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The democrat will have about twelve majority in the next congress. This is a gain of about thirty-one for the Republicans.

The State of Georgia has voted to amend the constitution so as to pay pensions to rebel soldiers from the State treasury. There was less than 1,000 votes against the proposition. A State tax to pension Northern Soldiers would never be endorsed by Indiana Democrats.

Prof. Foster is a new weather prophet of Iowa, and he predicts a great storm period extending from December 4th to 17th, during which will occur some of the most destructive winter storms of recent years. These storms will be such of the same nature as the great blizzard of last January, and there will be a general railway blockade in the western States.

The terms of the various State officers expire at the following times: Clerk of the supreme court and attorney-general, the 22d inst.; secretary, Jan. 16, 1887; auditor, Jan. 26; treasurer, Feb. 8; Superintendent of public instruction, March 15. After the last named date the only democratic officials about the executive State offices will be Governor Gray, and Reporter Kerns of the supreme court.

Somebody reported General Mansfield as saying that in case of a tie in the legislature he would claim still to be lieutenant governor, because he was never resigned formally when he became customs collector. In an interview in the Crawfordsville Argus-News he denied ever having given utterance to such a thought. He disclaims all intention to have anything to do with the organization of the legislature. "No one ever found me trying to do a dishonorable thing in my life," he said, "and I don't intend beginning such a course now."

It was no mere oversight in placing Meagher, the Democratic justice on the ticket for the legislature. The managers were told by Democratic lawyers at the time that he was ineligible, but Meagher was disposed to kick at some former treatment, he was also a leading man among the laboring men and he was put on with the hope of strengthening Jno. E. Lamb for Congress, the remark being made that the legislature was sure to be largely Democratic any way and the objection would not be a figure. It was no mere oversight of law but a deliberate attempt to override the letter of the constitution in order to aid a pat candidate for Congress.

Brown county nobly did the work assigned to her. She elected a member of Congress, two joint senators and a joint representative, to say nothing of prosecutor, county officers and such. A Democratic vote in Brown county counts for about three times as much as a Republican vote in any of the surrounding counties.

At a great mass meeting of supporters of Henry George in New York Saturday night; it was resolved to permanently organize a new party, the Labor Party. The most significant resolution was the one in relation to taxation, which proposes to exempt everything made by labor and places the tax on land. It reads as follows:

We propose to abolish all taxation upon buildings, improvements, and other things of human production, and by taxing the value of land alone to provide for the purpose of common security and benefit. In this way we propose to make it impossible for monopolists to hold land, mines, forests or city lots which they are not putting to use, and to the end that no one may be allowed to sit on his land and derive revenue from it, we propose to exempt their labor in producing wealth, the abundant opportunities of which our common Father has provided for all his children.

Forest fires have been raging in Spencer county to an alarming extent. Many of the farmers in the vicinity of Rockport have lost everything by fire. Miles of fence have been destroyed within the past few days. Sunday night the 24th, Mr. George Keibitz, living near Richland, with what assistance he could summon, fought the fire the whole night, but the flames proved too much, and his entire property, consisting of a fine house, barn, shed, etc., was reduced to ashes, entailing a loss of several thousand dollars. His crops of hay and tobacco were also consumed. In the Lake neighborhood, five miles from Rockport, the damage is even greater, many farmers having lost their season's work, together with a large amount of property. The fire originated in the Rock Hill neighborhood, Saturday evening the 23d, and the flames have swept over a large section of country.

Congressman Owen's Victory. Congressman Owen, of the tenth district, was re-elected by a majority of 2,300, and he ran nearly 1,000 ahead of the State ticket. His defeat was confidently expected by the democrats, and his overwhelming election was one of the stunning surprises of the campaign. In response to an inquiry, he attributed his increased vote to democratic

dissatisfaction with the administration, and to the failure of the Democracy to make good the promises made to the public two years ago. "The people in my district," he said, "are not in favor of civil service reform, and the administration has come into some dispute with democrats because Cleveland is supposed to have withheld many spoils that were rightfully the voters. Then, two years ago democratic speakers in the district asserted that wheat would be worth \$1.50 per bushel after the Republicans were driven from power. I didn't find anybody in my canvass that was receiving more than 65 cents for wheat and they were reminded of the democratic promise. The democrats had also been told that great frauds would be unearthed, and that the 800,000 idle laboring men would be given employment so soon as the change of administration was made. The failure of all these things to become true was damaging to the democrats. Times did not improve and the number of idle men has increased from 800,000 to 1,000,000. I made my canvas on a protection platform."

The political horizon of Knox county is not clear by any means. Job Freeman, who was elected Auditor of that county on the Republican ticket, finds himself in a muddle. His late opponent, Mr. R. McCarty, has filed an affidavit against Freeman alleging that he is a foreigner, and that he has never been naturalized. This sets the political pot boiling again.

Esquire Dillon Talbot, the crippled school teacher, better known as "Buffalo," over in the Morgan edge of Monroe, was elected to the office of Recorder of that county last week. Buffalo has got along in life very well under most discouraging circumstances, and he deserves his good luck. — Martinville Republican.

