

News of the Week.

GENERAL.

Congress.—Both Houses were adjourned by their presiding officers, Nov. 10, there being no quorum present. A Universal Suffrage amendment to the Constitution will be presented and most probably passed at the next session.—The Republican majority in the next House of Representatives will be less than two-thirds. In Arkansas the Republicans lose their (IId) and (IIId) districts; in Illinois the XIIIth; in Indiana the (VIth); in Kentucky the (IXth); in Louisiana the (Ist), (IIId), (IVth), and (Vth); in Maryland the (IVth); in Minnesota the (III); in Missouri the (Ist, VIth, and IXth); in New Jersey the (XIIIth); in New York the (IXth, Xth, and XIIth); in Ohio the (Ist), (IXth), (Xth), and (XIIth); in Oregon the (Ist); in Pennsylvania the (IIId) and (Vth); in South Carolina the (IId) and (IVth); in Tennessee the (VIII). Total 30. Those four which we have enclosed in brackets are contested. The Democrats returned for the 9 enclosed in (parenthesis) will probably be unseated because of the fraud and terrorism used in their districts.

Per contra the Republicans gain in California (probably) the (IIId) district; in Kentucky the (VIIIth); in New York the (XXth); and in Ohio the (IIId) Total 4.

Connecticut, New Hampshire, Florida, Georgia and Alabama have not yet elected members of the next Congress, and Texas, Mississippi and Virginia are not yet entitled to representation.

Gen. Grant returned to Washington, Nov. 9, but refused any public reception or serenade. His secretaries destroyed all applications for office without showing them to him.

STATES AND TERRITORIES.

Massachusetts.—Our Mayor and a delegation of Councilmen are in Boston inspecting the workings of the city government.

New York.—Two persons were killed and several injured, Nov. 14, by the collision of two ferry boats plying between New York and Brooklyn. The demand for a bridge across the East River is increasing in consequence.—The Union League will contest Hoffman's election, and advertise for witnesses and contributors in money to make good their case.—Mayor Hoffman sent in his resignation, Nov. 16. His successor is chosen Nov. 30, and he will be inaugurated as Governor Jan. 1.

Pennsylvania.—The majority for Gen. Grant (official) is 28,898.—Hon. John M. Fitzpatrick succeeds Judge Williams on the District Court Bench at Pittsburgh.

Philadelphia.—The estimate for our public schools for the ensuing year is \$1,206,932.

Delaware.—The majority for Seymour (official) is 3,320.

Illinois.—The proposition for a State Constitutional Convention was voted down, Nov. 3.—The school census of Chicago indicates a population of 252,054.

Missouri.—An amendment to the State Constitution, establishing negro suffrage, was voted down, Nov. 3.—The State Supreme Court decides National Bank shares to be subject to taxation.

California.—The Trustees of the new State University have chosen Gen. McClellan President of the Institution.

Tennessee.—U. S. troops have been ordered into Tipton county, an insurrection of the Freedmen being expected.—Gov. Brownlow's annual message recommends the partial removal of suffrage disqualifications.—As no breach of the peace occurred, the troops have been recalled.

Texas.—The XXIXth U. S. Infantry has been ordered from Memphis (Tenn.) to Austin.

Florida.—Gov. Reed has asked the opinion of the Supreme Court as to the validity of his impeachment. Lieut. Gov. Gleason claims to act as Governor.—The Governor's suit against the Lieut. Gov. was quashed, Nov. 13, by the Court at Tallahassee for informality. The Supreme Court will determine the status of the Governor, Nov. 19.

Mississippi.—The official count of the vote at the election some months ago, shows that a majority of legal votes was cast for the new Constitution.

Alabama.—As a new Legislature was not chosen Nov. 3, as required by law, a case is to be made up to determine the legality of the present one.—A Legislative Commission is to make the circuit of the State and examine into the Ku Klux outrages.

North Carolina.—The Democrats have elected their municipal ticket in Columbus.

South Carolina.—Elphinstone, Republican candidate for Mayor of Charleston, has 17 majority. The Democrats are contesting the election.

The Germans in the U. S., according to the census of 1860, number 1,801,136, divided among the principal States as follows: New York, 256,252; Ohio, 163,210; Pennsylvania, 138,244; Illinois, 130,804; Wisconsin, 123,379; Missouri, 88,487; Indiana, 66,705. The Germans in the principal cities are distributed as follows: New York, 119,977; St. Louis, 50,510; Cincinnati, 43,931; Philadelphia, 43,639; Baltimore, 32,608; Chicago, 22,227; New Orleans, 19,729; Boston, 3,202.

BY TELEGRAPH.

November 10.—London.—The Times announces (1) that the Alabama claims are to be referred in mass to the King of Prussia, and (2) if he decides that England is responsible for damages done by that vessel to U. S. commerce, these claims and all others since 1853 will be adjudicated by a mixed Commission of Americans and Englishmen sitting in London. (3) That the U. S. withdraws the question of England's right to recognize the South as belligerents. (4) That the President of the Swiss Confederation will be asked to adjudicate upon the Swiss difficulty. The correctness of the third of these announcements is doubted, and it is noted that the two leading Prussian writers on international law (Gessner and Hepler) side with the U. S. in regard to the first.—At a banquet in Guild Hall, last night, Mr. Johnson said that the complaints at home against his course in England, rested on misapprehension. He "prophesied smooth things" about the future relations of the two nations. Disraeli accorded with his hopes and trusts that peace would continue in Europe.—Madrid.—Treaties of peace with Peru and Chili will soon be concluded, through the good offices of the U. S., and through the sympathy for the sufferers by the earthquake.

