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BLOOD FROM A TURNIP.

We have often been told that blood could not be drawn from a turnip. We used to believe it, but our faith has recently been considerably shaken. We are of the opinion that the radical editors who extract comfort for their party from the result of the elections held since last fall, could succeed in taking blood from a turnip.

The LaPorte *Herald* is certainly equal to the task. It takes comfort from the recent elections as follows:

"In New Hampshire Stearns, rep., was chosen governor over Benell, dem., by a majority of 3,764."

Last fall Grant had 6,967 majority in New Hampshire.

Of Connecticut it says:

"English, (dem.) was ousted by Jewell, (rep.) who beat him 811 ballots."

Last fall Grant had 3,043 majority in Connecticut.

Of Rhode Island:

"Rhode Island re-elected Paddleford (rep.) by 3,396 majority."

Last fall Grant had 6,445 majority in Rhode Island.

Oregon is summed up in this wise:

"Oregon, as was expected, went democratic 'all over,' choosing a conservative legislature and member of Congress."

The reason the *Herald* "expected" Oregon to go democratic "all over," is no doubt because Seymour had 164 majority there last fall.

All is serene in Alabama as follows:

"In Alabama the democrats chose two out of six members of congress, a clear gain—but they calculated on four."

It admits a slight reverse in Tennessee. It was no great thing, though. Grant last fall had 30,446, Seiter, the candidate of the democracy this fall, had 65,330, only. A mere change of a trifles less than a hundred thousand!

The *Herald* thinks the overwhelming victory of the democracy of California is attributable to the fact that "Towards the close of the war there was a great rush of draft-sneaks, bounty-jumpers and skulking rebels into the Pacific States—quite enough to work us defeat in Oregon and California."

The war closed over four years ago, and last fall Grant carried California by 514 majority. The greatest good luck was in Vermont and Maine:

"Vermont and Maine abide grimly in the faith—the children of the most taints have not failed disappointed us."

In Maine the radical majority last fall was 28,030 this fall about 12,000 over the democratic nominee. Vermont gave Grant 32,121 majority, and this fall gave a radical majority of about 20,010.

But the grand triumph was in Ohio and Pennsylvania. The cause of rejoicing is as follows:

"The results in Ohio and Pennsylvania and Iowa are fresh in the memory of all. In the two former we more than maintained ourselves."

We do not know at what rate the *Herald* figures up the gradual demise of radicalism, but we are satisfied if that party "more than maintained its self" in Ohio and Pennsylvania at the late election.

In Ohio the democracy gained about 34,000 over Grant's majority and in Pennsylvania about 25,000. At this rate of "maintaining," the rads will be disorganized, as a party, by next spring.

But the *Herald* sums up its cheerful article in the subjoined hopeful language:

"Truly, this is glory enough from March to October."

To which we respond, Yea. Verily. And insist that "contentment is better than riches."

OHIO.

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The country has been very generally informed that the president and Mrs. Grant "have ceased all social connection with their relative, Mr. A. R. Corbin, of New York." The reason assigned for this is, that Mr. Corbin, "by duplicity, connected" the president and Mrs. Grant with the gold conspiracy.

Whose testimony condemns Corbin? That of Fisk and Gould. The same testimony shows that Grant and his wife were separated in bonds and gold, and that the former made \$3,000 in so doing, and that Mrs. Grant made \$25,000.

We have asked before, and now repeat, why should the testimony of Fisk and Gould be accepted as conclusive of the guilt of Butterfield and Corbin, and rejected when touching the connection of the president and Mrs. Grant with the conspiracy? If they were veracious witnesses, their entire statement should be accepted. If they are not worthy of credit, no suspicion should attach to Butterfield and Corbin.—Chicago Times.

ELECTIONS.

>Returns From Illinois, New York, Wisconsin, Minnesota and other States

CHICAGO.

After one of the sharpest and most excited campaigns ever witnessed in the city of Chicago and county of Cook, a victory more decisive than any preceding one has been gained by the people.

The election was regarded with very general interest, the vote was a light one. The people seemed to be certain of success that very many did not vote who otherwise would have voted to swell the proud result. But for this same fact—fact too plain to admit of a moment's doubt—the harpies of Cook county would lie buried beneath an adverse majority of 20,000.

The office-broker's ring was defeated in this city yesterday. The returns indicate much less than the full number of votes; but the result is sufficiently decisive. The ring was defeated. The citizens' candidates for county officers are elected. The citizens' candidates for city officers are elected. The citizens' candidates for the constitutional convention are elected in every one of the three districts. The citizens' ticket has carried the city by a vote of nearly two to one over the barnacle ticket.

