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MOUNT VERNON, OHIO.

THURSDAY MORNING, NOV. 29, 1888

The work of the deadly car stove will soon begin.

BLAIR is the Junco that Harrison will have trouble in taking care of.

There is some talk of Bill Gibson going into the cabinet. "Talk is cheap."

Will the purchased vote of Indiana be counted for Harrison in the Electoral College?

Geo. McClelland, the well-known Barnesville editor, died of cancer on Friday last.

Backed with the purchased vote of Indiana, General Harrison cannot feel as uncomfortable as Hayes did in 1876.

Are there any more millionaires who contributed to the big corruption fund to buy Indiana, who are seeking places in the Cabinet?

The Jackson Club, at Columbus are making arrangements for celebrating the 8th of January in appropriate and patriotic manner.

The Fort Wayne Electric Light plant was totally destroyed by fire early on Friday morning. Loss \$250,000, with \$150,000 insurance.

BARNUM, the Prince of Humbugs, with an eye to business, wishes to buy the various curiosities, especially animals, sent as presents to Gen. Harrison.

REV. DR. BOYD VINCENT, of Pittsburgh, has accepted the office of Assistant Bishop of the Protestant Episcopal Church, for the Southern Diocese of Ohio.

PROF. JOHN HANCOCK, of Chillicothe, has been appointed Commissioner of Public Schools, to fill the vacancy occasioned by the death of Prof. Eli T. Tappan.

LORD SACKVILLE, the British Minister and his family, have gone home, the victims of a foolish letter in response to a bogus one from an alleged countryman.

THE Harrisburg Patriot claims that Pennsylvania deserves two of the appointments to cabinet offices, since it was Pennsylvania's boodles that elected Harrison.

The people of Toledo are trying to get for cheaper natural gas. They invited a monopoly to come to their town, and now they are getting their punishment.

HALFORD, President-elect Harrison's private secretary, is an Englishman by birth. What will Pat Ford, Pat Egan and other Irish supporters of Harrison, say to this?

JOHN T. MORGAN has been re-elected United States Senator by the Legislature of Alabama, for six years from the 4th of March next. This will be his third term.

Whether boodler Wanamaker goes into the Cabinet or not, he is receiving a vast amount of free advertising, which will greatly help his "sheep" clothing house.

The carpet manufacturers in the eastern cities have formed a combination to advance prices—not of their employees, mind you, but of their manufactured goods.

JAKE ROMER, defeated Republican candidate for Congress in the Toledo district, already says he has the promise of the Toledo post-office. Who made the promise?

POPE LEO has instructed Cardinal Gibbons to congratulate Mr. Harrison on his election to the Presidency. What will Deacon Cowles of the Cleveland Leader say to that?

The men who are gloating over the so-called "Republican victory" in Indiana, would rejoice over a bank burglary, provided the stolen money went into their own pockets.

'Tis said that when Foraker heard of the defeat of his political chum, Geo. B. Cox, of "Murderer's Corner," a perfect stream of red-hot curs-words poured from his quivering lips.

The Jackson Herald runs up to its mast-head the name of James E. Campbell, of Butler county, for Governor in 1889. Campbell is a popular Democrat and a rattler on the stump.

It is announced that Mr. E. W. Halford, editor of the Indianapolis Patriot, has been chosen by General Harrison as his private Secretary. The salary is small, but the responsibility is great.

There are a great many Republicans with their ears at the "long range" telephone to Indianapolis just now, crying "hello! hello!" but no answer comes. Gen. Harrison has gone fishing.

PROF. LANGSTON, the colored statesman, claims that he was cheated out of his election to Congress in the Petersburg (Va.) district by Billy Mahone, and he is going to raise shoel about it.

GEN. HARRISON's father-in-law, the Rev. Mr. Scott, who has had \$1,200 clerkship in the Treasury Department under Cleveland, will no doubt get a better place after the 4th of March next.

