Back Again.

rived in town again last evening. They found it impossible to stay at the post of licans. duty in Washington as long as Mr. Faulkner remained behind. Had he followed them back they might have worried out the suspense, but with him burrowing into the Senatorial cheese here all by himself the thing was absolutely impossible. So they packed their car-pet sacks; told the Sergeant-at-Arms to be sure and not follow them up, but keep their pay going oness usual, and out they put for Wheeling. They are now here to put every member of the Legislature on the head and kiss him on both cheeks. It is thus that these mod ern "reformers" believe in the dogma of Jefferson that the office should seek the man and not the man the office.

Proposed Amendment to Constitution of West Va.

The Judiciary Committee yesterday reported to the House of Delegates a pro-posed amendment to the State Constitution that very essentially changes. Art. VIII. They were the recipients of numerous Judiciary. The most important of these changes is the increase in the number of manges is the increase in the number of Circuit Judges from 9 to 16, and the bridgement of the powers and arrisdiction of the County Courts of the powers and arrisdiction of the County Courts of the powers are to make them mere boards of the above place. Circuit Judges from 9 to 16, and the abridgement of the powers and jurisdiction of the County Courts police and finance for their respective ounties. Another feature is the en county districts so \$5 "to extend to all actions at law for the recovery of money (except actions for libel, clauder, crimins inversation, seduction, or breach of claimed by plaintiff, exclusive of interto actions for the recovery of personal property where the value thereof, as claimed by the plaintiff, does not extwo hundred dollars, and to proceedings for the recovery of the possession of rea estate unlawfully detained from the

The Justices are also to have such other jurisdiction as may be prescribed by law, and also such criminal jurisdic tion as may, in like manner, be conferred

By increasing the Circuit Judges to 16 it is intended to pretty much absorb the present jurisdiction of the County Courts itself, and is to be known as the First Circuit. Hancock, Brooke and Marshall ompose the 2d Circuit; Marion, Wetze Peler and Pleasants the 3d; Monongali: Preston and Grant the 1th; Harrison, Dod dridge and Taylor the 5th; Wood, Wirt and Ritchie the 6th; Gilmer, Lewis Braxton and Webster the 7th; Barbon pshur, Randolph and Tucker the Stli; Mineral, Hampshire, Hardy and Pendle ton the 9th; Jefferson, Berkeley and Mor gan the 10th; Greenbrier, Pocahontas, Fayette, Nicholas and Clay the 11th; ers, Monroe, Mercer and Raleigh the 12th; Wyoming, McDowell, Logan and me the 13th; Cabell, Lincoln and Wayne the 14th: Mason, Jackson, Roan-Kanawha and Putnam the 16th.

The salaries are fixed as follows: Th of the Supreme Judges at \$3,333 33 those of the Circuit Judges at \$2,000 pe unnum. Their mileage is to be the sar hers of the County Court are to receive \$3 per day for services in court, but "no ter sum than \$30 shall be allowed or paid for the per diem of the President and Justices of the Peace at any term of the County Court, other than that at which e county levy is laid, and at such term not more than \$60 shall be allowed or paid for such term."

paid for such term."

There are several other changes made
by the proposed amendment that we have not space to enumerate to-day, but which we may have occasion to refer to hereafter If two thirds of all the members elected to each House of the legislature shall con car in the passage of the amendment I will be submitted to the voters of the The Suffering Poor of Stenben State at the next general election.

