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FUSION MEETS ITS WATERLOO.

Democrats Carry North Carolina by Over 25,000 Majority.

COL. ROOSEVELT WINS IN NEW YORK.

Next House of Representatives Will Probably be Democratic.

REPUBLICANS CARRY NEBRASKA BY SMALL MAJORITY.

General Joseph Wheeler Returned to Congress Without a Single Vote Being Cast Against Him. Solid Democratic Delegations From Alabama and Louisiana. Texas Democrtic by 250,000.

The Raleigh correspondent of the Charlotte Observer says: The election in this city was as quiet as was ever held. It only needed the ringing of church bells to make it like Sunday. The vote polled is heavy. There was not the slightest disturbance at the polls. The news received by Chairman Simmons up to 8 o'clock says: Duplin gives a Democratic majority for the whole ticket. In Cumberland three members of the Legislature are Democratic. The whole Democratic ticket is elected in Alamance. There are big Democratic gains in Surry. There are big Democratic gains in Surry. Cleveland has exceeded expectation. New Hanover is Democratic. Bellamy is elected by a safe majority. Duplin gives 800 Democratic majority. Richmond and Sampson are Democratic. The Republicans concede Davidson. The Democrats carry Richmond by 1,000, a Democratic gain of 1,500; Robeson by 800; Wayne, 750; Franklin, 500, and the senatorial ticket is safe there. Harnett is safe by 200. Julie Carr telegraphs:

"We have swept the deck in Durham town and burned the broom—700 Democratic." Union gives 700 majority and Rockingham 400. Reports say that Halifax has gone Democratic. Wilson is conceded to the Democrats by 500, including the Senator. Wayne gives the State ticket 600 majority, and Robeson from 400 to 500. There is a Democratic victory in Granville. There is a big Democratic gain in Craven. The election was quiet there and the senatorial ticket is safe. Rowan gives from 1,000 to 1,200 Democratic majority; Gaston, 400; Rockingham, 400; Union, 700; Sampson county is Democratic.

The Republican State Chairman gave out the news that at Palmyra precinct, Halifax county, Claude Kitchin and Henry White had seized the registration books and defiud the poll-holders to hold an election. The Democratic State chairman soon received a report which showed the fact to be that the Republican registrar at Palmyra became angry because he could not vote twice and be chairman of the election board.

The Republicans also gave out a story that Oliver Dockery, Jr., had been rotten-egged and mobbed at Goldsboro and chased into a hotel. The Democrats got the news that Dockery insulted some Democrat at the polls, was slapped in the face and took refuge in a hotel, whence two policemen escorted him to the train.

One of the most interesting telegrams during the day was one from Newbern, saying that Mayor Dennison and all the white aldermen voted the Democratic ticket; that Robert Hancock and Seymour Hancock scratched the negroes on the ticket; that only four white men voted the Republican ticket, and that they were discharged; also that the Democrats may elect the member of the Legislature, as there are three sets of candidates.

Returns from the first congrssional district did not begin to arrive until late. Chairman Simmons is advised of the following democratic majorities there: Beaufort 200, Martin 150, Pitt 250, Greene about 25. Other reports which have come in, give the following Democratic majorities: Wayne 800, Johnston 1,800, Harnett 300, Guilford, 500, Union 1,200, Gaston 550, Halifax 1,800, Vance, 500.

For the State and county ticket, Republican tickets, Forsyth is reported as 850 Republican; Henderson 250 Republican. It seems entirely reasonable to say that Wake will go 800 Democratic. Sampson is said to be close, perhaps democratic, and Robeson at least 1,050.

Major John W. Graham, who is at Republican headquarters, as counsel for Holton, was asked if there were any election suits and said there were no suits or any cases of any kind. Chairman Simmons has news that Catawba is safe by 300, McDowell by 300, Columbus by 300 at least, Bladen 300, Guilford by probably 300, while Edgecombe elects the legislative ticket by an overwhelming majority. Granville gives a Democratic majority on the congressional and legislative ticket. Wake's estimated majority is [illegible]

Chairman Simmons says at 2 o'clock: "We will have the House by three-[illegible]

State, our judicial ticket will have 25,000 majority."

