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The official vote of all the states of the north give the republicans a plurality of 469,681.

New York's official vote on the three principal tickets is as follows: Republican, highest elector, 659,338; Democratic, 635,065; Prohibition, 30,231.

The last message of President Cleveland, as a whole expresses the prevailing ideas dominating the Democratic party, but is hardly in keeping with the prevailing progressive spirit of the American people.

A capital idea of the *Benton Leader*: "There are just nine democrats in the house and nine in the senate. Mr. Caithorn, one of the senate nine suggests that there be organized two base ball clubs, a house nine and a senate nine, who will play ball during the session. They will have nothing else to do as the republicans will run the legislature. It is also suggested that Governor Pennoyer would make a good umpire and Treasurer Webb could do the scoring. It is really a valuable idea. Then, if the republicans would go and watch the game, the state would doubtless be saved a great affliction."

General Harrison, in his brief and vigorous speech to General Chalmers, put the Southern case exactly. The next President will execute the laws. The South, like the rest of the country, must obey them. The South is a part of the Union—no more, no less. The war was fought that it should be nothing more, and the laws will be executed to the end that it may be nothing less—not a white mass part of the Union alone, for instance.—Philadelphia Press.

West Virginia voted at the last election on an amendment to the State Constitution to prohibit the manufacture and sale of intoxicating liquors. The proposed amendment was defeated by the following astonishing vote. For the amendment 692. Against the amendment 36,266.

A valued exchange has this to say about the man who knows it all. "Then shun the dark-browed stranger who leans against the wall, he is the sour-souled villain, the man who knows it all. When at the realm that smoulders, where Satan broods in ire, we hand our parquet ticket to plunge into the fire; above the walls of sorrow we'll here one frantic call, the fate of that poor sinner, the man who knows it all."

At this time we should look out for applications to help the poor whom we always have with us. It is no more a duty to give than it is to give wisely. It is not possible to investigate thoroughly all cases that appeal to the charitable, and it is perhaps better to give unwisely than to withhold wrongfully. But one rule is certainly safe. If possible, give a mercantile work, let believe he is earning what he gets. You may save his self-respect by doing so. He who says "Go work in my vineyard and what is right I will pay thee," is more truly charitable than he who bestows a day's wages as alms. If you have no work, or the applicant is from age or infirmity unable to work, of course the rule does not apply. In all other cases to give work and pay is the wisest charity.

Ballston.

Ballston is to have a Christmas tree.

Mrs. Yeum, who has been in poor health for a long time has gone to Salem for medical treatment.

A Chinaman, who is engaged on the narrow gauge, putting in new ties, got mad at his boss and struck on the head with a shovel, cutting quite a gash.

We have a singing school that meets Monday, Tuesday and Saturday evenings, and the Glee Club meets every Thursday. Ballston is becoming quite musical.

A series of meetings are being conducted here by Rev. Osborn with considerable interest.

Our worthy friend Dan Stouffer has been laid up with the rheumatism of late.

Bethel.

Mr. J. H. Hawley is in Portland this week.

Curt Hawley is at home rustication.

Mr. Theodore Jeffrey is quite sick. Two more children of G. W. Richardson are quite sick with diphtheria.

The people of Bethel and McCoy will unite and hold a Christmas tree at the latter place.

Mr. W. H. Hawley has gone to Independence where he will occupy a position in Cooper's bank.

Bethel enjoys the distinction of having a free writing class.

Mr. J. R. Sears made a sale of his farm near McCoy a few days ago.

Mrs. M. L. Richardson of Monmouth, visited friends here Saturday and Sunday.

Mrs. Julia Finn, mother of Cadet Davis is convalescent.

Mr. George Kelly lost a valuable cow last week.

A horse belonging to Mr. E. Bailey, while running in the pasture a few days ago fell braking his neck.

L. B. Frazer returned from Gilliam county Monday. He found his daughter Cassie very sick, with a disease which the doctor pronounced very much like diphtheria.

