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REPUBLICANS GAIN MANY STATES.

ROOSEVELT ELECTED IN NEW YORK.

DEMOCRATS CARRY NORTH CAROLINA.

Republicans Carry Over Thirty of the Forty-three States Which Held Elections Tuesday.

Below we give the result of the election in the States named:

Roosevelt, Republican, elected Governor of New York by 20,000.

Republicans gain two Congressmen and elect the legislature in Missouri.

The Republicans carry the legislature and gain a United States Senator in West Virginia.

Nebraska elects two Republican Congressmen and the entire Republican State ticket.

Connecticut is Republican, state ticket, legislature and all four Congressmen.

The Republicans gain the legislature and a United States Senator in Delaware.

Michigan goes Republican by 40,000.

Republicans carry the State of Washington by very large majority.

Kansas goes Republican.

Republicans carry Wyoming during a snow storm.

Stone, Republican, of Pennsylvania, elected Governor by 143,000 plurality.

Indiana goes Republican by a large majority.

Iowa is Republican by 50,000.

Wisconsin is Republican by 40,000 majority.

Illinois goes Republican by 50,000.

Voorhees, Republican, elected Governor by 10,000 plurality in New Jersey.

New Hampshire goes Republican by 9,000 plurality.

The Republicans carry South Dakota by 1,200.

The Democrats carry Tennessee by a reduced majority.

Colorado was carried by the fusionists.

Minnesota goes Republican and sends a solid Republican delegation to Congress.

The Republicans carry North Dakota and will send a Senator to succeed Roach.

The Republicans carry California and gain two Congressmen.

The State of Washington reverses its fusion majority of over 12,000 and goes Republican.

South Carolina went Democratic as usual without opposition.

Silver Dick Bland and Champ Clarke, of Missouri, are defeated.

Something to Know.

It may be worth something to know that the very best medicine for restoring the tired out nervous system to a healthy vigor is Electric Bitters. This medicine is purely vegetable, acts by giving tone to the nerve centres in the stomach, gently stimulates the Liver and Kidneys, and aids these organs in throwing off impurities in the blood. Electric Bitters improves the appetite, aids digestion, and is pronounced by those who have tried it as the very best blood purifier and nerve tonic. Try it. Sold for 50c or \$1.00 per bottle at Shuford Drug Co.'s Drug Store.

Your Best Interests.

Will be served by making sure of health. It will be a loss of time and money to be stricken with serious illness. Take Hood's Sarsaparilla and purify your blood. In this way all germs of disease will be expelled, sickness and suffering will be avoided, and your health will be preserved. Isn't this a wise course.

CAPITOL AT WASHINGTON BLOWN UP.—SUPREME COURT ROOM DESTROYED.

Explosion Believed to be Due to a Leaking Gas Meter—Loss is Over a Million Dollars Including Many Valuable Books.

Washington, D. C., Nov. 6.—(Special Telegram to the TIMES-MERCURY.) Like the eruption of a volcano came an explosion in the Capitol building this evening and until extras were issued by the leading morning papers, few people would believe the rumor that the Capitol was on fire.

The Supreme Court room and the rooms immediately adjoining on the main floor of the Capitol were totally wrecked by fire this evening. The money damage is extensive, but far more than that will be the loss to the Congressional Law Library. This Library was located directly beneath the Supreme Court Room. It contained 20,000 volumes, and its value was estimated at over \$1,000,000. A great many of the volumes were destroyed by fire or the floods of water poured into the Capitol.

At 5:23 o'clock a heavy explosion, which was heard several blocks from the Capitol, took place, and immediately afterwards flames burst from the windows of the Congressional Law Library in the basement, and a few moments later from the Supreme Court room.

An alarm of fire was turned in, quickly followed by a general alarm, and the entire fire departments responded.

The fire is believed to have resulted from a gas explosion, caused by a leakage of the meter, right by the elevator shaft in the corridor leading to the law library from the rotunda.

No life was lost, but the government is the loser to the amount of more than a million dollars, besides the invaluable Law Library of the Supreme Court, the equal of which is not to be found in the world.

What Paul Said.

