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THE DEMOCRATS ROUTED.

The victory won by the Republicans in the United States elections last week was expected, but it was not for a moment expected even by the Republicans themselves, that their victory would be so complete and decisive. In the last Congress elected only two years ago, the Republicans held only one hundred and twenty seven seats out of a total of three hundred and fifty-six. Last Tuesday, they succeeded in electing two hundred and twenty one members giving them a majority in the new house of nearly one hundred over, Democrats and Populists combined. Several reasons have been given for this unprecedented change of opinion, but perhaps the Democrats are most indebted for their defeat to the recent period of "hard times" experienced in the States. Their opponents took care to impress on the minds of the people that this wave of depression was due to Democratic government, and it is evident from the returns that the electors were influenced to a great degree by this canvass. Then again the hesitation and delay which characterized the policy of the Democratic majority in the last Congress contributed it is said in no small degree to their overwhelming defeat. The Democratic party in the elections of 1892 went to the people on a tariff reform platform and there is little doubt but that their attitude on that issue won for them the day. In Congress, however, they totally failed to carry out their ante-election promises. The Wilson Bill as originally introduced went far, it is true, to meet the expectation of the people, but the bill as finally passed by the Senate gave so little where so much had been promised that it is little wonder the people lost confidence in the party. The following is a list of the states showing the result last week as compared with the returns of the election of 1892:—

	54th Congress.		53rd Congress.	
	Rep.	Dem.	Rep.	Dem.
Alabama	9	9	9	9
Arkansas	10	10	10	10
California	6	1	3	4
Colorado	2	1	1	2
Connecticut	4	1	1	3
Delaware	1	1	1	1
Florida	1	2	1	1
Georgia	1	11	1	11
Idaho	1	1	1	1
Illinois	14	8	14	11
Indiana	13	1	12	1
Iowa	10	1	10	1
Kansas	4	1	3	1
Kentucky	3	8	1	10
Louisiana	1	6	1	6
Maine	4	4	4	6
Maryland	2	4	2	6
Massachusetts	12	1	12	5
Michigan	12	1	12	5
Minnesota	6	1	4	1
Mississippi	1	7	1	1
Montana	1	1	1	1
Nebraska	4	2	2	3
Nevada	1	1	1	1
New Hampshire	2	1	2	1
New Jersey	8	1	10	6
New York	29	5	25	5
North Carolina	12	3	12	8
Ohio	19	2	19	1
Oregon	2	1	2	10
Pennsylvania	25	1	25	10
Rhode Island	2	1	2	1
South Carolina	2	7	1	6
South Dakota	4	6	1	1
Tennessee	4	13	1	13
Texas	3	13	1	13
Vermont	3	1	3	1
Utah	1	1	1	1
Virginia	10	1	10	1
Washington	2	1	2	1
West Virginia	1	1	1	1
Wisconsin	10	1	4	6
Wyoming	1	1	1	1
Total	221	121	9	127
			219	10

In some of the states the majorities were unprecedented. Massachusetts gave a Republican majority of 75,000; New York, 150,000; Pennsylvania, 225,000; and Waite, the Populist governor of Colorado, was buried under a Republican majority of 20,000. Perhaps the most interesting feature of the election was the result in New York, where Senator Hill the Democratic candidate for governor was defeated by an adverse majority of 150,000. In the city of New York the defeat of Tammany was complete. The people have been evidently aroused by the disclosures made before the Lexow Committee through the instrumentality of Dr. Parkhurst and the result is that Tammany is wiped almost out of existence.

THE SUSPENSION BRIDGE ENQUIRY.

We have heard a great deal lately of the Curran Bridge Scandal, but it has apparently been almost forgotten that there is a bridge transaction in this province which is perhaps of as much interest to the people of this province as is the one we have heard so much about. It will be remembered that at the last session of the local legislature Mr. A. C. Smith, M. P. P. for St. John, called the attention of the house to certain charges made by the contractors for work done on the St. John Suspension Bridge. It was alleged that these charges were in excess of the amounts actually paid for the work. The government did not appear to know anything about the matter and Chief Commissioner Emerson promised an investigation which is now going on in St. John. Dr.

