

Membership of Next House Figured Out

Republicans Have a Large Majority Than Ever Before. Inroads Made on Representation From Democratic States

Washington, Nov. 19.—The clerk of the House of Representatives today finished the compilation of a list of the members of the House in the Fifty-ninth congress, which shows that the Republicans will have the surprising majority of 118.

This is the largest majority the Republicans have ever had in the House, although they had nearly as much, 115, in the forty-fourth congress, and 112 in the fifty-second congress.

The list compiled by the clerk of the House was made up partly of unofficial notices from the secretaries of various states, and where these were not secured from the best reports obtainable from newspapers and other sources, it is known as the "unofficial list," but will be distributed officially by the clerk of the House as soon as the printed copies are received from the government printing office. No notices of contest have been filed.

According to the list the House in

the Fifty-ninth congress will consist of 352 Republicans and 134 Democrats. Nine Republicans and seven Democrats will represent Missouri in place of one Republican and fifteen Democrats in the present House. Three Republicans and eight Democrats are returned from Kentucky. In Colorado, Brooks, Republican, at-large was elected, although it was reported that he had been defeated. In Nevada, Yerrington, Republican, was elected in place of Van Duser, Democrat, the sitting member, who, according to the first count, was returned. In each of the big delegations from Illinois, New Jersey, Ohio and Pennsylvania there will be only one Democrat. One Republican was elected from North Carolina, which in the present congress has a solid Democratic delegation. The Republicans gained three members of the House in California, one in Delaware, six in Illinois, two in Indiana, one in Kentucky, one in Massachusetts, one in Michigan, eight in Missouri, one in Nebraska, one in Nevada, two in New Jersey, six in New York, one in North Carolina, three in Ohio and two in Pennsylvania.

In view of the smallness of the Democratic representation, it is probable that the speaker will be obliged to reduce the number of minority members upon many of the committees or adopt the alternative of making the Democrats give more of their time to committee work by appointing each of them to an unusually large number of committees.

Explosion of Gas Makes Great Havoc

Chicago, Nov. 19.—Over pressure on several tanks of acetylene gas caused a series of explosions in the plant of the Pyle Electric Headlight Company at Grand Crossing Friday, causing the death of four persons and the injury of a score of others. Adjacent buildings were wrecked and a small sized panic followed among the pupils in the Cornell school, several blocks away.

The dead: Ralph Wells, superintendent of Pyle National Electric Headlight Company; Amos Watkins, assistant superintendent; George Muehl, draughtsman for Peoples Gas Light and Coke Company; Thomas Jennings, laborer for the Pyle company.

The accident happened when an employee of the Peoples Gas Light and Coke Company was making an inspection of the building preparatory to its reconstruction. George Muehl, who was making the investigation, was hurled into the air, his body dropping back into the flames. His body was found afterwards burned to a cinder.

Nobody knows just how the explosion occurred, as everybody who was in the building when the explosion occurred is dead. It is known that several Pullman cars were being supplied with acetylene gas, and it is believed that the pressure applied on the pumps was too great, the explosion following. Nine explosions in all followed in quick succession. The fire that followed the explosions destroyed what remained of the three plants. \$100,000. The persons injured were walking in the street near the plant and were struck by flying missiles.

embroideries and other articles of Japanese manufacture. The gifts were accompanied by courteous notes from the prince.

Prince Fushimi remembered all the police officers, detectives and servants who attended him during his stay in Washington with gifts. Each of the policemen received \$25 in cash from the prince.

Gasoline Starts a Fire

Lancaster, Pa., Nov. 18.—By an explosion of gasoline in George Sellers' hardware store at Gap this evening the business block of Walter & Eby was destroyed by fire. It contained a dozen business places, including the Gap National Bank. The loss is \$75,000.

A New Miles Boom

Boston, Nov. 18.—Friends of General Miles, former commander in chief of the United States army, have started a boom to have him succeed Adjutant General Dalton at the head of the Massachusetts volunteer militia. A rumor today had it that Governor-elect Douglas had asked General Miles to take this position, but it was denied by W. B. Buchanan, private secretary to Mr. Douglas.