A Property Qualification for One Branch of City Governments. . The Pittsburgh Leader remarks that

the idea of a property representation is at least one of the departments of city governments is growing daily more and more into favor. It orgues that experilate years, has shown that it is not safe to leave the management of valuable interests in the hands of men who have no own

whip in them:

"If it were—if the individuals, say a Pittsburgh, who yoted a debt of million on the property lying within its limits had been the owners of the property encumbered by the act—would they have contracted the debt? Not likely. They only incline to extravagant measures and wasteful expenditures, who know that they will not be—it. wasteful expenditures, who know that they will not be called on to belp pay the of them. But should the res bles thus be compelled to bear the bu thens bundled up and piled upon the shoulders by the irresponsible? This wa the very tyrauny complained of and pri-tested against by our fathers of a hur dred years ago, who were not to be pe-suaded and who could not be forced abmit to "taxation without represen

Pittsburgh is not the only place where this idea of property qualification is being agitated. The Constitutional Convention New Hampshire has reported an article making the property qualification an indispensable one to seenre eligibility to the State Senate. The Mayor of the city of New York, still later, has come out with a recommendation to the same effeet, said recommendation being that a fifth member of the board of apportionment be "elected by the taxpayers." The Municipal Society goes a step still further, and recommends the passage of a Committee be requested to prepare and promote, in the name of this society, the passage of a law, and, if need be, of a constitutional amendment, which shall ena ble, and provide for, the election by the taxpayers of cities and villages of a mu nicipal body which shall have the authority of defermining the amount of taxes \$150,000, and insured for \$150,000, and insured for

The Intelligencer, the salaries, and the expenditures in and for the local purposes of such cities and the salaries, and the expenditures in and villages respectively.

A feature about this movement Messrs. Price, Davis and Hereford aris that it is not a party one, being favor-

> OVER THE RIVER NEWS,-The wager of the Steubenville police have been reduced to \$1.75 per day.

At the teachers' examination held a Belmont on Saturday forty-one applicants Probable Solution of the Electora were in attendance.

The resolution of Mr. Pennybacker the member from Pendleton, for putting the militia of West Virginia on a war footing, is made the text for a humorou otice in the St. Clairsville Chronicle.

The St. Clairsville school building a nsured for \$11,000 in the North Amean and Phenix companies.

Jacob Heatherington, of Bellaire, was one third owner of the Calumet when built, but before her loss is understood to have disposed of his interest to John aldwell, of Wheeling. I. H. Patterson and lady, of St. Clair

of the present Constitution relating to the
Judiciary. The most important of these
changes is the increase in the number of
heavy congratulations of friends.

Sixteen or more persons are charge before the Grand Jury of Belmont coun-ty this week, with penitentiary crimes. A gentleman of Monroe county shipped 350 barrels of apples to Baltimore, some time since, which netted him ten cent

time since, which netted him ten cents per barrel, after all expenses were paid. He is a wiser but not richer man.

The Baron Lantern Company of Bellaire, with a capital stock of \$21,000, last year made a net earning of \$17,000. A dividend of thirty-four per cent was declared.

BUSINESS MEMORANDA.—The loss n teubenville by ice is estimated at \$12,

The rate by both telegraph lines be ween Wheeling and Philadelphia ha ocen reduced to 50 cents.

Samuel J. Tilden is a director in the Cleveland & Pittsburgh Railroad Company, and owns \$400,000 of its stock. The Ætna Mill is putting in position

pair of shears for trimming railroad and other heavy iron. This is a new enterprise for the Ætna, but one much needed y its varied trade.

We are thankful that the ice in the the river has gone. It laid an embargo on business that was being felt severely. Twenty-five or thirty days is a long time for people in the Ohio valley to do with-out the river.—Martin's Ferry News.

Three dollars per hundred pounds is the average price for tobacco in this county. At those figures the producer, can not realize much above expenses.— Woodsfield Spirit.

The first mortgage S per cent bonds of the Bellaire & St. Clairsville Narrov Gaogé Bailway Company are now ready and can be bad at the First Nationa Bank of St. Clairsville:

The Erna Mills Company hold their nound election for directors to-morrow

Hymns in a U. P. Church.

Union avenue U. P. church, Alleghe ny, last night, the question of discipling s brought to a terribly severe test by

have reduced them so severely that n matter how it affects their pride, and matter how it affects their pride, and it breaks any one's spirit to be compelled to beg, they must look to the charlied of others or stave. Not since the first sudden shock of the panic has the destitution been so great in this city as at the present time. Even able-bodied men are so reduced that it has become necessary for them to depend upon the charity of their neighbors. Not because they can't work or refuse to toil, but because they can't work work for them to do. Laborers are plenty but the harvest is not great.