The Ohio Patriot, at New Lisbon, suggests the name of Hon. J. H. Wallace, of that place, as the next Democratic candidate for governor. Wallace is a mighty good man, and a Democrat all over.

POWDERLY has been fully indorsed by being re-elected Grand Master Workman by the Knights of Labor Convention at Indianapolis. The vote stood: Powderly, 1,140; Hanley, 27; Birch, 1.

Boss QUAY, assisted by Ben Butler and other unprincipled political tricksters, is concocting a scheme to steal the electoral vote of Virginia. Quay will be very apt to get himself into trouble.

ROBERT HELLES, of Brinsville, Todd county, Ky., who had bet his farm and stock on Cleveland being elected, let the matter prey upon his mind until he suicided by hanging himself in his barn.

ADAM BEKKER, one of the parties who was so brutally whipped by the "Whites" at Sardinia, Ohio, recently has lost his reason and is a raving maniac. We call Gov. Foraker's attention to this fact.

Some More Election Figures.

The following are the official returns of the vote of Virginia: Cleveland, 151,977; Harrison, 150,442; Cleveland's majority, 1,535. The vote in 1884 was: Cleveland, 145,497; Blaine, 139,356. Total, 284,853. Democratic loss, 4,000. Harrison plurality in New York is 13,890 and Hill's 13,125. There were 648,415 votes cast for Hill and 635,715 for Cleveland. The President ran 12,703 votes behind Governor Hill.

Enough illegal voting in the counties of Rhea and Meigs, in the Third Tennessee Congressional district, are shown to elect Geo. F. Ball, Democrat, by 101 majority over H. Clay Evans, Republican.

The official vote for President in Alabama stands by: Cleveland, 117,310; Harrison, 57,187; Rusk, 583. Plurality for Cleveland, 1,421.

Democratic vote in South Carolina, 58,377; Republican, 51,393. The vote in 1884 was: Democratic, 54,561; Republican, 46,561. All Democratic votes are elected.

79,779 in Pennsylvania plural for Harrison. Philadelphia count, gave 18,402 of this and Allegheny count, 407.

The total Union Labor vote in Ohio for Secretary of State at the recent election, was 3,452. Last year the U. L. vote for Governor was 28,082.

The Republicans Alarmed About the Next House of Representatives.

The Republicans are becoming alarmed for fear their efforts to steal the next House of Representatives will not be successful. Boss Quay's direful threat about the Republicans holding "a mailed hand," and being ready to smash things, especially in Virginia, may be regarded as the idle vaporing of a desperate political gambler.

The honest truth is, that from present appearances, the next House of Representatives will be very close, while the chances are favorable to the Democrats having a majority of one or three, although in several districts the result is so close that a few votes added to or taken from either column may settle the question of political ascendancy in Congress.

Which ever party secures an honest majority, the other should submit without kicking up a row. Threats and blusters will do no good. If the Democrats have a majority in the House they will organize it and hold the fort. If the Republicans have the majority they will do the same thing.

A Damper to Republican Office-Hunters.

The Indianapolis Journal, which has been regarded as the "home organ" of Gen. Harrison, says in an editorial that "Hill Service" law must be obeyed. Here are its words:

"The 'clean sweepers' should not be unreasonable in their demands. The Republican party is pledged by its platform to Civil Service reform, and General Harrison has declared himself in full sympathy with it.

The laws must be obeyed. It has not been altogether ignored by the present administration, and it would be scandalous for a Republican administration not to give it a still firmer construction.

Gen. Harrison voted for the Civil Service Reform bill when he was a Senator from Indiana. It remains to be seen whether he will regard the law that he helped to create.

Ohio to the Front.

The Chicago Herald says: President-elect Harrison was born at North Bend, O. The chief office in his cabinet will probably be John Sherman, who was born at Lancaster, O. Here are a few suggestions for the other cabinet places: Treasury, Senator Allison, born at Perry, O.; Interior, Congressman R. R. Hitt, born at Perry, O.; Navy, Senator E. B. Plumb, born at Delaware, O.; Attorney-General, Congressman Ben Butterworth, born in Warren county, Ohio; War, Gen. R. A. Alger, at Lafayette, O.; Postmaster-General, Gov. Jeremiah Rusk, born in Morgan county, O.