General Cox says there was a Democratic gain of 2,300 votes in Edgecombe. There is great pleasure at the news that W. J. Davis is elected Senator from New Hanover and Brunswick and that Buncombe elects two Senators.

THE VOTE BY COUNTIES.

Buncombe.

Returns from all the precincts in Buncombe county are not in, but the indications point to the election of the entire Democratic ticket. Chairman Murphy claims the county by 400. In Asheville, the Democratic majority is expected to be about 200. The Republican majority in the first and second (colored) precincts is cut down about 25 each. It is believed that the Democratic senatorial ticket is elected, though there are no official figures. Stevens, Democratic candidate for judge of the Criminal Court, will probably be elected over Blythe, Republican.

Crawford Elected in Buncombe.

Crawford's majority in Asheville is 167. Two years ago Pearson carried the city by 149. In Hazel precinct, Pearson's home, Crawford's majority was 5; two years ago Pearson carried it by 7. Crawford's majority in the county is estimated at about 300, which would mean a gain of 624 over the last election. Reports from precincts in other counties show Democratic gains on the congressional ticket and the Democrats predict Crawford's election. Craig, for the House of Representatives, carried the city by over 300. Limestone township, 75 Republican two years ago, gives 22 Democratic majority.

Wilson.

Eight precincts give the Democrats 549 majority. The remaining four will run this majority to over 600. The vote for congressional candidates was a little scattered. Fountain, independent Populist, was supported by the Democrats generally. His majority in the county may reach 400. The judicial ticket ran ahead of the county vote. The majority for those candidates may reach 650. Wilson town gives a majority of 477 Democratic. Conner, Democrat, for the House of Representatives, was elected by 500 majority. The fusion county chairman has conceded the county by 500 majority. All precincts heard from. A Democratic majority of 500 is assured.

Forsyth.

Winston and Salem will give a Democratic majority of 500—not more than 250 each. Two years ago Winston went Republican by 258. The county gave a Republican majority of ovee 1,100. It will not be over 300 this time. This insures the election of the Democratic candidates for State Senators in this senatorial election. The election was very quiet, with the exception of two fights in the morning. In the afternoon the colored men in one ward got together and fired pistols at the white men who were at the polls. The latter fired several times and the negroes left in quick order.

Wayne.

The statement is authorized by the chairman of the Democratic county executive committee that Wayne gives not less than 600 majority, a Democratic gain of 700. This has been the quietest election in years, except for one incident. Oliver H. Dockery, Jr., fusion candidate for solicitor, who came down from Raleigh, went to Webbville, a suburban precinct of Goldsboro. The Democrats protested against his presence with the negroes, and the result was that Dockery's jaws were slapped. Dockery, returning to Goldsboro, took the train for Raleigh. Goldsboro and Wayne county overwhelmingly Democratic. The senatorial district is safe.

Rowan.

Rowan gives a Democratic majority of about 1,400, a gain of nearly 100 per cent. in all the country precincts. Kluttz's majority in this district will be over 4,000. Glenn and Thomas, the senatorial nominees, will be elected by more than 1,000 majority. Wiley Rush, Democratic candidate for solicitor, has a safe majority in the judicial district.

Union.

Union has gone Democratic over [illegible]

McDowell.

McDowell county is surely Democratic by a safe majority. In the fight between whites and negroes, one negro was shot. More trouble is expected.

Cumberland.

Cross Creek township, including Fayetteville, gives a Democratic majority of 384, a gain of nearly 270, Pearce's Mill a Democratic majority of 18, a gain of 90 votes. The Democrats gained about 50 votes in Black River township, but did not carry it. The Democratic losses in Seventy-first township are 17 only. The losses so far, summing up, seem to give the Democratic ticket 301 net gain in eight townships, with four to hear from, two of which will increase and two decrease the gain. The whole Democratic ticket is probably elected in Cumberland by a small majority. Although all the returns are not in, enough is ascertained to warrant the assurance that the county is safely Democratic by from 150 to 250 majority.

Rockingham.

Returns from 13 precincts, out of 20, in the county show a Democratic gain on the congressional ticket of 194. The precincts unheard from are Democratic strongholds, and conservative estimates put Kitchin's majority in the county at not less than 450. The entire Democratic ticket is thought to be elected by a safe majority. The election passed off quietly. A heavy vote was polled. In Reidsville, Democracy wins by from 300 to 500 over the fusionists and that takes in every candidate. Lindsey, for the Senate, leads the county ticket. Kitchin makes great gains in every precinct.

