# The Somerset Herald.

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THE next thing to prepare for is the inauguration.

MRS. HARRISON is wearing "that winning smile" now.

THE approaching comet will be visible in about five weeks.

THE chrysanthemums still bloom over the grave of the Democracy.

LET us pause to reflect that Great W. L. Scott will soon be lost to us.

THE Republicans will have good reason to give thanks on the 29th inst.

IT is believed that the "Mills tariff bill" will never be taken from the ice-cooler.

NO body cares now whether Mr. Cleveland goes fishing on next Decoration Day or not.

ERIE Democrats and Mugwumps seem happier than the St. Johns and the Brookses.

IT was President Cleveland's free trade theory that caused the condition that now confronts him.

CONGRESS convenes again on the first Monday of December, a little over a week from now. It's session will end on the 4th of March, 1889.

THE official majority for the Democrats in Maryland is only 6,182. That is a pretty narrow margin, and it may be wiped out four years hence.

MR. CLEVELAND went a long way out of his road to kick the American sheep, but it is observed that the festive animal is browsing in green pastures by pleasant waters.

ABOUT this time our Democratic friends are beginning to appreciate the significance of their old cry—"Turn the rascals out." The ghosts of the past rise to jeer and taunt them.

ETERNAL vigilance is the price of a fair count in West Virginia, if one is to be had, and the fact that Chairman Quay doesn't take many hours for slumber is cause for rejoicing.

HOW would it be for Randall to vote with the Republicans on the organization of the House? This is what the free trade cranks in the party wanted him to do a few months ago.

THE silver lining to the Democratic cloud is that they have been there before. To a party that was sent up Salt River six consecutive times another voyage is not likely to prove fatal.—*Philadelphia Times.*

THE Fifty-first Congress will contain four ex-Speakers of that body: Nathaniel P. Banks, of Massachusetts; Samuel S. Cox, of New York; Samuel J. Randall, of Pennsylvania, and John G. Carlisle, of Kentucky.

THE official count shows that Harrison's plurality in New York is 13,306. Cleveland's plurality in 1884, was 1,047. In the late contest the Republicans came down to Harlem Bridge with 85,000 Republican plurality.

A DEMOCRATIC organ says that "General Harrison will not make a cabinet of men greater than himself." Possibly not. General Harrison has fully proved himself the peer of any. If his cabinet is composed of men of his breadth of statesmanship and his loyalty the public will be content.

THE official count of the vote in Rhode Island on the suffrage amendment shows the small majority of 741 over the necessary three-fifths in its favor. Hereafter there is to be no property qualification for voters, but every man of twenty-one years of age may cast his ballot, subject to the usual restrictions, provided he has lived two years in the State and six months in the county.

THE methods now being practiced in West Virginia and other Southern States, to count out Republican members of Congress, prove the necessity of a new deal, as well as the desecration of the political grandiloquence which ushered in the present administration. The sweeping gains made by the Republicans all over the country, means that the people are determined that they will no longer be governed by men thus placed in power.

THE Democrats are still claiming a dozen Congressional districts in the South that were undoubtedly carried by the Republicans at the late election, and it is probable that certificates will be given the claimants. It is certain, however, that the Republicans will start in with a clear majority of not less than five in the House, and an investigation of the doctored and falsified returns will doubtless result in the unseating of those who cannot clearly show that they were legally and fairly elected.

THE Republican platform demanded a free ballot and an honest count, and mark you! we are going to have it. The country has submitted too long to the rule of men who either represented a nominal constituency or occupied seats in Congress through the instrumentality of suppressed suffrage or fraudulent ballots. Bull-dozers and ballot-box stuffers may as well take notice that there is going to be a new deal and fair play during the next couple of decades. The Republican party has come to stay.

UNDER the new law the Presidential Electors will meet at their respective State capitals, on the second Monday in January instead of the first Wednesday in December as formerly. This law also provides that the Governor of each State shall send to the Secretary of State at Washington a copy of the vote in detail on each Elector, as certified by the State Board of Canvassers. The ballots of the Electors will be opened and counted in joint session of Congress on the second Wednesday in February.

