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THE NEXT HOUSE.

We are now informed precisely as to the complexion of the next House.

Democrats 140

Republicans 129

Nationals 10

California has still to elect four representatives. The present delegation from that State is equally divided.

On the general run of party questions it is likely that the Nationals will divide themselves equally between the two parties.

There will be a number of contests. In three or four of these the claims of Democratic contestants will be readily admitted.

The States are divided equally as matters stand, eighteen Republicans and eighteen Democrats.

Mr. Blaine's Sectionalism.—The intense sectionalism of Mr. Blaine crops out on all occasions.

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—EX-GOV. BULLOCK, of Georgia, in a letter to the New York Tribune, proves by reference to mills in Georgia, Alabama, Tennessee and other Southern States, that manufacturing establishments in the South are much more profitable than those in the North.

HOW MR. KEOGH HAS BEEN TREATED.—We overlooked one paragraph of "Gath's" account of his visit to North Carolina.

The Democrats in our State have no sympathy with the club business, and "dividing the time" of the South Carolina Democrats.

Mr. Tilden, it is asserted, is well equipped with material to meet the government suit for all arrears of income tax, and will show that about the very time this suit against him was instituted, the secretary of the treasury in a similar case ruled that the decision of the government assessor was final.

THE PHOTOGRAPH IS IN WINSTON. They have stray English sparrows in Winston.

Nearly 25,000 rabbit skins were sold in Greensboro one day last week.

Randolph court had to be postponed on account of Judge Kerr's illness. It was to have convened Monday last.

The Winston Sentinel entered its twenty-third birthday with fine prospects. It is a good newspaper and we wish it success.

Winston Sentinel: Geo. W. Norwood, Esq., one of our leading citizens, died on Sunday evening, the 29th of December, 1878, after a short illness, of progressive paralysis.

THE WEATHER FOR THE PAST TWO WEEKS has been so cold and harsh that it has been impossible to handle tobacco, and consequently nothing has been done in that line at any of the Winston warehouses.

Miss Davie Greeter, of Greensboro daughter of the late Rev. John A. Greeter, died last Saturday night of diphtheria. She is spoken of as having been a lovely Christian character.

Durlum Tobacco Plant: A rumor reached town Tuesday night that L. T. Buchanan had been shot a few days ago in Granite. The deed was done by a young man, a rival in love affairs, whom Buchanan had defeated. The report was that he was dangerously, and it was feared mortally, wounded.

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THE WESTERN TROTTLING ASSOCIATION organized.

TOLEDO, O., January 9.—The Grand Western Trotting Association was formed here to-day.

IN THE COUNSEL HE IS TRUSTY, on the forum he is peerless, and if sent to the Senate he will stand upon that floor the equal of any and the superior of the majority.

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FROM THE STATE CAPITAL.

THE GOVERNOR'S MESSAGE READ AT NOON YESTERDAY.

A BRIEF SUMMARY OF THE DOCUMENT.

Favorable Expressions of Opinion Concerning It.

Turner Expelled from the Democratic Caucus—All Other Independents Admitted.

The Influence of Moring's Election Upon the Senatorship.

OUTLINE OF HIS EXCELLENCY'S MESSAGE.

RALEIGH, Jan. 9.—The Governor's message was read at noon to-day. It covers seven closely printed columns in the Raleigh papers in which it appears to-morrow.

It deals with the hard times, the crops, and agricultural improvements; transportation lines, both rail and water, and the public roads; education; the university; normal schools for both races; the department of agriculture, which he highly commends and endorses; the penal and charitable institutions of the State; the employment of convict labor on railroads; dykes for the Roanoke; our central line of railroads; navigable waters; the financial condition of the State and the State debt, which he recommends be compromised; interference of Federal authorities with State courts; State property held by the United States; the State geologist; the militia law and organization, which he regards as imperfect; the exercise of executive clemency, and the reports of the State officers.

The message is regarded as able and comprehensive. Copies were both mailed and expressed to you. Beyond the reading of this document there was nothing of interest in the proceedings of either house.

All the recommendations of the Governor are in keeping with the spirit of the times and give him additional popularity before the Legislature.

TURNER DENIED PARTY FELLOWSHIP.

Hon. Josiah Turner was last night expelled from the general caucus of the Democratic party. All other independents were received and recognized as party men of good Democratic standing.

MORNING AND THE SENATORSHIP.

The election of Moring as Speaker, who was a Merrimon Democrat and bolter of 1872, is not regarded as of any significance toward the senatorial election. If it have any effect it strengthens the Vance party, for this is a peace-offering from the Vance to the Merrimon element and will have its effect in the senatorial caucus next week. H.

NEW YORK'S GOVERNOR'S MESSAGE.

An Outline of Its Character—Organization of the Legislature.

ALBANY, January 9.—Gov. Robinson's message says the State finances are in a more satisfactory condition now than for many years. The reform in the courts and State prison affairs are the most complete ever witnessed, but the State is still in a state of financial embarrassment.