A Hungling Attempt to Rob an Express Car.

Cincano, January 18.—Three masked men entered an outgoing express car on the Chicago, Alton & St. Louis railroad last night as the train stopped at the Burlington crossing, within the city limits. They hastily overpowered the express measurer and baggage-master, went through the safe, which contained about \$25,000 in valuables, but in their lurry did the work so bunglingly that about \$25,000 in variances, but in their hurry did the work so bunglingly tha they left behind all except a package for Springfield, Ill., containing about \$14, and some drafts for collection. The left the train after it had gone about eight blocks, and have not been discovered.

Later. Three men have just been rested, charged with the robbery. De tectives had been on their track for some hours.

Railroad Tunnel Caved In.

CINCINNATI, January 18 .- The Comm cial special says: The tunnel on the Mari etta Pittsburgh & Cleveland Railroad ther, and recommends the passage of a resolution to the effect that the Judiciary the mouth, shutting in five laborers, who promote, in the name of this society, the second promote, in the name of this society, the focated from foul air.

Losses in the Fisheries

GLOUCESTER, MASS., January 18.-The

WHEELING, WEST VA., FRIDAY MORNING, JANUARY 19, 1877. MY TELEGRAPH.

ASSOCIATED PRESS REPORT

TO THE DAILY INTELLIGENCES

CONGRESS

Interesting Proceedings in Both Branches.

Problem. .

Report of the Special Committee on Counting the Electoral Vote.

HOUSE.

Washington, January 18.
A good deal of time was occupied thing the preliminary question as to whether the House should now tion as to whether the House should now proceed to the consideration of the resolution reported last Friday from the Committee or Privileges and Duties of the House in counting the electoral votes, or to that of the compramise plan proposed, the Republicans favoring the latter and the Democrats the former. Finally the vote by yeas and nays was taken, and resulted in yeas 141 and nays 81 in favor of proceeding with the resolution reported by Mr. Knott, Chairman of the Committee on Privileges, &c.

In the course of his argument Mr. Knott declared that any attempt to interfere with the constitutional right of the House in regard to counting the elec-

toral votes would be treason. He indulged in a little sarcason at the expense of the President, and intimated that his construction of his duty in the premises was to strip the frontier and crowd the Capital with troops. In conclusion, he said: Believing that this House has a high power and absolute duty to perform in regard to counting the electoral votes for President and Vice President, in my humble judgment, any attempt on the part of any man or body of men, executive legislative or ministerial, to coerce this House to count the vote, which in its judgment is invalid.

or void, or to coerce this House to throw out a vote which in its judgement is legal and valid, or to interfere in any manner whatever with the peaceful discharge of its constitutional functions in this high regard, would be an inter subversion of our Constitutional Government, and it accompanied by an armed force would be treason to the United States of America. [Applause on the Democratic side and in the gallerios.

Mr. Knott having concluded, Mr. Payne, chairman of the committee on counting the electoral vote, made a concurrent report of the two committees of the House and Senate, and which he said that been signed by the seven members of the seven members of the Senate committee. The report was then read.

ne seven members of the Senate com-ne seven members of the Senate com-ses. The report was then read.

Mr. Eurchard, a member of the com-mittee, offered on behalf of four Republi-tions of the committee, the fol-

ovisions on the subject, or authorits e direction from the Senate and House the President of the Senate on opening the certificates, declares and counts the electoral votes for President and Vice President of the United States.

WHAT THE COMMITTEE SAY.

