Birmingham Eccentric.

NEWS OF THE WEEK.

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BIRMINGHAM, - MICHIGAN.

MICHIGAN.

The annual meeting of the state horticultural society will occur in the city of Flint Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday, December 4, 5 and 6, in acceptance of an invitation tendered by the Genesee county horticultural society.

Ex-county auditor Alexander Blue, one of the oldest residents of Livonia, died suddenly at his home at that place recently. His wife arose at the usual hour, when he appeared to be in good health. A short time after she went to call him to breakfast, but found him dead. The deceased was about 70 years old. He was elected auditor in 1860, and had been filled the position of supervisor of his township. He leaves a widow and family of grown children.

F. Tracy, of Pittaford, had $100 stolen from his home while he was at work on his farm last week. His hired man, named Smith, could not be found after the robbery, and it is thought he was the thief.

The Western Michigan Bee Keepers' association will hold its second annual meeting in Supervisors' hall, in the city of Grand Rapids, Dec. 29 and 30.

M. Campbell and Wm. Judson are about to ship 4,000 sheep from Chelsea to Texas. If they have good luck they will clear $6,000 by the transaction.

While assisting in the demonstration procession, Port Huron, William Miller of Croswell, was struck on the head by a stone thrown by some unknown malicious person. The wound is painful but not dangerous.

Master Harry Knapp, son of the late A. S. Knapp, of South Lyon, has been ill for some time with inflammation and suppuration of the brain. Dr. Duffield, of Detroit, Brucker, of South Lyon, and Eide, of Detroit, opened his chest and removed about a pint of matter. The boy is recovering from the operation and doing well.

Burglars have been prowling about Port Huron for some time and several houses have been entered but nothing very valuable stolen. Geo. King, of Emmet, has been arrested on suspicion, and articles stolen from the Gallagher house found in his possession.

One night last week when the turnkey at the Jackson county jail went to lock up his prisoners he found eight of his charge had escaped. Two of them were darkies in for petty offenses and the other six were men bound over for serious charges. These six were Wm. Chandler, Theo. Pixley, Chas. Eddy and Wm. Chapman, alleged burglars, and Charles Dale and John Lacey, alleged larcenists. They had sawed off a lock leading to the slush room and removed the ventilator grate.

A lively interest is being worked up by parties who propose to sink test wells for oil, out along the "stone road" three miles west of Port Huron. Four thousand dollars were paid for the same acre, and as their large tract has been bonded;

John W. Reisig, of Monroe, died recently aged 51 years. He was a prominent merchant and was state lamigrator agent under Gov. Baldwin's administration.

T. P. Arden, while taking off a belt in Cummer & Sons' mill at Cadlisc, was caught by the belt, his right arm jerked from its socket and three ribs fractured.

R. W. Gordon, superintendent of the White sewing machine company, died at Hillsdale recently. His home was at Angola.

Between 1 and 3 o'clock in the morning burglars broke into the store and blew open the safe of W. F. Nichols, the postoffice jeweler of Dowagiac, and helped it of its contents, consisting of about $225 in money and many valuable gold and silver watches. The loss in heavy one to Mr. Nichols, who had just received a stock to the effects of a similar loss he sustained about three years ago. It was evidently the work of professionals. A liberal reward will be paid for the recovery of the goods. The entire loss will reach fully $1,250.

The Michigan Legislature.

The following list of State Legislatures is made up from latest returns. It will be noticed that several changes have occurred in counties where the reports at first indicated the election of other men:

THE SENATE.

Dist.	Rep.	Dist.	Fusion
2	John Grenell.	1	Jas W Romeyn
3	Brackley Shaw	3	James Houston
4	Chas Hammond	4	C H Richmond
5	E L Koon	5	John Strong
6	O I Fast	7	Michael Shoemaker
11	D L Duncan	13	H P Hawkins
12	C J Monroe	14	H H Jamieson
16	J W McMahon	15	John M Norton
19	George E Taylor	16	J Manwarring
21	J W Belknap	17	Justin R Whitney
22	James M Kline	20	A J Wright
24	J W Hance	23	James Roest
26	A T Bliss	30	J H Richardson
28	Shubael T White		
27	Fitch Phelps.		
29	Archibald Sinclair.		
29	F O Guilliet.		
31	Henry W Begole.		
32	James Mercer.		

Republicans, 19; Fusionists, 13.

THE HOUSE.

No pub cans in roman; Fusionists in italic; Workingmen's in small caps.

Alcona County—J W Sarvelink, Francis Goodman.

Alpena—*G J Robinson.*

Berrien—*J C Bailey, Wm A Keith,* Bay—*H M Wright,* S Cark.

Barry—*L Bristol.*

Branch—Dr J H Bennett, *R Heinsbaugh.*

Calhoun—S F Snyder, N. J. Kelsey.

Cass—C H Gilbert.