Randolph.

Randolph is still in the Republican column. The Democrats have conceded the election of the Republican ticket at this hour, 1 a. m., by a majority of about 23. It is so very close that it will take the official count to decide. Every precinct except two has been heard from and there is little hope for the legislative ticket by the Democrats, but the other two precincts may elect it by 10 majority. Atwater ran a little behind the ticket

Edgecombe.

In Tarboro seven precincts out of 21 give the Democratic legislative ticket 1,360 majority. Tarboro shows a Democratic gain of 686 over the vote of '96. The Democratic legislative ticket is elected by 1,800; the Democratic State ticket will have 500 majority.

Guilford.

The election passed off quietly. There was no disturbance whatever. The indications are that Guilford will go Democratic from 500 to 800. The entire Democratic ticket is elected.

Robeson.

Robeson county gives a Democratic majority of 912. The fifteenth senatorial district is saved. Robeson is held and the State is saved! The Democratic majority is fully 1,000.

Orange.

The State ticket is Democratic by 300 majority. The Legislative ticket is Democratic by 350. Chapel Hill goes Democratic and Orange county follows suit. The county ticket is elected by a majority of from 300 to 600. Kitchin's majority in the county is at least 400. There are Democratic gains throughout the county.

Davie.

The Republican senatorial and county ticket is elected by not exceeding 100 majority. The Democratic sheriff and register are probably elected.

Haywood.

The indications are that Haywood county has gone Democratic by at least 1,000 majority.

Mecklenburg.

So faithfully had Chairman McCall and the other Democratic workers of Charlotte done their duty, that it was expected that Mecklenburg would go about 1,000 Democratic majority—those figures being announced as the official expectations, but no one anticipated the handsome majority of 1,700, which she rolled up. Every Democratic official in the county is elected. Charlotte township went Democratic by 1,135 votes.

Ashe.

Ashe county, at 8 o'clock, is in great doubt. It looks as if the Democratic and Republicans have about divided the county ticket. The legislative ticket is very doubtful. Large Democratic gains are reported in some townships.

Anson.

Anson county has had a great day for Democracy. The Democrats carry the county by not less than 50 majority for the county and State ticket.

Burke.

Unofficial returns from all precincts in Burke county, received up to 10 o'clock, show the election of Julius H. Hoffman, Democrat, to the Legislature by a majority of 100. The majority for the Democratic senatorial ticket is about the same as Hoffman's. Manly McDowell, Democratic candidate for sheriff, has about 300 majority over Shuffman, Republican.

Lincoln.

Lincoln has redeemed herself. Every Democratic county candidate is elected by over 200, and Kluttz and the judicial ticket by the same majority.

Davidson.

Davidson county is safely Democratic by from 300 to 400 majority. The Democratic majority in High Point township is 126, a Democratic gain of 200.

Henderson.

Henderson county gives Pearson 400 majority. Justus, Republican, is elected to the House. The returns indicate the election of [illegible], Republican, to the Senate.

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... cratic congressional, judicial and legislative ticket is elected by 600 majority. The day was quiet. There were great Democratic gains over '96.

Catawba.

Returns from all but three precincts in Catawba give a Democratic majority of 443. Complete returns cannot reduce the majority below 375. The entire Democratic ticket is elected.

Rutherford.

Returns from the county up to 12 o'clock indicate the election of the entire Democratic ticket by more than 400 majority.

Durham.

Durham county's entire Democratic ticket is elected by majorities ranging from 300 to 600. Foushee, Democrat, for the Legislature, is elected for Congress and carries the county by about 500. The senatorial and judicial tickets are safe by good majorities.

Alexander.

The entire Democratic ticket is elected in Alexander. McIntosh, for the House, is elected by about 100 majority.

Cleveland.

Cleveland county elects the entire Democratic ticket, State and local. Conservative estimates place the majority at 500, a great Democratic gain in every precinct.

Iredell.

Iredell makes a gain of 750 votes, going Democratic by 800 or more. The election of Senators in this district seems to be assured. Every township in the county shows heavy Democratic gains. Shiloh leading, with a majority of 209.

Caldwell.

