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Read Robinson's statement commencing on next column. It was probably well for him that he did not make known the probable time when he would change his vote. Some stalwart crank Guiteau might have been pitted against him.

Adjutant General Drum, whose recommendation for the return of captured flags has caused a commotion and aroused the virtuous indignation of the republican leaders, is a native of Somerset county, Pa., a life-long Republican, and was appointed Adjutant General by Mr. Garfield. If our memory serves us correctly he served with distinction in the war with Mexico as well as in the war for the Union.

The republican press is in great tribulation over the unfortunate position in which their General Carnahan is placed by the republican grand jury of the Federal court. Every week they proclaim with vehement indignation that their brother, if guilty at all, is guilty only of an "unintentional, technical violation of law." It might possibly be as well for them to leave the matter in the hands of the court and jury to determine.

It seems that President Cleveland gave ear to the representations of Adjutant General Drum, that the captured flags—Union and rebel—were promiscuously piled away in the department, and no provision made by Congress for their preservation. General Drum suggested that the flags be returned to the respective States—north and south—to which they belonged. Without giving the proposition due consideration the President acquiesced, but made no order to carry it out.

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## ROBINSON DIVULGES.

THE MEMBER FROM CLAY REVEALS THE DIRTY CONSPIRACY TO RE-ELECT HARRISON—HE TELLS FOR THE FIRST TIME WHY HE ABANDONED ALLEN AND VOTED FOR TURPIE.

Prominent Local Greenbackers Accused of Receiving Directions From the Republicans—How Glover, Cates and Mackey Were Employed by Chairman Huston to Gain Time in Harrison's Behalf.

Indianapolis Sentinel:

The Indianapolis Journal yesterday, in its report of the first day's proceedings of the State Assembly, Knight's of Labor, printed the following paragraph:

"Master Workman John T. Taylor presided, and Thomas Gruelle, editor of the Labor Signal, acted as secretary. Considerable time was spent in examining the credentials of the delegates, but they were all admitted. F. J. Robinson, of Clay County, and of legislative fame, applied for admission as a guest. There was a long debate about allowing him to participate in the proceedings, in view of his treachery to the party in the senatorial contest last winter, but he was finally admitted over the protest of nearly all the delegates from this city. He received very cool treatment from the majority of the delegates. 'Whatever you do don't mention that he was present,' said one of the prominent members last evening, 'for we do not want the people to know that we let him in.'

There was absolutely no truth in this. It was such an uncalled-for falsehood that at yesterday morning's session of the assembly a resolution was passed severely denouncing the Journal for its libel and charging that the Journal had been actuated by political motives in the matter. A clause of the resolution provided that it should be printed in the Evening News yesterday, in order that the assembly's exoneration of Mr. Robinson should be placed before the public as soon as possible. Before the resolution was passed it was moved that the word "press" should be substituted for "Journal," but it was voted down. It was subsequently moved that the "Sentinel" be added, but a delegate submitted a copy of the Sentinel to show that its report was free of offense. The resolution was, therefore, adopted as submitted. Mr. T. M. Gruelle, the secretary, states he gave it to the News to print, but that paper instead of giving it in full garbled it, omitting all reference to the Journal. Mr. Gruelle of course was pressed for an explanation last night by the delegates, but he could only state that he had given the resolution to the News. He was then asked for another copy, in order that the resolution could be printed in the morning papers, but his surprising answer was that he had given the News the original resolution, and the News office being closed, he could not get it. Therefore, between Mr. Gruelle on the one hand and the News on the other, Mr. Robinson has thus far been deprived of that public exoneration which the State Assembly has endeavored to give him, and the Journal libel is allowed to stand over the State without the distinct denial of the assembly to correct it.