THE Southern papers are vigorously attempting the foolish task of holding the Southern States together as a political unit by raising the cry that the result of the late election was a victory over the South and not a victory over the Democratic party. This species of malignant toin-foolery will only react upon its authors. They may continue to worsen and defraud Republicans in that section of the Union, but the admission of new States will soon shift the balance of political power to the West. The power of a solid South is gone forever, and the sooner politicians of that section learn to admit that fact, the happier they will be. No North, no South, but the whole undivided Union, will hereafter be the rule of governmental action.

THE return judges of the Twentieth Congressional District, comprising the counties of Somerset, Bedford, Blair and Cambria, met at Hollidaysburg last Tuesday to canvass the vote cast for the office of Congress on the 6th inst., and to make out the certificate of election for the successful candidate. Harrison H. Bush, of Lower Turkeyfoot township, was the returning judge for Somerset county; Marion Cessna, Esq., for Bedford; James M. Kinkaid, for Blair, and H. H. Meyers, for Cambria. The vote as canvassed stood as follows:

| | Blair | B'd | Cam | Som | total |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Edward Scull, R. | 2772 | 2294 | 3473 | 4796 | 13335 |
| Thos. H. Gurney, D. | 2589 | 2032 | 3017 | 3246 | 12883 |
| Crush M. Bowman, P. | 392 | 66 | 279 | 221 | 958 |
| John Scanlon, G. L. | 21 | | | 3 | 24 |
| Scattering | 2 | | | | 2 |

DELEGATE VOORHEES of Washington Territory, who is a son of Senator Voorhees, and a straight Democrat, says the Territory is naturally Republican. Its population is 200,000, and according to his description, is "a wonderful country—an empire in itself." Its shipping is very great; the clearances last year were seventh in the Union in point of tonnage. "In the number of American ships built for foreign trade," says Mr. Voorhees, "we rank first in all United States ports, New York being second. In natural resource we are richer than New York or Pennsylvania. We have coal, iron, lumber, and precious metals. The whole eastern part of the Territory is underlaid with coal, so that it has been called the Pennsylvania of the Northwest."

THERE is a significant fact connected with the late election which presages a great deal for the future—Much of the increased Republican strength in the next Congress comes from the South—This shows the beginning of a political change which is rapidly advancing with the industrial wealth and progress of the South. It is not likely that any Democratic candidate hereafter can begin his calculation by setting down 153 electoral votes as sure for him from the solid South. With a President like General Harrison, who comes into office entirely free from any embarrassing complications, by a large popular majority, and supported by both Houses of Congress, true statesmanship will have an opportunity to assert itself, and under its benign influence geographical division will fade away. There is an end at last to the baleful political power of the "Solid South."

A LATE Washington special says: "All the annual reports of the departments will be so framed as to give succinctly the history of the first Democratic administration since the war." That is to say, the official chiefs of the several departments are expected to write glowing eulogies of the great and glorious work accomplished therein during their official terms. The history, when completed, will be about as fair and impartial as are certain so-called histories of the war of the rebellion, written for circulation among the ex-Confederates. It is too early to write a full and just history of the Cleveland administration. We must wait until the cash is counted, the books balanced, and the inside facts are all revealed; and we may be certain that after an unbiased review the American people will accord the full measure of praise for whatever of good is found placed to its credit. It will not be a history of voluminous size.