The Democratic majority in Caldwell county is over 300 for all candidates except Spainhour for solicitor, who runs probably 100 behind the ticket.

Halifax.

Scotland Neck's majority is 541; Palmyra's 137 for the Democrats and nothing for the Republicans, because they refused to vote in the legal boxes. Tillery precinct gives a good Democratic vote and Roseneath 170 Democratic, from what has been learned. Everything is quiet at all precincts heard from and there has been no trouble anywhere.

Pitt.

The indications at the close of the polls are that Pitt elects the legislative and county ticket by about 250 majority, a Democratic gain of 800 in the county.

Surry.

Surry county has been carried by the Democrats by a safe majority. Carter is elected to the House. The Senator is in doubt.

Granville.

The indications are that part of county tickets is elected. The county is claimed for the Democratic ticket. A large vote was polled. It was the quitest election ever held in Granville. The negro vote was almost solid.

Richmond.

The indications are that Richmond has gone Democratic by 1,000 majority. It is reported that Governor Russell was run out of Wilmington and came to Hamlet, locked up in a baggage car.

Alamance.

Alamance is redeemed. The county is Democratic by from 250 to 300.

Moore.

Moore has gone Democratic. Black, Democrat, is probably elected Senator in the twenty-second district.

New Hanover.

New Hanover will go Democratic by 300 or more. Everything is quiet.

Cartaret.

The Democrats carry the county by from 200 to 300. The member of the House of Representatives is elected by from 100 to 150. The State congressional and senatorial tickets are elected by 200 majority. Duncan claims that it will take the official count to decide.

Neutral Paint Saved Our Ships.

"I am delighted to read in the telegrams from Washington that the American war ships are being painted white again," said Colonel K. B. Brown at the Russ House last night. The colonel is from Virginia City, and like most Nevadans he oscillates between the Russ and Palace—boards at the first and talks politics in the rotunda of the other.

"White is the color of peace, and that is what suits me," continued Colonel Brown. "It suits me especially when it won in such a glorious fashion as was set by Dewey and Schley. When our floating fighting machines visit other countries they will still be properly designated as the white navy, and no prettier or sturdier ships ever made furrows in the sea.

"This changing in the color of our ships is expensive, but it is a good investment. When I was at Santiago de Cuba on a press boat four weeks ago I took a good look at the war boats in their fighting paint and it convinced me that the Yankee who got up that idea was no bevel-headed amateur. He knew what he was doing, and the government was wise in accepting the suggestion.

"The dirty, neutral tint of the vessels made them look as if they were merging into the marine waterscape. You could scarcely tell where the ships ended and the water began, so that it was much more difficult to draw a bead on them than if they had been painted in any clear color. The Spaniards are poor marksmen, of course, but I believe that our ships escaped many a shot and shell by putting on the neutral tint. Our American Indians always put on their war paint before going into battle, and why shouldn't our fighting ships?"

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COL. ROOSEVELT IS ELECTED.

Republicans Carry New York State by About 20,000.

RESULTS IN OTHER STATES.

Republicans Carry Nebraska for Governor And Will Probably Control the Legislature—A Republican to Succeed Senator Murphy in New York.

New York (Special).—Theodore Roosevelt, Republican, late colonel of the United States Volunteer Cavalry, has been elected Governor of this State by a plurality anywhere from 18,000 to 20,000. All Col. Roosevelt's associates on the Republican State ticket are probably elected with him. The returns both from Greater New York and from the counties outside of this municipality are incomplete, but enough have been received to indicate a heavy falling off in the vote up the State, while that in the city was well sustained. The consequence is the falling off in the Republican plurality in the State from 212,000 to the approximated figures given above. Outside of Greater New York, the vote for Van Wyck is only about one-fifth of one per cent. above that of Porter, in 1896. There appears to be a loss of four Republican Congressmen in the Brooklyn districts, the second, fourth, fifth and sixth and Congressman Quigg, who had a majority of about 9,000 at the election last year, has been defeated by Wm. Astor Chanler. In the Albany district, the twentieth, Glynn, Democrat, has been elected to succeed Southwick, Republican.

In addition to the foregoing there are seemingly, Democratic gains in the eighth and thirteenth districts, both in New York city, Daniel J. Riordan, being elected in the one and Jefferson Levy in the other. This makes a total Democratic gain of several Congressmen.