Guests had arrived unexpectedly at the country parsonage on Sunday morning. The weekly supply of butter had run out, so the hospitable host dispatched old Joe, the colored man, to his neighbor, Mr. Paul, whose dairy always boasted a surplus. The parson proceeded to church with his well-prepared sermons on some of the best sayings of the great apostle, and was well under way with it when old Joe, returning empty-handed, concluded he would quietly slip in and hear his master preach. Just as he entered, the preacher stretched forth his hand in a most impressive interrogation of voice and manner, and called out, "And what did Paul say?" Distinctly sounded through the church old Joe's reply, "He say, marster, he ain't going to let you have no more butter till you pay for dat last you got"—Short Story.

The recent ruling in Washington, refusing the Porto Rico local newspapers the right to pass in the mails as second class matter renders the tariff on the delivery of papers in the island so heavy that the subscription lists have been practically suspended. There are loud complaints.

NEW ERA HAS COME

IN RAILROAD MANAGEMENT AND INVESTMENT.

The Southern Railway's Management.

Writing from Pittsburg, Pa., a correspondent of the Duluth, Minn. Evening Herald, speaks as follows in a recent issue of that paper:

A new era in railroad management and railroad investment has come in this country—the investment age—the running of railroads for dividends for their stockholders. You may say that is no new era; that has always been the reason for running railroads. May be, but the railroad history in this country doesn't show it. The past era has been largely a stock jobbing era. The power of J. Pierpont Morgan in the financial world is to a great extent putting the railroads of America upon a new basis and paving the way for their control for dividend purposes, pure and simple. Mr. Morgan represents investors more than stock dealers and speculators, and while he controls the roads he selects the best practical railroad men in the country for managers and gives the road careful management. He is not a railroad wrecker and does not run railroads for the sake of milking them.

Jim Hill has always managed the Great Northern in a way to make it a dividend payer. Low fixed charges, small cost per mile for construction, the lowest practical grades, the best terminal facilities possible with business to shippers, an interest in the country through which the road passes for the road's sake, and a firm adherence to the broad principle that the way to make business for the road is to develop the agricultural and industrial resources along it—these are the things which characterize Mr. Hill's railroad management, which constitute his policy and which has made the Great Northern the most successful system of the West. The Hill policy is what makes cities like Duluth willing and anxious to do him honor.

One of the Morgan systems of railroads is the Southern Railway, which was organized in 1894 and built up out of many bankrupt connecting lines. Its management shows, perhaps, the best idea in railroad running—it is like the Hill idea. At the head of the company is Samuel Spencer, a Southerner, and as nearly J. J. Hill's equal as any man in the country. Many think him the greatest railroad president in the country. The work done in four years in building up and improving the Southern system is simply wonderful. There has not been its like in the history of railroading. Now the system has nearly 6,000 miles of single track, it penetrates eight Southern States, all east of the Mississippi and south of the Ohio and Potomac save West Virginia and Florida. In 1894 the roadbed was poor, the tracks in miserable condition, the train service wretched. All this has been changed. There are now good, smooth roadbed, heavy rails, finely equipped trains and excellent service. The country along the road has witnessed a great improvement in business, following and accompanying a great development.

The Southern Railway has no lands, like the Western land grant roads, and so no reason that they have to maintain a land department. But one of the first things done after the reorganization in 1894 was the establishment of an industrial department, to look after development along the road. That department is presided over by a Northwestern man, M. V. Richards, years ago connected with the land department of the Northern Pacific. It works with the local people along the road, and has been the instrument of a marked growth in Southern industries. Last year there were established along the line of the Southern Railway, and in many cases directly through the industrial department of the road 250 new manufacturing plants, cotton mills, furniture factories, tanneries, iron mills, saw mills, canning establishments, etc. The result of work of this kind is showing in the increased prosperity of the Southern States and in the growth of the business of the railway. It might be added that the people from the North who are settling in the South are generally satisfied with their change.