OUR esteemed contemporary, the Somerset *Democrat*, in its last issue congratulates the Democracy of the county upon the gallant fight they made at the recent election and bestows great praise upon Chairman Uhl for his consummate generalship in organizing and conducting the campaign. Our neighbor is to be commended for his ability to stand up under defeat and not to be too much cast down by political reverses, but the figures will scarcely bear him out in his glorifying over the result or the mastery way in which the campaign was conducted in the county. Harrison's plurality over Cleveland in the county is 2,306, the largest ever given a Presidential candidate. Cleveland received 2,719 votes this year. In 1884, he polled 2,449 votes. In 1880, Hancock received 2,600 votes. In 1876, Tilden polled 2,230 votes. So it will be seen that there were less Democratic votes polled in the county this year than at any Presidential election since 1872, when Greely received only 1,783 votes. On the other hand the Republican vote is the largest ever cast in the county, Harrison having received 4,825 votes. At the same rate of increase in the Republican and decrease in the Democratic vote, it will only require a few more Presidential elections for our neighbor to be in a position to congratulate himself upon the fact that there are no Democratic voters, and consequently no Democratic party in Somerset county.

### PRESS COMMENTS

*Buffalo Express:* Song of O. Cleveland: "We are two travelers, Roger and I."

*New York Tribune:* The students of markets made a home run in fine form. The students of maxims were left on their bases.

*Indianapolis Journal:* General Harrison received only 230 less plurality in Pennsylvania than was given to Blaine in 1884, and Blaine was the son of Pennsylvania.

*Cleveland Leader:* In the last ten years the taxable property of Washington Territory has increased $65,000,000. Washington will make a fine Republican State one of these days.

*Macon (Ga.) Telegraph:* Mr. David B. Hill is a pretty big man in New York, but in our opinion he has climbed to the top of the political ladder. His rewards have been fully as large as his deserts.

*Los Angles Times:* The duty of the Republican party will be now not only the protection of American industries, but the protection of the ballot box in every precinct of the south where, under a Democratic administration, fraud and violence have held sway.

*Philadelphia Record:* A keen observer of our politics says that the temperance movement has become a fight against the saloon, instead of a fight against drunkenness. The root of the evil lies in the man who drinks, not in the cup out of which he drinks nor in the warehouse where whisky is stored.

*New York Sun:* There is one very consoling result of the late Democratic defeat. The Hon. E. J. Phelps, of Vermont, the extraordinary Envoy Extraordinary and Minister Plenipotentiary whom Mr. Cleveland sent to misrepresent the United States at the Court of St. James, will lose his situation in about four months. Phelps was a mistake.

*Boston Journal:* The decision of the National Republican Committee to retain its organization, with headquarters at Washington, is a wise one. The peculiar outgivings from Democratic sources as to the relative strength of the parties in the next House point to a persistent effort to secure by manipulations of some kind the fruits of a victory which was denied them at the polls.

*Buffalo Express:* President Harrison will not be appalled at any threats which ex-Confederate fire eaters may make. He faced their cannons, their shot, and their shell, and his sense of duty has not weakened since. Southern chevaliers, whose chief amusement is the beating of defenseless negroes, will find in Benjamin Harrison a man not to be trifled with. The next four years will not be a carnival of secession orators, rebel flag orders, secession appointments, and blood excuses for negro murders. The incoming administration will assemble the pickaninny's description of the flies in the den where Daniel was cast: "Dem was none of 'em South, nimble, sickly cuckoo flies: dey was real African blame flies."

*Omaha Republican:* Among the first acts of the Republican administration will be the recall of the $55,000,000 distributed by Cleveland and his Secretary of the Treasury among banks, and the investment of the same in the cancelation of government bonds, thus relieving the people of a portion of the burden of interest.

*Illinois State Journal:* No, Mr. Springer, you needn't mind doing justice to Dakota now. Dakota will have justice done her, but as she is a little particular as to her associates, as well as the class of people from whom she is to receive favors, she prefers that you continue your opposition to her interests. Dakota will be "all right" in 1889, "you bet."

### Capital Chat.

From the Pittsburgh Sunday Dispatch.

There is only one verdict expressed by those who have been to New York during the campaign—that the glory of the victory in New York State belongs entirely to Mr. Quay. W. C. MacBride, of the Cincinnati *Enquirer*, who predicted Mr. Harrison's election in good season, says that Quay is a "wonderful" man. "His organization was perfect," said Mr. MacBride, on his return from New York. "He was prepared for anything. In the districts where he knew Harrison had a majority he kept a good working margin. If the Republican majority was 849, he had it reported to him as 800. If any attempt had been made to steal the State after the Republican returns were in, he had still that margin of extra votes to fall back upon. He was prepared for any attempt to bluff, too, and if the Democratic managers had tried to claim the State, he had 5,000 business men ready to go out on Broadway and go their bluff one better."