A Fortune for Education

New York, Nov. 18.—By her will, filed for probate today, Miss Sarah C. Tracy, who died November 8, left the bulk of her estate, estimated at over \$500,000, to Bishop P. J. Donahue of Wheeling, W. Va., to be used in founding Catholic educational and religious institutions in his diocese. The entire residuary estate is left to Bishop Donahue absolutely.

Bomb in a Basket

Barcelona, Nov. 18.—Two individuals brought to the residence of the mayor's residence last evening a basket, saying: "We have just found it." The contents, seeing smoke issuing from it, threw it away, when a bomb exploded. Eleven persons were injured. The street was full of people, who were thrown into a panic.

Parliamentary Pleasantries

Budapest, Nov. 18.—A question of precedence in the lower house of the Hungarian Diet today led to an uproar, in the course of which a deputy threatened to stab the president with a pair of scissors.

Several members hastened to the platform to protect the president, whereupon some of the opposition pelted the president with seats, books and inkstands. A deputy was struck by a seat and an inkstand just missed the president, who suspended the session amid a babel of insulting epithets.

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Gifts From the Mikado

Washington, Nov. 19.—Before leaving Washington Prince Fushimi of Japan sent to Mrs. Roosevelt and to Mrs. Hay, wife of the secretary of state each a beautiful teakwood chest as a gift from the mikado. The chests are adorned with silver trimmings, and although the interiors are somewhat plain, the interior of each chest is a marvel of skillful workmanship. Boxes and drawers of all sizes and shapes inside the chests contain silks,

BONDSMEN PERJURED

Federal Grand Jury Springs a Surprise

Asheville, N. C., Nov. 18.—Special Before the grand jury in United States court was discharged yesterday three true bills were found against B. B. Meroney, Robert Galusha and A. B. Cooper, all of Cherokee county, charging them with perjury.

The indictments against the Cherokee county men was a novel and unusual procedure. It seems that Messrs. Meroney, Galusha and Cooper during a term of federal court in 1902 individually went on the bonds of certain defendants, making affidavits to own and being in possession of a certain amount of property as required by law. The defendants failed to make their appearance and the bonds were forfeited. When the United States marshal attempted to collect the amount of the bonds he found that the bondsmen were not worth anything and that in making affidavits they had sworn falsely. The marshal's report was to this effect with the result that a true bill was found against each of the three men. Papers for the arrest of the alleged Cherokee county perjurers have been issued. When taken they will be held in \$500 bonds.

Ransome Love, the negro who last week attempted to wreck the rolling stock of the Bee Tree Railroad Company, was convicted in the superior court today and sentenced to two years on the roads.

A compromise has been effected in the suit brought by the administrator of Porter Allison against the Southern Railway Company, whereby the railway pays the plaintiffs \$2,500 damages for the death of Mr. Allison, who was killed by a Southern Railway train at Hendersonville about a year ago.

Abandoned at Sea

Hamilton, Bermuda, Nov. 18.—The American bark Elmira, lumber laden, has been abandoned at sea. Her crew have been landed here by the British steamer Horsa.

Buried Under Dirt

York, Pa., Nov. 18.—William Hutton and Bud Ebord, while working in the slate quarry of Robert L. Jones at Delta, Pa., were buried under an avalanche of dirt and instantly killed. William Barber, a companion, was badly injured and may die.

Four Wives too Many

Circleville, Ohio, Nov. 19.—Four hours after going to trial here today Rev. William T. Nickerson was convicted by a jury of bigamy. Sentence will be imposed tomorrow. The Rev. Nickerson has a mania for child wives and he has succeeded in accumulating four more than the law allows. A year ago he left Tennessee and came to Cincinnati. After a few weeks he came to Circleville, where he married fifteen-year-old Myrtle Zimmerman, after a courtship of barely three weeks.

