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POETICIANS' DAY.

The Question of Elections in the South the Absorbing Topic in Congress Yesterday.

Hemphill Scores the Republicans for Their Treatment of the Negro in the North.

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THE RESULT DECLARED.

Both Houses of Congress in Joint Session Count the Electoral Vote.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 13.--The chamber of the house presented a lively scene this morning, though nothing of a sensational character was expected.

The galleries were filled an hour before noon by a crowd of spectators eager to witness the ceremony attending the counting of the electoral vote.

Ladies were in a large majority, many being upon the floor pleading with members for passes to the already overflowing galleries.

Beside the speaker's chair was placed one for Senator Ingalls, who, as the presiding officer of the senate, was to preside over the joint assembly.

At noon the speaker's gavel hushed the hum of conversation as the chaplain made an appropriate prayer.

After routine business, at 1 o'clock, the legislative proceedings were suspended, and the election of President McKinley, filed into the chamber.

Capt. Bassett carried a box containing the returns from the electoral college, and the representatives remained standing until the senators had taken seats.

Senator Ingalls, seated on the right hand of the speaker, called the joint assembly to order and stated the business before it.

The presiding officer then called the roll of the electors from Alabama, and handed it to Senator Manderson, one of the tellers, who read the document.

It was the true form, and covered the ten electoral votes of Alabama had been cast for Cleveland and Thurman.

The certificate, certified to by the governor of the state, was read by the presiding officer.

The reading consumed seventeen minutes.

Thereafter the reading of the returns was dispensed with, and the tellers, after inspection, merely announced the result in each state.

Ureahaving been reached, the presiding officer said: "The president of the senate has received two certificates from the state of Oregon. All required by the law, he opens them as he reads, and he will read, if there be no objection, only that which is authorized by the certificate of the electors."

He then read the certificate of the electors of Oregon as having been duly appointed in such state, as appears in the certificate, and the result of the vote of two houses of congress by the secretary of state.

Senator Manderson said the tellers of Oregon over the great seal of that state, it seems to be in due form, and by it it appears that Benjamin Harrison, of Indiana, received 23 electoral votes for president, and Levi P. Morton, of New York, three votes for vice-president.

There was no objection to the certificate being so counted. The reading of the returns was then completed and footed up by the presiding officer, who read, after receiving the result, said: "The vote for president of the United States, as declared by the senate, is as follows: whole number of electors appointed to vote for president of the United States, 54; of which 23 voted for Benjamin Harrison, of the state of Indiana, received for president of the United States, 23; and 31 for Levi P. Morton, of the state of New York, received 31 votes. In like manner and with the same result, the vote for vice-president, was declared, and both were directed to be entered in the journals of the senate and house.

A BOXING MATCH.

After Sixty-Four Rounds the Fight Between McAuliffe and Meyers Ends in a Draw.

Jack Trys to Wind His Antagonist, But the Undertaking is Too Much For His Weight.

It Had Been a Genuine Stinging Match the Sheriff Would Have Stopped It, But It Was Not.

CHICAGO, Feb. 13.--The \$5,000 a side world's lightweight championship fight between Jack McAuliffe and Billy Meyers at North Judson, Ind., ended to-day in a draw in four hours and thirty-five minutes.

It was a sixty-four round affair, consisting of three hours of sparring, seasoned with the most accurate science ever seen in the ring. The bloodthirsty gentlemen were all disappointed. Each of the contestants satisfied his backers and the people most interested seemed to consider this achievement the height of modern attainments in the ring.

It, however, instead of the \$50,000 to \$40,000 hanging upon the result there had been a purse of \$500 or so, the general opinion appears to be that there would have been a genuine fight and the task goes to Meyers, who had stood a good chance of winning.

McAuliffe, the backer of McAuliffe, congratulated Meyers in the ring, and asked to back him with \$5,000 against anybody in the world. The fight seemed to have been a genuine stinging match, the sheriff would have stopped it, but it was not.

The betting was seldom so spirited on any similar event. One stakeholder alone had \$11,000, another \$2,000, and there were enough others to foot up a certainty of \$150,000 in bets on the original stakes and the money of over \$6,000.

Just as the fight began, McAuliffe's backer, led \$500 on the fight, and the crowd, which had gathered in the morning, was in the ring by midnight light morning the outsiders endured the cold in tramping the streets, and the crowd, which had gathered in the morning, was in the ring by midnight light morning the outsiders endured the cold in tramping the streets.

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NOT FIT TO VOTE.

Report of the House Committee on the Bill to Amend the Naturalization Laws.

Provisions of the Measure by Which it is Hoped to Remedy Some of the Existing Evils.

Authorities at Berlin Closely Watching the Action of this Country in Emigration Reforms.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 13.--Representative Oates, chairman of the committee on judiciary, to-day reported favorably the report of the house committee on the bill to amend the naturalization laws of the United States.

The report accompanying the bill traces existing naturalization laws in a critical spirit, and calls attention to the abuses which have sprung up under them.