Clinton—Wm H Rose, *F Vocker.*

Dallas—Wm Cotwell.

Eaton—Tyler Bell, *Luman Shepard.*

Emmet—Lenzi Canty.

Genesee—Samuel Howard, Henry B Dollar.

Grand Traverse—D. Vinton.

Gratiot—R. B. Keough.

Hillsdale—Nathan Alvord, G. Willis.

Huron—*Jas Sheridan.*

Houghton—S. D. North.

Ingham—*F. L. Dodge, J. Farmer.*

Ionia—J. Mitchell, E. Fitch.

Iosco—O. Palmer.

Isabella—*Henry Woodruff.*

Jackson—*P. Hankard, A. N. Hoose.*

Kalamazoo—Peyton Ramey. Chas. Brown,

Jr.

Kent—*G. W. Thompson, N. A. Fletcher, J. C. Train, A. L. Wilson.*

Lapeer—Geo. Davenport, *A. Williams.*

Lenawee—S. Knight.

Livingston—Geo. Hicks, *D. A. Bixby,* J. W. Harkness.

Livingston—*Geo Conklin.*

Macomb—*J. M. Gleason,* Alex Grant.

Manistee—*R B Hacker.*

Marquette—*Quincy Adams.*

Mason. R P Bishop.

Menominee—Elisha Morcum.

Midland—*Jas Currie.*

Monroe—Burton Parker, Wm A French.

Montcalm—*J. M. Gleason,* Wm W LaDu.

Muskegon—E W Cook, C P Reed.

Newaygo—*Simon Stevens.*

Oakland—Chas Shelwin, Wm E Carpenter.

Oceana—*Jas R White.*

Ontonagon—*Peter McKerracher.*

Oscoda—S Bruce Martin.

Ottawa—John B Ferham, Cornelius Van

Saglaw—W Barnard, E B Phinney, *J G Samuel, J M Wheeler.*

Sanilac—*J Wisner, J Mitchell,*

Shiawassee—*F H Potter, L Van Deusen,*

St Clair—Henry Meyers, Wm Vincent, Wm. C. Hughes.

St Joseph—*J W Bentley, Joseph Johnson.*

Van Buren—H L Warren, H H Howard,

Washtenaw—*J. Gregory, Samuel Dolph,*

Wayne—First—*J J Bagley, Hiram Roberts,* Second Bellinger, Walter H Coote, *Lyman J Brand, John Bentley, Orld H Case,*

Third—*H W Riopelle.*

Fourth—*Geo Hudson.*

Fifth—*M C Hall.*

Western—*J Bonnell.*

Republicans, 63; Fusion, 37; Workingmen's, 1.

Gen. Sherman in his report to the secretary of war says the regular army of the United States consists of 2,162 officers and 23,024 men. He recommends that the strength of the army be increased to 30,000, as both officers and men are now overworked; that better buildings be constructed at posts in the far west; that certain changes be made in the conduct of courts martial, and that the pay of enlisted men be increased from $13 to $16 per month. Last year there were 3,271 desertions and 7,841 enlistments and re-enlistments.

HOW THE FRANKSTEIN WENT DOWN.

During the conference between Melville's story at Washington the other day, he described the wrecking of the Jeannette, and said: It must have been about 11 o'clock at night when they left the ship and took up camp on the ice. All hands had been paired off into messes. There were about five tents, the messes consisting of about seven persons each. They had to change their quarters before midnight. About 9 o'clock in the morning Melville heard some of the men cry out: "There she goes; take a look at her. This is the last chance you will ever have of seeing the old Jeannette." The ship then went down in about three-quarters of an hour. As far as the ice kept together the ship was all right, but when it parted she went down at once. Witness went out with DeLong and saw the remains of the wreck.

FALL'S CONFESSION.

In the police court Frank H. Fall, charged with conspiracy to corrupt the jurymen in the Star Route trial, was placed under $4,000 bonds to appear before the grand jury. A statement has become public, said to have been voluntary made by Fall Oct. 10th. It begins by asserting that he obtained the impression from an interview with Brewster Cameron June 14 that the government desired to obtain evidence of misconduct of the Star Route jury, past or future. He was engaged at $10 per diem to ascertain if any members of the jury were corruptible. He reported to Cameron every night. The statement then narrates various attempts to influence the jury, and discloses some very questionable acts on the part of the jurors.

DEPRECIATION.

Since the treasury department resumed the exchange of bonds bearing interest at the rate of 3½ per cent. per annum into 3 per cent. bonds there have been $16,500,000 received for that purpose, leaving only about $97,000,000 of 3½ per cents still outstanding. If calls continue at the rate of $15,000,000 per month, which is understood to be Secretary Folger's intention, by the 1st of next January there will not presented for exchange, they will all be called for redemption in less than seven months.

HENRY GEORGE IN WASHINGTON.