The Republican papers generally, taking their cue from the Cincinnati Commercial Gazette, all at once profess to be wonderfully kind and friendly to the people of the South. What has caused this remarkable change of front is somewhat mysterious; but that it is honest and sincere we very much doubt. But whatever the object may be (which will be more fully developed hereafter), it is a confession, which course heretofore pursued by the Republicans of the North toward the white people of the South was wrong and unjustifiable. We notice, however, that a few of the malignant Republican papers of Ohio, that are under the influence of our blood-thirsty Governor, seem anxious to keep alive the spirit of hate and of vengeance toward the people of the South. These papers are edited by narrow-minded men, who know nothing about the South or its people, and who made money as camp-follow and political traders, copying off muster rolls to send men to Congress who were not elected by the people and then demanded their reward in office, under a threat of exposing their own villainy, if their demands were not granted.

Col. MATSON, the defeated Democratic candidate for Governor in Indiana, says it was not the tariff issue that defeated the Democracy, but the tariff and the failure to nominate Gov. Gray, for Vice President, which fact induced the Republicans to take an Indiana man for President, and enabled them, with a liberal use of money to carry the State. He adds: "I do not say that we had not money as well as Republicans, but we didn't know how to use it as the Republicans did. They were organized for the use of money and we were not." It must be regarded as a piece in high political quarters that the Democrats when they have money, are not able to use it to good advantage.

PHILIP WANNAMAKER, the millionaire Philadelphia clothing merchant, whose money, with others, bought Indiana, wants badly to be Postmaster General under Harrison. To meet matters along, he has commenced sending presents to the Mr. Harrison. As the General is no doubt a reader of history, he will remember the little incident between the Greeks and the Trojans, when the latter received the present of a monster wooden horse, filled with an army of soldiers. Wherefore the remark: "Trojan Quakers at dawn forests," which translated, reads "Fear the Greeks though they come with presents."

Official returns from that disputed Fifth Congressional District in California show that Thomas J. Chisne, Democrat, is elected by 42 plurality. This makes the California delegation in the Fifty-first Congress stand four Republicans and two Democrats, as in the present. It will now be in order for Boss Quay, Billy Mahone and Spooney Butler to visit California and cry "fraud."

Our at Indianapolis, the home of Gen. Harrison, just elected President by the purchase of several States, railroad switchmen, who were on a strike, have been arrested by order of the railroad corporations. This movement has created intense excitement, and probably lead to serious trouble. The men who have struck may be right, or they may be wrong, we don't pretend to express an opinion, as we are not apprised of the facts; but to arrest them as criminals, without legal authority, is a high-handed outrage. Men who sow the wind generally reap the whirlwind.

There is some talk of a duel between Senator Blackburn of Kentucky, and Judge Rucker, of Colorado, formerly of Kentucky, growing out of an alleged conversation in the White House, as reported by the latter. The Senator asserts that no such conversation took place, Rucker says it did. Blackburn declares that Rucker is a liar and no gentleman, and he will take no further notice of him. Rucker retorts that Blackburn is another. The trouble will probably end in a street fight if the parties ever come together.

An exciting breach of promise case came to a close at Rochester, Pa., on Saturday. Mrs. Hibbard, a millionaire, "fair, fat and forty," sued Millionaire Fry, a manufacturer, for \$100,000 of damages for not marrying her. She did not make out a very strong case, but the jury so thought, and rendered a verdict against her instead of the defendant for costs. Fry immediately sent on a pleasure trip to Europe with his daughters, and the widow cried herself into hysterics. "Samivel, beware of the vidders."

