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Mr. Magie, in the Senate, introduced a supplement to the game laws, which forbids the killing of any rabbit, quail or partridge, between the 1st of January and the 1st of November in any year, or having such game in possession, under a penalty for rabbit \$5, and quail or partridge \$15. Owners of land may grant leases to gunners, which leases are protected by certain restrictions against all others.

A bill was passed in the House of Assembly relieving soldiers who served in the late war from paying bounty tax or poll tax without regard to the time for which they served. In the clause in reference to poll tax the word "white" was stricken out, so that colored citizens are included in assessments for poll tax.

A bill was also passed requiring building used for public meetings or assemblies to have greater facilities for egress. A bill was introduced to strike out the disorderly act the sixth section called the "corner loafer act." This is the section under which persons guilty of all manner of offences are sent to the County Jail. The counties are getting tired of this expensive clause in the disorderly act.

The Committee on counting the electoral vote reported a bill to provide for and regulate the counting of the votes for President and Vice President, and the decision of questions arising thereon, for the term commencing March 4, 1877, and is another compromise, or yielding to the demands of the Democratic party, which was a bone in the old wig party, and has been no less a fault of the Republican party. Nothing but evil ever resulted from this disposition to quiet the bullying spirit of Democracy, by compromising, and nothing but evil will ever result from it.

The course of procedure in counting the electoral votes is provided for in the constitution, and that course has been followed since the formation of the government, and now it must be changed to satisfy the demand of Democracy, with a dead certainty of creating more trouble, as every compromise made with them has created, and finally resulted in the loss of hundreds of thousands of valuable lives, and hundreds of millions of treasures. The more it yielded them, the more they demand. If they could have secured their Presidency by the usual method of deciding the vote, no power on earth, in heaven, or hell, could have induced them to submit to a compromise. They would have seen the constitution violated and trampled upon, before they would have yielded a hair's breadth, and nothing in heaven or earth would induce them to acquiesce in this new method, but the hope and expectation of throwing the election into the House, and the chance of securing their President. It is surprising that such men as Judge Edmunds and Frelinghuysen should be caught in my trap.

Senator Morton opposes it, as does Senator Sherman, and Mr. Morton's answer to Judge Edmunds is short, but his arguments are strong, and his blows are heavy. He pronounces the bill a "product of the Mississippi." The dark shadow of intimidation has fallen upon this chamber. Senators are afraid of violence, of some desperate revolutionary act, and are told we dare not count this vote as it was done for the first seventy-two years of our existence. I feel that I am in the presence of a political situation which I cannot describe. The dangers to which we are subject do not spring from violence, but from weakness on our own part. Goodwill to us there was a period in the earth's crust when there were skillful vermin. Now we have to be terrified by them. Now are verminous skulls. The power to count two votes resides in the President of the Senate or in the two houses. If it results in the two houses it cannot be delegated to a commission or to a court. The mere matter of counting votes is clerical and may be performed by a teller. If any question arises that requires judgment or discretion cannot be delegated to a commission. The decision of a conference committee is binding only upon being ratified by both houses. But the decision of this conference is binding unless rescinded by the action of both houses. It is in every report and in every question of law as well as fact, but a right of appeal, not to another court, but

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McPherson, the New Jersey legislator, was elected by the New Jersey Legislature, on Thursday, to succeed the Hon. W. T. Frelinghuysen, in the United States Senate. Surely this is going from the sublime to the ridiculous—no refinement to grubstake. But this will it ever be while money makes the man and want of it the fellow. His vote was 41—majority on joint ballot.

At the late assembling of the Georgia Legislature, in Atlanta, the City was swarmed with hungry Democratic office seekers—1700 for the clerk of the House, and ninety-seven counties to hear from 80,000 reliable Democratic authority, the Atlanta Constitution. Then what would it be? Tilton should be declared President and 17,000,000, and all the northern states wailing with bated breath, for fear there would be no place left, when the south should be accommodated.

ANOTHER ATTEMPT TO BRIDE.—Beverly Nash, colored, Republican Senator and Elector of South Carolina, was examined before the Sub-Committee of the House South Carolina Committee Monday, and testified that on the day the Electoral College met he was invited to the banking house of J. D. Childs, of Charleston, who offered him \$10,000 cash then and there, and \$10,000 more if he would not vote for Hayes and Wheeler. Mr. Nash delivered his evidence in a careful, and manner, without the least embarrassment. It was stated after Mr. Nash had completed his testimony that Mr. Childs had written a letter to the Committee denying this alleged attempt to purchase votes, and that he would be here on or about the 27th to appear before the Committee personally.