NEW YORK.

Returns from the State of New York show uniform democratic gains as compared with the presidential vote of '68. The city gives an immense democratic majority in a total vote of perhaps 125,000. It is too early yet to estimate the majority, but there seems to be no doubt of the entire election of the democratic ticket. Mr. Greeley runs ahead of his ticket.

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MARYLAND.

BALTIMORE, Nov. 2.—The vote was unusually light, only 18,729 being polled out of a registered vote of over 44,000. The vote for controller of state treasury was: Woodford, democrat, 13,644; McKellip, rep., 5,237; democratic majority 8,405. Every precinct in every ward gave a majority for the democratic ticket for sheriff.

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NEWS—FOREIGN AND DOMESTIC.

NEW YORK, Nov. 2.—The Richmond, Va., revenue officers report to the bureau that they recently discovered that counterfeit tobacco stamps have been sent to all parts of the country and they warn dealers to carefully examine all stamps on Virginia packages of tobacco.

A singular case appeared in the local courts of Washington to-day, presenting some of the most remarkable features of social position ever advanced. It is the proposition of a husband to his wife that she and her sister, who has been a member of his household, should change their relationship, the wife becoming the sister-in-law, and the sister-in-law becoming his wife, and, at the same time, all live happily together. The wife resists an application for divorce.

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It was rumored on Saturday that an opinion would soon be issued from the attorney-general's office, declaring the salaries of judges of state courts to be exempt from the internal revenue taxation.

The joint commission for the settlement of claims of citizens of the United States and Mexico against those countries will assemble for the transaction of business in about a month from this time. Thus far, few, if any, claims have been filed by Mexicans against the United States, but Americans have filed 346

against Mexico.

The treasury made great haste to get out its public debt statement with a view to influencing to-morrow's election. It is very plausible, but will not hold good, as will be clearly shown, even by the secretary's forthcoming annual report. On this day, in accordance with previous practice, the condition of the treasury is made up for that report, and the public debt on to-day is compared with that of the previous year.

The coroner's jury met at 11 o'clock a.m., to hold an inquest. At this late hour of going to press cannot give the testimony or verdict.

In this entire community there was

no man more universally beloved and respected than Nelson T. Place, and his death, unexpected and tragic, set a cloud of gloom over the whole city.

The bereaved family have the heartfelt sympathies of all our people.

STATE ITEMS.

Religious revivals are in progress in Brazil.

Improved land four miles from Terre Haute is held at one hundred dollars per acre.

The Terre Haute *Journal* says the temperance movement in that city appears to be a combination embracing all the church organizations.

Permits have been granted for seventy-six new buildings in Crawfordsville this year, at an aggregate cost of \$113,600. The work still goes on.

Shelbyville boasts of a girl but nine years of age, who weighs 116 pounds. She is represented to be beautiful, intelligent, and communicative in regard to her avorodups.

There are now published in Green county three papers—two republicans and one democrat—the White River Valley *Times*, the Bloomfield *Tribune*, and the Bloomfield *Democrat*.

It is probable that the hog product of this country will be lighter this year than it has been before for ten years.

A horse fair at Huntington last week was a success. In the contest for lady equestrian, Miss Mary Hale was awarded the first prize—a silver pitcher, and Miss Stuarts the second—silver fruit basket: Both acquitted themselves with amazing grace.

A jealous wife in New Orleans inspected a bouquet which her husband destined for a favorite danseuse, and discovered a little note expressing adoration etc. She substituted an invitation to dine at her house. The young woman came, but the husband was more surprised than pleased.

Ex-Queen Isabella has bought a place of a retired rag picker, and thinks of setting up a comfortable little establishment with Sister Patrocinio and a couple of dozen nuns, away from the gaieties of Paris life.

The N. Y. papers speaking of a man who died there and left behind him a local reputation. This has happened in other places where the heirs didn't think him for what was left.

They are finding big diamonds in Australia. A band advanced \$500 on one weighing half a pound, which has since proved to be a quartz crystal.

A bloody affray occurred near Waco, Texas, on Monday week. It appears that two brothers named Grimes, who had just returned from Kansas, where they had been with a drove of bees, were under very boisterous, and, resisting arrest, fired upon the police, wounding a federal soldier named Connelly in the hand. They then left town, pursued by a squad of soldiers, who overtook them about two miles from town. The brothers Grimes immediately turned and commenced firing at the soldiers, five in number, who returned the fire with their carbines, killing both of them instantly. They were 22 and 23 years of age respectively, and had hitherto borne a good character. Their father resides on the Leon river in the edge of