

In the Constitutional House, a few days ago, Mr. Sheppard, of Edgefield, gave notice that he would introduce a bill to abolish the office of county auditor and to devolve the duties of that office upon the county treasurer.

The Rump House intends to order a new election in Laurens and Edgefield, for members of the Legislature and county officers.

We publish the so-called "inaugural address" of Chamberlain, because we wish the people to know the animus that prompts him to action.

On Friday last Judge Carpenter, on the complaint of several tax payers, issued a temporary injunction restraining the banks in which the State funds are deposited from paying out any money on the order of F. L. Cardozo, late State treasurer and still pretending to hold that position.

The suggestion made in the communication published in another column is eminently just in its spirit. The men who are at work for the people should certainly be furnished with the means of living while their entire time is devoted to the people's cause.

The lawful House of Representatives will in a very short time be in a position to raise such supplies of money as may be necessary for the purposes of government.

The Charleston Journal of Commerce some time since urged the claims of General Hampton for the United States Senatorship, and his name has of late been frequently mentioned in that connection.

Thus giving Tilden and Hendricks the Constitutional majority. It will be observed that of the electoral votes of Oregon, one is cast for Tilden and two for Hayes.

The New York Tribune says: "It may be a misapprehension, but it looks as if any stranger wandering into Columbia at this time would be in danger of being seized and seated as a member of the Republican Legislature."

We feel sure that the sketch of Gen. Wade Hampton, published in another portion of this paper, will be full of interest to our readers. This sketch was written by Mr. James Wood Davidson, a native of South Carolina, and possessed of both the information and the natural ability to do full justice to his subject.

The suspense attending the counting of the votes for President and Vice-President is about over. The following table shows the vote cast for the respective candidates:

Table with 2 columns: Candidate Name and Number of Votes. Includes Tilden and Hendricks (185) and Hayes and Wheeler (184).

At your request I give some of the grounds of my action in granting certificates to the Electors in Oregon. The law of Oregon requires the Governor to grant certificates to Electors duly elected.

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Of course the Radicals are in a great rage over Governor Grover's action, alleging that it is entirely without legal sanction. If his position is correct—and there is every reason to believe that it is—Tilden is elected by a majority of one electoral vote.

Give Our Legislators the "Sinews of War."

While our friends are expending and consuming their energies in the front, battling with the pen against the sword, for civil liberty, it seems highly proper that the citizens composing the party of "Reform and Home Rule" throughout the State should assemble in mass meetings, and pledge their respective counties in the amount of five or ten thousand dollars each for the support of our self-denying and brave men; for if successful, their glorious effort will line with silver the dark cloud that now so completely envelops us.

Under Which King, Bozonian?

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COLUMBIA, December 11.—The wearying suspense which has already lasted so long still continues, with no immediate prospect of abatement. The Democrats appear to have adopted the policy of a siege, and propose to starve the Chamberlain crew from their position.

The Supreme Court having decided against the Mackey House, any legislation in which that body participates will not have the sanction of the law, and consequently any tax bill originating in it will not be recognized in the courts.

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recognized Chamberlain, and as Chamberlain ordered him to protect the constabulary he was compelled to do so. The House, therefore, unwilling yet to provoke a collision, remains quietly in the Carolina Hall.

Several days ago Mr. Hewitt, the Chairman of the National Democratic Committee, interviewed Grant and telegraphed to Gen. Hampton that the President would recognize neither House till it obtained sixty-three members having certificates from the Secretary of State.

Mr. Hewitt thereupon visited Grant, and the Washington papers say he was informed that while the President would not recognize any House not having sixty-three members, he had not bound himself to recognize the one which had. It is reported that Old-man-afraid-to-go-home Patterson had gotten badly frightened, and, summoning Zach Chandler, Father Taft and Don Cameron, had made an assault on Grant.

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the entire party had been lynched, and I presume the Northern Radical press is teeming to-day with details of this horror. The whole thing, however, proved to be false. The prisoners are now safe and will be tried by law.

