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THANKSGIVING DAY.

A PROCLAMATION.

By the president of the United States of America:

It no period in their history since the United States became a nation has this people had abundant and so universal reason for joy and gratitude for the favor of Almighty God, or been subject to so profound an obligation to give thanks to His having kindness and humbly to implore His continued care and protection. Health, wealth and prosperity throughout all our borders; peace, honor and friendship with all the world; firm and faithful adherence by the great body of our population to the principles of liberty and justice which have made our greatness as a nation, and to the wise institutions and strong frame of government and society, which will perpetuate it. For all these let the thanks of a happy, united people with one voice ascend in devout homage to the giver of all good. I furthermore recommend that on Thursday, the 25th of November next, the people meet at their respective places of worship to make the acknowledgment of His bounties and His protection and to offer to Him prayer for their continuance. In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of the United States to be affixed. Done at the city of Washington, this thirty first day of October, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and eighty, and of the independence of the United States the one hundred and fifth.

[Seal.] R. B. HAYES.

By the President:

WM. E. EVARTS, Secretary of State.

It is understood that Bill Barnum and Abe Hewitt will apply for a patent for the best way how not to elect a president.

ST. LOUIS' new census gives that city a population of 335,000. The regular census made it 333,000. It is now Chicago's turn to crow.

GENERAL SHERMAN says, in his annual report, that it is still his intention to establish a cavalry school at Leavenworth. This seems to "let out" Omaha.

A statement of the grain shipments by river through St. Louis for the first nine months of the present year, shows the possibilities of a system of barges on our great rivers and their advantages to the producers of the great west. Last year only 6,164,838 bushels of grain were shipped down the river from St. Louis, while 12,538,891 bushels have been transported by the same route during the first nine months of the present year.

THAT "cabinet boom" started by J. Sterling Morton, boasted by the Omaha *Republican* and cheered by the Omaha *Herald* doesn't meet with much approval throughout the state. The Central City *Item*, one of the spiciest and best of our state exchanges has this to say on the subject: "Various democrats throughout the state are claiming that P. W. Hitchcock will have the portfolio of Secretary of the Interior in the new Cabinet of Garfield. But we doubt very much the selection for that office of Mr. Hitchcock. His record is in the way. If that could be erased, like chalk marks with a wet sponge, Phinney might stand some chance. As it is, however, it will be found far easier for a camel to pass through the eye of a needle than for Hitchcock to enter the cabinet of Garfield. Hitch. is too strongly favored with Grantism to ever win his way into the affections of James A. Garfield."

THE contract signed yesterday by the Baltimore and Ohio, Reading and New Jersey Central railroads completes another through line between Chicago and New York. The Baltimore and Ohio have been for a number of years past restrained from making eastern connections at Philadelphia with the Reading road which connects near Trenton on the Delaware with the New Jersey Central. A favorable decision having removed these obstacles, the Baltimore and Ohio will now be enabled to use the magnificent road bed and terminal facilities of the latter road giving them through connections from Chicago to the foot of Liberty street in New York. The new line though somewhat longer than the other routes will make equally rapid time and will compete for first-class and emigrant traffic with the Erie, Pennsylvania and New York Central. It is intimated that a break in passenger rates will speedily result from the increased competition.

THE evident disposition of the English government to preserve the peace in Ireland at all hazards seems to have exercised a salutary effect, and the troubles have stopped short of an actual outbreak and bloodshed. This is something to be thankful for. Any resort to arms in the present condition of Ireland would be a piece of foolhardiness and madness without the slightest palliation. With Ireland's wrongs all are in deep sympathy. As to the means now taken to bring those wrongs into prominence and to wring redress from the government there is good ground for discussion. Mr. Parnell and his Land League began their campaign with the hearty good will of every well wisher of Ireland. "Peaceful agitation" was accomplishing the very results which its friends claimed for this method of procedure. But peaceful agitation has now been succeeded by incendiary speeches, calculated to inflame the worst passions of an excitable people, and the last month's work of the Land League seems principally to have been devoted to alienating the sympathy which had previously been evoked. Revolution is of course the right and duty of an oppressed people, provided always that there is the straightest probability of its accomplishing the end of freedom. Under other circumstances, it is the sheerest madness, and ends in more firmly riveting chains which it vainly strives to throw off. The result of the last month's agitation and lawlessness in Ireland, as gleaned from the English leading American papers, shows Parnell and his Land League in the light of men who care more for their own personal popularity among their countrymen than they do for the best interests of the people, who have elevated them as heroes and leaders of the race.