Mr. Henry George, the land and labor reformer, arrived in Washington recently. An evening paper in that city says he called upon Secretary Frellinghuysen, and in reply to an inquiry of the secretary if he desired the government to take any further steps in the matter of obtaining reparation from the English government for treatment he had received while in Ireland, Mr. George said he did not. He added that while he could not be was perfectly satisfied with the apology England had made, and that he would make no claim for damages.

NATIONAL CROP REPORT.

The November returns of the yield per acre on an acreage of between 68,000,000 and 66,000,000 make the aggregate nearly 1, 650,000,000 bushels. Its distribution in round numbers was:

	Bushels
New England	7,000,000
New York	21,000,000
New Jersey	10,000,000
Pennsylvania	41,000,000
Delaware	1,000,000
Maryland	17,000,000
Virginia	35,000,000
North Carolina	35,000,000
South Carolina	16,000,000
Georgia	32,000,000
Florida	4,000,000
Alabama	29,000,000
Mississippi	22,000,000
Louisiana	12,000,000
Texas	74,000,000
Arkansas	50,000,000
Tennessee	69,000,000
West Virginia	30,000,000
Kentucky	78,000,000
Ohio	82,000,000
Michigan	31,000,000
Indiana	99,000,000
Illinois	209,000,000
Wisconsin	82,000,000
Minnesota	21,000,000
Iowa	146,000,000
Missouri	154,000,000
Kansas	151,000,000
Nebraska	21,000,000

The quality of the crop is superior through out the South. It falls below the standard of one hundred in only eighteen states and territories; only one point below in Michigan, Iowa in Ohio; three in Nevada; five in Indiana, Vermont and Utah; six in New Jersey; eight in Colorado; nine in New York; ten in Rhode Island and New Mexico; fifteen in New Hampshire; one sixteen in Delaware; eighteen in Minnesota and twenty-two in Wisconsin.

YELLOW FEVER REPORTS.

A dispatch from Washington Nov. 13 said: Official yellow fever reports have been received at the office of the Surgeon-General to date. The marine hospitals show only six cases, and no deaths occurred at Brownsville since the last weekly report. This makes a total of 2 006 cases and fifteen deaths since the fever appeared in that place.

THE POPULATION.

There is considerable discussion over awarding the contract for dredging the Potomac flats. It is said the Washington bidder has been bought off in order that the contract may go to a New York bidder, who is also a New York man. There is talk of bringing the subject to the attention of the Committee on the District, when Congress assembles, and considerable feeling is shown that anything occurred involving fraud in letting a contract which it is generally recognized should be done at the earliest possible moment.

MARRIAGE INSURANCE.

Assistant Attorney-General Freeman for the Postoffice department has sent his first official notice to the St. Kimo Marriage Insurance Company, Chattanooga, Tenn., to show cause why it should not be debarred from receiving mail matter and registered letters because of its alleged fraudulent character. An answer is expected within a week. This will be a test case. It is stated that the southern mails are so loaded down with marriage association circulars that the postoffice clerks in several days behind, and that in Texas alone these associations have received in fees over two million dollars.

OFF WITH THEIR HEADS.

It is believed some of the aged clerks in the Postoffice Department will be weeded out on the first of the month. Many of them are said to be superannuated and should the filling of their places becomes a necessity.

TENNENT CAPITAL NOTES

Ex-Secretary of the Interior Kirkwood is President of the new national bank authorized to begin business in Iowa City.

Postmaster-General Howe says that he has no intention of resigning.

From a statement of the Bureau of Statistics it appears that the value of exports of petroleum and petroleum products from the United States during September was $8,410,963, making the total value of exports for the nine months ended with September $63,000,000.

The Secretary of War has approved the recommend of the Chief of Engineers that the contract for dredging the Potomac River near Washington, under the recent act of Congress, be awarded to Mr. Edward Rowe, of Jersey City, who was the lowest responsible bidder, and the contract will be awarded to him.

It is estimated there will be fifty contested cases in the House of Representatives in the next Congress.

Ex-Senator Dorsey has arrived at the capital from New Mexico for the purpose of being present at the commencement of his new trial.

NEWS NOTES.

THE INDICATIONS.

Later returns from the various states on the 8th instant, indicated the following results:

ARKANSAS.

The democrats carry all four congressional districts and also elect the congressman at large.

ARIZONA.

The territory has gone democratic by an increased majority on a full vote. Ourey re-elected to congress. The legislature is democratic.

ALABAMA.

The democrats make a clean sweep of congressman as follows: First district, Thos. H. Herndon; second, Hilary A. Herbert; third, W. C. C. Oates; fourth, W. M. Lowe; fifth, Thomas Williams; sixth, Goldsmith W. Hewitt; seventh, Wm. H. Forney; eighth, John Pryor. The delegation stands the same as at present.

CALIFORNIA.