The Congaree river was frozen over last week.

The Charleston Presbytery was in session last week.

The Spartanburg Herald advises Chamberlain to depart. So do we. The Newberry Herald suffers from ex-lance borrows.

Sumter has had an alarm of fire—no damage done.

The notorious Adam Johnson, one of the Hausmann murderers was lately captured.

J. Bentelner's store in Florence was burned down last week. The cause of the fire is not known.

A colored boy shot and killed another in Charleston last week. The slayer claims that the killing was accidental, but has fled.

Three thousand, eight hundred and sixty nine bales of cotton were shipped from Newberry during the month of November.

Mr. C. F. Regan lost two bales of cotton from his gin yard in Marion county last week. A Republican voter borrowed them.

Lawrence Cain, the defeated candidate for Senator from Edgefield, has given notice that he intends to contest the seat of General Gary.

The gin house of Mr. Wm. Robertson of Rock Hill was destroyed by an incendiary fire last week. His loss is about one thousand dollars.

The United States Judges, Bond and Bryan, have decided that the cases of the Ellenton prisoners must go before the grand jury. This puts off their trials until the next term.

A young man by the name of Sen had his leg cut off while attempting to board the cars at Hope Station, on the Greenville and Columbia Railroad, last week.

Six colored men charged with the murder of Mr. Alexander Gregg, which, as our readers will remember, was committed about a month ago, have been arrested and lodged in jail in Marion county.

It is asserted that General Ruger, dressed in citizens' clothes, was seen hanging around the crowds of Democrats assembled in Columbia last week, carefully noting their utterances.

The Port Royal Standard, Smalls paper, says: "The late constituents of Hamilton and Meyers will give them a warm reception when they come home." No intimidation in Beaufort.

Robert Y. Neil, a former resident of Columbia, was killed at Prosperity, in Newberry county, by J. Drayton Brown, last week. The deceased received three shots. It is said the killing was done in self defence.

Maj. F. C. von Borstel, an old and highly respectable citizen of Anderson, died at that place last week, after an illness of several weeks. The deceased was a native of Prussia, and was an active member of the Baptist church.

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The bronze statue which the old Palmetto Guard contemplate erecting in Charleston in commemoration of the valor and patriotism of their regiment and of its fallen members has been successfully cast in New York. It represents a soldier in the old Continental uniform carrying a bullet-torn flag.

A watchman at the Wilmington, Columbia and Augusta Railroad depot in Columbia discovered a thief stealing wood, and instead of turning the offender over to a trial justice, gave him a sound whipping and turned him loose. The thief then had the watchman carried before a trial justice, and fined 25 cents and costs—amounting to \$5.25. Agent Craig, however, immediately had the thief arrested on a charge of stealing some time ago, and he is now in the hands of the officers.

A shocking murder was committed last week at Lowndesville, in Abbeville county. As Mr. Clayton Allen and Mr. Theodore Baker, two well known and estimable citizens of that place, were riding on horseback past the Presbyterian church, a crowd of negroes fired a volley at them, instantly killing Allen, and badly wounding Baker. A large force of white men immediately assembled and proceeded in quest of the brutal ruffians. At last accounts the leader of the band had been ascertained, and about four hundred negroes had gathered to resist his arrest. The whites were assembling in great numbers but no action had been taken. See our Columbia letter.

Married, on the 7th inst., by Rev. J. M. Boyd, Mr. HENRY A. GIBSON to Miss HATTIE S. MASON—both of Fairfield county.

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Sealed Proposals.

OFFICE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS, FAIRFIELD COUNTY, NOV. 25, 1876. SEALED proposals will be received at this office for (30) thirty days from date of this notice, for the building of a bridge over the north fork of Wateree Creek, on the road leading north from White Oak. For plan and specifications apply to the undersigned. All proposals must be accompanied with names of at least two or more good sureties. The Commissioners reserve the right to reject any or all bids, if, in their opinion, the interest of the County require it.

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