One of the leading journals of the East, which makes a specialty of furniture and wood-working news, says: "Bloomington, Ind., noted for its educational facilities, being the site of the State University, is also fast gaining a reputation as a manufacturing place. Prominent among its establishments is the chair and table factory of S. C. Dodd & Co. The wares of this firm are being shipped daily to all parts of the country, with a constantly increasing demand. They are finding an unusual demand in the East for their marble top table frames. Any town should be proud of such an enterprise."

GENERAL NOTES.

BY A CONTRIBUTOR.

Dr. Jordan is away this week lecturing in the northern part of the State.

Attendance upon the Sunday afternoon lectures has been made optional by the Trustees by the suggestion of the Faculty. Judge McNutt of Terre Haute, formerly a teacher of law in the University, delivered the first lecture under the optional system. His theme, "The Trial of Christ from a Legal Standpoint," aroused such interest that there was but little falling off from the usual attendance on Sunday afternoons. Dr. Jordan will deliver the next Sunday lecture.

The Board of Trustees at its recent meeting elected Dr. Karsten of Geneva, Switzerland, to succeed Prof. Garner in the Chair of the Romance Languages. Dr. Jordan has an assistant in the department of Biology, Prof. Steege of Smithson Institute.

The Trustees found the affairs of the University in good condition generally. The condition and growth of the Preparatory school was especially commendatory. Want of funds deterred the Board from doing several necessary things pertaining to the welfare of the students.

The devotional exercises of the lecture last Sunday were conducted by Dr. John Poucher, Professor of exegesis in Dr. Pauw University. Dr. Poucher preached very acceptably morning and evening at the College Ave. M.E. church in place of Rev. Givler who was called to dedicate a church at Jonesboro.

Mrs. Mary A. Livermore lectures at the College Chapel, Thursday, Nov. 18th, 7:45 p. m. Her theme is "The Boy of To-day." She comes at the instance of a company of young ladies of the University.

The ladies of the College Ave. M. E. church will give a Thanksgiving dinner in Kahn's vacated store room on west side square, Thursday, Nov. 26. The object is to provide everyone a good dinner for 25cts. each and to help liquidate a debt incurred for contingent expenses about the church.

Mr. Frank Hunter and Miss Minnie Howe are to be married to-day at 2 p. m. in the College Ave. M. E. church. Mr. Hunter is a rising attorney at El Paso, Texas, where he expects to make his future home. Miss Howe is a very estimable young lady. We cordially wish both a bon voyage through life.

Prof. Clark and Hoffman attended the Harvard anniversary banquet given by ex-Superintendent Holcombe, at Indianapolis last week.

CHIPS AND SPLINTERS.

Winter threatens to come now, and to come in earnest. The President requires the people to return thanks Nov. 25th, for the recent Republican victory in Indiana.

Christmas is coming. Get ready to show your holiday goods. "Monon" stock is now 70c. hasn't been very long since 20c. was regarded as a good price for it.

A. J. Kurwell, Republican

was defeated for Auditor of Jackson county by but one vote. He has filed papers demanding a recount.

The Republican State ticket received a majority of 679 in Lawrence county. The Republican State ticket only received a majority of 86 in Monroe county, a falling off of 56 votes since the election of 1884.

Dugan Jones has returned to Newton, Kansas, after a visit of several weeks to Monroe county friends and relations.

The J. W. Sears farm, south of Harrodsburg, has been sold to Bart. Armstrong.

The Prohibition party is growing, and polled 8,975 votes in the State at the recent election.

It is destined to be a healthy, growing infant, because it is taken from the Republican party.

Nine-tenths of the persons who belong to it in Monroe county were originally Republicans—some of them having belonged to the old Abolition party.

Geo. Owens, who shot Charley Young in the neck several weeks ago, was acquitted on the plea of self-defense.

James Sluss' old saloon stand, east of the depot is now occupied by Fitzpatrick.

One of Sheriff Hinkle's children, an infant, died last week with whooping cough.

The rest of his children, six in number, are sick with the same disease.

A log farm house west of town, owned by John H. Londen, burned to the ground on Wednesday morning last.

It was occupied by a tenant named Milton Norris, who lost everything, including potatoes, wheat and fruit.

On Thursday morning last Martin Ball, of New Albany, an employee of the I. N. A. & C. railway, was married in the Catholic Church of this place to Mary Mullin.

Rev. John Poucher preached in the M. E. church last Sunday morning and evening, the Pastor, Rev. Givler, having gone to Jonesborough to dedicate a church.

Parties were licensed to marry as follows, since last published report: Martin Ball and Mary Mullin, McLellan Rogers and Nancy Mobley, Hugh Barrett and Emma McGlothlin, Jesse Rogers and Amelia Axsom.

Dr. Jordan has been off on a lecturing tour.

Prof. Hoffman also attended the Harvard re-union at Indianapolis.

Mrs. Livermore, the famous lecturer, will be here on the evening of the 18th with her new lecture: "The Boy of To-day."

Mrs. Livermore is a Kappa, and will be the guest of that fraternity while in Bloomington.

Christman is the next important day and date.

Get your stockings mended for the occasion. It will be g-r-a-n-d.

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