VALENTINE'S POPULARITY.

The Omaha *Republican* prints what purports to be a synopsis of the tabulated returns from all the counties in Nebraska as completed by the Secretaty of state.

From these figures the *Republican* undertakes to show that E. K. Valentine ran way ahead of his ticket, and furthermore that his majority is the largest given to any candidate.

Now in the first place the statement that the tables were compiled by the secretary of state from the official returns virtually charges Secretary Alexander with a gross misdemesnor. The official returns for congressman and state officers are in the hands of Secretary Alexander as custodian, but he has no right to break open the seal any more than any county clerk has the right to open the sealed returns from the precincts before the board of commissioners have convened. Under our constitution the state legislature in joint session opens the official returns and conducts the canvass of the election for congressmen and state officers.

The only returns the state officers can open are those for presidential electors, and they, under the law, must be canvassed on a given day in public. The *Republican* does not pretend to give the returns on presidential electors, hence it is obvious that the pretended official returns are unreliable and mainly gotten up and compiled for the purpose of bolstering Valentine as a popular representative—when in fact he ran way behind his ticket in almost every county.

The statement that Valentine's majority is the highest given any candidate is utterly unfounded. The republican candidates for state offices with the exception of Carns and Bartlett, received a larger vote than did the presidential electors and Valentine runs way behind Garfield as we shall presently show by figures from official tables published by the local county papers.

Counties.	Garfield.	Valentine.
Antelope	577	436
Boone	445	435
Butler	958	958
Cass	1,779	1,724
Colfax	685	627
Cuming	598	570
Dawson	348	348
Douglas	3,290	2,581
Furnas	636	570
Gage	1,726	1,710
Hall	1,151	1,143
Holt	334	326
Jefferson	1,069	1,043
Johnson	1,068	1,059
Lincoln	379	339
Merrick	805	784
Nance	115	114
Nemaha	1,473	1,403
Pawnee	1,182	1,686
Polk	943	942
Platte	854	774
Richardson	1,774	1,759
Saline	1,842	1,639
Saunders	1,717	1,626
Seward	1,354	1,2[illegible]2
Thayer	834	808
Wayne	118	115
Washington	1,190	1,154
Webster	1,006	993
Valley	392	396
	30,602	28,914

These are all the official returns we have in our possession. They represent thirty out of the sixty-six organized counties promiscuously in every section of the state, and are therefore a fair index of the whole state. Valentine runs just four votes ahead of Garfield In one out of the thirty counties, (Valley,) he runs even with Garfield in two (Butler and Dawson,) and runs behind Garfield in twenty-seven counties a total of 1,692 votes out of 30,602 votes. The total vote for Garfield in the state exceeds 55,000, and at that ratio, Valentine has fallen over 3000 behind the national ticket, while the majority of the state officers run ahead of Garfield.

But even taking the pretended official figures of the *Republican* and they show that Valentine received 52,648 votes while Nance, for governor, received 55,237; Alexander for secretary of state, 55,152; Wallichs, auditor, 55,196; Dilworth, attorney-general, 55,164; Kendall, land commissioner, 55,000; Jones, state superintendent of schools, 55,029. The only state officers below 55,000 are: Bartlett, treasurer, and Carns, lieutenant-governor, and they cannot be taken as the maximum. Carns is decidedly unpopular and generally distrusted. Bartlett lost the Bohemian vote, which went almost solid for Folda, who belongs to that nationality. And Valentine had no competitor until within one week before the election, and then a straw man known to be unfit for such a position was put up as Valentines competitor. North wasn't even supported by the democratic organs which in reality gave Valentine silent support. Under such circumstances any popular republican would have run 5,000 ahead of the national ticket. Instead of that Valentine fell over 3,000 behind and no amount of bogus figuring can make Valentine any thing but a dead duck in Nebraska for all future time.

The Party in Power, and the Future.

