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IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES.

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FEBRUARY 17, 1880.--Ordered to be printed.

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Mr. SAULSBURY, from the Committee on Privileges and Elections, submitted the following

REPORT:

*The Committee on Privileges and Elections, to whom was referred memorials relating to the election of Hon. John J. Ingalls, a Senator from the State of Kansas, by the legislature of that State, have had the same under consideration, and submit the following report:*

The committee, under the authority of a resolution adopted by the Senate, appointed a subcommittee of its members with instructions to investigate the charges and statements contained in said memorials. In discharge of the duty assigned them the members of the subcommittee met during the recess of the Senate, in the city of Topeka, in said State, and examined a large number of witnesses, whose testimony, together with the testimony of witnesses examined before the whole committee during the present session, is herewith submitted to the Senate.

The views entertained by the committee render it unnecessary to refer more particularly to the testimony, which will be found to sustain the conclusions of the committee expressed in the following resolution:

*Resolved, That the testimony taken by the committee proves that bribery and other corrupt means were employed by persons favoring the election of Hon. John J. Ingalls to the Senate, to obtain for him the votes of members of the legislature of Kansas in the Senatorial election in that State. But it is not proved by the testimony that enough votes were secured by such means to determine the result of the election in his favor. Nor is it shown that Senator Ingalls authorized acts of bribery to secure his election.*

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VIEWS OF THE MINORITY.

The undersigned, a minority of the Committee of Privileges and Elections, who were directed to investigate certain statements and charges concerning the recent election of a Senator in the State of Kansas, respectfully submit our views as follows:

We concur in part of the report. We exonerate Mr. Ingalls from any complicity with improper practices. We also find that the result of the election was not accomplished by such practices. We think that when the report goes further and finds that persons favoring Mr. Ingalls's election were guilty of such practices, it should in justice state what was clearly and unquestionably proved, that such means were employed in opposition to his election.

ANGUS CAMERON.  
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GEO. F. HOAR.