November 11.—London.—Parliament was dissolved by proclamation and writs for the election of a new one (which meets Dec. 11) issued to-day.—The Chief of Wahabees in Central Arabia has dethroned the Imam of Muscat and succeeded him as Sovereign.—Vienna.—The Press speaks of rumors that the treaty of Paris will be so changed as to make Turkey real as well as nominal sovereign in the Danubian principalities.—Madrid.—The Republican party are growing in strength, and gaining influential adherents.—St. Petersburg.—The International Military Commission to mitigate the horrors of war and especially to secure the disuse of explosive bullets, has begun its sessions.

November 12.—London.—The Archbishop of Canterbury, succeeds to the Metropolitan See of York.—Great precautions are being taken to prevent disturbances at the elections to-morrow.—Vienna.—The Reichsrath prescribes regulations for the Army of Reserve popular anxiety.—St. Petersburg.—The International Commission agree to prohibit all explosive projectiles weighing under 400 grammes.

November 13.—London.—The reported ecclesiastical promotion of Drs. Thompson and Wilber-

force is denied.—The Times congratulates Mr. Sewall on the settlement of all outstanding questions before his retirement from office, and on the establishment of such a precedent for peaceable arbitration.—Lord Stanley's electing speeches refer to foreign relations mainly. He thought the state of Europe threatening, but thought France's jealousy of Prussia would die out through time. He feared for the peace of Turkey, and rejoiced that all difficulties with the U. S. were so far settled that only the ratification of the Washington Government was wanted for.—Paris.—Proof of a conspiracy to bring about a revolution was adduced at a recent Council of State, and resolutions for its thorough and vigorous suppression were adopted. The newspapers will be put down if they incite the people to resistance.—Madrid.—The Captain General of the Philippine Islands has been removed.—The Papal Nuncio continues his relations to the new government.—Civil marriages are becoming frequent.—Gen. Dulce has been granted extraordinary powers in Cuba.—The formation of a Protestant Church in Madrid has been sanctioned by the Provisional Government.—Admiral Topeto, Minister of Marine, favors Montpensier as candidate for the throne.—Vienna.—The bill for the organization and regulation of the army on a war footing, has passed both houses by a large majority.—Yokohama, Oct. 8.—A severe earthquake has occurred at Hiogo.

November 14.—London.—The astronomers here were unable to see the meteoric display because the sky was cloudy at Oxford the view was very fine.—Paris.—Rossini, the great Italian musician, died here to-day, aged 77 years.—Madrid.—The ports of Spanish colonies have been declared open, and anchorage duties abolished.—The malcontents who have held Seville since the revolution have been disarmed by the troops and quiet restored.—Berlin.—The financial difficulties in the North German Budget are officially announced to be merely temporary. The ministry hope for the peace of Europe.—Lisbon.—Paraguay advances state that a great battle was fought Sep. 24th, in which the allies were repulsed with heavy loss. The allied forces had gone into camp, but were continually harassed by the guerrilla warfare of the Paraguayans. The bombardment of Angostura by the Brazilians ironclads had been without effect. An insurrection is reported in Buenos Ayres against President Sarmiento, who favors the continuance of the war. Brazilian advices to Oct. 24 claim a defeat of the Paraguayans by the forces before Asuncion and say that a reconnaissance of Lopez's position at Yilleta shows it to be unassailable. Lopez had shot his two brothers, and was losing by desertion.

November 15.—London.—The elections absorb all interest, and in many places business will be for a time suspended.—Sanguine Liberals claim 107 majority in the new House.—Several journalists and citizens of Paris have been heavily fined and temporarily deprived of civil rights for promoting a subscription for the benefit of one of the sufferers by the coup d'etat of 1852.—Great popular indignation and police precautions have been the results. The Government has begun a prosecution of Le Gaulois for breaking the Press Law.

November 16.—London.—Nominations were made and "a show of heads" was given to-day in nearly two hundred boroughs. In forty-one constituencies reported as not "contested" after this preliminary test, the Liberals have gained seven members. The excitement is intense, but the peace of the country has not been disturbed, save by a slight disorder in Manchester.—It is announced that Dr. Tait, Bishop of London, is to be the Archbishop of Canterbury. [He is rightly Broad Church, but orthodox and a champion of establishments].

Paris.—Baron James Rothschild died here yesterday.—La France says, Lord Stanley ought to preach to Prussia, not to France, and says that the general effect of his recent speech is not reassuring.—The Prefects of Departments have been instructed to suppress all public references to the coup d'etat of Dec. 2d, 1852.—Le Temps has been seized and other journals are to be proscribed.—Madrid.—A demonstration here on Saturday in favor of a monarchy was attended by over 50,000 people, and addressed by Oloazaga, Frim, Serrano and others.—The Republican party are gaining strength in Seville and Cadiz.

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