New York Tribune.

The republican party is stronger today than it ever has been before. It has behind it the conscience, the judgment, and the interest of the northern states—with the possible exception of New Jersey, and that state the republicans have never carried in a presidential contest, except when the democratic party had virtually fled from the field in 1872. In that year, large as the majorities for Gen. Grant were, they were due in a large degree to the disorganization of the democrats. In the republican ranks there was shown, even then, the dissatisfaction which cost the party four northern states in 1876, and nearly cost it the presidency, and which gave the control in congress to the democratic party for a time. But to day the republicans are united as they have never been before since the war. Their organization is more thorough and effective; their sense of duty is more clear and keen; and their determination to meet a solid south with a solid north, if need be forever, is more intelligent and positive than at any other time in the history of the party. Questions of finance have at times divided republicans, but they have been settled by resumption and prosperity. Questions of taxation have at times caused division, but the republican party is more nearly united now than it ever was before, in supporting the revenue laws through which the country has achieved such remarkable prosperity. There has been much difference of opinion as to the mode of dealing with the southern question. But a fair test has

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The republican party is stronger than ever in another respect, which has not been generally noticed. Never before has either party elected to the presidency its act[illegible] leader in Congress. Mr. Clay w[illegible] nom[illegible]ted, but beaten. Mr. W[illegible] Calhoun, Mr. Seward, Mr. [illegible]lain were not nominated. Mr. [illegible] was nominated only when he [illegible]sed to be the leader of his pa[illegible] was beaten. But Mr. Garfield [illegible]tands to-day the undisputed leader of the republican party in the house, and the peer of any statesman in the Senate, to which he has recently been promoted. No other man in the party, since Mr. Blaine was sent to a new field of duty in the senate, has had as great influence with his associates in congress. His leadership has come to him, not by the fever of any dispensor of patronage, but by his own tact, manliness and rare ability. He is not only a trained parliamentarian, but a rare organizer and leader of men, and he does not lack the a[illegible]ty or the knowledge to use his [illegible]at powers of the executive in such [illegible] way as to consolidate, enlarge [illegible] together and fortify the party [illegible]ch he has been the truest repre[illegible]ve. This is a new situation in t[illegible]story of the government. Hitherto no party has ever been able to place in the White House a man who was neither its instrument nor the tool of any clique, neither its mere mouthpiece, nor its figurehead, but its most capable and best trained statesman. If General Garfield is not recognized as in every respect the most capable statesman of the republican party, he is the man who has acquired and wielded a greater influence as a representative than any other republican in the house, and the men are not few who predict that he will be found the ablest president the country has ever had.

This means a great deal for the future. It means that the republican party is going to be very much stronger than it is now. The man who can lead his party, as a simple representative, by force of character, intellect and training, and by personal relations with its men, will not be the less, but the more its leader when he holds in its behalf the great trust of the presidency. Within the next four years, it is safe to predict, the republican party will have entrenched itself so strongly, and extended its influence so far, that, unless a reorganization of parties comes meanwhile, resistance to it will be entirely hopeless.

Therefore it is time for sensible democrats, and particularly for southern men, to abandon an opposition which can serve no good purpose in the future. The south ought to know, by this time, that it has been deluded, befooled and led astray by the northern democratic leaders for more than twenty years. It should begin to look facts in the face. The real opinion and purpose of the northern people has now been shown more clearly than ever. Resistance by a solid south will only strip southern men of what influence they now possess. It is the part of good sense for them to cut loose at once from the incompetent and disgraceful bourbons of the north, to rally themselves with a party which really represents northern opinion, and to seek in that new alliance, and in the redistribution of forces upon new issues, a legitimate and honorable part in the government of the country.