Trunk Robbed of Jewelry

New York, Nov. 18.—Dr. and Mrs. Samuel J. Holley of Lexington, Ky., who are stopping at the Plaza Hotel, have reported to the central detective bureau that one of their trunks had been robbed of jewelry valued at nearly \$20,000. Dr. Holley is a prominent southern physician. His wife is the daughter of James Helm of Louisville, Ky., one of the leading railroad attorneys of the south.

Dr. and Mrs. Holley came to this city last Sunday.

CRASH ON STILTS

Forty People Hurt by Collision of Elevated Trains

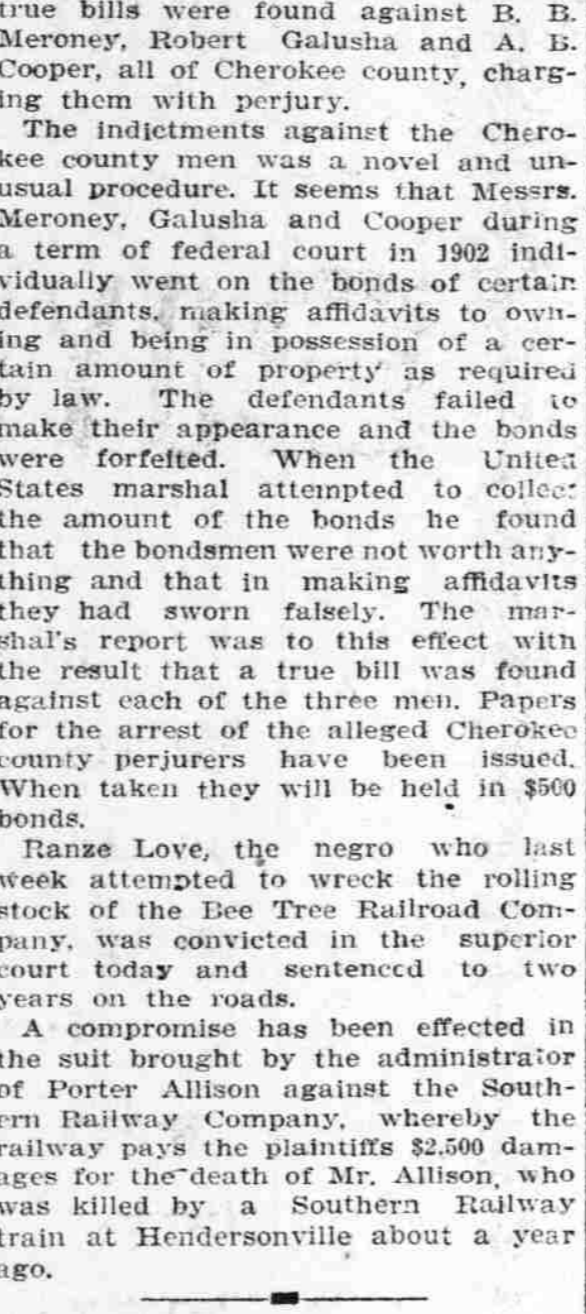
New York, Nov. 18.—At the height of the home-going traffic last two Kings county elevated trains crashed in a rear-end collision on the Euclid avenue curve in East New York, just this side of the Crescent avenue station, the highest point on the Kings county system. The motor car of the second train ploughed half way through the rear car of the first train, stuck, and was itself smashed to kindling for half its length.

Fortunately the smash-up occurred near the end of the line and the trains were pretty well emptied of passengers. The motorman of the second train was the only one badly hurt. He lay bleeding and delirious in the wreckage for two hours while firemen struggled to chop him out. He was taken to the Bradford hospital with small chance of recovery.

At least forty passengers, thrown down by the shock, were more or less bruised and cut, but only five needed the attention of the ambulance surgeons.

THE OLDEST MAN IN AMERICA

Tells How He Escaped the Terrors of Many Winters by Using Pe-ru-na.



Mr. Brock's Age is 115 Years.

MR. ISAAC BROCK, BORN IN BUNCOMBE CO., N. C., MARCH 1, 1788. His age is 115 years, vouched for by authentic record. He says: "I attribute my extreme old age to the use of Peruna."