The Committees of the Senate and
House, in reporting their measure for the
awful counting of the electoral vote, and

cising it. The Constitution declares that Congress shall have power to make all laws which shall be necessary and proper for carrying into execution the foregoing powers and all other powers vested by the Constitution, in the Government of the United States, or any department or officer thereof. The Committee therefore, think that the law proposed cannot be justly assailed as uniconstitutional by any one—Fidelity to the Constitution is observed when we find that the law we recommend is consistent with that instrurecomment is consistent with that instru-ment, The matter then being a proper sub-ject for legislation, the fitness of the mean-

proposed, becomes the subject of considone citizen or another shall be Chief Mag-istrate for a period prescribed, upon the just theories of civil institutions, it is of far greater moment that the will of the people, lawfully expressed in the choice of that officer, shall be ascertained and carried into effect in a lawful way. It is true that in very oversion of a covern carried into effect in a lawful way. It is true that in every operation of a govern-ment of laws, from the most trivial to the most important, there will always be a possibility that the result reached will not be the true one. The Executive officer may not wisely perform his duty; the fourts may not truly declare the law and the legislative body may not enact the best laws, but in either case to resist the act of the Executive, the courts or the legislature, acting constitutionally and lawfully within their sphere, would be to set up an anarchy in place of a

rom any preponderance of political bias, and the addition of necessary concitin-ent parts of the whole in order to obtain an uneven number is left to an agency the farthest remote from prejudice of

It would be difficult if not impossible, we think, to establish a tribunal that could be less the subject of party criticism than such an one. The principle of its constitution is so absolutely fair, we are mable to perceive how the most extreme partisan can assail it, unless he prefers to embark his whiles on the stormy sea of unregulated proceedure, hot disputes and dangerous results, that can neither be measured nor defined, rather than on a fixed course of can neither be measured nor defined, rather than on a fixed course of law that insures peace and order to society. Whatever party may be disappointed in its hopes, the unfortunate circumstance that no provision had been made on the subject before the election has greatly added to the difficulties of the committees is dealing with it as many of the people of the country, members of the respective political parties, will perhaps look with jealousy on any measure that seems to involve even a possibility of the defeat of their wishes. All considerations in the interest of patriotism and justice unite in demanding of the law making power a measure that country and show that our Republican institutions are equal to any emergency, and in this connection we cannot refrain from the expression of our satisfaction that your committees, composed of equal numbers of the opposing parties, have fortunately been able to do what has been attempted in vain herefolore, to almost manimously agree on a plan considered by them all to be just, wise and efficient. We accordingly recommend the proposed act to the patriotic and just judgment of Congress.

GEO. WILLARD.

House Com GEO. T. EDMUNDS,
F. FRELINGHUYSEN,
ROSCOE CONKLING,
A. G. THURMAN,
F. F. BAYARD,
M. W. KANSON,
South Committee Senate Com Senator Morton was the only member

inority report. At the close of his speech the resolutio

REPORT OF THE SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON COUNTING THE ELECTORAL VOTE. Mr. Edmunds from the special coittee appointed to devise means punting the electoral vote, submitted

alled a compromise, but it was a measure of justice in aid of constitutions

companying the report su

Mr. Edulands:

A bill to provide for and regulate the counting of the votes for President and Vice President, the decision of questions was brought to a terribly severe test by Mr. Murply, who it is no more than just flower to say did to may like to say did to s

with a list of the votes, shall be entered on the journals of the two houses.

anounce the decision of the questions a possibility that the result reached will you to be the true one. The Executive oiller that not be the true one. The Executive oiller that one truly declare the courts may not truly declare the courts may not truly declare the courts may not truly declare the constitution and have been received by the President of the Senate, purporting to be the returns or paper purporting to be the returns or paper purporting to be the returns or paper purporting to be the returns or the legislative body may not enact the best laws, but in either case to resist the act of the Executive, the courts of the United States, the right of title of the person who shall be declared by the President in State, unless they shall be duplicates of the same return, all such returns and government. We think, then, to provide clear and lawful means for performing this great and necessary function of the Government in a time of much public dispute, is of far greater importance than the particular advantage that any man may in the course of events possibly obtain, but we have still endeavored to provide such lawful agencies of decision in the present case as shall be the most fair and impartial no esible under the circumstances, Each House on the Thesday in continuous tituted as follows, namely: During the great of the branches of the Legislature and possible under the circumstances, Each House on the Thesday in continuous tituted as follows, namely: During the did the branches of the Legislature and possible under the circumstances, Each House on the Thesday in continuous tituted as follows, namely: During the did the branches of the Legislature and possible under the circumstances, Each of the Senaton cooks in the present of the Constitution and laws to certificate and possible under the circumstances. Each of the Senaton cooks the true and lawful electoral vice of the summittee, citler during the decistor of the true in the resolution for the content of the United States, if any such right exist.