Stockton who is assisting in the investigation has put witnesses on the stand who testify that only \$2.00 and \$1.50 per day have been paid them whereas their time has been put in and paid by the department of public works at \$2.50 per day. The contractors do not deny that they have charged more than they actually paid the men and apparently intend to contend that they have a right to do so. Hon. Mr. Emerson shows a disposition to investigate the matter thoroughly and no doubt the whole transaction will be fully given to the public.

BUCTOUCHE M. OF R.

Extempore Address of The President

Nov. 13.—The following is a synopsis of the extempore address of the worthy Lecturer of the M. of R., upon the occasion of the resignation of their beloved President at a special meeting called today. There was present at their meeting not only all the members but a number of invited guests:—

Honored Sir and Brother:

It is with mingled feelings of regret and pleasure that we meet to bid you farewell, you have done so much for us. When we wanted a quarter none so free to give it, when we wanted a song none so able to give it, when we wanted a joke none so ready to give it, when we wanted to crack a chestnut none so ready to bear with us, when we wanted a smile or two none so ready to see that we got it, when we were financially embarrassed none so ready to relieve us, and now through your charity and free handness you find that for financial reasons you must leave the honored men of rest and become a son of toil. In parting with you, we lose our best member for the aforesaid reasons, oh! if we could only have a full house of such material. I would have drafted a formal address but I considered it too much labor although the other members were willing to exonerate me for having so labored. Now we ask you to remember your friends and if we are ever in need you may rest assured that none will seek you more readily and none would thank you more heartily. If ever you feel like investing your wealth, always remember that we are always willing to receive any investment of an odd quarter or two for which we would all feel duly thankful. We are sorry to find that such an acquisition is to be lost to the men of leisure and hope that the time may some day come when you can retire from labor and imitate our own honorary president, and when such a time arrives we will gladly once more welcome you back into the ranks of the M. of R. In closing, I, on behalf of the M. of R., take much pleasure in proposing as a toast, the health of the retiring member to be drunk, according to the rules of the Order, at his expense. (Thunderous applause.)

A Word From Bath, Maine.

Nov. 8th 1894.—The republicans let their enthusiasm occasioned by the election reports, manifest itself last night in the real George Washington birthday style and the way the tar barrels were transformed into flame and smoke to the music of the small boy's tin horn was very pleasing to a large throng. Custom House Square was particularly well remembered, and in front of that "stone front" two bon fires were established, while flames were started in various other parts of the city. Upon the park the fire-works brigade was established, and while red hot fire lit up the scene rockets flew skyward and Roman candles burned. The bells were also ringing, from 7 to 8 o'clock they sent out their notes, while a national salute was being fired from depot wharf. It was a lively jollification, and every republican in the city wore a smile.

Yesterday morning George Perow, having been giving a stomach analysis to some Bath embalming fluid, complained of that tired feeling and went into bachelors hall on the Midway to rest. When he had entered so far into dreamland that a caliope steam whistle seemed to him but as the coo of a gentle dove, Tom Deojay, a thrifty gentleman, gave the body a search which resulted in the capture of \$105 which was in the man's hip pocket. Tom felt that this money would do him much more good than the sleeper, so he pocketed a part of it and carried the remainder, \$80 to the Saving's Bank where he deposited it, explaining that it represented the result of his summer's labor. When Perow awoke his loss strongly effected him and he reported it to the police. Within two hours Officer Reynolds had the guilty man at the station, with Alec Duojay and wife as witnesses of the crime. Search revealed \$6.68 in the pockets of Tom, and a one dollar bill in his hat. He plead not guilty, and so Judge Coombs concluded he must be guilty and held him in \$1000 bonds for the grand jury. Then Thomas repented and confessed the crime, so through the drizzling rain to-day he started for Auburn, in which place he will eat his Thanksgiving dinner from the jail centre table.