"The Princess Ogherof," a Russian Novel, by Henry Greville, is published this day by T. B. Peterson & Brothers, Philadelphia, and is a thoroughly fascinating love story. Its interest is intense and sustained. At no point does the reader find a dull line. It is purity itself, and there is not a word or a thought in it which could harm the most innocent. The scene is laid in Russia, and the characters move in high society. The plot is well defined and strong. Taken as a whole, "The Princess Ogherof" is fully worthy of its distinguished author, and that it will at once become vastly popular with the hosts of American novel-readers may be accepted as a foregone conclusion. The romance has been capitally translated by Mary Neal Sherwood, whose translation preserves the charm of the delightful original. It is published in a large duodecimo volume, paper cover, price 75 cents, in uniform style with Petersons' editions of "Dosia," "Saveli's Expiation," "Lucia Rodey," "Marrying off a Daughter," "Philomene's Marriages," "Pretty Little Countess Zina," "Sonia," "Gabriel," and "A Friend," by Henry Greville, and will be found for sale by all Booksellers and News Agents, and all Railroad Trains, or copies of it will be sent to any one, to any place, at once, on their remitting 75 cents in a letter to the Publishers, T. B. Peterson & Brothers, Philadelphia, Pa.

INDUSTRIAL NOTES

The machinery for the new pottery at Steubenville is being put in.

The Nail City Glass Works at Bridgeport, Ohio, are in full and successful operation.

Extensive additions are in progress at the malleable iron works at Hoosack Falls, New York.

The Keystone Spike Works, Alliance, Ohio, will turn out this year 15,000,000 threshing spikes.

The iron works of Troy, N. Y., are busily employed and the outlook promises a continuance of activity.

The lowest estimate to be placed on the production of silk goods in the United States is $30,000,000 yearly.

A mill for the manufacture of printing paper from the refuse of sugar cane will soon be in operation at New Orleans.

Mobile's two cotton mills, with 2000 spindles and a capacity of 1400 bales a year, paid last year sixteen per cent. on the capital invested.

Newark, N J., produces eighth-tenths of all the patent leather made in the United States, and it has the largest morocco factory in the world.

A company has recently been formed in Chicago for the manufacture of paper caps for toy pistols, and has fitted up an establishment with a stock of machinery costing about $5000.

The Pullman Palace car company have decided to expend, at Pullman, Ill., $1,000,000, in putting up extensive car shops and necessary buildings for the manufacture of their sleeping cars.

The locomotive works at Schenectady, N. Y., are being enlarged by an addition, 170 by 60 feet, which will contain two new hammers, each operated by eleven men. These works now employ 750 hands, and turn out twelve engines monthly.

Adirondack Murray, who was long hidden from the sight of his fellow-townsmen, emerges in Boston this month with three lectures: Free Trade, the Wilderness, Eternal Existence. He might take, for a fourth lecture, Escapades in Buckboard Wagons.

A DANGEROUS RIVAL.

Nebraska City Liable to Loose Her Aged and Well Earned Laurels.

The Giant-Like Syracuse Rising in the Interior of Otoe.

Van Wyck's Senatorial Boom.

Correspondence of THE BEE.

SYRACUSE, November 12, 1880—Second only to the ancient town of Nebraska City, among the trading points of Otoe county, is Syracuse; while the large amount of grain shipped, the fact that the three competing lumber yards send lumber beyond Bennett and Tecumseh, the establishment of houses dealing exclusively in certain kinds of merchandise, the erection of numerous fine residences by men who have come to stay, and the general activity of the citizens, indicate the approach of the time when the ancient riverside town mentioned above will have to stir itself to hold its place. Syracuse is quite centrally situated in the county and certainly has the best prospects of assuming the proportions which some one of the towns back from the river will eventually assume.

Three store buildings, one of them the finest brick in the town, have been erected this summer, and three foundations for new buildings are laid. Mechanics are busy and merchants well satisfied with the season's trade.

The Syracuse Journal, now in its third year, is a live paper, whose level-headed editor looks well to the interests of the county and the republican party. The Journal is increasing its circulation rapidly, and is very popular with the people. Mr. Albert Joyce, the editor, is an old student of the State University, and was manager of the Hesperian Student in its most prosperous days.

Van Wyck is the biggest man in Otoe county. "Lot" Brown is the only man that aspires to be bigger. He opposed the nomination of Van Wyck, and after the convention, it is claimed, that, though he professed to support the General, he secretly worked against him. Lot is a member of the republican central committee of this county. They meet Monday, and it is rumored that Lot's irate brethren will administer the official boot to the recreant youth. The whole delegation is solid for Van Wyck, and confidently believe him to be the coming man in the senatorial fight. Everybody is enthusiastic for Van Wyck. It is said that he expects to stand in with Otoe, Cass, and Lancaster,

The epizootic is pretty well spread over the county, but is not resulting fatally in many cases. It does not seem to be causing any alarm among horse owners.

