presbyterian ministers from all parts of the country are just now holding a conference here in New York, and a reporter called on some of them to-day to see if they approved of the action of their Methodist brethren upon the question of dancing at the inauguration ball.

Rev. Dr. Thomas, the moderator, said: "I don't think that Presbyterians feel as strongly as the Methodists about dancing, and had rather not say what I think in regard to the Methodist of Indianapolis attempting to do away with the inaugural ball. I don't know that Presbyterian ministers dance, but that is not the question for the very good reason that most of them don't know how to dance, which, to my mind, is a very good reason for not indulging in that pleasure. The inaugural ball is a national affair, long honored by custom, and I guess there is no particular harm in it."

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Circumstances that Cause Many Republicans to Urge Action by General Harrison.
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 WASHINGTON, Dec. 30.—The illness of Congressman Laird and the peculiar reports which come from Tennessee and West Virginia concerning the outcome of the congressional contests in those States, are causing some of the Republican members to urge their colleagues to join them in requesting General Harrison to call Congress together immediately after the 4th of March, in order that the many contested cases may be settled at the earliest possible moment. The Democratic officials of the House will do all in their power to secure the organization of the next House, and General Clark, the present Clerk, seems willing to stretch all the points necessary to insure his own retention in office beyond the calling together of the first session of the Fifty-first Congress. It there should be two certificates for any reason in any case, he may be depended upon to enter that which certifies the election of the Democrat rather than the Republican every time. While nearly every one admits that two Republicans have been elected from West Virginia, and that Evans has been elected in the Chattanooga district of Tennessee, it is believed that four Democrats will show up with certificates from the former State, and the Herald, of this city (Boston Democrat), has this rather significant paragraph to-day: "It is said that immediately after the first return reached Governor Taylor, the Secretary of State cancelled certificates in the name of election for Bates, Democrat, signed it and affixed the seal of the state to it; that the same day the Secretary of State presented it to Gov. R. L. Taylor, who signed and sealed it, and called it the next morning Governor Taylor, for some reason concluded that Evans, Republican, was entitled to the certificate, and called on the Secretary of State to cancel the certificate in the name of Bates; that the Secretary of State either declined to surrender it or said it was misplaced, and at once communicated with Bates, who called and took the certificate, and, fearing legal proceedings for its surrender, sent it out of the State. It is said at the Capitol that Bates forwarded the certificate in a sealed package to Washington, and that the care of the Clerk of the House, the package not to be opened until further directions. Some time since these statements were forwarded to Gov. Taylor, with a request to deny or affirm them for publication, but the Governor has failed to reply so far."

Only Three Certificates to Be Issued.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 30.—Clerk Clark, of the House of Representatives, has received the certificates of 250 members-elect to the next House, and has been officially informed that certificates have been issued in all but three congressional districts. Of all the certificates issued, 163 are to Republicans and 159 to Democrats, and of those districts still in doubt two are in West Virginia and one in Tennessee. In two of them the Republicans claim majorities on the face of the returns. However, if the Democratic candidates receive certificates, the Republicans will have a majority of one instead of seven, and will organize the House. The question is whether it will be one or seven. Several Republicans who are members of the House are in uncertain health. Several whose names are often mentioned are regarded as having a very uncertain tenure of life. Every indication of ill-health on the part of any member of the next House is regarded with anxiety, and adds another argument to the many in favor of an extra session. This being the case, the candidacy for the speakership is being heated every day. Of the 163 Republicans who have received certificates of election, it is said that Mr. Cannon has 49 pledged to vote for him; Mr. Reed, 39; Mr. McKinley, 27; and Mr. Rogers, 22. There are sixteen unpledged Southern members. The other fifteen members are scattered between prospective candidates, and there is no telling for whom they will vote.

SHANTIES ON WHEELS.

The Latest of the Numerous Attempts to Colonize Oklahoma.
 WASHINGTON, Dec. 29.—The raid made from Kansas into the Indian Territory on Christmas day included about forty men. These were promptly arrested by a small force of Indian police or scouts. While uniformed experience had so taught the would-be squatters to expect this result, they brought along with them houses on wheels, in order to take away everything without loss on being expelled. Sooner than that, it said, a hundred families had crossed into Oklahoma, the other body being only an advance party; and thus one more is added to the many raids of the last ten years.

THE INAUGURAL BALL.

Church People Protest Against Dancing Before the President of the Celebration.
 WASHINGTON, Dec. 30.—The Rev. Mr. [Name] of the Washington Society to Louisville Convention, [Name], has this rather significant paragraph to-day: "The subject of dancing at the forthcoming inaugural ball, which is actuating some ministers of the gospel outside of Washington, does not disturb anybody here, either among the clergy or laity. The demand that is being made that all the quadrilles, polkas, waltzes and other amusements be stricken from the programme for the night of the 4th of next March receives consideration in that it only causes a laugh. Mr. Britton, the chairman of the inauguration committee, says that he has received no protest against the dancing, and would not heed any should be received. Dancing at the inaugural ball is too firmly fixed to be uprooted except by a national social revolution, and there are no signs of such an upheaval. Presidents do not, however, dance their boots off or ruin their swallow-tail clothes by their gyrations to the music of the horns and the bass fiddle and the quadrille. The part that the President takes in the events of the ball evening is very small, indeed. No President since George Washington has really taken a ball out, and the President was on hand until the last dance, and did not, tradition says, miss a single number on the programme. Since his time Presidents have simply opened the ball out for their guests to do as they please. The first President was on hand at the evening of his induction into office he will, and his accompanying party of ladies and gentlemen, arrive in the room which has been set apart for their use in the new Executive Building, where the ball is to be held. A short time after he arrives he will appear upon the floor of the ball-room, accompanied by Mrs. Harrison and the ladies of the cabinet. He will stay for an hour and a half, he will hold a reception, surrounded by