The following are the officers elected at recent Grand Lodge of A. P. & A. M. at Trenton—Lodge, Marshall B. Smith, was re-elected Grand Master; D. G. M., Nathan Haines; S. G. W., Hamilton Wallis; J. G. W., Joseph W. Martin; G. W., Charles Deibel; G. S., J. H. Hough; D. G. S., T. H. R. Redway; G. Chaplain, Rev. N. Pelt; G. Instructor, Hester Wells. The D. D. G. Masters of last year were re-appointed. The craft of this District are again to be favored with the efficient labors of Bro. Haines, who has shown him an earnest and faithful officer. The D. D. G. was elected for the thirty-fourth time, and is now the oldest Grand Secretary in the world. The Grand Lodge has decided to send an engraving of his likeness to be placed in the Minutes. There are 140,000 votes in the State, with a grand total of 12,000 Master Masons. Two Lodges had warrants granted and one I. O. O. F. N. E. K. was authorized.

THE ITEM.

H. E. BOWLES, M. D., Editor & Proprietor.  
SATURDAY, JANUARY 27, 1877.  
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Judge Davis has been elected Senator in place of Gen. Logan, in Illinois, for six years from March 4, 1877. This is another busy tail to a Republican compromise.

The Annual Report of the Comptroller of the Treasury has been received, the important items of which were given in the Governor's Message. Our thanks are due, for this and other valuable public documents.

George F. Hoar is the Massachusetts choice for successor to Bottwell in the United States Senate, for 6 years commencing March 4, 1877. He is a good choice, so was Bottwell.

We feel some little consolation for the course of Republicans in Congress, in the fact that the Republicans in our State Legislature, passed a resolution disapproving Mr. Frelinghuysen's support of the compromise bill.

The N. J. Cranberry Growers' Association has elected for the ensuing year: President, Rev. J







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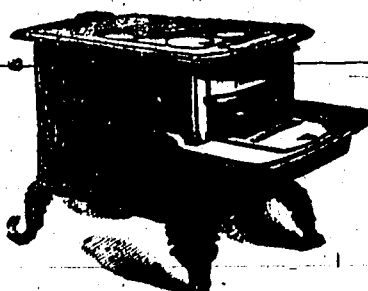
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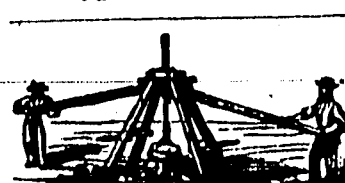
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Cooper's Point.....	7 40	8 15	4 15 5 15
Kaighn's Biding.....	8 24	8 34	4 35 5 35
Haddonfield.....	8 30	8 45	4 42 5 45
Ashland.....	9 12	8 51	4 49 5 53
Berlin.....	9 45	9 02	5 01 7 09
Atee.....	10 10	9 29	5 08 7 17
Waterford.....	10 35	9 19	5 18 7 27
Anceora.....	10 45	9 24	5 23 7 32
Winslow.....	11 05	9 30	5 28 7 39
Vineland Junction.....	11 10	9 35	5 33 7 41
Hammonton.....	11 40	9 42	5 39 7 47
DaCosta.....	11 55	9 58	5 45 7 53
Elwood.....	12 20	9 58	5 50 8 00
Egg Harbor.....	1 00	10 09	6 00 8 09
Pomona.....	1 25	10 26	6 17
Absecon.....	2 05	10 32	6 29
Atlantic arrive.....	2 30	10 50	6 47

**UP TRAINS.**

LEAVE	A. M.	P. M.	Accom.
Atlantic.....	8 20	11 30	3 30
Absecon.....	8 40	11 05	3 40
Pomona.....	8 53	11 20	3 52
Egg Harbor.....	7 05	1 05	4 05
Elwood.....	7 15	1 25	4 15
DaCosta.....	7 24	1 45	4 25
Hammonton.....	8 00	7 30	2 15 4 34
Vineland Junction.....	8 08	7 35	2 30 4 40
Winslow.....	8 10	7 39	2 40 4 44
Anceora.....	8 16	7 44	2 50 4 49
Waterford.....	8 22	7 50	3 10 4 55
Atee.....	12 30	8 22	3 20 5 08
Berlin.....	12 42	8 40	3 35 5 16
White Horse.....	12 58	8 58	3 55 5 29
Ashland.....	1 04	7 04	4 25 5 54
Haddonfield.....	1 14	7 15	4 34 6 00 5 42
Kaighn's Biding.....	1 30	7 40	4 52 6 00
Cooper's Point.....	1 50	7 50	5 05 6 10
Vine St. Wharf.....	2 30	8 00	5 50 6 10

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