PERSONALITIES.

Walt Whitman, the poet, is "the pink of neatness."

Wheeler has presented Arthur with a fine fishing outfit.

Bernhardt is a "bigger man" in New York than John Kelly.

General Butler now sings to his new party, "We shall meet beyond the river."

General Garfield is a base ball enthusiast, and never misses a game in Washington.

Ex-Senator Luke Poland, of Vermont, has laid aside his famous blue coat with brass buttons.

Miss Susan M. Holland, of Agency Ford, Missouri, likes to have men swear before her. She is a notary public.

Carlyle is eighty-six years old, and gets crabbeder and savager as he grows older. He'll begin to improve in about twenty years, however.

Thurlow Weed was fishing with a pin-hook on an island near Catskill when Fulton's steamboat, the "Clermont," made her first trip up the Hudson, in 1807.

Col. Nicholas Smith, formerly of this city, who married Miss Ida Greeley, has a son named Horace Greeley, dropping the Smith entirely. He has a daughter named Nicholas Smith.

Legislative Districts.

Sut'en Register.

Among the many important duties devolving upon the next legislature will be the re-districting the state into senatorial and representative districts and making a new apportionment of the members of future legislatures. The constitution provides for it and the movement of population renders it imperative. As now apportioned some parts of the state have four times the representation possessed by others on the basis of population. The rapid settlement of the newer portions of the state, as compared with the older counties has brought about this condition. The west suffers in the national legislature in the same way and from similar causes.

In providing for this redistribution of power according to the present location of the population, The Register has a suggestion to offer, viz.: "Each district, whether representative or senatorial, should be entitled to but one member." Our meaning is this: Under the new apportionment Clay county will probably be entitled to two representatives. Instead of making one district of the county entitled to two members, as by the present plan, we think it is better to make two districts, each of which would be entitled to elect a member of its own. We know of no sufficient reason for making counties the unit of representation. On the other hand there are weighty reasons why each portion of territory having sufficient population should have the right to select its own representative. With but few exceptions this rule obtains throughout our whole system of government.

Each state is entitled to a certain number of congresemen, but they are not elected by the state at large. Each district elects its own member independent of the remainder of the state. The same theory applied to the legislature is what we advocate. This brings the matter as near home to the people as possible and enables them to select such men as they choose to represent them without being obliged to submit to the dictation of others as is the case now.

To illustrate: Lancaster county under the present apportionment is entitled to four representatives and two senators, elected by the county at large. In the distribution of these six members it has been customary to divide them equally between the city and the county, which is all right. But in the conventions, where the members are really selected, it is possible for the city, with the aid of one or two county precincts to dictate such nominations as will best serve their purpose, regardless of the wishes of a large majority of the county precincts, and thus impose on them representatives which they never would have selected, of their own will.

The same thing may occur in any county that is entitled to more than one member. Clay county being allotted two members, one would probably be selected from the eastern and the other from the western part; but, in the convention or at the polls, one portion of the county might unite with a small minority of the other and defeat the choice of the people; whereas, if the county were divided into two districts, the majority in each could elect whomsoever they wished, undeterred by those who of right should have no voice in the matter.

Many of the older states have adopted this plan, New York among the number. We do not know of any valid objections that can be urged against it, while there are many against the plan now in vogue, some of which we have pointed out.

Mr. C. W. Braun, in Eureka Springs, Ark., thinks it pays to follow good advice, and sends the following item, published in The St. Louis Post Dispatch. I had been a sufferer with Dyspepsia for the past three years. Advised by a friend, I used Hamburg Drops. At once after the first dose, I experienced relief. I continued its use for one month and found myself completely cured. There are so many suffering with indigestion that my advice to such would be, do as I have done—take the Hamburg Drops and get cured.

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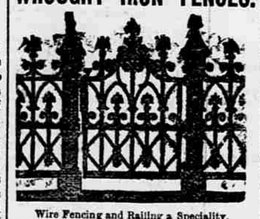

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