Pennsylvania.

The following named Congressmen have been elected in Pennsylvania: First district, H. H. Bingham, Republican; second, Robert Adams, Jr., Republican; third, William McAleer, Democrat; fourth, James R. Young, Republican; fifth, A. C. Harmer, Republican; sixth, Thomas S. Butler, Republican; seventh, Irving P. Wanger, Republican; ninth, Daniel Ermentrout, Democrat; tenth, Marriott Brosius, Republican; Twelfth, Morgan B. Williams, Republican; fourteenth, Marline Olmstead, Republican; fifteenth, Charles F. Wright, Republican; sixteenth, Horace B. Packer, Republican; eighteenth, Thaddeus M. Mahon, Republican; twentieth, Joseph E. Thropp, Republican; twenty-first, Summers M. Jack, Republican; twenty-second, John Dazwell, Republican, twenty-third, William H. Graham, Republican; twenty-fourth, Ernest F. Acheson, Republican; twenty-fifth, J. Showalter, Republican. Congressman-at-large, Galusha A. Grow, Republican; Congressman-at-large, Samuel A. Davenport, Republican.

Nebraska.

Scattering precinct returns indicate a political surprise in Nebraska, inasmuch as they forecast the almost certain election of Hayward, Republican, for Governor by a plurality of not less than 3,000. This will be a reversal of the verdict of 1896 by nearly 15,000. The count thus far is wholly on the Governor, so far as the State ticket is concerned, and as it is the belief that Hayward is running slightly ahead of his ticket, it would make the results on the remaining State officers very close. The most surprising feature of it all is the strength displayed by Republican legislative candidates, the few returns showing them to be even ahead of Hayward. As these are from but one or two counties, however, they fail to indicate assuredly the complexion of the Legislature.

Ohio.

Congress, first district, Ohio, William B. Shattuck, Republican, elected; second district, Jacob H. Bromwell, Republican, elected; fourth district, R. B. Gordon, Democrat, elected; fifth district, David Meekison, Democrat, re-elected; sixth district, Seth W. Brown, Republican, re-elected; tenth district, Stephen R. Morgan, Republican, elected; eleventh district, Chas. E. Grosvenor, Republican, re-elected; seventeenth district, John Anderson McDowell, Democrat, elected; nineteenth district, Chas. F. Dick, Republican, elected; twelfth district, E. N. Huggins, Republican, elected over J. J. Lentz, Democrat. This district gave a Democratic plurality last year of 3,187. Twenty-first district, Theodore E. Burton, Republican, elected; twentieth district, F. O. Philips, Republican, elected.

New Jersey.

The first returns coming in indicate that the Democrats will carry Jersey City by about 2,800, and the county of Hudson by between 5,000 and 6,000. No Republicans will be elected to any position in the county or city. The Democrats have made a clean sweep. [illegible] will have nearly, if not more, than 6,000 in the county. William D. Daly is elected to Congress by probably 4,500. Allen T. McDermott is elected State Senator by nearly as much. Chairman Murphy, of the Republican State committee, at 8:45, said: "We have carried the State for Voorhees by 11,000. We have elected a majority of the Assembly and will elect John Kean United States Senator." At the Democratic headquarters at the same hour it was said they would await further returns before making any predictions. United States Senator Wm. J. Sewell telegraphs the Associated Press from Camden at midnight as follows: "New Jersey elects a Republican Governor by from 5,000 to 10,000 majority, and a Republican Legislature."

New York.

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Second district, John J. Fitzgerald, Democrat; third district, Edmund Driggs, Democrat; fourth district, Bertram T. Clayton, Democrat; fifth district, Frank E. Wilson, Democrat; sixth district, Mitchell May, Democrat. Ithaca city complete gives Roosevelt 1,587; Van Wyck, 1,256.

Georgia.

The Democrats of Georgia return a solid delegation to Congress, as follows: First, Rufus E. Lester; second, James M. Griggs; third, Elijah B. Lewis; fourth, William C. Adamson; fifth, Leonidas L. Livingston; sixth, Charles L. Bartlett; seventh, John W. Maddox; eighth, William M. Howard; ninth, Farish C. Tate; tenth, William H. Fleming; eleventh, William G. Brantley.