Democratic state ticket elected, headed by Geo Stoneman for governor, by 4,000 majority. The democrats elect the following congressmen; At large, R Clarkson; first district, Wm S Rosecrans; third, Barclay Henley; fourth, P B Tully. Page (rep) defeated in the second.

COLORADO.

The state has probably gone democratic by a small majority, electing James B Grant governor and S B Waldon congressman at large on the ticket headed by Grant. The democrats elect one. The balance of the state ticket is probably republican, and their party will have a small majority in the legislature.

CONNECTICUT.

The democrats carry their state ticket, headed by Thomas Waller for governor by about 4,000. The legislature is close, both parties claiming it. The democrats elect their congressmen, in the first district, Wm Eaton; second, Chas L. Mitchell; fourth, Edward W. Seymour. The republicans elect John T Wait in the third; a democratic gain of two.

DELAWARE.

The democrats carry the state, electing Chas. C. Stockley governor, and the legislature by decreased majorities and elect Chas. B. Lore to congress. No change.

GEORGIA.

The congressional delegation remains solid democratic as follows: First district, Chas. Hardeman; first district, John C. Nichols; second, Henry G. Turner; third, Chas. F. Crisp; fourth, Judson C. Lamb; fifth, Nathaniel J. Hammond; sixth, James H. Blount; seventh, Clifford Anderson; eighth, Seaborn Reese; ninth, Allen D. Candler.

INDIANA.

The democrats carry the state by 5,000 to 10,000 majority for Wm. R. Myers, secretary of state, the head of the ticket. The legislature has a clear democratic majority, the senate standing 31 democrats to 19 republicans and 1 greenback on joint ballot. Of the congressional delegation the democrats have certainly elected: First district, John E. Kleiner; second, Thos. R Cobb; third, strother M Stockslager; fourth, Wm H Holman; fifth, Courtney Matson; eighth, John C Lamb; twelfth, Robert Lowry. They also claim to have elected in the following districts: Ninth, Thos B Ward; tenth, Thos J Wood. The republicans elect, in the sixth, Thos M Browne; seventh, Stanton J Peelle; eleventh, Mark L. De Motte; eleventh, Geo W Steele; thirteenth, Wm H Calkins. The republicans claim the eighth and ninth. The democrats gain once certain, probably three, holding a majority of the delegation.

INDIANA DEMOCRATIC U. S. SENATOR.

Ft. Wayne, Ind., Nov. 8.—Robert Lowry, who was elected to congress from the 12th district by 2,000 majority. The democratic city and Cook county elects entire democratic county ticket. The congressional returns are meagre but indicate the election of three republicans in Chicago, first district, Ransom W Dunham; fourth district, Wm E Adams; fifth district, Thos R Cobb; third, strother M Stockslager; fourth, Wm H Holman; fifth, Courtney Matson; eighth, John C Lamb; twelfth, Robert Lowry. They also claim to have elected in the following districts: Ninth, Thos B Ward; tenth, Thos J Wood. The republicans elect, in the sixth, Thos M Browne; seventh, Stanton J Peelle; eleventh, Mark L. De Motte; eleventh, Geo W Steele; thirteenth, Wm H Calkins. The republicans claim the eighth and ninth. The democrats gain once certain, probably three, holding a majority of the delegation.

INDIANA DEMOCRATIC U. S. SENATOR.

Ft. Wayne, Ind., Nov. 8.—Robert Lowry, who was elected to congress from the 12th district by from 10,000 to 15,000 majority. The legislature is also republican and will replace David Turpie, democrat, in the senate. Cook county elects entire democratic county ticket. The congressional returns are meagre but indicate the election of three republicans in Chicago, first district, Ransom W Dunham; fourth district, Wm E Adams; fifth district, independent democratic, is elected in the second, and Black, democrat, probably in the third. Wm. Springer, democrat, is re-elected by an increased majority. Gen. Singleton, ind. dem., is elected in the seventh. Fred. Kuestner, rep., defeats Wm. R. Morrison, dem., in the eighteenth. Both parties claim a gain of one congressman in the state.

IOWA.

J. A. F. Hull, republican, for secretary of state by 20,000 majority. The democrats break the present solid republican delegation by electing Jerry N. Murphy in the sixth district. The republicans elect the anti-prohibitionists Weaver's election over Cutts in the third. The republicans elect first district, Moses A. McCoid; third, Jas. P. Weaver; fourth, Thomas Updegraff; fifth, Jas Wilson; seventh, Jas. F. Wilson; eighth, Jos. P Hepburn; ninth, Albert R Anderson; tenth, Adoniram J Holmes; eleventh, Isaac S Struble.

KANSAS.

Geo W Glick, democrat, defeats John P St John, the prohibition governor, by a handsome majority on the prohibition issue. The democrats elect Perry, in the third district. The republicans elect congressman as follows: Samuel R Peters, B W Perkins, Charles Haskell, Wm. Phillips, Edward Carey, John A Anderson; third, Thos Ryan. The democrats elect in the 2d Acree election over Dudley C Haskell in the second; if Acree is elected it is a democratic gain of one.