Another correspondent who was in the thick of the fight, said: "There could have been no tampering with the returns while Quay was there. He had the entire Pinkerton force out, with Robert Pinkerton at their head, guarding the polls. There was one attempt made to steal 5,000 or 6,000 votes in Brooklyn, but one of Quay's detectives found it out, and called upon Johnny Davenport at 6 o'clock in the morning to checkmate the move. The Republican Committee had Brice's wire tapped, and knew every message that came into the Democratic headquarters or was sent out by the Democratic Committee."

Mr. Brice and the Democratic Committee knew at midnight of Tuesday that Harrison had carried New York and before daybreak they knew that Wisconsin and Illinois had stayed in the Republican ranks, and that Cleveland was certainly beaten. The story that Senator Gorman had discovered errors in the count in Kings county was circulated throughout the country for the sole purpose of giving Cleveland backers a chance to drag some of their bets. There was very little hedging, though, and it is probable more money changed hands on the event of this contest than on any previous Presidential election. Representative W. A. Scott of Pennsylvania, has lost an amount estimated at $300,000. The money which Maloney, the bookmaker, was putting up all over the country on Cleveland was Mr. Scott's.

### The Republican Girl and her Winning.

New York Sun.

In the list of election bets should be chronicled a wager of $900 won by a young lady in this city on Harrison. She bet in earnest and put up her money like the other fellows and took her winnings like a man, but she didn't impart any vermillion hues to her particular part of the town in consequence; didn't increase the measurement of her cranium or stay out all night to come home in a cab while the birds sang in the dawn; nor try to unlock the front door with a hairpin or a shoe hook; didn't go on a candy bender or a soda-water fizz; didn't even buy a bonnet or a boo-hoo box, but gave the entire sum to charity.

### Wanamaker and the Cabinet

From the New York Press, Rep.

"Two things are certain in regard to General Harrison's Cabinet," said a well informed gentleman yesterday and one who made the nomination possible at Chicago.

"The first is that Pennsylvania will have a portfolio and the other is that Lew Wallace will be Secretary of War. The Pennsylvania man, I believe will be John Wanamaker, though he is not a certainty. Mr. Blaine will have the State Department offered him beyond a doubt and there are indications that he will accept."

### Chairman Quay's Work.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 15—Col. Quay said to-night that he thought his work was about done. The Republican majority might now be stated at five. He thought it might be seven. He had just received a telegram announcing that the Republican candidate would receive the certificate in the First California district, but the chief result of his work since he came here was that he prevented the Democrats from counting in their men in the doubtful Southern States.

Mahone went home to-night equally confident that the Republicans had carried the House through the Virginia, North Carolina, West Virginia and Maryland Republicans.

Col. Quay will probably take a brief vacation before Congress shall meet. He will probably be in Philadelphia on Saturday, although he will not attend the Republican gloritication on Saturday night.

### Philadelphia Republicans

PHILADELPHIA, November 17.—The parade of Republican clubs here to-night in celebration of the party's victory was a great demonstration. Vice-President-elect Morton, who reviewed the procession, was given an enthusiastic ovation by the 25,000 men in line and the many thousand spectators. Mr. Morton doffed his hat, bowing as each organization saluted him on reaching the stand. Banners were carried, but the inscriptions thereon were exceptionally moderate in tone for such an occasion.

This is accounted for by an order issued by the Chief Marshal prohibiting the carrying of any improper or unseemly political caricatures derogatory to the opposition or their candidates.