The Hartford Times (Dem.) quotes the statement of the Connecticut House (Rep.) that not less than 40 out of the 130 votes cast in Union, Conn., were purchased, and adds: "Union is a 'close town' into which a Stafford man removed and took up his residence, for the reason, as is reported, that in Union it being a close town, the market price of votes would always be high—and as for himself he proposed to get \$50 each time. Harrison got him." The town went Republican this year by eight majority.

President CLEVELAND, out of the goodness of his heart, appointed Mr. Pearson, a moderate Republican, out to a first-class business position, Postmaster of New York, to gratify the Mugwumps. And now, comes word that the Republican bosses in that city are looking around for "an offensive partisan"—a regular bloody-shirt howler, to handle the mail bags after the 4th of March. Even a decent Republican has no chance to hold office, it would seem, under the new Administration.

GEN. JOHN M. PALMER, late Democratic candidate for Governor of Illinois, has withdrawn from the G. A. R. Gen. Palmer says the organization was turned into a mere political machine during the last campaign, and that he cannot consistently retain his membership. There are a good many people besides Gen. Palmer who believe that G. A. R. has been turned into a political machine. There were few soldiers who had a better record than John M. Palmer.

PROF. JOHN M. LANGSTON, of Virginia, the colored Republican who gave Mahone such a hard tussle, is in Washington as full of fight as ever. He declares he has been elected to Congress, and that his election cost him \$15,000, every cent of which was his own money. Mahone says, spent \$20,000 to "down" him, which was furnished by the national committee. This is the way the Republican managers treat a colored candidate for Congress.

FINDLAY, Ohio, had a very destructive fire on Saturday morning, the most damaging that ever visited the place. The flames were first discovered in the four-story brick block of Ruhl Bros., on Main street, and soon communicated to the new brick block of Fry & Son and to the adjoining Adams block, all three blocks being totally destroyed, with their contents, except a few groceries saved from the store of Mitchell & Vail. Total loss about \$100,000.

The chief of the bureau of statistics in his fourth monthly statement for current fiscal year reports that the total values of the exports of merchandise from the United States during the twelve months ended October 31, 1888, as compared with similar exports during the corresponding period of 1887, were: For 1888, \$724,605,280; 1887, \$674,822,850. The values of the imports were: For 1888, \$307,157,198; 1887, \$522,776,839.

The Marion Daily Mirror has been suspended for lack of sufficient patronage to make it a paying institution. It is a very easy matter to start a little boiler-plate daily newspaper, but when the big dailies of the large cities arrive, with one day's late news, people don't care about a repetition of what they already know. A home daily, to be successful, must give news that has appeared in no other paper.

PEOPLE worship the rising sun. It is Harrison now who are receiving presents. Nearly every express train that enters Indianapolis, takes something handsome and valuable to the President-elect and his wife. Among the gifts is a confession, which is still "crazy-quilt" sent from Los Angeles, California, voted to her by some church folks as the most popular lady in the United States.

CONGRESS will meet on Monday next, Dec. 3d. This is the first meeting of the second session of the old Congress, and not the new one elected the present year. Its term will expire on the 3d of March. The question of reducing the war tariff will probably come up again; but with a Republican Senate that will legislate only for the benefit of monopolists and trusts, the people can expect no relief.

GEN. HARRISON made a personal and imperative demand that Col. Dudley should take the financial charge of his campaign, and this demand was graciously acceded to. We all know the result. Dudley did the very thing that was expected of him, and did it successfully. Now, he is to be made the scapegoat, while the man who reaped the benefit of his villainy is exalted and glorified.

The Plain Dealer tells the story briefly and truthfully: It isn't worth while to speculate much as to why the Republicans carried the recent Presidential election. They had the money and they bought the election.

B. F. VANDERKIP, made an ascension in a balloon at Columbus, Georgia, on the 22d, and when about 3,000 feet in the air, the balloon burst and fell down like a wet rag. Vanderkrip fell into the river and was drowned.

The "Favorite Sons" All Want Cabinet Appointments.

If the "claims" of all the "favorite sons" of the Republican faith are considered by General Harrison in making up his Cabinet, he will have a choice lot of patriots from which to make a selection.