KENTUCKY.

Only congressmen elected so far. Democrats elect, first district, Oscar Turner; second, Jas. C. Clay; third, Thos. Turner; fourth, Thos. H. Roberston; fifth, Albert S. Willis; sixth, John G. Carlisle; seventh, J. C. S. Blackburn; eighth, Wm. Lindsay; ninth, Thomas Paynter; tenth, Wm. Colbertson; tenth, John D. White. The Republicans gain one district.

LOUISIANA.

The entire Democratic delegation is elected to congress as follows: First district, Preston Hunt; second, E. John Ellis; third, Joseph D. Atkins; fourth, Newton C. Blanchard; fifth, *J. Floyd King;* sixth, Jno. E. Leonard; seventh, Jno. Acree; eighth, Dudley C Haskell in the second; if Acree is elected it is a democratic gain of one.

BEN BUTLER'S BROOM.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 8.—The cupola of Ben Butler's house opposite the capitol is adorned with a broom which this morning in honor of his clean sweep of Massachusetts yesterday.

MARYLAND.

The independent judicial ticket carried Baltimore city by a large majority. The following Democratic congressmen are elected: First district, Wm. H. Hayward; second, Jas. Piper; third, Jos. Pitcher; fourth, John L. Findley. The Republican elect, second district, Thad E Mahoney; fifth, Harry W Welch; sixth, Lewis H McComas, who beats Montgomery Blair. A Republican gain of two.

MISSOURI.

The democrats carry the state, electing Thos. T Sherwood supreme judge by 60,000 majority. The entire democratic congressional delegation is elected, save perhaps in the fifth district. This is a democratic gain of five.

MISSISSIPPI.

Election only for congressmen. Democrats elect Muldrow in the fourth Money, Fifth Singleton, seventh Barksdale. The republicans elect Sam Chalmers in the first, Jef Lords in third and Lynch in the sixth. A republican gain of two. Reports from the second district are favorable to the election of Manning. Van Eaton is reported to be elected over Lynch (colored).

MINNESOTA

elected a republican chief justice without opposition. The legislature is republican. Congressional delegation elected as follows: Two republicans, although democrats claim the election of Ames over Washburne in the fourth.

NEW HAMPSHIRE.

The official returns will be needed to decide whether Hale, republican, or Edgerly, democrat, is elected. The legislature is overwhelmingly republican. Both congressmen are republican. Later: Hall (rep) is elected.

NEW YORK.

Grover Cleveland's democratic majority in the state by at least 160,000. New York city gave him 71,647 majority, Brooklyn 29,158, Buffalo 5,000. The democrats elect 17 congressmen, as in New York are elected by 20,000. The republicans have elected only 15 out of 33 congressmen, a loss of four. The democratic state ticket is elected by large majorities, including Gen. Sherman's brother-in-law, Lampson, by 100,000 over Carroll. The legislature has over 40 democratic majority.

NEW YORK CITY AND COUNTY.

New York, Nov. 8.—Cleveland's majority in this city is about 70,000, five of the districts being estimated. Every democratic congressman nominated in the county is elected. The democrats elect in Brooklyn 6 congressmen, 6 councilmen, and the board of aldermen stands 18 democrats to 3 republicans.

CLEVELAND'S MAJORITY INCREASING.

New York, Nov. 8.—Cleveland's majority as estimated by the republican state committee is now placed at 183,351. Cleveland's majority in New York county is 80,000, and in Kings's 40,000. The other counties in the state give him 58,351. The majorities for the democratic carry 18 congressional districts in the state.

THE NEW YORK LEGISLATURE.

New York, Nov. 8.—The republican state committee concedes the election of 80 democrats out of 128 members of the assembly. The senate which holds over is democratic.

NEBRASKA.

Returns as far as received indicate the election of the republican state ticket, with the exception of state treasurer, by a majority of 8,000 to 10,000. Weaver in the first and Laird in the second congressional districts are elected by small majorities. The election of Valentine in the third district is still in doubt. The woman suffrage amendment is defeated by a large majority. There was only one congressional district in the state heretofore.

NEVADA.

Democrats have elected their governor and congressmen by about 1,000 majority.

NORTH CAROLINA.

State gone democratic by an increased majority. Legislature strongly democratic. Democrats' elect eight out of nine congressmen. No change.

NEW JERSEY.

The legislature is democratic by five majority on joint ballot. Robeson is defeated for congressman at large. Democratic city by from 500 to 1,500 majority. Brown, republican, is re-elected in the second. The democrats gain two members in the state.

PENNSYLVANIA.

Pattison, democratic, has a plurality of about 20,000 in the state. The democrats gain three congressmen, perhaps four. The independent republican vote is nearly equal to the state vote.