### Why Cleveland Was Defeated.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 18—A Sunday paper here attributes the defeat of Cleveland to the fact that he is married. It supports its assertion by contending that the Democratic party is not in the habit of electing married men to the Presidency, and contends that the two Presidents elected by the Democratic party in the last thirty years, Buchanan and Cleveland, were bachelors, and that the third bachelor candidate, Tilden, came very near an election.

It further declares in support of its novel proposition, that the Democrats on November 6 elected two bachelors, Hill and Grant, to very important offices.

### Dakota Wants In

BISMARCK, DAK., Nov. 16—It is reported that a meeting of prominent citizens of North Dakota will be held here soon to discuss the feasibility of calling an early constitutional convention so that the admission of North Dakota may be brought about at the first session of Congress after the inauguration of Harrison. The North Dakota Democratic campaign committee have demanded of the Secretary of Dakota Territory the certificate of election of W. B. Beirly as a delegate to Congress. They assert that the vote cast for Matthews and Hardin are void. South Dakota having the necessary qualifications for statehood.

### Among His Old Comrades.

INDIANAPOLIS, Nov. 16.—A reception was given Mr. Harrison and wife to-night by the survivors of his old regiment, the Seventieth Indiana. It was attended by over 300 of the survivors with their wives and daughters. It was a brilliant event. No speeches were made, the General and Mrs. Harrison passing the time socially for two hours among their loyal friends. The regiment has taken steps to accompany the General to Washington on the occasion of his inauguration.

## "Solid South" Broken!

## West Va. Republican.

### GOFF SAYS HE'S ELECTED.

#### He Declares the Will of the People Shall be Enforced.

WHEELING, Nov. 19.—The following received this evening from General Goff is self explanatory:

CLARKSBURG, W. VA., Nov. 19.—McDowell county gives me 174 majority. Hon. John Cooper telegraphs from Brunswell that my majority in Wyoming is 122. Official returns now show we have carried the State, and I shall use all proper means, before all suitable tribunals, to enforce the will of the people as expressed at the polls, and to protect their interests and rights.

N. GOFF.

Though the Democratic committee still claims the election, Judge Fleming, Goff's competitor, admits it settled.

### The Fifty-First Congress.

According to the information received today at Senator Quay's headquarters, the 51st Congress will stand as follows:

| | Fiftieth Congress. R. | D. | Fifty-first Congress. R. | D. |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Alabama | — | 8 | — | 8 |
| Arkansas | — | 5 | — | 5 |
| California | 3 | 2 | 4 | 1 |
| Colorado | 1 | — | 1 | 1 |
| Connecticut | 1 | 3 | 0 | 4 |
| Delaware | — | 1 | — | 1 |
| Florida | — | 1 | — | 2 |
| Georgia | — | 10 | — | 10 |
| Illinois | 14 | 6 | 15 | 7 |
| Indiana | 7 | 6 | 3 | 10 |
| Iowa | 7 | 3 | 10 | 1 |
| Kansas | 3 | — | 7 | — |
| Kentucky | 1 | 8 | 2 | 8 |
| Louisiana | — | 6 | 1 | 5 |
| Maine | 4 | — | 4 | — |
| Maryland | 1 | 5 | 2 | 6 |
| Massachusetts | 8 | 4 | 10 | 2 |
| Michigan | 6 | 2 | 9 | 1 |
| Minnesota | 3 | 3 | 5 | 1 |
| Mississippi | — | 7 | — | 7 |
| Missouri | 3 | 12 | 3 | 10 |
| Nebraska | 1 | 1 | 2 | — |
| Nevada | 1 | — | 1 | — |
| New Hampshire | 1 | 1 | 2 | — |
| New Jersey | 4 | 4 | 4 | 4 |
| New York | 19 | 15 | 19 | 15 |
| North Carolina | 2 | 7 | 2 | 6 |
| Ohio | 17 | 6 | 16 | 5 |
| Oregon | 1 | — | 2 | — |
| Pennsylvania | 20 | 8 | 25 | 7 |
| Rhode Island | 2 | — | 2 | — |
| South Carolina | — | 7 | — | 7 |
| Tennessee | 2 | 8 | 3 | 8 |
| Texas | — | 11 | — | 11 |
| Vermont | 2 | — | 2 | — |
| Virginia | 1 | 9 | 1 | 9 |
| West Virginia | 1 | 3 | 1 | 3 |
| Wisconsin | 7 | 3 | 7 | 3 |
| Totals | 150 | 179 | 164 | 167 |

Republican majority, 7.