Born before the United States was formed. Saw 22 Presidents elected. Peruna has protected him from all sudden changes. Veteran of four wars. Shot a horse when 99 years old. Always conquered the grip with Peruna. Witness in a land suit at the age of 110 years. Believes Peruna the greatest remedy of the age for catarrhal diseases.

ISAAC BROCK, a citizen of McLennan county, Texas, has lived for 115 years. For many years he resided at Bosque Falls, eighteen miles west of Waco, but now lives with his son-in-law at Valley Mills, Texas.

A short time ago, by request, Uncle Isaac came to Waco and sat for his picture. In his hand he held a stick cut from the grave of General Andrew Jackson, which has been carried by him ever since. Mr. Brock is a dignified old gentleman, showing few signs of decrepitude. His family Bible is still preserved, and it shows that the date of his birth was written 115 years ago.

Surely a few words from this remarkable old gentleman, who has had 115 years of experience to draw from, would be interesting as well as profitable. A lengthy biographical sketch is given of this remarkable old man in the Waco Times-Herald, December 4, 1898. A still more pretentious biography of this, the oldest living man, illustrated with a double column portrait, was given the readers of the Dallas Morning News, dated December 11, 1893, and also the Chicago-Times Herald of same date. This centennial is an ardent friend of Peruna, having used it many years.

In speaking of his good health and extreme old age, Mr. Brock says:

THE HORSE SHOW

Tremendous Crowd to See a Bunch of Events

New York, Nov. 18.—In a pell mell rush there were many events decided in the horse show today and the champions will make a fighting finish tomorrow on the home stretch. All society that loves sports, and a host of sports who like a look-in on society at least once a year, with the usual crush of mere amusement-seekers, helped to make the gathering the greatest Friday morning, afternoon and night of horse show history.

At 10 o'clock tonight the gathering was impressive from its vastness, aside from all else, and a scene of beauty worth a journey from the antipodes to behold.

Mr. Eben Jordan's Hildred won the class for high-stoppers in the afternoon, which brought his total winnings up to \$3,530. Next to him in the evening session was Mrs. Gerken, with \$1,390, and third was Mrs. Grosvenor, with \$1,255. None of the others has passed the \$1,000 mark. It was rather a blank day for the English exhibitors.

NAN PATTERSON JURY

Twelve Men Selected and Trial to Begin Monday

New York, Nov. 18.—The jury which is to decide whether Nan Patterson is guilty or innocent of killing "Caesar" Young, the bookmaker, in a cab, June 4, was completed this afternoon, almost at the close of the day's session. Abe Levy, her counsel, had then exhausted all but two of the defense's peremptory challenges and there were only twelve talesmen left in the panel of 100 special jurors.

When it came to selecting some of the jurors, the defendant herself decided whether to reject or accept them. The trial will begin before Justice Vernon M. Davis in the supreme court, criminal branch, next Monday, when Assistant District Attorney Rand will open for the prosecution. He said tonight that he expected the trial to last the rest of the month.

Suicide Cure for Divorce

Cincinnati, O., Nov. 18.—Mrs. Grace Fennesy, wife of James E. Fennesy, the well known theatrical man, committed suicide here tonight by taking carbolic acid. Worry over divorce proceedings, which have been pending for several months is said to have been the cause. The couple were married in New York a year ago last June.

Airship Just Drifted

St. Louis, Nov. 18.—The Benbow airship at the World's Fair made a flight this afternoon, much to the gratification of several hundred spectators. The airship drifted along directly oblivious of the whirling paddle wheels. Its dirigibility was not demonstrated at any time. It was driven into a tree top and its rudder broken. Clearing the tree, the ship pitched and tossed to the manifest danger of the aeronaut. Lowering a rope, Benbow and his ship were pulled back to terra firma.