Arrangements have been completed for the Minstrel Show to be given Thanksgiving night by Messrs. Huse and Cheltra. There will be a band concert and street parade in the afternoon.

Au revoir
 P. H. T.

NUGGETS.

—The ground is again bare.
 —Subscribe for THE REVIEW.
 —Have you paid your subscription?
 —Jas. F. Burns, Esq., was in town on Monday.

—Geo. K. McLeod returned to St. John Thursday.

—Blanks of all kinds for sale at THE REVIEW office.

—J. D. Phinney, M. P. P., left for Fredericton on Wednesday last.

—Have the spots visible on the suns disk anything to do with the recent stormy weather?

—Messrs. Geo. V. McInerney, M. P., and William Wheten, registered at the Brunswick House, Moncton, on Friday.

—Mr. Joseph Grogan, one of our enterprising business men, shipped his last cargo of bark for the season, to Quebec, yesterday.

—Messrs. Anthony Roach, of Main River, and Robert Baldwin of Molus River, those two well-known master lumbermen were in town Monday.

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—Some fresh youths engaged in a scrap at the North end, Saturday night. As one of them proved to be a sprinter of no mean order he came off scatheless.

—Mr. Richard O'Leary, of the enterprising firm of R. & R. O'Leary, went to Boston last week on business. This firm is making preparations for carrying on extensive operations in smelts this winter.

—Prof. Alexander Graham Bell, the inventor of the telephone, is now at work on the problem of seeing as well as talking through a wire. He firmly believes that we shall soon be able to see the people we are talking to by telephone, although hundreds of miles away.

—Messrs. John Kingston, Wm. Graham and Joseph Woods, of Kouchibouguac, were in town on Saturday en route to their lumber camps at Portage River, with supplies. They are operating for Messrs. J. & T. Jardine, the members of which firm have lost none of their old time vigor, and purpose getting out an immense supply of lumber this winter.

—Mr. W. A. Cathers, the well known boot and shoe hustler has been doing Kent County the past week, and as usual the genial "Billy" scooped big orders. Mr. C. while not having severed his connection with the house of J. M. Humphrey & Co., has recently gone into manufacturing on an extensive scale in St. John. The new firm, Messrs. Cathers Bros. & Co., have fitted up their factory in a splendid manner with the most modern and improved machinery, and are turning out large quantities of men's, youths, women's and misses' boots, shoes and slippers. The samples carried by Mr. C. are a beautiful line, particularly in slippers and are already for sale in all the Canadian cities. THE REVIEW hopes that the new firm will have a prosperous career, its head being sufficient guarantee of its success. Mr. C. is receiving congratulations from his many friends on the arrival at his home last week of a bouncing baby boy.

—The commander of the Japanese forces on the Chinese frontier of Corea has wisely determined not to waste the energy of his army in capturing Chinese prisoners. Of these the Japanese have already as many as they want to support. The support they give them is doubtless meagre enough but it is probably no worse than they had in the Chinese army, with all the additional danger of being shot. Indeed, it is probable that the prisoners who have fallen into the hands of Japan are much better treated than those who, after running away, have fallen again into the hands of their own government. The consequence of this is that the Japanese have found Chinamen too easy to catch. As prisoners they are only a burden to the conquering power. As runaway soldiers they can be only a weakness to the receding army, as the probability is that through lack of confidence in them they would demoralize any force they might be marching with.