NOTE—There are four districts classed as doubtful which are not included in the above table, namely—one each in California, Maryland, New York and West Virginia.

### The House is Republican.

WASHINGTON, November 17.—Senator Quay spent some time to-day at headquarters, and appeared to be in the best of spirits. He was more communicative than usual and talked freely in regard to the alleged attempt of the Democrats to steal a majority of the House. He declared positively that the Republicans would be able to show the election of 168 members; or a majority of five, and he cared little what course the Democratic manipulators pursued in working the machinery in Democratic districts and states to get a majority of the certificates into the hands of the party candidates. The Republicans had fairly elected a majority, and will hold with an iron hand what they had won with the ballot.

General Clark, Chief Clerk of the House, was to-day, as usual at his room at the Capitol. He had, however, ceased to claim the possibility of a Democratic majority. He would not admit that he had given up the contest, but merely asserted that there was nothing certain yet. A Democratic friend of his informed a correspondent, however, that the General had told him privately, a day or two ago, that there was no doubt in regard to the Republican majority, but it would not be more than three. Chairman Quay claims five, with a possibility of nine. It is quite apparent in every quarter to-day, that the Democrats have abandoned hope, and finally conceded that the Republicans will organize the House of the Fifty-first Congress.

Representative Butterworth, of Ohio, arrived in this city to-day. He says that while he is not a candidate for the Speakership, and would prefer to be on the floor, he is quite willing to abide by the judgment of the House majority. It is rumored in this connection that Reed, of Maine, had written a friend in this city, in response to inquiries, to say that he will be a candidate for the Speakership. If this be true, the question is as good as settled, for all agree that Reed can have it if he wants it.

### The Vote in Pennsylvania.

HARRISBURG, Pa., Nov. 16.—Owing to an imperfect understanding of the law, returns of the vote cast for President in Pennsylvania are lacking at the State Department for a dozen counties. All the counties have reported the vote for Auditor General except Delaware and Washington. Without these counties the vote is as follows: McCamant, Republican, 300,900; Meyer Democrat, 432,690; Marquis, Prohibition, 19,463; Greenback-Labor, 3,472; scattering, 79; total 951,548. The official vote of Delaware and Washington counties will increase the aggregate to about 990,000, over 100,000 in excess of that cast four years ago. The Democratic increase is about 43 per cent., and the Republican increase 9 per cent. But for the large Democratic gain in Philadelphia, the Republicans would have a bigger percentage of increase than their opponents. The Prohibition vote will aggregate 20,000, which is 4,000 larger than that party cast in 1884. The Greenback-Labor vote has decreased from 17,000 to 3,500.

### Miss Willard and the Prohibition Party.

CHICAGO, Nov. 15—Miss Francis F. Willard, president of the National Woman's Christian Temperance Union, writes to the Associated Press that she desires it to be known that the statement so generally made in the religious and secular press that the union requires its members to lend their influence to the Prohibition party, or if they do not, declares them disloyal, is totally incorrect. Members are left free as to their political affiliation, and a resolution to the contrary was voted down without debate at the recent New York Convention. The large majority believes in the Prohibition party and so declares by resolution, but the minority is free to dissent.

### The re-count in West Virginia.

CHARLESTON, W. Va., Nov. 16—Everything concerning the result in this State remains the veriest conjecture, and all reports to the contrary are purely partisan. Opinions are evenly divided with apparently the desperation on the Democratic side. Deep interest is shown by both sides, but there is no excitement whatever. It is evident that in the end Congress must arbitrate, and the only fight is for the credentials. The latest returns make Goff Governor and the Legislature a tie.