The House assembled this morning after the usual routine of business proceeded to the election of a speaker. Thos. G. Alvord received 95 votes and Erasmus Brooks 24.

TEXAS NEWS.

A Cashier Absconds—Emigrants Frozen.

EL PASO, Jan. 9.—Thomas Reed, for eleven years cashier of the First National Bank, absconded yesterday. The amount of his defalcation is unascertained. The president of the bank offers \$1,000 reward for his capture.

A New Pilot Point special says four emigrants—two men, a woman and two children—en route West from Sherman, were frozen to death on the night of the 5th.

Suit for Libel Against a French Paper.

PARIS, Jan. 9.—A statement was published a short time ago in a paper called the La France Nouvelle, that a well-known Senator of the Left had been expelled from a club in the Foubourg St. Germain for cheating at cards, and was copied into the English and American papers. Lacaur, Senator and editor of the Republique Francaise, believed that the paragraph referred to him and sued the editor of the La France Nouvelle. The case was tried yesterday in the correctional court. Gambetta conducted the case for Lacaur, it being his first appearance at the bar since 1870. He made a brilliant speech. The court indicted a fine of \$400 upon the editor of the La France Nouvelle, with damages in the sum of \$2,000.

Mrs. Cobb, the Alleged Murderess, Denies Her Parramoor's Story Entire.

NORWICH, CONN., Jan. 9.—The Cobb trial was resumed to-day. Mrs. Cobb was placed on the stand. She testified that Bishop and her husband were intimate friends. His wife and she had been school girl acquaintances. She said Bishop had brought Cobb brandy and whiskey which he alone used. The whiskey made him sick. Witness denies Bishop's stories of the intimacy between them. She denied that she ever concerted with Bishop to poison his wife.

The Cornish Bank Failure—Not so Bad as was Expected.

LONDON, January 9.—A statement in the liquidation petition of the Cornish Bank, that the liabilities are \$250,000, which is less than was supposed, has tended to allay the uneasiness felt in Cornwell regarding the prospects of the creditors. The drain upon other banks has considerably decreased.

FORTY-FIFTH CONGRESS.

THE DAY ONE OF OBSEQUIES.

Death of Hon. Julian Hartridge, of Georgia, and Honors to His Memory.—Beck Bounces Sherman—Representative Schleicher, of Texas, at Doan's Dinner—Sherman and the Chinese Before the Committees.

WASHINGTON, January 9.—SENATE.—A large number of petitions were presented during the morning hour, among them many favoring the passage of the bill granting arrears of pensions, and in answer to a question of Mr. Howe as to when that bill will be considered, Mr. Ingalls, chairman of the committee on pensions, stated that he proposed to call it up as soon as the bill to amend the patent laws should be disposed of.

Beck called up the resolution submitted by him on the 7th, referring to the answer of the secretary of the treasury to the resolution of December 3d, relative to the payment of customs duties, what disposition has been made of it, etc., referred to the committee on finance with instructions to investigate as to whether the laws relating to the payment of customs duties and interest on the public debt have been paid and are being complied with. Beck criticised at some length the answer of the secretary to the resolution of December 3d, and pointed out the many errors and omissions in the report, but that now when the criminal prosecutions of thieves are the order of the day, and when ring men and those who attempt fraud upon the government are in fear of the penitentiary and are trying by all means to get out of the clutches of the Interior Department, the general suddenly feels himself compelled to launch out into unmeasured denunciations and bring forward complaints against agents already dismissed and abuses already corrected.

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The House committee on education and labor, to-day authorized Representative Willis, of Kentucky, to report to-morrow the bill heretofore agreed upon by the committee, providing that more than 15 Chinese shall be admitted to this country on any one vessel, with the request that the House specially assign the bill to a committee charged with the duty of considering the bill for its amendment, if possible, day for day, and to report to the committee changed.

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French Elections to Fill Vacancies.

PARIS, Jan. 8.—Twenty vacant seats in the Chamber of Deputies, caused by the unseating and death of members, are to be filled on the 2nd of February. There will be unusual interest in the result of the elections for the reason that M. DeFourt and M. DeMun, well known clericalists, and M. Paul DeCassagnac, are to stand for re-election.

What the National Library Contains.

WASHINGTON, January 9.—The annual report of A. B. Spofford, Librarian of Congress, submitted to the Senate to-day, shows that the additions to the law department number 3,881 volumes, and to the miscellaneous library 17,656 volumes, besides 11,689 pamphlets and 2,244 maps and charts. The aggregate contents of the library are 252,455 volumes of books, besides about 120,000 pamphlets.

Ease Attainable by the Rheumatic.

Yes, although they may despair of relief, it is attainable by rheumatic sufferers, for there is a remedy which carries off, by means of increased action of the kidneys, the uric acid, the cause of the inflammation, the uric acid, the cause of the inflammation, the uric acid, the cause of the inflammation.

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