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The Republicans will soon be fully in the saddle and as to how long they will stay will depend on how they demean themselves.

The upheaval was so great last week that we have not sufficiently collected ourselves to figure much over the result; but, suffice it to say, the Democratic party is the bottom dog now and our sympathies are with that bottom dog.

The Lenoir Topic quotes: "Whom the Lord loveth he chasteneth," and, without irreverence, assumes that the Democratic party enjoys Divine favor of a high degree on account of its recent severe chastisement.

Scanning the election news from this State and that, occasionally we see where a lone Democrat was elected. In Michigan, for instance, there was a solitary Democrat elected to the State Legislature.

Judge Jesse F. Graves died at his home at Mt. Airy on Friday last. He was first elected Superior court Judge in 1876. He was an honor to his State and the station he occupied.

We can but sincerely regret the defeat of the Democratic nominees—the county, legislative, congressional, judicial and State. They were good, true and competent men.

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Ever since there was a reasonable certainty as to how the State had gone, Butler, Mott, Harris and other fusion Republic-Populist magnates have been in close confabulation, making out the official slate.

Good times and good prices for everything will come now! Yes; is it not true? Were not lots of good things promised just as soon as the Democrats should be defeated? The Democrats have been almost completely routed. Fact. Now, come on, ye good times.

There is something radically wrong with our financial system when a lot of New York bankers can put their heads together and say there must be an issue of U. S. Bonds. It has been found necessary again, in order to replenish the depleted treasury, to make another issue of bonds and the Secretary of the Treasury has advertised for bids on \$50,000,000.

Our Washington Letter.

WASHINGTON, D. C., November 9th.—President Cleveland is quietly attending to his official duties just as though there had never been such a thing as an election. He hasn't said a word on the subject to any one who had authority to make it public, but it is certain that he has been doing a lot of thinking, and those able to read between the lines will be able to form a pretty good idea of the trend of his thoughts when, in a few weeks, his annual message to Congress shall be made public.

While few democrats of any prominence care to be personally quoted on the subject of the election, every one with whom your correspondent has come in contact agrees that the greatest single cause of democratic troubles has been the lack of harmony within the party, which was made so painful by the apparent during the last session of Congress.

Fearful Faulkner, Chairman of the Democratic Congressional Campaign Committee, rises from the wreck to say a few words, which are both explanatory and wise. He says: "The history of politics will show that every landslide is the result of disaffection, discontent and want of confidence of the members of the majority party, whose action produces the result that surprises and astounds the people—not by voting the opposing ticket, but simply by remaining away from the polls.

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postmaster the local democrats have had since the war, it was perfectly natural that some of his democratic friends should entertain the hope of succeeding some of the numerous republican employees of the post office after the democratic postmaster takes hold, and just as natural that he should look forward with pleasure to appointing them. It may be imagined then how they felt when informed that a new order, fitted through the republican adjuster known as the civil service commission, limited the patronage of the postmaster to the appointment of about 10 men.

BY WAY OF CONSOLATION.

An Administration Nearly Always Loses Congress the First Year After Its Advant.

Democrats who are disposed to refer to a cave of doom to nurse their feelings and avoid the harsh sounds of Republican jubilation just now will find much to soothe their troubled minds in a review of the political revolutions in Congress during the past twenty-two years, or extending as far back as the middle of the reconstruction era, which was thoughtfully printed by the Philadelphia two days before the recent election.

According to the record, as the Times shows, since 1872, when the Republicans were successful by an immense majority, the popular branch of Congress elected all a national administration had been inaugurated has invariably been opposed to the administration, with the exception of that elected in 1885, in the middle of Cleveland's term, when the Democrats lost only 14 of the previous majority and still held the House by 17 majority and 13 plurality.

The next Congress, it appears now, will be Republican by a majority, the figures of which cannot yet be presented, but will be very narrow when compared with that of the present body. It will be of no use to the Republican party, and will serve to relieve Democratic party of the responsibility of the legislation of the next Congress.

The Republicans-Populists in Charge Only Temporary.

Our Democratic friends in North Carolina seem to have been caught napping. Years ago, in Virginia had the same experience, and we said loudly for it. But our people have been fairly wide awake every since, so it will be here after with North Carolina.

A Genuine Waterloo.