Sec. Sec. 2. That if more than one return

to a selection from different parts of the shall constitute a commission for the de-republic, while it is thought to be free cision of all questions upon or in respect claiming to have been legally elected and

select in such manner as a majority of them shall deem fit, another of the Asso-ciale Justices of said Court, which five persons shall be members of said commispersons shall be members of said commission, and the person longest in commission, of said five Justices shall be President of said commission. The members of said commissions all respectively take and subscribe the following oath: I do solemnly swear or affirm, as the case may be, that I will impartially examine and consider all questions submitted to the commission, of which I am a member, and a true judgment give thereon agreea-rand a rue judgment give thereon agrees.

this reputation as a cool and accurat marksman. Bennett showed no signs of trepidation either in speech or manner, commission, and in such appointments regard shall be had to impartiality and freedom from bias songht by the original appointments to said commission, who shall thereupon immediately take and atheribe to the oath hereinbefore pre-scribed and become a member of said commission to fill the vectors of serious mmission to fill the vacancy so occa

caper, as the certificates and papers from units State shall be so opened, excepting uplicates of the same return, they shall are read by the tellers, and theroupon the resident of the Senate shall call for obsections, if any; every objection shall be and concisely, and without argument, the road thereof, and shall be signed by at cast one Senator and one member of the force of Representatives before the same thall be received. When all such objections so made to any certificate, note or apper from a State shall have been reand concisely, and without argument, the ground thereof, and shall be signed by f any, now possessed for that put by the two Houses of Congress ac eparately or together and by a ma y of the votes decided, and whethe ly and what votes from such State ar

lasted two hours, it shall be the duty of each house to put the main question with out further debate.

Swc. 5. That at such joint meeting of the two houses to such a such joint meeting of the two houses the such as a such joint meeting of the two houses the such as a such joint meeting of the two houses the such as a such joint meeting of the two houses the such joint meeting of with a list of the votes, shall be entered on the journals of the two houses. Upon such reading of any such certificate or paper when there shall be only one return from a state, the President of the Senate shall real for objections. It amy are made, every objection shall be in writing and state clearly and concisely, and without argument the ground thereof, and shall be signed by at least one Senator and one member of the House of Representatives in the body of the hall, not shall be read. When all objections so made to any vote or paper from any state, shall have been received and read, the Senate shall thereupon withdraw, and such objections shall be submitted to the Senate shall thereupon withdraw, and such objections shall be submitted to the Senate for its decision, and the Speaker of the House of Representatives for the two houses, the seasts shall be produced as for the Speaker, chair, for the two houses, the seasts shall be produced as for the Speaker, chair, for the Senate in the body of the hall upon the left, the Senates in the body of the hall upon the result to the body of the hall upon the result to the body of the hall upon the left, the Senates in the body of the hall upon the left, the Senates in the body of the hall upon the left, the Senate in the body of the hall upon the left, the Senates in the body of the hall upon the left, the Senates in the body of the hall upon the left, the Senates in the body of the hall upon the left, the Senates in the body of the hall upon the left, the Senates in the body of the hall upon the left, the Senates in the body of the hall upon the left, the Senates in the body of the hall upon the left, the Senates, the Speaker, inmediately upon his left, the Senates, the Speaker, inmediately upon his left, the Senates in the body of the hall upon the left, the Senates in the body of the hall upon the left, the Senates in the body of the hall upon the left, the Senates in the body of the hall upon the left the senates in the body of the hall upon the left, the Senat SEC. 5. That at such joint meeting of the two houses, the seats shall be pro-vided as follows: For the President of the Senate, the Speakers chair, for the Speaker, immediately upon his left, the Senators in the hody of the hall upon the right of the presiding officer, for the Rep-resentatives in the body of the hall, not propriated for the Senators, for the teller, Secretary of the Senators for the teller, tions to the House of Representatives for such votes, or otherwise under this act in its decision, and no electoral vote or vote from any state from which but one return has been received, shall be objected to, except by the affirmative vote of the two Houses. When the two Houses acting separately, in the manner herein before provided, to admit the retwo Houses. When the two Houses act such House not beyond the next two Houses, and the presiding officer shall then announce the decision of the questions is being considered by said announce the decision of the questions as being considered by said committee, either House may proceed with its legislative or other business.