### A Grave Charge.

At the Republican banquet in New York, on Wednesday evening, John S. Wise in a speech said: "Grover Cleveland knew full well that four years ago he was not elected, but was counted in."

### Beats Pennsylvania.

Kansas is the banner Republican State. It gave Harrison 82,000 majority.

### THE HOUSE REPUBLICAN.

#### They Will Have a Majority of at Least Seven Votes.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 16.—There is now no doubt that there will be a majority in the next House of from 5 to 7, and it may reach 9. The Democrats have abandoned their plot to capture the lower branch of Congress through certificates of election issued by Democratic Governors in North Carolina, Maryland and Virginia. Dispatches received to-day by Chairman Quay indicate that the Republicans will have at least 204 members of the next House. Among the doubtful districts now conceded to the Republicans are both those in North Carolina heretofore classed as doubtful.

The *Star* this evening says: A number of the wiser heads in the Democratic party are counseling against any effort to hold a small majority in the House. It is understood that Senator Beck and Gorman think the party would be better off in the minority, and that, with the entire responsibility upon the Republicans during the next Congress, the Democrats will have a much better chance in the Congressional campaign two years from now. The idea of organizing against the admission of new States into the Union they are said to regard as unpopular and likely to be hurtful. It would be better for the Democrats themselves to undertake the admission of some of the Territories this winter. It is said that the President has expressed an opinion that it would be unfortunate for the Democrats to hold the house.

"It is entirely probable that the *Star's* figures based on the returns several days ago, will turn out to be correct. The Republicans will have four representatives in California, three in Connecticut, all but two in Michigan, one in West Virginia and three in North Carolina. Taulbee's district in Kentucky may have gone Republican. This would make the Republican majority about seven.

### Don't Do It Young Man!

From the Pittsburgh Times.

From the papers we learn what we might safely suppose was the fact, to wit: that persons in great number are preparing to apply for office under the new administration. This is not good news. Unquestionably there will be many changes, but there are very few offices that are worth as much as some other employment would be. It is not as it used to be. The pay of few offices is equal to what most of the incumbents could earn at other employments. Few men ever came out of office as well as when they went in. Virtually their years have been thrown away, for long continuance in office unfits one for other employment. In certain important respects office holding is demoralizing and unfits men for business pursuits when the days of office holding are over, as over they surely will be, and sooner than some expect.

To those who intend to apply for office, especially young men, we say, don't do it! Stick to the business you are in. If you have none, seek one instead of office. The offices must be filled, it is true, and they will be; but the majority of those who get into them, when their time is up, or before, will say it was a mistake to have accepted them. There is neither special honor nor any profit as a rule, in office-holding. The young man who goes into the business of office-hunting takes a downward step. It is a poor business at the very best.

### Has Murdered 27 Men.

CHARLESTON, W. Va., Nov. 17.—Alex Messer, one of the notorious Hatfield murderers, was arrested and brought to the police headquarters last night by Detective Gibson, of the Eureka detective agency. Messer was one of the band who caught the three McCoy boys in August, 1883, tied them to trees and shot them to death. He at once left the county, and was lost sight of until about two weeks ago. Gibson and Cunningham arrested Ellison Hatfield, another member of the gang, who made a confession implicating Messer and several others. The detective at once took his trail and on Wednesday ran him down on Ugly creek, Lincoln county, where they arrested him. Messer is about 52 years old and has a wife and six children living in Lincoln county. He was at one time deputy sheriff of Perre county, Kentucky, and was very prominent in the Brethetts county, Kentucky, trouble several years ago and is said to have killed several men there. He has killed 27 men since the war. Gibson and Cunningham are two of the most daring members of the Eureka detectives of this city and have run down several of the gang in the last two months. Gibson is the youngest member of the force, but utterly without fear; single handed he went into McCoy's strongheld, captured two of the band, brought them to West Virginia and recived the reward for their arrest. Two weeks ago he and Cunningham made a raid on the Hatfields, capturing Ellison Hatfield and shooting Tom Chambers, one of the most desperate of the whole gang. The detectives were without food for three days, except what chestnuts they could pick up in the woods, and suffered greatly from cold, as they were afraid to build a fire. The Eureka detectives up to this time captured seven of the Hatfield and McCoy murderers.