It says: "An alien may be a notorious criminal, an anarchist, a socialist, a polygamist, a leper or hardened criminal, and yet our law allows him, by making an affidavit of intention before the clerk of a court, the benefits of citizenship within the United States. So deficient is the present law, and so careless is the practice of the courts, that but few exceptions, that it has become a matter of public notoriety that the law is being evaded in a manner that is a perfidious manner that any alien, however bad his character or heathen ignorant he may be, can become a citizen of the United States."

The report concludes with a synopsis and explanation of the provisions of the bill, which are in brief, a limitation of the classes of foreigners who shall be eligible to citizenship in the United States, including the adoption of a naturalization law, a prescription of the form of application; a requirement that the district attorney shall declare whether or not the applicant is a native-born citizen; and that applications shall be corroborated upon the point of residence in the United States; preservation of the rights of aliens who have already declared their intention, and allowance of the right of bona fide applicants to make homestead entries and to receive the benefits of the naturalization law.

The secretary of state has received a dispatch from Berlin, in regard to the measure now before congress, making important changes in the naturalization law. It is reported that the proposed measure is viewed with much concern in Berlin, in political as well as in national economic circles, as "abandoning the changes which eventually may lead to a great return in the matter of European emigration to the United States."

RAILROAD HAPPENINGS. Accident to E. D. Root at Tacoma--Freight Rates--General Notes.

N. D. Root, of this city, assistant general superintendent of the Northern Pacific, is at present in Tacoma, having gone there several days ago on a tour of inspection with Chief Engineer J. W. Kendrick.

Yesterday word was received here that Mr. Root met with a fatal accident, but happily such is not the case. While he is severely injured no bones are broken, and at 4 p. m. yesterday he was reported resting easily. At this place, Mr. Root's representative at B. C. Southern, in receipt of the following particulars of the accident:

Mr. Root was injured by the cable of a ballast unloader. The train was on a curve and the engine had coupled to the cable to pull the ballast car. The cable was about seven cars length from the first car. The common sense of the engineer, Mr. Root, was to stop the train at the end of the tie on the outside of the curve. Mr. Root was talking to Mr. Horne and did not realize that there was any cable between the train and the engine. The conductor gave the engineer the signal to go ahead, and the engine began to pull the ballast car. The cable was under the train and slipped from the hook, striking him in the stomach and throwing him upwards as high as a box car. He came down on his left shoulder and side. He was taken to his car. He was in great agony, but raised no blood. There are no external marks and nothing to show the extent of internal injuries. If any, can be judged. He slept a good deal during the night and was much more comfortable yesterday morning. It is believed that he was not so seriously injured as it seemed at first and that he will be out in a short time.

MEGRO INFORMATION was received at headquarters last night of an accident on the Cascade division of the Northern Pacific by which an unknown man was killed. As the report is not authentic it is not credited here.

REDUCTION IN FREIGHT RATES. A. D. Edgar, freight agent of the Northern Pacific, announces that taking effect February 15, the Northern Pacific railroad company will transport liquors in glass or stone packed in boxes, barrels or kegs, and fruit and vegetables, in carloads, in less than carload lots, at first-class rates. The Northern Pacific railroad company has issued a special rate, which is in effect Feb. 1, making rates on sugar, in carload lots, from San Francisco to Montana common points, 82 1/2 cents per 100 lbs. This rate applies by any of the following lines, viz: All rail from San Francisco to the Northern Pacific coast, which is 22 miles; the Pacific coast, from San Francisco by Oregon Railway & Navigation company's steamer, care Northern Pacific railroad, Wallula Junction, or from San Francisco by Pacific Coast Steamship company's steamer, care Northern Pacific railroad, Tacoma.

The Northern Pacific railroad company announces that on and after February 15, the rates from the Pacific coast terminals to Montana common points are the same as rates in effect from eastern terminals to the same points. This change reduces the rate on some commodities, notably on vegetables in carloads, under the old tariff paid ninety cents per 100 pounds, while under the new arrangements the rate is but eighty-two cents per 100 pounds. The old rate of eighty cents per 100 pounds on straight carloads of potatoes will continue in effect.

SHELBY IN SAN FRANCISCO. San Francisco Chronicle: P. P. Shelby, general manager of the Montana Central railway, who is a part of the new system that runs from St. Paul, Minn., to Butte, M. T., is in the city for the purpose of looking up transportation facilities. His line connects with the Union Pacific at Butte, forming a through line between St. Paul and San Francisco, which is 225 miles shorter than the Northern Pacific route. His line is laid with seventy-five-pound steel rails, oak ties, and after traveling through the mountains the company has a water level between Helena and St. Paul. It runs first-class direct to Butte, and on the line Mr. Shelby has many warm friends in this city, who will be glad to see the new line through.

NOTES AND PERSONALS. Harry Young, traveling passenger agent of the O. R. & N. C., stationed at Portland, Oregon, is in the city.

J. D. Mendelham, general agent of the Wisconsin Central, at Duluth, arrived in the city yesterday on business for his road. C. L. Canfield left for Butte last evening. Several handsome vestibule cars have passed this point on the Northern Pacific within the last few days. Samuel Word, the Union Pacific attorney, has formed a law partnership with U. S. District Attorney R. B. Smith of Helena. They have offices in the Thompson block, on Main street.