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shall constitute a commission for the de-cision of all questions upon or in respect of such double return named in this sec-tion.

On Tuesday next preceding the first
Thursday in February, A. D. 1877, or as soon thereafter as may be, the Associate Justices of the Supreme Court of the United States now assigned to the First, Third, Eighth and Ninth Circuits, shall select in such manner as a misority of

The Bennett-May Duel.

The Bennett-May Duel. New York, January 18,—The Tribuna publishes the first accurate narrative o the Bennett-May duel. Its the story o an eye-witness, who says the first shot fell to May. The arrangements having been Then came the question, "Are you ready?" Immediately, and before the command could be given, May raised his pistol, took a hasty aim and pulled the the Secretary of the Senate.

When the commission shall have been thus organized, it shall not be in the power of either house to dissolve the same or to withdraw any of its members, but if any such Senator or member shall it any such Senator or member shall it is any such Senator or member shall be shall not be in the same or to withdraw any of its members, but if any such Senator or member shall be shall not be in the same or to withdraw any of its members, but if any such Senator or members shall be shall not be in the same or to withdraw any of its members, but if any such Senator or members shall be shall not be in the same or to withdraw any of its members, but if any such Senator or members and shall not shall not shall be shall not sha but if any such Senator or member shall die or become physically unable to perform the duties required by this act, the fact of such death or physical inability shall be, by said commission, before it shall proceed further, communicated to the Senate or House of Representatives, as the case may be, which body shall immediately, and without debate, proceed, by a ricu roce vote, to fill the place so vacated, and the person so appointed shall take and subscribe to the oath that is hereinbefore prescribed, and become a member of said commission. And in like manner if any of said Justices of the railroad station. May betrayed a the railroad station. May betrayed a nervousness strongly at variance with

> A Fight With Sitting Bull. A Fight With Sitting Bull.
> Citicago, January 18.—Col. Miles' official report of the recent battle with Sitting Bull's band announces that Sitting Bull was again defeated at the head of Redwater on December 18, by three companies of the 6th Infantry, under Lieut.
> B. F. Baldwin, and his camp of 122 lodges captured, with 60 horses, ponies and nules, and everything pertaining to an Indian willage burned up. The Indians escaped with but very little besides what they had on their backs. Lieut. Baldwin's command has marched over 500

and from the first seemed to look upo

a dangerous occurrence.

the meeting as a disagreeable rather than

BALTIMORE.

Defaulter.

BALTIMORE, January 18.—A special om Annapolis says: Hon, Geo, Wells, or the past 50 years President of the armers and Planters Bank, is a defaultr in the sum of \$65,000.