For the past ten years the Western

Pennsylvania Exposition at Pittsburg has been an established success. Year after year it has run its even tenor, cordially supported by the people and doing the cities of Pittsburg and Alleghany much good. The crowds this year would do credit to the more pretentious exhibition at Omaha. For three years the Southern Railway has been making exhibits here. It occupies a space of about 4,000 square feet. Their display is attracting great attention.

The Grandest Remedy.

Mr. R. B. Greeve, merchant, of Chilhowie, Va., certifies that he had consumption, was given up to die, sought all medical treatment that money could procure, tried all cough remedies he could hear of, but got no relief; spent many nights sitting up in a chair; was induced to try Dr. King's New Discovery, and was cured by use of two bottles. For past three years has been attending to business, and says Dr. King's New Discovery is the grandest remedy ever made, as it has done so much for him and also for others in his community. Dr. King's New Discovery is guaranteed for Coughs, Colds and Consumption. It don't fail. Trial bottles free at Shuford Drug Co.'s Drug Store.

Georgia Claims Land.

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How much business can a man do whose system is in a state of disorder? Headache is only a symptom. It is not a disease. The pain in the head is the sign of rebellion. There have been mistakes in diet and other abuses.

Dr. Pierce's Pleasant Pellets are a gentle, effective renovator and invigorator of stomach, liver and bowels. They assist nature without threatening to tear the body piece-meal. There are no gripping pains, no nausea. One is a laxative.

A book of 1008 profusely illustrated, written by Dr. R. V. Pierce, called "The People's Common Sense Medical Adviser," will be sent free for 21 one-cent stamps to cover cost of mailing only. World's Dispensary Medical Association, No. 663 Main Street, Buffalo, N. Y.

The reports for the year just closing made to State Factory Inspector O'Leary by his deputies throughout New York state show that 52,000 more people were employed in the manufactories of the state than during the year 1897.

MARIA TERESA LOST AT SEA

Cervera's Rescued Flagship at Bottom of the Ocean.

Charleston, S. C., Nov. 5.—The former Spanish cruiser Maria Teresa, flagship of Cervera's fleet, which was raised by Hobson, was lost in a storm which raged off the Bahamas Tuesday afternoon. The cruiser was abandoned by her crew a short while before she went to the bottom.

Everything was lost, but the crew was rescued without the loss of a single man and brought here today on the wrecking tug Merritt.

The Teresa left Guantanamo last Saturday, and had been towed most of the way by the Vulcan and the Merritt. When the storm arose the Teresa began to take water, and the newly riveted plugs in the cruiser's hull began to give way. Lieutenant Commander Harris was the last to leave the ship, and his coolness contributed much to the work of rescue. He had first tried every available means of saving the ship.

The Teresa went down head foremost where the water was 300 fathoms deep, so there is no possibility of raising her again.

The Newspaper Field.

The newspaper field is a wide field and full of roses and thorns. When you roast the preacher, the ungodly smiles; when you roast the ungodly the preacher smiles. If you roast the saloon man the teetotaler smiles, when you roast the teetotaler the saloon man sets 'em up. If you swear you are a wicked man, and if you pray you are a hypocrite. If you have an opinion you get cussed, and if you don't have you are a nonentity. The preacher knows one thing, the saloon man or gambler knows another, but the journalist is expected to know everything. Be damned if you do, and be damned if you don't.—Greenville Times.

Hard on the Reporters.

"I had a strange dream the other night," said the major. "What was it?" asked the young thing.

"I went to heaven, and as an old newspaper man was interested in their journal up there. It was a miserable thing; not a well written story in it, and I told St. Peter so."

"What did he say?"

"He said: 'It's not our fault. We never get any good reporters up here.'—Philadelphia Press.

CAMPAIGN CARTOONS.

We will see no more cartoons now till next campaign. The nigger will now get a rest. For months, the Democratic papers have been full of them, and the people would take them, out show them around and rejoice over them as great truths. We decided they liked such stuff. So we sent out a few one week. This stirred their righteous indignation. It was just awful! It was the great sin against the Holy Ghost. After a while all the pictures will be discarded from Sunday School quarterlies, Bibles and religious books, unless they have the divine hand of some party or sect laid on them for purification, Joe Daniels for instance.

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