### Seven Men Killed.

WHEELING, W. Va., Nov. 15—The limited express on the Baltimore and Ohio road, due here at 10.45 o'clock last night, met with a frightful accident at Valley Falls, twelve miles east of Grafton. A freigh train going East was side tracked for the express to pass at that point, but Ned Conley, the brakeman, failed to close the switch. As a result the express, which was running at the rate of forty-five miles an hour, dashed into the freight engine, wrecking both and a westbound coal. Edward Dwyer, the fireman, and William Connell, engineer, of the freight; Engineer John Shay and Fireman Kennedy of the express; Charles Hall, a postal clerk, and two tramps, who were stealing a ride, were killed Dwyer and Connell were residents of Wheeling, W. Va.; Shay and Hall were residents of Woodsfield, Ohio. The bodies of all were shiped to their homes today. None of the passengers were hurt.

### Threatened Shut-Down.

PITTSBURGH, Pa., Nov. 16.—The river coalers' sailors have called a meeting for next Tuesday to consider the advisability of restricting the production by shutting down all of the coal mines all along the Monongahela river. Capt. O'Neil, one of the largest operators, stated to-day that there was no doubt that all operators will agree to suspend operations at all of the mines for an unlimited period. The miners, said he, will not be asked to accept a reduction in wages, but we have decided that it is better than to shut down all of the mines, for the reason that the selling price of coal is so low at Cincinnati, and southern ports, that we are not justified in running them. The suspension will throw 6,000 men out of employment.

### Lynched Five Of His Enemies

SPRINGFIELD, Mo., Nov. 15—A rumor reached this city today from Christian County, the home of the famous Bald Knobber king, Dave Walker, to the effect that five of the witnesses who testified against him in his trial for murder have been lynched by Bald Knobbers. It is said the friends of Walker waited until the Supreme Court had passed upon his case, and when it was announced that the ex-chief of the Bald Knobber regulators must hang they wreaked vengeance on the five leading witnesses who brought him within the shadow of the gallows.

### The Fever Still At It.

JACKSONVILLE, November 18.—Bulletin for the last 24 hours: New cases, 12; deaths, 1; total deaths, 238. Of the new cases four are white. The city proper is comparatively free from yellow fever. The suburbs develop most of the new cases. The fever has appeared in a virulent form in South Jacksonville, across St. Johns river. Gainesville reports five new cases and one death. Money is needed badly.

### Fire at Beaver Falls

PITTSBURG, Pa., Nov. 19.—The Beaver Falls rolling mill at Beaver Falls, Pa., was burned to night. Nothing was saved but part of the steel mill. Loss $15,000. Six men were seriously burned, two of whom will probably die. The fire was caused by experimenting with Lima oil for generating gas. The mill was leased by Whittaker & Co., of Wheeling, West Va. A large number of men are thrown out of employment.

### A Corn Famine in Kansas.

TOPEKA, KAN., Nov. 15.—The Railroad Commissioners have addressed communications to the general managers of all railroad companies operating in the State asking them to give a half rate on grain shipped to Western Kansas. This is done to enable the farmers to procure corn to feed their stock. Hot winds last July ruined their crops.


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SOLOMON Z. BAKER,
WM. E. BAKER,
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### NOTICE IN DIVORCE.

*To Annie F. Peterson:*

You are hereby notified to be and appear at the next Court of Common Pleas of Somerset County Pa., to be held at Somerset on the 2nd Monday of December 1888 (10th day) to answer the complaint of George Peterson your husband, and show cause, if any you have, why your said husband should not be divorced from the bond of matrimony entered into with you, agreeably to the prayer of his petition and libel exhibited against you before said Court and filed to No. 38 May Term 1888 and No. 29 September Term 1888.

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