CONVENTION OF EXPRESSMEN At this afternoon's session of the Cor vention of the Expressmen's Benefit Association, St. Louis was relected as the next place of meeting, and the following officers were elected: President, George Bingham, Pittsburgh; Vice President, J. Q. Herring, Baltimore; Grand Secretary, Sutherland Dewitt, Elmira; Executive Committee, H. W. Bright, Springfield, Mass.; E. Hayden, St. Louis; A. D. Kerner, Baltimore; E. M. Marsden, Omaha, and W. G. Yates, Cleveland. Adjourned sine die. ention of the Expressmen's Benefit A ociation, St. Louis was selected as the

Indicted for Conspiracy. HABRISQUEG, JANUARY 18.—In the Dauphin County Court this afternoon true bills were found against James Cartwright, ex-County Treasurer of Luzerne county; James H. Mills, ex-City Treasurer of Scranton; W. W. Kerr, W. J. Jackson and John A. Waggoner, Clerks in the Auditor's department, for conspiracy to embezzle by filing false statements and settling false accounts. All of the above are concerned in false returns of license are concerned in false returns of licen sylvania. The trial will probably ence tomorrow

Weather Indications.

OFFICE OF THE CHIEF SIGNAL OFFICES
WASHINGTON, D. C., January 19.-1 A. PROBABILITIES. In Tennessee and the Ohio Valley, winds, generally warmer and partly cloudy weather and possibly occasiona

In the Lower Lakes, Middle States an New England, a slowly falling barome-ter, west to south winds, warmer, clear or partly cloudy weather, and possibly occasional light snow or rain in the first

Arrested on Suspicion.

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New York, January 18.—Horace E. Brown, broker, No. 35 Broad street, has been arrested on suspicion of having been implicated in the forging of a check for \$62,400, which purported to have been drawn by the New York Life Insurance Company, and which was certified as genuine by the cashier of the Union Trent Company. Trust Company.

Naw Yonk, January 18.—In the case of Charles N. Miller, of No. 40 Broadway, charged with complicity in the Western whisky frauds, by permitting whisky to be removed from his premises without entering the same on his books, the jury returned a verdict of guilty on the first two counts of the indictment.

Meets with Approval.

Washington, D. C., January 18.—
While the measure as reported by the Select Committee in regard to the counting of the electoral vote, will meet with some opposition in the Senate, it is gererally believed that it will receive a handsome majority when the vote is reached.

An Escaped Lunatic.

FOREIGN NEWS THE EASTERN SITUATION.

LONDON, January 18 .- Private advice LONDON, January 18.—Private advices from Russid say that Gortschakoff has issued a circular to the Russian representatives abroad, expressing his belief that Turkey will reject the Conference proposals, and declaring that Russia cannot undertake a warlike policy, because Europe would not support her and might form a coalition against her.

It is understood that one or two millions in Turkish pounds paper will be issued.

LONDON, January 18 .- A dispatch fre Constantinople announced that the Gra Council to-day, after an animated deba unanimously rejected the last propos of the European powers as contrary the dignity, integrity and Independent of the Empire.

WASHINGTON.

Secretary Chandler Before the Joint Committee on Electoral Vote.

Vote.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 18.—The Special Committee on the Powers, Privileges and Duties of the House in counting the electoral vote had before them this morn has Secretary Chandler, who was accompanied by his stenographer. Mr. Field saked him if he was now prepared to answer the question heretofore propunded, namely: By whose authority he send a telegram to Gov. Stearns promising a telegram to Gov. Stearns promising troops? Secretary Chandler said be was not prepared to answer. He was further a sked if any copy of the telegram a sent to Governor Stearns was in existence, (the telegram sent on the Sthor 9th of November), and answered not that he was aware of; he kept no Gov. Stearns; he stated that he declined to a nawer, because of the confidential character of the communication between the President and himself, and other members of the cabinet, and he was summoned to appear before the Committee as Secretary of the interior, and Mr. Chandler answered, he was.

Mr. Lawrence—Do you base your objections to answering solely on the ground of the confidential character of the communication between the President and yourself?

Mr. Chandler—I do on that ground exclusively. The Secretary wat on to say he had no more right to disclose what passed between himself and the President than a U. S. Senator has to disclose what is done in executive session.

Mr. Tucker asked Chandler whether a telegram to Gov. Stearns promisir troops? Secretary Chandler said he w

done in executive session.

Mr. Tucker asked Chandier whether

the telegram to Gov. Stearns was sent a a member of the Cabinet.