Let Democrats Take Their Medicine Like Non-Sensational Trickery—353 Republican Congressmen—A Republican Senate—Hayard, Stevenson and Whitney as to Cause—The Future Not Hopeless.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 12th.—The Democrats ought to learn something from the Waterloo of last Tuesday. Six months before Cleveland was nominated the leaders were let unaided to swing their policy in case he should be nominated in spite of them. He was nominated and elected. On March the 5th, these Democratic enemies operations their game calculated in the desperate fight waged here for months between a Democratic House and a Democratic President on one side with a few built-up Senators acquiesced solely by passive acquiescence on the other side.

The Senate's excuse for the delay in passing the Tariff Bill. The vote of 49-45 in favor of the bill was raised in protest, until it was placed in the hands of the Senate.

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Highest of all in Leavening Power.—Latest U. S. Gov't Report.



DIVIDING THE SPOILS.

The Victors Assemble at Greensboro in Conference.

Special to the Charlotte Observer. GREENSBORO, Nov. 10.—To-day the Pop. and Rep. Chiefs met at the Bow-How House in this place. Butler arrived by the morning train from Raleigh. He walked into the Bow-How with grip and hand and the smile of a long term United States Senator on his countenance. He was met at the entrance to the Bow-How by High Priest Holt and Congressman Stetley.

There is much flaring going on, and Republicans are crowding in here from many counties to see what is to be done. Representatives Oliver Duckery and J. G. Russell have been to Raleigh and are in their interest.

Dr. Mott will undoubtedly get the short end. Why shouldn't he? I believe in many, straight fighting in politics. When a man wins he is entitled to the fruits of victory.

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NORTH CAROLINA NEWS.

The North Carolina Baptist St. Convention will meet in Charlotte on 6th.

The N. C. Conference of the M. E. Church, South, will meet in Durham, Dec. 6th.

The N. C. Industrial Association (colored) is holding its 16th annual Fair at Raleigh this week.

Sampson Jordan fell in Grant creek, Rowan county, in a drunken condition and was drowned Sunday.

The Guilford-Battle Ground Company has just completed a pavilion 60 x 90 ft. that will seat 2,000 persons.

Trinity College and A. M. College, of Raleigh, teams played football at Durham Saturday, the former winning 6 to 0.

Our Church Record, organ of the Methodist Protestant church of North Carolina, has just come with its first issue. Rev. J. F. McCulloch is the editor.

The University boys beat the Richmond College boys at a game of football at Greensboro last Saturday by a score of 28 to 0.

Vice-President Stevenson, wife and daughter are in Asheville. The daughter, who is sick, and wife have been there several weeks.

Lewis O. Longne, treasurer of Wake county, died in Raleigh last Saturday morning from congestion of the lungs. He had contracted a severe cold while canvassing the county for re-election.

Lee S. Overman, Esq., of Salisbury, has been elected president of the North Carolina railroad to succeed the late W. F. Kernegay, who died suddenly two weeks ago while at church in his home at Goldsboro.

Col. Vigil S. Luk, Republican, at one time U. S. District Attorney for the Western District of N. C. and now member-elect to the Legislature from Buncombe, announces himself a candidate for Speaker of the next House.

Last Saturday, near Trading Ford, Rowan county, Bob Eller was handling a loaded pistol. One chamber was loaded and when he laid it down on the ground the shell exploded and the ball hit his brother Charlie near by, killing him almost instantly. Bob is crazed by grief.

The Sun gives the following as the internal revenue collections for Durham during October: The stamps for tobacco, cigars, etc., with and snuff, amounted \$63,129.63. The export tax amounted to \$10,812.03, making a total of \$73,941.66. A good showing for Durham.

The Salisbury Herald says: Joseph Daniels telegraphs the Raleigh News and Observer that it is rumored in Washington that Hon. John S. Henson will contest the election of Shuford, and has employed Hon. Kerr Craige as counsel. We haven't seen Mr. Henson and don't know whether there is any ground for the rumor or not.

On Saturday before last a youth about 13 years of age, while living near Cary, named Mayo, started out hunting and went into a turpentine. His dog seized up a rabbit, and he pumped upon a stump to see which way it went. In doing so the neck of his gun struck the stump and discharged. The lead took effect in his bowels and killed him.

It is learned from the Charlotte News that charges have been preferred against a young Methodist minister, named Y. thorough, of that city. He was engaged to a young lady of his congregation and engaged himself to another member and acted in bad faith. There is much feeling against him in the community and in his congregation.

The town of Graham will pay fifty cents (.50) a cubic yard for rock delivered in Graham. Mayor Scott will indicate place at which to unload. Adg. 9-11.

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