First comes Maine, and James G. Blaine, of course, heads the list. If he is not invited to take the highest seat in the Cabinet, that of Secretary of State, it will be a very disappointing thing to himself as well as his friends.

If Blaine is overlooked or should decline, then several other New England States and statesmen are ready to respond to any call for "constitutional advisers" Gen. Harrison may make. New Hampshire, in addition to Senator Bill Chandler, who can make himself useful as its ornamental in any position, has names of Col. Daniel Hall, Col. Coley, Assan Ray, Gen. Gilman Marton, and the everlasting Blair, have been mentioned for Cabinet positions.

Massachusetts has several "favorite sons," among whom may be named ex-Governor Long, Senator Hoar and "Spooney" Ben Butler. Connecticut has Senator Joseph R. Hawley and Senator R. S. Stewart, who would like to be Postmaster-General. Rhode Island offers Benjamin F. Thurston for a Cabinet position, and half a dozen others for foreign appointments. Redfield Proctor, who succeeded Gen. Harrison's nomination in Chicago, and is supposed to carry Vermont in his breeches pocket, would like to be a Cabinet Minister from the Green Mountain State.

New York, with her "Big Four,"—Warner Miller, Thomas C. Platt, Senator Hiseock and Chauncey M. Depew, all ambitious and jealous of each other, will make any amount of trouble for Mr. Harrison. If any favoritism is shown, there will be an explosion of fire-works on the Hudson.

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TELEPHONE CONNECTION.

MOUNT VERNON, O., NOV. 29, 1888.

LOCAL BREVITIES.

A slight cold wave visited this locality Sunday night.

The board for examining applicants to teach was in session Saturday.

Walter Stockdale died from the effects of a dose of laudanum at Zanesville.

An increase of pensions has been granted to Thomas B. Miser of Mt. Vernon.

Mr. John H. Ransom is building an addition to his residence on West High street.

Potatoes are selling by the wagon load at 30 and 35 cents per bushel, and very fine ones at that.

The case of the city of Mt. Vernon against F. J. Darcy was dismissed before the Mayor, Tuesday.

The B. & O. pay car stopped here Thursday, and the regular monthly payment among the employees.

The Curtis House has placed an electric light in front of the main entrance, which attracts no little attention.

A. & C. G. backstreeted Samuel Shultz his right hand badly smashed, Thursday, while coupling cars at Danville.

Rev. Geo. C. Williams was at Cincinnati over Sunday and preached to the congregation at Walnut Hills Baptist church.

The Bazaar this week goes to press on Wednesday afternoon, in order to allow all hands to participate in a Thanksgiving feast.

It is reported that the wooden bridge on the C. & A. C. R. R. over Owl creek, 11 miles east of here, is in a dangerous condition.

Danville had a burglary one night last week. The plant building was entered and some goods left there for auction sale were stolen.

Newark claims the boss street-car driver. He carries the ladies from the car to the sidewalk to prevent the soiling of their shoes.

The Bazaar raised early now sold by our grocers, but surpasses the Michigan production, with which our market has long been supplied.

The electric light was shut off on the streets, at 12 o'clock Sunday night, because of the engine machinery again getting out of order.

The court room was pretty well patronized by visitors this week, most of them feeling an interest in some important cases that were disposed of.

Judge Dickey, in the Morrow Commission, sentenced Thomas Archer, convicted of cutting with intent to wound, to five years in the penitentiary.

General Morgan has been appointed by the Probate Court of Muskingum county, administrator of the estate of the late Mrs. G. A. Hall, of Zanesville.

Mr. Charles E. Benish of the Senior class, Kenyon College, has received a very flattering report from the Western Opera company to join that organization.

Columbus is at last to have a daily Democratic paper, to be called *The Evening Post*—so it is announced. This is a "long felt want."

Mr. Frank Masteller will work Friday at C. & G. Cooper & Co.'s, had two fingers smashed by a blow from a hammer in the hands of a fellow workman.