Florida.

Returns insure the return of S. M. Sparkman, Democrat, in the first congressional district, and R. W. Harris, Democrat, in the second. The vote, judging from indications, is from 10 to 20 per cent. lighter for both parties than in 1896. The whole Democratic State ticket is elected. The light vote is due to the feeble resistance offered. The constitutional amendments requiring that bonds of State officers be in sound surety and guarantee companies, were carried overwhelmingly. The Republicans and Populists will not elect altogether over five members of the Legislature, if that many. The Legislature elected will choose a successor to Samuel Pasco.

Minnesota.

Both parties are claiming the result on the State ticket. On Legislature, the Democrats have all along conceded the victory to the Republicans. Returns on Congressmen are insufficient to decide, although it is probable the Republicans have at least four delegates, probably more. Apparently the result will be decided by the country, as the two cities are about a stand off.

South Carolina.

Elliott, Democrat, first; Tolbert, Democrat, second; Latimer, Democrat, third; Wilson, Democrat, fourth, Finley, Democrat, fifth; Norton, Democrat, sixth, and Stokes, Democrat, seventh congressional districts, elected by very large majorities. The Democratic State ticket was elected without opposition. Light vote cast throughout the State.

North Carolina.

The Democrats have certainly won in fifth, sixth and seventh districts. Returns not complete, make it practically certain that they have won in the first, third and ninth. In the second and fourth the two Populists, who were endorsed by the Democrats, are elected. The Republicans re-elected Linney in the eighth. It looks now that the Demoerts have made a clean sweep except in the eighth district, where the majority is reduced. The Legislature is two-thirds Democratic on joint ballot and the Democratic judicial ticket is elected by not less than 20,000. Two years ago the fusionists carried the State by 40,000. The vote shows that there has been a revolution.

Massachusetts.

Congress, Massachusetts, first district, George P. Lawrence, Republican, elected; second district, F. H. Gillett, Republican, elected; third district, J. H. Walker, Republican, elected; fourth district, G. W. Weymouth, Republican, elected; sixth district, W. H. Moody, Republican, elected; seventh district, E. W. Roberts, Republican, elected; eighth district, S. W. McCall, Republican, elected; eleventh district, C. F. Sprague, Republican, elected; twefth district, W. C. Lovering, Republican, elected; fifteenth district, W. S. Green, Republican, elected.

Connecticut.

Returns from Connecticut leave the Connecticut delegation unchanged politically. Following is the Connecticut list complete. First district, E. Stevens Henry, Republican; second district, N. D. Sperry, Republican; third district, Charles A. Russell, Republican; fourth district, E. J. Hill, Republican.

Texas.

Sayers carries Fort Worth by about 2,100 plurality. It is estimated that he will carry the State by 250,000.

Louisiana.

The Democrats in Louisiana made a clean sweep, electing six Congressmen, three railroad commissioners and three judges in the parish of Orleans. The Congressmen elected are: First district, Adolph Myers; second Robert C. Davey; third, Robert F. Broussard; fourth, Phanor Breaseale; fifth, Samuel T. Baird; sixth, Samuel M. Robertson.

Missouri.

Chairman Cook claims the election of the entire Democratic State ticket by a plurality of 35,000, the election of 13 and possibly 14 Congressmen, and the return of a safe majority to the Legislature, ensuring re-election of United States Senator Cockrell.

Arkansas.

Congress, first district, P. D. McCulloch, Democrat, elected; second district, J. S. Little, Democrat, elected; third district, Thomas C. McRae, Democrat, elected; fourth district, W. L. Terry, Democrat, elected; sixth district, S. Brundidge, Democrat, elected.

Mississippi.

Mississippi congressional results: First district, John M. Allen, Democrat, elected; second, Thomas Spight, Democrat; third Thomas C. Catchings, Democrat; fourth, R. W. Fox, Democrat; fifth, John S. Williams, Democrat; seventh, Patrick Henry, Democrat.

Stone's Plurality About 125,000.

Pennsylvania returns at midnight, an estimate based on the returns of the counties heard from indicate the election of Stone by a plurality which may exceed 125,000. Stone may have 75,000 plurality in Philadelphia county alone.

Virginia.