The Sunday school concert at McCoy Sunday evening was a pleasant affair. McCoy is blessed with some excellent musical talent of which E. T. Hatel and wife and Mrs. G. O. Graves deserve special mention.

On last Tuesday night death visited the home of John Becket and took from them their little daughter of seven years, Pearl. She had been ill but a few days. The sudden blow fell with terrible severity upon the mother who has been for some months in poor health. The little one was borne to the cemetery on Thursday. As the band of school children sorrowfully took a last look at their departed schoolmate the question, which of you will next be followed to the grave, came forcibly to our mind. The question was not long unanswered, for on the following day the news reached us that Helen, the little daughter of G. W. Richardson, had fallen asleep. She was borne to the church on last Sunday's quiet morn when Eld. Doty delivered a feeling discourse to the large audience that had gathered. The remains were interred at 12 m. The bereaved families have the comfort that can possibly be desired from the unbroken sympathy of a large circle of friends. —Occa.

Crowley.

Our school will close this week. It is under the successful management of Miss Nora Hubbard.

A. G. Roberts broke his ankle last week while helping put his horse power under the shed. He is getting along well.

Oak Grove and Dixie will have a Christmas tree.

Bridgport.

The third party received 218 votes in Mississippi and 583 in Alabama, who dare deny the fact plain as the nose on your face that the whole third party racket is a Democratic side-show. Selah.

Why don't "Taxpayer" in West Side sign his real name to his complaints of our County Officers. If his name is honorable his purpose pure, let him come out like a man and a taxpayer and not sling mud from the shelter of the West Side. Judges Daly and Collins signed their opinions like men. Go thou and do likewise thou timid ghost of a "taxpayer." Haint yer got a name?

Dan Van Paten is building an addition to J. S. Mitchell's barn for a wagon shed.

Mrs. Lee is better though still weak and ailing.

William Ruble is now living at his place among us. He has lost a white cow with a bell—anyone seen her.

The new canal or cut of the Luckiamute is almost completed. From indications in the bed of the new cut it was once the creek bed, many years since. —Hia Cultus.

Lincoln.

Some sickness, toothache and rheumatism, is abroad in our midst.

Our citizen, J. R. Sheppard, will engage in the manufacture of woven wire fence. This fence is becoming quite popular.

Our wharf presents quite a lively appearance since boats make regular trips. Our farmers are shipping their produce to Portland.

The closing exercises of our school was attended by the directors and patrons and all expressed satisfaction with the successful term just closing.

The accidents of Josie Lewis being thrown off her pony and John Boring running against a stump are both all right again.

Buena Vista.

Clyde Caldwell, who had his shoulder dislocated last week, by falling off a horse, is now all right again. Dr. Locke attended the little fellow.

Joe and King Tethrow had a grand wolf hunt on the river Tuesday.

Our people are afflicted with a good many colds.

M. N. Prather made a business call at Independence Saturday.

Harley Alexander has made some improvement to his store. New show case, and has added a fine stock of holiday goods.

The Evangelical church have now fitted up a place of worship in our midst. Rev. Beaucamp held a meeting here a few evenings ago.

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Sherman.

Justice's Court for the precinct of Monmouth, State of Oregon, County of Polk.

John C. Worth, plaintiff, vs. Kit Wing, defendant.

To Kit Wing, the above named defendant: IN THE NAME OF THE STATE OF Oregon, you are hereby required to appear before the undersigned, a Justice of the Peace, for the precinct aforesaid, on the 23rd day of December, 1888, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon of said day at the office of said Justice, in said precinct, to answer the above named plaintiff, in a civil action. The defendant will take notice, that if he fail to answer the complaint herein, the plaintiff will take judgment against him for \$7.80 and his costs and disbursements in this action. The defendant will further notice that his property has been attached in the above named action, published in the Polk County Observer for six consecutive weeks, by order of the undersigned, made Nov. 10, 1888. Witness my hand, R. C. Perival, Justice of the Peace.

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