PENNSYLVANIA LEGISLATURE AND CONGRESSMEN.

PHILADELPHIA, Nov. 8.—The returns give Reilly, democrat, for mayor by a majority of 35,000. The congressional delegation stands 15 democrats, 13 republicans. The legislature has a democratic majority of two on joint ballot, which is a loss of 20.

RHODE ISLAND.

Both Republican congressmen are elected. Legislature heavily Republican.

SOUTH CAROLINA.

Gone Democratic on state ticket by a largely increased majority. The democrats elect the congressmen, the Republicans one, leaving two districts in doubt, with the chances in favor of the Republicans electing one and the Democrats in the other—a Republican gain of two.

TEXAS.

The Democrats have carried the state by 30,000 majority and every congressional district, though there is slight doubt about the seventh and tenth. Reagan is re-elected postmaster, from which one independent was elected. Ireland, republican, is re-elected, by a majority of 800.

TENNESSEE.

Democrats elect State governor by a small majority. The legislature is democratic by a decisively elected from six districts; Houck, Republican, is re-elected, while the other three districts are not yet reported. Legislature Democratic.

UTAH.

John T Caine, mormon, is elected over Philip T Vandzie, gentile, by the usual majority.

VIRGINIA.

The coalitionists carry the state for John S Wise as congressman at large by 15,000 majority, and claim six of the eleven districts, a gain of three from last election.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 8.—Latest reports from Virginia indicate that the congressional delegation will consist of seven Democrats and two Republicans, giving Mahone a gain of two.

WYOMING.

Morton E Post, democrat, re-elected to congress.

WISCONSIN.

The state elects a Republican legislature by a small majority. Congressmen elect, as at present, the Democrats four congressmen, a Democratic gain of two.

HOW CONGRESS WILL STAND.

Unofficial returns indicate that the lower house of congress will stand 166 democrats, to 129 republicans, each state being represented as follows: Alabama—Democrats 8; Arkansas—Democrats 5; California—Democrats 5; Colorado—Republican 1; Connecticut —Democrats 3; Republicans 1; Delaware—Democrat 1; Florida—Democrats 2; Georgia—Democrats 10; Illinois—Democrats 14; Republicans 10; Indiana—Democrats 9; Republicans 4; Iowa—Republicans 9; Democrats 2; Kansas—Republicans 5; Democrats 1; Kentucky—Democrats 10; Republican 1; Louisiana—Democrats 5; Republicans 1; Maine—Republicans 4; Maryland —Democrats 4; Republicans 2; Massachusetts —Democrats 4; Republicans 8; Michigan—Democrats 6; Republicans 5; Minnesota—Republicans 4; Republicans 3; Mississippi—Democrats 6; Missouri—Democrats 13; Republicans 2; Nebraska—Republicans 3; Nevada—Democrat 1; New Hampshire—Republicans 2; New Jersey—Democrats 5; Republicans 3; New York—Democrats 17; Republicans 17; North Carolina—Democrats 8, Republicans 1; Ohio—Democrats 13, Republicans 8; Oregon—Republicans 1; Pennsylvania—Democrats 12; Republicans 16; Rhode Island—Republicans 2; South Carolina—Democrats 6, Republicans 1; Tennessee—Democrats 8; Republicans 2; Texas—Democrats 11; Vermont—Republicans 3; Virginia—Democrats 6, Republicans 5; West Virginia—Democrats 2, Republicans 2; Wisconsin—Democrats 5, Republicans 4.

CONNECTICUT'S NEXT COMPTROLLER.

Gen. Frank D. Sloat, republican, is elected state comptroller by a majority of 1,500 and a plurality of 2,252. Eleven small towns to hear from will change the figures but slightly.

ELECTION IN MONTANA.

In Montana there are large republican gains. Baldin, republican, is probably elected by a small majority.

COLORADO RETURNS.

Returns from remote precincts are coming in slowly. Grant, Dem., is surely elected governor by more than 2,500, and Belford is returned to Congress by about 800. Both branches of the legislature are undoubtedly Republican by small majorities. Hallett, the Democratic gaining three or four in the Republican districts. The Democratic state ticket is elected beyond question, except governor. It is generally believed beyond question that Gov. Pitkin will be succeeded by Grant. The returns following to insure his election to the United States senate.

WHITE ELECTED.

Reports from the 10th Kentucky district complete except one county give White, Rep., 506 majority. The missing county will increase his majority to 600.

MAYO'S VICTORY.

Returns from the last counties to be heard from in the first congressional district of Virginia show Mayo, Rep., elected. Latané, which insure his election by about 200 majority over Garrison, Dem.

NEW HAMPSHIRE RETURNS.

Two hundred and thirty-three towns give Hale 38,063. Edgerly 36,814, scattering 926. Hale's plurality is 1,249, Hale's majority is 324. The legislature stands in 1880 gave 59 Democratic majority.

