

meeting the Senate, the House adopted eight rules to be observed in the choice of a President...

The first rule provided that in case no candidate should have a majority of the electoral votes...

There being no choice, the two Houses then separated, and the House of Representatives proceeded in the manner prescribed by the Constitution...

The House remained in session nominally without adjournment for seven days, not sitting on the first night...

Had Congress been sitting in Philadelphia instead of in Washington, it would have no small risk of being invaded by a mob...

On the 10th of February, "thinking that the time had arrived for terminating the struggle, in the exercise of a discretion entrusted to him by the other two Houses...

Hamilton was incessant in his efforts. He corresponded with Governor Morris, Bayard, and others, incessantly...

Bayard held the vote of Delaware in his hand, and on January 7th, writing to Hamilton, he says: "With respect to the personal quality of the competitors, I should fear as much from the sincerity of Mr. Jefferson...

On the 15th of February Mr. Jefferson wrote Mr. Moore, two days before he was to be elected President...

The IHD District Assembly Convention of Brooklyn endorsed Gov. Morgan's administration most heartily, and paid Lieut. Gov. Campbell an equal compliment...

offer a handsome banner and flag to the two towns sending the largest proportionate delegation...

Of the two hundred Wide-Awakes and upward, who recently went up from Detroit to unite in the demonstration at Ypsilanti, seventy-five were from the ranks of the Germans...

A strong Republican Wide-Awake Club has been organized in Montezuma. The ladies of St. Johna, Mich., have just presented to the Wide-Awakes of that place, a beautiful banner...

A correspondent of The Chicago Journal has the following political information touching the state of feeling in Ellingham, Jasper, and Cumberland Counties, Ill. He writes from Ellingham, Aug. 16: "A large and interesting meeting has just come off here, which is terminating in the Egyptian Democracy...

The attention of males and females at the reading-room of the Cooper Union, and the library of the Mercantile Library Association, is noted with much precision. The figures taken at the Cooper Union show that in spite of the considerable number of women who visit the reading-room from the School of Design for Women...

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THE WOMAN'S LIBRARY. It will be remembered that a year or two since, a very enthusiastic meeting was held in Dr. Chapin's church to take the initiatory steps in the foundation of a woman's library...

There has been so much controversy as to the necessity or desirability of a library specially for women, that we have made some investigations as to the relative number of books taken from libraries by men and women in the city. The Astor Library, it is well known, is principally valuable as a library of reference; the great mass of readers is supplied from the Mercantile Library, the Society Library, the Apprentices' Library, and some twenty or thirty small circulating libraries...

THE EXAMINATION IN THE CASE OF THE ALLEGED SLAVE. The examination in the case of the alleged slave, "Mystic," was held at the Court House, New York, on Monday, August 21st. The prisoner, a young man of about 20 years of age, was brought up by the State's Attorney, Mr. D. M. W. ...

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and had perfect arrangements for furnishing a full report, which our readers are enabled to see by the settlement of the matter. The heads of business are not ungrateful, but they are not ungrateful to the public, and they are not ungrateful to the public...

ARREST OF COUSIN-FRATERS.—About 11 o'clock on Monday night, a young man named James Wolf, and his brother, John Wolf, were arrested by the police of the City of New York, on the charge of being the authors of a libelous article published in the New York Tribune...

SUPPOSED HYDROPHOBIA IN A CAT.—A boy about six years old, named John, was bitten yesterday morning in the arm by a cat, which he had been playing with. The cat was immediately taken to the hospital, and it is supposed that it is suffering from hydrophobia...

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TO THE EDITOR OF THE N. Y. TRIBUNE. Sir: I am a plain, practical farmer, who has been raised here in the South, and who has never seen a Free State; but, notwithstanding, I feel, and a great class of our people here feel, toward you and the North as brothers. I am certain that if people here would take a second thought, and study and reflect upon the dreadful consequences of Disunion, they would recoil with abhorrence from political agitators and their doctrines...

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STREET CLEANING.—The cost of cleaning the streets last week was \$1,066, 25 less than the week previous, when the expenses footed up \$1,623 95.

CRICKET MATCHES.—United States vs. Canada.—The first of a series of International Cricket Matches between the United States and Canada will be commenced at Montreal on Wednesday, August 23. The United States Eleven, in which will be several Americans, will be selected by the St. George's Club of New-York. The Canada Eleven will be selected by the Montreal Club.

