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The President stated that he would not take any action regarding either party in Louisiana, as it would be prejudging the matter of the Electoral vote.

The Presidential count begins to-day. The members of the committee from the House are: Payne, of Ohio, Hinton, of Virginia, Abbot, of Massachusetts, Garfield, of Ohio, and Hoar, of Massachusetts.

An action has been brought against Cardozo and Dunn to prevent them from receiving or paying out any funds under the appropriation bill of the Mackey House.

The foreshadowing of the Louisiana Senate Committee's report is that the majority will claim intimidation enough to justify the action of the Returning Board regarding the electoral vote.

The Board of Education of New York City are experimenting in the public schools to secure a system by which the buildings can be vacated in the shortest possible time in case of fire or other disaster.

In referring to the passage of the bill for counting the Electoral vote, Governor Hayes said to a friend some days ago: "I want it distinctly understood that I do not desire to influence the action of Congress one way or the other in the matter of the Electoral bill, or any matter relating to the Presidential election."

The case of Quo Warranto argued at Bennettsville, before Judge Townsend, has been decided in favor of the newly elected Democratic county officers.

SUICIDAL.

We imagine that every man whose opinion possesses any value at all, will concede that the adoption of the enact ment known as the "black code," by the legislature in 1865 had much to do with the continued political estrangement between the freedmen and property holders in this State.

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admitted that the colored employes will follow the advice of his employer in everything except political action.

If persisted in it cannot fail to alienate the sympathies of that class who would like to see the wealth and intelligence of the State more prominent in the management of public affairs than in the past ten years.

This political banishment on account of preference for the Republican candidate is throwing out of honor and out of employment not only the common field hand but the intelligent mechanic, the blacksmith, carpenter or wheelwright of many a locality that will be worse off for his absence.

The Electoral Vote.

Without saying that it is the best possible arrangement which could have been made, it may be conceded that it was the only one possible under the circumstances. That it was opposed as freely and supported as zealously by members of one party as by those of the other confirms our favorable view which one inclines to take of it.

JUDGE CARPENTER'S DECISION.

On Monday last Judge Carpenter rendered the decision, so long looked for as to who is Governor of South Carolina.

First, That the House of Representatives before which the vote was opened and published, and before which, in conjunction with the Senate, Chamberlain was inaugurated, was not only illegal in wanting a quorum to do business, but positively an unlawful assembly.

Second, That the legislative power of the State is, by the Constitution, vested in two distinct branches, the Senate and the House, both together constituting the General Assembly, and that before they can perform any legislative act, each of the houses must not only be organized separately, but acting in conjunction with the other; hence as there was no joint action, and Gen. Hampton was inaugurated without a Senate, the proceedings were invalid and conferred no authority upon him to exercise the office of Governor.

Third, As the act of the Mackey Legislature in the attempted inauguration of Chamberlain was illegal and void, and conferred no right to office, it could take away no right, and did not operate as a resignation by Chamberlain.

Fourth, As the Constitution provides that the Governor shall hold his office for two years, and until his successor is not only chosen, but qualified, Chamberlain is the lawful Governor until the qualification of his successor and no longer.

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maintain this remedy or authorize it by the allowance of his name, as a means of asserting the title or right of a citizen to the same. It is necessary then to inquire whether the United States or the State of South Carolina stands in the relation thus expressed to the right in controversy.

The "Harvey Mills" Again.

It is only within a few days that I have had an opportunity of seeing an article in the N. Y. Herald, reflecting as unjustly on the humanity of this ships' officers, as it does upon the good sense, or else the common honesty, of those who represented the state, at the Inquisition.

It is due, therefore, to those officers—that exceptionally intelligent jury—and to the Department which, in a subordinate capacity, I represent, that a correct statement be given of the grounds on which the finding of the Jury was based: A select jury, all white, (rarely the case in this latitude) was judiciously obtained which entered upon a tedious and patient investigation, resulting, long before its close, in the conviction, that those was not, and could not have been any suspicion of the presence of noxious gas in the chain lockers.

Not to make this needlessly long, let me extract some of the testimony given by the witnesses:

Mickl Griffin says: "I heard the Boatswain order the two men to go down into the locker to stow chain. I saw them go down, and go willingly. I saw the Boatswain go down himself, as soon as the alarm was given."

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"Well, what I wanted to know is, what air them candidates that air paying five dollars for votes, like they were at last election when I was in town?"

STATE AND COUNTY TAXES.

For the convenience of the Tax-payers of Beaufort County either myself or Sheriff Wilson will be at the places named for the purpose of receiving taxes for the fiscal year 1876 as follows:

Early Branch, Monday February 19th Hoover's Tuesday, February, 20th Brunson, Wednesday February 21st H. H. People's, Thursday, Feb. 22nd Lawtonville, Friday February 23rd Robertsville, Saturday February 24th Gillsonville, Monday, February 26th Grahamville, Tuesday February 27th Hardeeville, Wednesday February 28th Levy's X Roads Thursday, March 1st Sereven Ferry, Friday, March 2nd Bluffton Saturday March 3rd Sheldon, Wednesday March 7th

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