A CHANGE IN VOTE INDICATED.

A special telegram to the to the New York commercial from Parboro, North Carolina, says: The best informed of Democratic managers concedes election of Dockery, Democratic congressman-at-large, and the entire Republican State ticket by 1,000 majority; also, Democratic congressmen in the First District; O'Hara, Republican, in the Second; York, Liberal, in the Sixth, Cox, Democrat, in the Seventh, Settle, Democrat, in the Third, are very doubtful.

ANOTHER REPORT FROM NORTH CAROLINA.

"Unofficial returns from eighty-six counties give Dockery, Democratic congressman-at-large, 836 majority. Six counties not reported gave in 1880 a Democratic majority of 175.

ILLINOIS DEMOCRATIC ON ONE CANDIDATE.

Complete returns from the State on Superintendent of Public Instruction, give Bailey, Democrat, 2,000 majority over Stetson, Republican.

THE INFANTA ILL.

It is reported that Isabel, the new infant born to the king and queen of Spain, is dangerously ill. There is much anxiety about the royal palace and the baptism will probably be postponed. His Holiness Pope Leo XIII. will be God-father of the newly born infanta. The Empress of Austria will be one of the sponsors.

COLLISION ON THE OCEAN.

A London dispatch of Nov. 13 gives account of the collision of two steamers off Beachy Head at 2 o'clock in the morning. It says: The steamer Westphalia struck an unknown craft and reached land just in time to save the lives of passengers. A boat manned from the Westphalia to search for the other steamer was missing and the belief prevailed that it had been lost—also the unknown steamer. A heavy sea was on and it was too dark to see a ship's length. A steamer was sent out to search for the unknown steamer and the small boat lie down from the Westphalia.

THE JOURNAL APOLOGIZES.

The Freeman's Journal is out with a leader in which it offers an apology for its recent accusations and harsh language against Gen. Wolseley and against offering him the freedom of the city of Dublin. It says Wolseley has written a letter stating that it is his earnest desire to see Ireland a loyal, peaceful and prosperous land.

LAWSON UPHELD.

In Commons the other day the committee appointed to inquire into the imprisonment of Dr. Dwyer Gray reported that Justice Lawson did his duty in the case.

EGYPT'S FINANCES.

The Paris Figaro has a dispatch from Cairo which affirms that the governments of England and France have entered into a definite agreement in regard to the control of the finances of Egypt. It says that France has accepted the offer of England that the presidency of the Public Debt Commission be given to the latter as compensation for doing away with the present system of control. A convention relating to the organization of the finances of Egypt will be treated by these two governments in concert with the other great powers of Europe for their approval. Gladstone is said to believe that he has already sufficient assurance.

THE LONGFELLOW MEMORIAL.

The Prince of Wales will preside at the Longfellow memorial meeting to be held in January. The Dean of Westminster raises no objection to placing the bust of the poet in Westminster Abbey, but there is no room in the poet's corner beneath the bust table.

THE STEAMER SAFE.

Later reports from the North Sea are to the effect that the steamer Angelica, reported foundered with 49 persons drowned, has been signalled and is safe.

In Haste.

Thomas McWirter, of San Antonio, owned a goat. One evening Mr. McWirter was out in the yard feeding his cow. He had taken off his coat and vest, and these he left in the pocket of his coat, he supposed, was a morocco pocketbook containing government bonds to the value of $2,000.

While he attended to the wants of the cow and fondled and petted her, he found the garment lying in the mud. The goat had pulled it off the fence, and now stood balancing—himself on the coat and the coat on his horns. As he came within the range of Mr. McWirter's vision, and of a rock that the old man threw at him, he was in the act of masticating what seemed to be the remnants of a red morocco pocketbook. Mr. McWirter concluded at once that it was his pocketbook, and that it contained his $2,000.

Now, this sad and disastrous character of the misfortune dawned upon Mr. McWirter and he fully realized that his $2,000 were fled away in the digestive machinery of a $4 goat, he gently raised a fearful yell that resounded like the wail of a pair of bag-pipes leading a funeral procession.

With dismay in every feature and a three-sided h'ark in his hand, he gesticulated wildly at the goat and prayed for the goat. The goat decided not to wait for him, but ran down the street, the irascible old man, coatless and hatless, in full chase after him.

As the two came tearing along, the goat bleating a desisive defiance and Mr. McWirter waving the hayfork and calling on the passers by to "head off that goat," the crowd augmented and upon the fence, and hackdrivers drove into alleys until the procession passed.

Over shrubbery in front gardens, and out through yard gates, the two kept on in their mad career, until at last the goat was corralled in a stable. A butcher was sent for, and, under instructions from Mr. McWirter, killed the goat. Inside was found an assortment of clothing, a lot of writing paper and hay, but there was no trace of the United States bonds.

