

FOUR NEW STATES.

Congress has passed by large majorities in both branches, an omnibus enabling act for the admission of North Dakota, South Dakota, Montana and Washington Territories as states. The President has approved the measure, and the four new states will be formally admitted into the Union by proclamation in October. Then Senators and Representatives will be chosen in time to take their seats at the opening of the regular session in December. Each of the new states will have one Representative excepting South Dakota, which will have two. Thus eight new Senators and five Representatives will appear in the next Congress. There is no doubt whatever of the people complying with all the requirements of the enabling act and adopting their respective constitution by a vote of the people on the first Tuesday of October.

The political complexion of the new states will at once attract general attention and the latest expression on the fullest votes ever cast was in November last, when these territories voted as follows for Congressional delegates:

Rep.	Dem.	Maj.	
Montana.....	22,486	17,360	5,126
North Dakota.....	25,290	13,801	11,489
South Dakota.....	39,326	24,729	14,667
Washington.....	26,291	18,920	7,371

The two Dakotas have always been strongly republican, and their largest majorities were given last November, when South Dakota gave 14,667 and North Dakota 11,489. It is safe to assume that four new republican Senators and three new republican representatives will come from the Dakotas in December next. Washington has been very variable in her political tides. In 1878, '80 and '82 the republicans carried the territory by from 1,300 to 3,000. In 1884 and '86 the democrats carried it by 184 and 2,192 and in 1888 the republicans swept it by 7,371. With the prestige of republican success in the nation and the prestige of the large majority of last November, there is little room for doubt that the republicans will carry the new state and secure two republican Senators and one republican Representative to the next Congress.

Montana was also swept by a republican landslide last November, scoring up the large majority of 5,126. The republicans had never carried the territory but once before, when Claggett, the silver-tongued orator of the Rockies, was elected delegate a dozen or so years ago. In 1884, owing to democratic dissensions, the majority was only 199; but in 1886 it came up to about its regular standard when it was 3,718. Last November the far Northwest stampeded to the republicans, partly by large immigration from the Western republican states and partly by the desire to tax the people of the whole country for the wool they grow largely on government lands. With the political tide obviously in favor of the republicans, and the great republican success of the last election in the territory to inspire them, the probabilities are largely in favor of republican success in the new state. In that event, the younger Harrison, who has been residing there for some years and who has started an organ of his own in the territorial capital since the election of his father to the Presidency, would seem to have a more than even chance to be one of the new Senators.

The politicians who look only to the present assume that the addition of four new republican states with eight Senators and five representatives, will anchor republican supremacy in both the Senate and the nation. Those who so calculate reckon with little knowledge of the swift mutations of our politics and the heroic independence of the Western people. It is not a strained possibility that these recently created republican states may aid in defeating the party that is certain to organize them, as early as 1892 and some of them will be debatable as early as 1890. There is no overshadowing issue to bind New England and the Northwest in bonds of political unity, and we have reached the point in our national history when the party of power is at a disadvantage in a national struggle. No matter how they shall fulfill or disappoint political expectations, the admission of these territories as states has become a necessity, and the democrats acted wisely in bowing to the inevitable.

There is a sharp point in the suggestion by the Springfield Republican that at the very time President-elect Harrison was passing through Pennsylvania on his way to Washington, the people of this country were reading the news of a cut-down in iron-furnace employes.

In the famine districts of China the people live on a mixture of grain, chaff and wheat sprouts, and in some places upon the fresh blades of wheat of the autumn planting. More than a million people are reduced to the last state of destitution.

General Harrison has received a novel present from E. A. Angier of Peach Tree Creek, Georgia. It is a cannon shell filled with bullets picked up on the Peach Tree Creek battlefield, where General Harrison fought during the Atlanta campaign.

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A favorite toast in Algiers (all jeers aside)—the Dey we celebrate.

The Oregonian says the state owed McPherson the \$1000 which the legislature lately voted to his divorced wife. This is untrue in every sense of the word. Twenty years ago McPherson held some state warrants which he had received as his pay for work done as state printer. These he sold at a discount, because there was no appropriations made to pay them. The state did not owe him a cent.

It is too early yet to say exactly how much influence Mr. Harrison will have with the coming Blaine administration. Mr. Blaine is well known to be a very positive and resolute man, however. Still, Mr. Harrison may have quite a "pull" with him.



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