—The great American dailies are furnishing their readers with colored supplements and Texas Siftings offers to print the notices of its advertisers in any color they may choose. James Watson Webb, Mordecai M. Noah and Horace Greeley could not rest quietly in their graves were they to hear of such innovations, but they would never go to sleep again were they to read what Mr. Venoit, editor of the Bathurst Courier, says editorially of Mr. Venoit, the political aspirant, which is himself, as the Arizona Kicker would remark. "Mr. Venoit is without contradiction, one of the best speakers in the country, and if he has the honor of leading the poll on election day, the Academics, not only of the county of Gloucester but of the whole province, will have in him a skilful defender and a man whom they will be proud to have in the House of Assembly." Newspaper men that we have known are so modest, so unassuming, so retiring, so anxious to keep out of the public eye, that we are surprised, grieved, and amused by what Mr. Venoit says of Mr. Venoit. It is probable he has not associated much with newspaper men and does not know their ways.—Gazette.

The War in the Orient.

LONDON, November 9.—A despatch to the Central News from Che Foo, dated November 6, reports that hundreds of Chinese are arriving there from Manchuria whence they are fleeing, frightened at the approach of the Japanese. The Chinese troops and such vessels of the Chinese fleet as are not cooped up at Port Arthur, have been ordered to attack the Japanese wherever they meet them.

It is reported that Port Arthur is still invested by the Japanese and that two of the forts there have been captured by them.

The Chinese soldiers are deserting from New Chwang fearing an attack by the Japanese.

The Pall Mall Gazette prints a despatch to-day saying that the Japanese forces have captured Talien Wah.

The Chinese fleet is at Wei Hei Wei and the Russian fleet at Che Foo.

A confirmatory despatch from Shanghai says that the Japanese have undoubtedly captured Talien Wan, a short distance north of Port Arthur.

Another despatch from Shanghai says that all the missionaries of the Presbyterian Church of Ireland, who have been working in Manchuria, have left the interior and have arrived in safety at New Chwang.

The Chinese army of the north has retreated to the mountains where the soldiers are reported to be starving and suffering severely from cold and exposure. The Japanese army is reported to be encamped at Fonf Fong Chen. The Japanese are pursuing some 15,000 Chinese, mostly raw recruits.

Port Arthur is not expected to make a determined stand against the Japanese. A British admiral, Sir E. R. Fremantle, in command of the British fleet, considers that Port Arthur will probably be the scene of the last engagement of any importance between the Chinese and Japanese.

The Standard says to-day: There is good ground for stating that there is at present little prospect of united action of the powers in China. Russia is ready to act and France offers no difficulty; but Germany does not admit the utility of intervention.

The Echo de Paris, in an article on the proposed settlement of the Chinese-Japanese troubles, says France will not reply to the proposals to intervene for the purpose of effecting a settlement of the war, until she shall have learned exactly what are Russia's thoughts and hopes regarding the matter.

LONDON, Nov. 10.—The Daily News hears from Odessa that Emperor William has ordered the German admiral in Chinese waters to place himself in certain contingencies under orders of British Admiral Fremantle.

The Daily News learns France seems to favor a European conference to consider affairs in the far east.

The Central News says England and other powers have urged China to make peace proposals directly to Japan and negotiate at once for a cessation of the war. Japan has promised to receive overtures in a benevolent spirit.

The correspondent of the Times in Tien Tsin says: "Chinese officials appear careless of the fate of the empire. They are devoting their chief attention to their personal interests, contracts for arms, and the like, regardless of utility. The people are equally indifferent. They suffer more from Chinese soldiery in Moukden and vicinity than from fear of the enemy. Russian officers have received instructions to adopt a conciliatory attitude toward their British colleagues."

The Times has this despatch from Yokohama: "Two American torpedo experts have contracted with China to destroy the Japanese fleet. They have been promised \$1,000,000 for each squadron destroyed, payment for each merchantman in proportion."

"At Chee Foo it is reported there has been three days' fighting at Talian Wan without decisive results."

A despatch from Yokohama printed in the Star says it is rumored the Japanese army have met with a reverse at Port Arthur.

A Pall Mall Gazette despatch from Chee Foo says Port Arthur has been captured. The despatch also says five Chinese torpedo boats passed Chee Foo early yesterday morning steaming in the direction of Wei Hai Wei.

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