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Representation in Congress.

For many years past it has been customary for congress, after each census, to re-appoint the membership to the house of representatives, so that the increase of population would not materially affect the number of representatives.

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The News in Brief from All Sections of the Country. London has 60,000 families living in cellars. A Chinaman committed suicide near Albany last Monday.

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