McWirter tried to speak emphatically, but emotion choked his utterance. He directed the butcher to give the remains of the goat to the poor, and went home in a hack, to find the pocketbook and the bonds in the pocket of another coat, where he had left them.—*Galveston News.*

Morley on Michigan.

Under the title of "A Wondertul State," the Buffalo North and South, a paper especially devoted to immigration and colonization, would be one of the sources of the sotth, publishes an article by Col. Morley, the commissioner of immigration, giving a most satisfactory exhibit of the advantages offered by Michigan to immigrants, which are summed up as follows:

With all the advantages of a healthy climate, a fertile soil, easy access to home and foreign markets, and unsurpassed facilities of transportation, a settled society, a generous school system, established institutions, freedom from debt, a low rate of taxation, there are in the state several millions of acres of unoccupied farming lands, suitable to almost every variety of husbandry and within reach of moderate means.

EARTH'S GARDEN SPOTS.—Wherever

on earth an understanding is active to know and serve the truth, wherever a heart beats with kind and generous affections, wherever a home spreads its sheltering wings to protect husband and wife, and parent and child—there, under every diversity of outward circumstances, is found worth, and dignity, and peace of man's soul are within reach of all.

DETROIT MARKETS.

Wheat—No. 1, white	9	95½
Corn	75 @	80
Oats		71
Corn-meal	39¼ @	39¼
Feed—Bran, ₹ ton		19 50
Feed—Middlings, ₹ ton	12 75 @	13 25
Apples—₹ bbl	2 25 @	2 75
₹ dried, ₹ lb	6½ @	7½
Cranberries—₹ bu	2 25 @	2 50
Butter	27 @	28
Eggs	26 @	27
Cheese	11 @	14
Potatoes—₹ bu	80 @	85
₹ bbl	2 50 @	2 75
Honey	17 @	20
Oysters—₹ gal	70 @	80
Beans—picked	2 40 @	2 40
unpicked	2 00 @	2 00
Hay—timothy	10 00 @	11 00
Straw	7 00 @	8 00
Pork—mess	23 00 @	23 50
clear	23 00 @	23 50
Beef—extra mess	12 50 @	12 75
Hams—sugar cured		12
Lard—kettle		8 00
Tallow		6 00
Coal—Egg		6 00
Stove		6 00
Chestnut		6 00

GOING ABROAD.

A man who bakes is called a Baker; but in earlier times a woman who bakes was called a Bakester, or Bachster. So a man who brews is a Brewer, while a woman who brews is a Brewster. In old-fashioned English the termination "ster" was a feminine one, and it still survives with its primitive significance in spinister. A huckster was originally a truckswoman, but the word has come to mean anybody, male and female, who has a stall about goods in the public streets. The same change has some over malster, thrower, and many other analogous words. But sundry surnames, as shown in the two forms side by side, as in Webber and Webster. Hence we may conclude that the ancestor of all the Baxters was a woman who kept a bake house. Why her descendants should take that name from her, rather than from their father, is easy enough to understand on a number of natural hypotheses Joan Baxter may be described as the poor widow woman, whose children would, of course, be called after her; in another place she might be a person of some character, like the husband was a field laborer or a neighbor's wife, and, another again, there might be two Piers Gardeners or two Wat Carters in the same village, so that it might be more convenient to describe the youngsters by their mother's calling than by their father's.—*Cornhill Magazine.*

Rise of the Quaker in England.

—*John G. Whittier.*

The early half of the seventeenth century in England was one of the culminating periods in its history. For nearly one hundred years a disintegration of society had been going on, kept in check only by strong bonds of religious belief. As the bonds were broken, the popular will took a position of menace, and blow after blow fell upon the social structure of the old, overthrowing it and tearing it away to make place for the new.

The Society of Friends was a natural outgrowth of those times. Taking its rise at the period of general upheaval and dissolution of existing customs, religious, social, and political, engaging in its doctrines principles similar to those formulated by the leaders of the period, but carrying them to far greater extremes, it took a position in direct antagonism upon the free and unlicensed expression of its theories, it reached a bound of radicalism compared to which Puritanism itself was conservative, and which aroused against it a storm of hatred and an intense animosity that brought a deluge of persecution and abuse upon the devoted sect.

The Christians were willing to decapitate a king that stood in the way of the advancement of progress. They did not hesitate to tear down an existing religious institution, but even the most extreme reformers could not approve such measures as the entire abolition of all clergy, the levelling of all classes, whether monarchial or aristocratic, and universal brotherhood, or the undermining of all the bases of international or civil, to make place for a law of brotherly love that alone was to guide all mankind. But this virtually was the work the sect demanded. They were religious Nihilists.

But, they maintained, man must prepare himself to be a fit agent to govern by spiritual impulses. He must depend upon the word of God, and the Christians, therefore he must open his heart to receive that word, and in such a way that the truth shall not be