THE RETURN MATCH BETWEEN ST. GEORGE AND EAST NEW-YORK WILL BE COMMENCED TO-DAY ON THE ST. GEORGE'S CRICKET GROUND, ELYSIAN FIELDS, HOBOKEN.

SHORT MEASURE.—Theodore Hudson, John Colvin, Andrew Hunsicker, George Dieckrick, Rudolph Loh, John Trimble, Lewis Keiser, John Kammann, Matthew Reick, Jacob Heinmann, and James Sherwood, were all arrested yesterday by officers of the Thirtieth Ward Police, charged with selling fruit from wagons about the streets by false measures. The measures were all brought into Court, to the number of thirty or forty, were tested by the legal standard, and found to hold from one-eighth to one-third less than the required amount. The prisoners—being most of them agents for other people—were fined \$1 each, with the exception of Hudson, who, being a principal, was fined \$10, and in default of payment was looked up by Justice Steers. The police of other Wards would do well to examine the measures used by peddlers.

SUICIDE IN USTER COUNTY.—Wm. Constant Hanka, a resident of Woodland, Uster County, was found a day or two ago in a barn in Shandaken, with his throat cut. He was alive when found, and begged to be left alone to die. He had cut his throat with a razor. No reason is assigned for the commission of the act. Mr. Hanka was about 50 years of age, and has a wife and family in Woodland.

THE STEAMSHIP VANDERBILT, Capt. Lefevre, on her passage here, July 28, to Havre via Southampton, passed Hurst Castle on her way out at 3:30 A. M., Aug. 7. Time, 9 days 10 hours, this being the best passage this season, by several hours.

ALMOST A DOUBLE MURDER IN RONDOU.—A shocking affair occurred on Sunday afternoon in Ron dou, Uster County, which has created considerable excitement. A man named John Crummy, residing in Meadow street in that village, entered his dwelling, and without saying a word to his wife, who sat with her back towards him, approached her, and drew a razor across her throat, inflicting a terrible wound. The poor woman sprang up, and, rushing out of the door, ran to her parents' house, a short distance from her own. She was followed by her husband, who on the way cut his own throat. He arrived at his father-in-law's house, and showed the wound to his wife. A physician was called, who dressed the wounds of both. They were alive at last accounts, but it is doubtful whether either will recover. Crummy and his wife are both young people, and have been married only about a year.

A PIRATE TURNED COUNSELLOR.—Officer Whitmore, of the Eighteenth Ward, on Tuesday morning arrested a young man of insinuating appearance, named William Augustus (alias George) Tompkins, who is charged with having stolen \$58 from Dr. James L. Kiernan of No. 19 Stuyvesant street. It appears that Tompkins frequented the Doctor's office in a manner of respect and exterior, and he was invited to spend the night at the Doctor's house. He was shown to his room at a reasonable hour, and the medical gentleman also retired to his. On Tuesday morning, when the Doctor awoke, he discovered that his young friend had disappeared. On dressing himself, he also learned that a wallet containing \$50, in bills of the Shoe and Leather Bank, had taken its departure. Dr. Kiernan immediately informed the police, and the arrest of Tompkins followed. A greater part of the stolen money was found in his possession. He was taken before Justice Conolly, at Jefferson Market, who committed him to answer. Tompkins asserts that he is one of the notorious individuals who were connected with the brig Echo, a slave, and says that he was tried for piracy at Charleston, S. C. How he came through that trying ordeal he does not state. He claims acquaintance with the notorious Capt. Farnham of the Wanderer.

THE COMMITTEE FOR THE RELIEF OF THE DESTITUTE AND Suffering in Syria, acknowledge the receipt of the following sums: ...

OFFICE ON A WOMAN.—Officer Hutchinson of the Ninth Ward yesterday arrested James Bell and James Foley, who are alleged to be of the crowd who committed an infamous outrage on the person of Catherine Murphy, on Sunday night last. The officers arrested them at No. 23 West 22d street, where she is now confined to bed from the injuries she sustained at the hands of the ruffians. The prisoners were taken before Justice Conolly yesterday, and locked up for examination.

NEW-JERSEY ITEMS. WIDE-AWAKES.—The Second Warders of Jersey City, on Monday night, met and organized a Wide-Awake Company, with the following officers: Captain, James Wallace; Lieutenant, Fred S. Farrier; Orderly Sergeant, Henry Smith.