Doctor's Double Life

Peoria, Ill., Nov. 18.—Death has revealed an extraordinary case of double life led by Dr. T. C. Conklin, a prominent physician of Farmington, who died November 8. Yesterday the wife with whom he was living at the time of his death went to Lewistown, Fulton county, to have herself appointed administrator of his estate. She was horrified to find that the records showed that many years ago her husband had been married to a Miss Steele and that the first wife, together with four children, the result of the union, were still alive. The first wife lives in this city. The children of the first wife will make a fight for the estate, which amounts to about \$10,000.

Dr. Conklin had two children by his second wife.

Jury Says Weber Did It

Auburn, Cal., Nov. 18.—The coroner's jury last night returned a verdict charging Adolph Weber with having inflicted wounds which caused the death of his father, mother and sisters and of being responsible for the suffocation of his little brother at the family home in Auburn.

Weber treated the news of the verdict with indifference. What impresses even, as most revolting and unnatural is Adolph's lack of feeling for his dead relatives. His account of his actions on the night of the deaths have been disproved by many witnesses. Circumstantial evidence is strong against him.

Timber receipts at Milwaukee by the way of lake, during 1903, fell off 30 per cent compared with 1902, and railway receipts in the same district increased.

Blamed the Hapsburgs

Vienna, Nov. 18.—In the Reichsrath today Herr Pernersdorfer, a Socialist, made an amazing attack on the Hapsburg dynasty. He declared that all of Austria's misfortunes could be ascribed to the Hapsburgs. Their only object was to plunder the country. This statement evoked loud cheers from the Socialists and Pan-Germans. He asked if the country was to support all these do-nothings forever. He added that they did not possess special qualities. The women were bigots and the men hangers-on of the clerical party.

Mutilation for Crime

Meiose, Col., Nov. 19.—F. H. ABID, a white man 35 years old, was mutilated in the county jail here at midnight last Tuesday and is now in a serious condition. The two physicians who performed the operation were forced to do so at the point of guns. They would have been killed on the spot if they had refused to wield the scalpel. The doctors are among the most prominent on the western slope and one of them was a candidate at the recent election on the Democratic ticket for a high state office. Strategy was used to get the physicians to visit the jail. The crimes for which ABID was mutilated were two attempts to assault little girls here last week.

A Fairbanks Demonstration

Pittsburg, Nov. 18.—Vice President-elect Charles W. Fairbanks, passing through Pittsburg tonight on his way to Washington, was the recipient of a demonstration for which he had not bargained. Five hundred people had gathered on hearing a rumor that the senator had been hurt in a wreck. He answered the cheers with a speech while Mrs. Fairbanks cried softly her thanks to the great crowd which had been so solicitous about the welfare of her husband. Word came from the west early this evening that Mr. Fairbanks had been hurt in a wreck on the Panhandle road and a crowd gathered at the union depot for the latest news.

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Coming to an Agreement

London, Nov. 19.—The newspapers continue to give great prominence to the Anglo-Russian settlement. According to the most trustworthy information it is progressing satisfactorily. Sir Charles Hardinge, the British ambassador, assured the St. Petersburg correspondent of the Standard yesterday afternoon that the negotiations were going on smoothly. Nothing has yet occurred to cause alarm. The facts seemed to be as already stated. Some differences in interpretation had

SHOE NEWS!

Having received for the fall trade one thousand cases shoes, this is the largest shipment ever made and even more than the entire city buys. This purchase means bought at less prices and will be sold accordingly.

POOL & ALLEN,

S. C. Pool's Old Stand,
RALEIGH, N. C.

Thanksgiving!

If the Thanksgiving dinner is well dressed, surely the diner ought to be.—A man may be just as thankful in his old clothes as in new ones, but he doesn't look it.—How about one of our handsome \$12.50, 15.00, 18.00 or 20.00 suits, or one of our elegant \$12.50, 15.00, 16.50, 18.00 or 20.00 Overcoats for Thanksgiving.—Perhaps it's a NEW HAT, a NEW TIE, GLOVES, or SOMETHING ELSE in Haberdashery you ARE AFTER.—The best of EVERYTHING in MEN'S WEAR IS HERE, and Thanksgiving is a splendid time to appear in SOMETHING NEW.

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