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tenth districts, where the Democrats had formidable opposition. The result is that the State returns a solidly Democratic delegation of ten members, and the feature of the election was the breaking away from Gen. Walker in the Republican strongholds of the ninth district, where he was defeated by Rhea. All the Congressmen elected are prominent silver men.

Iowa.

C. T. Hancock, chairman of the Iowa Republican State central committee, says: "We expect to carry the State by about 50,000 and elect the entire congressional delegation." C. A. Hoffman, secretary of the Democratic committee, says: "From the returns received so far the State will go Republican by greatly reduced majorities."

THE NEXT CONGRESS.

Eighty-Five Republicans and 109 Democrats Elected to the House.

New York, (Special).—Returns received in the Associated Press office in this city from all over the country Wednesday morning, indicate that 85 Republicans and 109 Democrats have certainly been elected to seats in the national House of Representatives. The same districts two years ago returned to the lower house of Congress 105 Republicans and 89 Democrats. Based solely upon the estimates in these districts a Republican loss of 20 and a Democratic gain of 21 is indicated. These estimates concede to the Democrats all of the congressional districts in Greater New York except one, the fifteenth.

To the Associated Press, Secretary Kerr said at 1 o'clock: "The Republicans will have lost control of the House of Representatives. We will have from 186 to 190 members and will organize the House of the fifty-sixth Congress. The majority of the opposition will be from 15 to 20 over the Republicans and perhaps more. Our advices indicate Democratic gains in some of the States as follows: Alabama 2, Illinois 5, Iowa 1, Kentucky 3, Maryland 2, Massachusetts 2, Missouri 2, New Jersey 2, New York 6, North Carolina 2, Pennsylvania 6, Virginia 3, West Virginia 1. This is a total of 37. One district in Delaware is doubtful with the chances in favor of the Democrats. In figuring a gain of three in Virginia Secretary Kerr includes two districts which elected Democrats in 1896, who were unseated by the present House.

Cuban and Porto Rican Bonds.

The foreign bondholders have at last moved formally to protect their interests in Cuba and Porto Rico. The initial steps have been taken through the agency of the French embassy at Washington, which in this case acts no longer as the representative of the Spanish government, but for French subjects.

The Teresa May be Saved Yet.

The Merritt Wrecking Company has received information that the Maria Teresa is ashore at Cat Island. Captain Chittenden will leave with the Merritt at once.

Distinguished Handless Artists.

A Belgian artist, one of Watteau's students—Caesar Ducornet—was handless, having been born without arms, and with only rudimentary legs, and yet he carried off all the prizes at Lille, won golden medals in Paris, and had pictures in the Louvre. He used to hold the palette with one foot stump, and use the brush with the other. A slender scaffold was built in front of his easel, and on this he writhed and twisted, climbed and crouched, leaving traces of color wherever he passed, traversing the canvas with the swiftness of a fly upon the wall. Antwerp had an artist who copied the masterpieces of Rubens, and yet had no hands. All his work was done with his toes, and so well did he paint that his pictures fetched a higher price for their artistic merit than those of any other artist in the city. England's handless painter, Mr. Bartram Hiles, at the age of 16 had exhibited his first picture at the Bristol academy, and succeeded in winning the national scholarship of the value of £100 for two years. He both paints and models with his mouth. Herr Adam Stepen of New York, is another armless artist, who guides the brushes with his toes. The young Swiss artist, Aimee Rapin, has no arms, but manipulates her crayon in a wonderful manner with her right foot. A German lady, known as the "foot artist" (because armless and painting with her feet), four years ago married a professional signer. The wedding ring was placed on her fourth toe, and she signed the register with her foot.

Helping the Old Man Out.

"It may not strike you as a plausible story, but it has the merit of truth. I read law down in Pennsylvania. It was in the old days when lectures were popular and people thought a good deal of solid information.

"There was one old chap in our neighborhood, who thought he had a call to instruct the people in some of the most abstruse problems of philosophy and political economics. The truth was that he was so slow and prosy and monotonous that no one of ordinary intelligence could sit under his teachings without going to sleep.

"As sometimes happens, the old gentleman had a son who had all the go and vim that his father lacked. He was full of ginger and sharper than a tack. One night there was a fine audience and the old man was plowing heavily after having put most of his hearers to sleep. [illegible]