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ous plot that might have to be concocted. As a first step, there was organized an ostensible Greenback headquarters in Indianapolis, at which Messrs. Brouse, Meddert and Douglas were always to be found. This was done, I presume, because I had refused to go into a Democratic caucus and had expressed myself as in favor of a Greenbacker. Representatives Glover, Cates and Mackey, acting under the direction of Republican State Central Committee, as I have every reason to believe, came to me and agreed to vote for Captain Allen, of Terre Haute, for Senator. I at first supposed they were entirely in earnest. I now believe they were continually in direct communication with the Republican State Central Committee. I made a compact with Mackey that Meagher of Terre Haute, a Democrat and Knight of Labor, should not be thrown out. This compact Mackey broke, and I then began to suspect that all was not fair. As the session wore on, word was brought to me that the Republicans would ultimately leave General Harrison and come over in a body to Allen, as soon as two 'preacher cranks,' as they were called, could be induced to vote for him. On the Sunday prior to the election of Turpie a conference was held in the private room of Mr. Huston, at the New Denison Hotel, at which several Knights of Labor and Greenbackers were present. Mr. Huston was there reminded by Mr. Mort Rankin, of Terre Haute, that the Republicans had been enabled to elect several Congressmen by the assistance of the elements he represented. Mr. Huston then remarked, in response to an inquiry as to the likelihood that the Republicans would come over to Allen, that he would consult with them and see what they would do, but urged the committee which had called upon him to hold me to Allen until the following Friday. This conversation was reported to me, but the impression was made upon my mind that Huston had made the promise without any reservations. I subsequently learned the truth that Huston had not been quite so explicit. But at the moment I promised nothing, yet learned afterward it was reported to Huston that I would hold out. By this time I had discovered the game that was going on. Glover had confirmed my suspicions by breaking the quorum at the time when the Republicans got mixed over their pairs and were afraid to risk a vote. Without giving anybody warning, instead of waiting until Friday, I cast my vote for Turpie on Wednesday, and thereby upset all the plans of the conspirators, and to the great disappointment of the Republican State Central Committee and Messrs. Brouse, Meddert, Douglas, et al.

I had long before dropped to the fact that every proposition that came to me from Glover, Cates and Mackey contemplated a change from Allen to a Republican. Not once was a Democrat suggested save by me, and when I did so they refused to accede. I now believe the policy of the Republican Central Committee was to keep me voting for Allen until either some Democrats missed a roll-call, or two or three Democrats could be induced to vote for Harrison or some other Republican and that in this scheme the Republican State Central Committee received the support of Messrs. Brouse, Meddert and Douglas, who, as I am convinced, obtained the funds for keeping up headquarters from Republican sources. It is because I discovered the character of the conspiracy, and immediately on so doing threw my vote to Turpie, that the Journal now endeavors to cast opprobrium upon me. Mackey was continually consulting Huston, and on one occasion I was threatened with personal violence by one of the persons whose names I have mentioned. When I saw that men who to the public appeared as working for Captain Allen had sold out and were simply scheming in the Republican interest, I at once saw my danger and refused longer to be made a tool to serve their villainous ends. I know that some of the very men whom I have mentioned had in the Peelle-Bynum campaign received a promise of \$1,200 if they would control the Greenback vote in the interest of Peelle, and of this amount \$300 was actually paid. I declined, therefore, on the discovery of these things, to travel any further in the same boat with them. To show that, contrary to the Journal's statement, I am not in disfavor

with the Knights of Labor at my home, I can point to the fact that I was one of the marshals on the occasion of a parade of the Knights in my town a few days ago, and have been invited to address an assembly at Knightstown. It was also a fact that, during the legislative session, Glover suddenly went down in my district. As a result of his visit I received numerous telegrams and letters from Republicans, urging me to stick to Allen. There were many episodes of that character, which revealed to me the character of the Republican plot."

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In the Jasper Circuit Court, June Term, 1887.

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of Alexander Rowen, deceased, has present-

ed and filed her account and vouchers in final

settlement of said estate, and that the same will

come up for the examination and action of said

Circuit Court, on the 24th day of June, 1887, at

which time all persons interested in said estate

are required to appear in said Court and show

cause, if any there be, why said account and vouchers should not be approved.

And the heirs of said estate, and all others inter-

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