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The Indianapolis News has a bona fide circulation more than one-half larger than that of any other daily paper in Indiana.

POTTER seems to be holding the New York democracy up by the tail.

THE way the New York returns hang back is a bad sign. If any districts turn up in the future, it need not be surprising.

A NEW broom sweeps clean. If the judges of the courts will co-operate with the new county commissioners, considerable reduction may be made in county expenses.

If the democrats had any sense they would settle on Bayard and McDonald, or Bayard and English for their presidential ticket, and thus forestall president-making in the coming congress.

THIS seems the season of railroad accidents. They have occurred in the last thirty days with appalling frequency and fatality. If the responsible person in any one case were sentenced to hard labor for life, this sort of crime would diminish.

DAKOTA AND UTAH are going to cool their heels in the halls of state this winter while their petitions to come in are acted upon. They both claim sufficient population to be entitled to admission as states, Dakota boasting 120,000—about as much as Marion county—and for this they want two senators.

THE scratching republicans in New York, the men who had the courage of their convictions, will very easily hold the balance of power in "the pivotal state," and will get the respect next year they are entitled to. There are enough of such men in Indiana to turn the election, and they will have to be taken into account.

THE Cincinnati Enquirer has information that able republican managers are at work in the south to "fix" Louisiana, Florida, South Carolina and one or two other states, for Hayes or Sherman. Interviews with the personages declare that either of these two men could carry at least four southern states, because of Hayes's policy in letting them, in common with other states of the Union, manage their own affairs.

BOSTON takes no part in politics, but wants Sherman for president. He has plenty of company.

Russia's debt amounts to \$3,180,448,024, an increase this year of nearly four hundred million of dollars.

The average republican sentiment in Washington, the Star says, is that failure to carry the whole New York state ticket makes the victory very incomplete.

Some democrats hope that gleams of sense may appear for the majority in congress this winter. The prospect is not flattering. The Washington correspondent of the Baltimore Sun says:

BUTLER says the Massachusetts election shows that the Abbott democracy has no chance of being recognized by the national democratic convention, and furthermore, that the democratic party as a distinct party, is to all intents and purposes wiped out of existence. This foreshadows the row that will come to the national democratic convention. There will be two delegations from Massachusetts as well as New York. Disputes in a few more states as to which faction is the genuine original Jacob Townsend democracy, might suggest the advantage it would be to all parties for the concern to end its existence.

I REPLY to the assertion in the North American Review that General Robert Anderson, while in Sumter, was waiting only for the action of Kentucky, declaring his allegiance due her, his widow enters a vehement denial. She says his daily letters to her unreservedly expressed his intention of supporting the government to the last; that he was almost, morbid on the subject of loyalty, and that when asked afterwards what he would do if Kentucky seceded, he said: "My being born in Kentucky is something with which I had nothing to do; but my oath to support the government was an act of my own manhood, and I will keep it, so help me God, as long as I live." This accords with all that is known of General Anderson, but it was fortunate the ass

was made when it could be contradicted authoritatively, for the country can not afford to have a stain resting upon the reputation of this brave defender.

Your Uncle Richard Thompson is about the only member of the administration who hasn't been on the stump this fall. All the others have been earning their salaries "barking it up" for the party.—[Philadelphia Chronicle-Herald.]

There is more spite than sense in this comment. It is not incompatible with the dignity of the place nor with the theory of a perfect civil service, for cabinet ministers to take the stump for their party. They are the chosen advisers of a president, and are supposed to be representative men of the party which elects him. In non-essentials all administrations must be partisan; that they shall be partisan in no more than this is all the most ardent reformer asks. Cabinet officers by their nature are changed with every administration, counting as an administrative change the election of a new man to the presidency. They have no tenure of office that rests upon anything but the individual preferences, molded as they may be by political necessity, of the man who is president. There is no exigency of government service that demands their continuance as it does the continuance of every man in the service, whose duties are clerical and not administrative. They are the administrators chosen by the chief administrator. There was nothing inconsistent with what a government service ought to be in Messrs. Evarts and Sherman speaking in the New York campaign. Those who approved of the objection to that performance, caught its force very faintly if they supposed it was because of any incompatibility with this administration's civil-service reform efforts, or with a model civil service. It was personal entirely. It was the humiliating spectacle of the clergyman had none.

How Hooker Got His Commission.
[New York Herald.]

Joe Hooker arrived in New York in May, 1861, at the time when the whole country was unanimous for war. A curious incident occurred in connection with his application for appointment to the army on this occasion. He had made the usual formal application for a commission and had been refused. Partially disgusted he determined to return again to California, but decided first to call at the White House and pay his respects to Mr. Lincoln. He was introduced by some mistake as Captain Hooker, when the American Cincinnatus made the following remark to the president:

"Mr. President, I was introduced to you as Captain Hooker, a man or was Lieutenant Col. Hooker of the regular army. When the wife of mine was born in California, and I hastened to make a tender of my services to the government; but my relations to General Scott, & some other impediment stands in the way, and I see no chance of making my military knowledge and experience useful. I am about to return, but before going I was anxious to pay my respects to you and to express my wish for your personal welfare and for your success in putting down this infernal rebellion. And I want, while I am at it, to say one thing more."