The millers of Muskingum have reduced the price of wheat to \$1 per bushel and reduced flour 25 cents a barrel. It is said that similar reductions will be made at other wheat centers.

The first record of an "instalment" of "The Beautiful," put in appearance on Monday night—just enough to cleverly cover the ground, but not sufficient to afford a chance to have a sleigh ride.

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FACTS AND FANCIES.

Various Matters of Local and General Interest

Gathered and Compiled for the Benefit of the Banner Readers.

What has become of the movement for establishing a Board of Trade in Mt. Vernon? If our business men would take hold of the matter such an organization could easily be effected and would prove of great benefit to the city and be the means of attracting new industries to our midst. In many towns business men have printed on their envelopes or letter heads the advantages set forth for their respective communities. How would something like this do for Mt. Vernon?

Every county in Ohio, except Geauga and Medina, has a Board of Trade, the latter varying from \$124.40 in Harrison to \$276,041.10 in Hamilton county. Knox county pays \$3,178.50, of which amount \$623.70 goes into the State treasury. The total amount for all counties (not including Geauga) is \$1,116,384.90, of which the State received \$223,276.86.

The retail grocers of Steubenville have inaugurated a movement which will be of interest to grocers in Mt. Vernon and every other town in the State. They are getting up petitions to the next Legislature, praying that the exemption laws be so amended that a married man's wages shall not be exempt from attachment for debts contracted before the date of his marriage, and wearing apparel, medicine, board, house rent, etc.

Did you ever attend a eulogy where the ladies outnumber the gentlemen and the eulogist is a woman? If you did you will readily recognize the subjoined conversation.

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WATER WORKS REPORT.

A Splendid Showing Over Which the City Has Reason to Feel Proud.

Mr. Collins, W. K. Jones, Superintendent of the Mt. Vernon Water Works, has prepared his report for the six months ending October 31, 1888, and furnishes the following items of public interest for publication:

PUMPING SERVICE.

May..... 12,356.72
June..... 12,356.72
July..... 12,356.72
August..... 12,356.72
September..... 12,356.72
October..... 12,356.72
Total..... 73,939.28

These 73,939.28 gallons of water pumped in July of last year against 12,356.72 gallons pumped the same month this year, the large rain-fall accounting for the difference. The second largest amount pumped in one month was last July, 1887, the total amount pumped during the six months was 69,687,865 gallons.

REVENUE.

May..... 200
June..... 200
July..... 200
August..... 200
September..... 200
October..... 200
Total..... 1,200

CONSUMED.

May..... 54
June..... 54
July..... 54
August..... 54
September..... 54
October..... 54
Total..... 324

There is a total of 324 tons of coal used each month, rather than the amount actually used.

Thursday last was the last day of grace for the necessities of rent, and on that day the man with a wrench was sent out to turn off the water. The Trustees are highly gratified at the promptness with which water rent has been paid this fall, as it saves them the trouble of collecting the same.

The works have been run very economically, the repairs having averaged only \$50 per month. A number of short extensions have been made, the longest not over 100 feet. The works are in a state of very near \$100,000 over all expenses. And with the lowest rent of which there is record anywhere in the United States.

RAILROAD RUMBLINGS.

Resignation of Col. Wood of the C. & A. C. R. R. of Interest.

There was a report on the streets on Monday that Col. Charles O. Wood, General Passenger Agent of the C. & A. C. R. R., had resigned his position. The resignation was accepted by the Board of Directors of the C. & A. C. R. R. on Monday last.

The resignation of Col. Charles O. Wood, General Passenger Agent of the C. & A. C. R. R., was a surprise to many of the friends of the road. Col. Wood has been in the service of the C. & A. C. R. R. for many years, and has been one of the most successful and energetic men in the service.

Col. Wood was born in Ohio, and was educated at the Ohio State University. He was a member of the Ohio State Bar Association, and was a prominent member of the Ohio State Agricultural Society.

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