Mr. Lawrence objected to the question when the committee went into private

consultation.

When the doors were opened, Mr.
Chandler was asked whether he sent the
telegram to Governor Stearns on his own
volition as Chairman of the National
Republican Committee. He answered
that he presumed the telegram was sent
by him on his own motion and in his own
name.

name, Question.—Was the sending of tha telegram your own individual act or that of the chairman of the National Republi

lelegram your own individual act or man of the chairman of the National Republican Committee?

Answer,—I do not suppose I signed my name as chairman of the Committee. I presume I did not.

Q. Did you send this telegram at the request or suggestion of any body else than yourself?

A. My impression is that I received a telegram from Governor Stearns, suggesting the necessity of troops. The witness they referred to a telegram published in the New York Tribune, dated Nov. 9, addressed to the chairman of the National Republican Committee, charging Kinglax efforts to prevent a count. Gov. Stearns telegraphed from Tallahassee that there was no doubt of a Republican majority in Florida if an honest canvass of the vote could be secured, and that the indications were that violence would be recorted to in the interior of the State and that the Ku-klux had prevented the returns from being received, etc. The impression of the witness was tat this returns from being received, etc. Thimpression of the witness was that thi impression of the witness was that thi telegram first suggested to him the ne cessity for troops. He did not know who furnished this telegram in the Tribme He did not know whether the Govern or or the Legislature called for troops Q. Did you send your telegrams to Gov. Stearns on your own volition, with out suggestion, instruction or direction of anybody, else? A. Probably suggestions came from the quarter already men tioned.

ioned.
Q. And nobody else? A. I decline to answer, on the ground of the official confidence between members of the Cabinet and the President.
Mr. Field—Were you informed of a

telegram sent to Oregon mentionin money on behalf of the Democratic party A. I only knew of that from the newspo A. I only knew of that from the newspa-pers and from conversations.
Q. Did nor Mr. Orton communicate to you a telegram to Oregon on that subject.
A. Not that I remember.
Witness was then discharged for the present, and the committee went into secretsession.

NOMINATED BY THE PRESIDENT.

The President nominated Ellis Speni commissioner of Patents. CONSIDERING THE RESOLUTIONS

The House is considering the resolu-tions reported from the Committee on Priveleges, Daties and Powers of the House in counting the electoral vote.

Called for Consultation.

WASHINGTON, D. C., January 18.—The Democratic National Executive Com-mittee held a meeting this afternoon a the residence of Chairman Hewitt, and authorized the Chairman and Secretary to call a meeting of the Democratic Na-tional Committee at an early day if the tional Committee at an early day, is should deem proper to do so, with ence to the resolution adopted b

Caught on the Wing.

London, Ont., January 18.—South N.

Hainer, late city Treasure? of Covington,
Ky., who has been living with his wife
and family at Tecumsels for the past aix
months under the name of House, was
arrested to-day on a charge of forgery
preferred by the Covington authorities.

The application for extradition is balsed
on the charge that he altered \$200 orders
of the corporation on the Northern bank
of Kentucky to \$1200 and forged the endorsement of Haines. The total embezelement is estimated at \$50,000 to \$60,000.

The case is under advisement.

FIRE RECORD.

A Bonded Warehouse Burned. ELIZABETH, N. J., January 18.—The government bonded warehouse on Shut-ter's Island was burned to-day. Loss

Recaptured. CHICAGO, January 13.—Lewis C. Clermont, the Chambersburg (Pa.) bank robber who broke jail some time ago, was recaptured here to-might and awaits a requisition at the police station.

Closing its Labors. New Orleans, January 18.—The Sen-ate Confinitee is actively engaged in closing its labors. A large amount of testimony has been taken, principally, in relation to the election in North Louisiann. There is no change in the situation yet.

Fred May.

Marine Intelligence.

WASHINGTON, January 18.—Mr. Fred May is in this city, he arrived here Tuesday last and is unhurt.

LONDON, January 18.—The steamship reece, from New York, has arrived.

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