But Bayard, the other day, Mr. president, and it is no vanity or boasting in me to say that I am a better general than you, sir, had on that field."

"Goodness, that is Miss

of one of our oldest families. She wouldn't look at a poor young doctor like you."

"We shall see," said the doctor, who in less than two years made a bride of the lady in question, to a fine practice in town, and is to-day, as he has been for years, the leading physician of one of the very largest cities in America, in possession of a princely income, a man whose name would be recognized by two-thirds of your readers were it given to them. This man had purpose—the clergyman had none.

BAYARD AND McDONALD.

Why Wade Hampton Is for That Ticket.
[Interview in Charleston News and Courier.]

Senator Hampton: "I have not said much on the subject heretofore, because I didn't like to say anything for or against any candidate for the presidency, after our defeat in Ohio. I think the people ought to look around and see whether there is any strength in Bayard. If Mr. Bayard can carry New York and Senator McDonald can carry Indiana."

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NOTWITHSTANDING the vast and costly buildings in Washington, the total value of all property in the District of Columbia, public and private, is much less than in Hamilton county, (Ohio), or in Cook county, Illinois, (Chicago).

The ex-Empress Eugenie reads nothing and writes very little, passing her whole time in melancholy thought. Her face is pale as marble, her eyes are sunken and her features are very sharp, but she is able at last to sleep without the use of chloral.

The Great Eastern steamship, which has long been laid up at Milford Haven, is about to be overhauled, provided with new machinery, and adapted to the conveyance of live cattle from Canada to the United States. She will be ready for operations next March.

A few years ago all our best furniture

from Boston. Now not a dollar's worth is bought east of Grand Rapids, Michigan.

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Reporter: "Then you are in favor of Senator McDonald for the vice presidency?"

Senator Hampton: "Yes, I think he is a good man, and as Indiana is the only western state that is democratic I think we ought to elect him."

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The Swiss government carries on a great

coaching business, but at a serious loss.

In 1876 it owned 1,333 conveyances and

the total value of \$300,000, and the total net loss on

this branch of the postal service was over

\$80,000. The number of passengers con-

tracted was 1,329,393, of whom 278,884 trav-

eled on what are known as Alpine and tour

routes.

Two weeks ago Mr. Levy, storekeeper in

the city of Jackson in the state of Michigan,

had very much like shouting "Stop! thief!"

He brought a quantity of honey and put it in a box in his store, and when he came to look at the bees had stolen every ounce of it. More than one hundred of the heavy winged thieves were biting the sides of the box when he looked in.

As pyramids will soon be in fashion again,

we rush to the front."

Don't

Spin

The floors of

The street cars,

And, hang it all, man!

Don't keep your big feet in the aisle!

—Detroit Free Press.

IT is well to look at all sides of a subject

before you indulge in an opinion.

Curran once said to Father Leahy: "I wish,

and father, that you were St. Peter and had

the keys of heaven, because then you could let me in."

The shrewd and witty priest saw the sarcasm, and turned his sharp edge on the skeptic by replying, "By my honor and con-

science, sir, it would be better for you that I had the keys of the other place, for then I could let you out."

Quite a number of Philadelphians have

either gone or are preparing to go to Florida

with a view of making it their permanent

home. A few go for health's sake, and the

majority for the purpose of engaging in

the orange very profitable.

As nearly all the intended emigrants

with whom we have conversed, have

made arrangements to grow this popular

fruit.—Star.

RAILROAD ACCIDENTS.

A freight train on the Pennsylvania rail-

road broke in two yesterday while coming

down the mountain, about eight miles west

of Altoona. The detached portion of

the train, which was moving at a high

rate of speed, ran into the side of a

train which was moving at a slow rate.

The two trains were completely

wrecked and the freight scattered in all

directions. James A. McDowell, brakeman,

was instantly killed, and a boy terribly maimed.

During a heavy fog a freight train on the

Pennsylvania railway ran into another

train near the Penn rolling mill, Lancaster,

Pa., and two oil cars were wrecked.

The escaping oil caught fire and one of the

cars exploded with terrific force. For some

hours the road was blocked for miles east

and west with trains waiting for the fire to burn itself out.

The three rear cars of the special New

York express train, which left Poughkeepsie

at 7:15 last evening, going south, jumped the

track when between New Hamburg and Low-

point. One of them was thrown into the

river. A number of passengers were injured, but none seriously.

A man named Ross H. Powers, supposed to

be a locomotive fireman, accidentally fell

from the viaduct draw at Cleveland into the

river, a distance of seventy feet, and was in-

stantly killed.

AODD DAMAGE SUIT.

Gov. Bishop of Ohio has sued the Cincinnati Gazette for \$100,000 damages, growing out of the recent imbroglio concerning the board of education of Cincinnati. The complaint is based on the charge in the Gazette that Governor Bishop was in a conspiracy to oust the republican secretary of the board and make the police force of the city democratic, averring such conspiracy to be corrupt and illegal. The Gazette also charged Bishop with being "the subversive tool of adventurers" and "the servile tool of a ring," in Cincinnati.

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TAMMANY AND THE REPUBLICANS.

[New York Special.]

They (the democrats) are going to select

their presidential electors in Florida and

Louisiana by their legislatures.

The republicans will be compelled to do the

same, and the two states will then be in a

position to re-elect their respective presi-

dents, and the election will