

NEWS OF THE WEEK.

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body takes cognizance of errors in them. The plurality amendment to the constitution is carried by a large majority.

The Maine Greenback State Convention of nominative Presidential Electors met at Portland Sept. 21, with 465 delegates in attendance. S. D. Hobson presented resolutions endorsing the action of the State Committee, recommending fusion with the Democrats. J. B. Chase, amid great excitement, protested. Elliott King moved to accept the report and the resolutions, and to name a joint electoral ticket. Chase made a motion to amend by nominating a seven straight Greenbackers. This was received with applause and huzzas. The speaker made an appeal for a fair hearing, and argued against fusion. The Rev. Alvan Stratton, F. M. Plaisted and others advocated fusion, after which the previous question was carried, and a resolution to fuse adopted, although there was considerable opposition. The following elections were then chosen: At Large—Solon Chase and Samuel Watts. District Electors—John J. Turner, Benj. Bunker, Charles R. Whidden, Wm. A. Cromwell, and John P. Johnson. After adjournment, the nomination of the delegation to the national convention was voted on, to the number of seventy-five, to Solon Chase, John J. Turner, C. R. Whidden, J. F. Hilton, Thomas G. Burden, G. W. Wooster, E. B. Fry.

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HOME INTERESTS.

Little Barefoot.

The Gardener is leaping, the fairies are bunting, And singing as when I was a boy; The bright Christmas morning, so sweetly adoring Many a girl has given her heart where she could not give her hand without disobeying her parents, and, having too much good sense to be a simpleton, in every girl, unmarred, or marrying.

With treasures so costly, so rare, and so precious! Little Barefoot, who is not poor Little Barefoot? Hath never a stocking to hang up to-night?

Rich gifts will be lavished, bright eyes will be ravished,

As fast as fairies, false goddesses, so fair and vain,

Will heap with her sweet smiles and hide with her gay will.

The "lips of the 'lyre" that lurks in her train;

Sweet lips to be pressing, white arms soft caressing,

Rich banquets will glister with silver and gold,

With roses and violets, and flowers so bright,

Are poor Little Barefoot's ones from the cold?

Will Christmas remember that eve of December?

Was it cold?—Yes, it was cold, in winter;

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