

THE TRANSCRIPT.

Friday, March 13, 1868.

Republican Victory in New Hampshire.

The election in the Granite State on Tuesday last resulted in a Republican victory, to the great chagrin of the Democrats who have for years boasted that there was no doubt of their complete success. And so loud, indeed, were they in their boasts, that many of the Republicans have been disposed to concede to the State by a small majority. But figures will not lie. The State has again elected their State ticket by about three thousand majority, which is less than one hundred and fifty what it was last year. The Republicans have also elected four of the five congressmen, nine of the twelve Senators, and will have not less than seventy-five majority in the House of Representatives.

The Democrats have contested every inch of the ground, and have left no stone unturned that would in the remotest degree lead to success. Senator Doane, sitting around the circle, assisted by others of less prominence, and preached against "Radical corruption," "Negro supremacy," "Oppressive taxation," &c., &c., to no purpose. The friends of Gen. Harriman and the Republican ticket, on the other hand, were full of argument, and spared no effort to enlighten the people on the great and all-absorbing questions that are now agitating the country. Such eloquent speakers as Senator Nye, Governor Woods, of Oregon, Geo. Washburne and Siskieles, and others, added very materially to the Union cause, and so did Thurlow Weed, in his quiet way, as will be seen from the following paragraph which is taken from the Boston Transcript: "The Republicans of New Hampshire, strange as it may seem, willingly accord great credit to Thurlow Weed for his assistance during the canvass, which was rendered in a manner that will be long remembered by the Unionists of the Granite State."

More than a local significance attaches to the New Hampshire election. It is a long gun in favor of the nomination and election of General Grant as the next President of these United States; and as a contemporary well-observed, it does the reputation of the policy of Congress, proclaiming that only loyal men and loyal States shall be recognized in a Government hereafter to be based upon an equality of right. It affirms, too, that no man shall be above the law, but that the President, as well as the humblest individual of the land, shall be amenable to the decrees of impartial justice."

New Hampshire has done well!

Caucuses.

Having had some little experience in caucuses during late years, we desire to make some practical suggestions upon the manner in which they should be conducted. We trust that these suggestions will be more appreciated just at this time, from the fact that delegates are being appointed from the several towns in this District to the State and District Conventions. While it is generally conceded that Gen. Grant will be nominated for the Presidency, it is important that the primary proceedings should be conducted in such a manner as to secure the nomination of a man who should have a voice in the meetings. Only a few votes will be required to elect him, and the disappointed people will be pleased to see him elected. In the first place a moderator of the right stamp should be selected to preside over the meeting—an old singer—one who has had experience in the business. In this, it is to be found a lone hand in caucuses. Those who would win, should be on hand promptly at the appointed moment, and carry the elections with a dash. Committees on nominations should be appointed, and this will consume too much time, and by it the people might suppose they had some voice in the elections.

The names of the delegates should all be written plainly upon a single slip of paper, to insure correct record by the Secretary; should be presented by one man, and be voted by acclamation. Every one will readily see the propriety in this, as some mistakes might be made by a committee, or anybody to manipulate. If any objections are made to this method of organizing, we say, let them be overruled. The wheat should be used to put the potatoes through the mill.

Not more than one officer or soldier in the late war should be intrusted with an election for delegate, and he should be a man who has sympathy with his late comrades. It would be well to have a list of alternates also, written out upon a piece of paper in the same manner for contingencies. But if this is overlooked, and it is proposed to elect alternates, objections should be promptly raised. Some unworthy men might be elected by acclamation; anybody can be elected should be empowered to fill all vacancies. By these means time could be obtained to fill the vacancies with the right men, in case any vacancies should happen. When the business is accomplished, as pre-arranged, you should publish to the world that the people of the party have had a caucus. By mentioning the people, it will give the whole thing character.

Disinterested people will always admire this manner of proceeding, and you will be sure to obtain their votes as a pick-pocket is to be applauded by the bye-standers.

THURSDAY.—The rolling stock of the Troy and Boston Railroad Co. was attended from under attachment by T. W. Park, of Bennington, for the past thirteen months, has been restored to its owners, and went to Troy on Wednesday. It consisted of four locomotives and tenders, one passenger car and three mail, baggage and smoking cars.

THE BOSTON POST takes the result of the New Hampshire election good naturedly. Its power, which is a plump-looking bird, was turned upside-down on the morning after election, and the Post says: "Our bird would have croaked this morning if New Hampshire had not stuck in the camp. The election has calmed him, but Connecticut will bring him up." Don't be too sure.

THE STANFORD JOURNAL says that Messrs. M. L. Kelley and David Brodie, of Derby Line, have made arrangements with the municipal authorities of the city of Baltimore to employ the inmates of the House of Refuge of that city in manufacturing shoes, and will shortly remove there.

COLD SEASONS.—Prof. Locant of Yale College says that this has been the coldest winter in New Haven, of any in the last ninety years, except that of 1855-6, when the temperature was one degree over.

Items from Washington.

Congressman Starkweather, has sent ten thousand speeches into Connecticut, instead of one thousand, as the operator stated on Friday.

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[Continued from the Vermont Transcript.]

Letter from New Hampshire.

ROCKINGHAM HOUSE, Portsmouth, N. H., March 9th, 1868.

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young lady) has been staying at this hotel for the past week, making speeches in the Democratic interest, both here and at Greenland. She says she is going to stump the State for the Democrats next summer. Her husband and son are staying here, and he is to address the Republicans this afternoon, X.

THE FIRST PRISONER.

Was there any one that did not know McCarty, while the Vermont Cavalry regiment was in camp at Burlington? If any such there were, they did not belong to the original organization. McCarty was enrolled in Capt. Conger's Co. B, and joined the regiment from St. Albans. He early gained for himself a peculiar reputation, and his individuality became distinctly known. As I remember him, he was somewhat advanced in years, perhaps 45; but in this there was no discredit, nor, perhaps disadvantage, when we consider that many older men than himself would be cavaliers.

It was the popular idea of the times that the aged could ride on horseback to meet the enemy, better than to go on foot, but obstacles were soon discovered in their way to active service. In proportion to the age of the trooper, as a general rule, was the size of his bundle strapped to the cantle of his saddle. Their portmanteaus became so enlarged, in some instances, with their economical desires to move bed and bedding, that it was impossible for them to get on to a horse, without the assistance from others. Still there was a place found for every one elsewhere, who could not excel in the ranks, and frequently, as in the case of McCarty, the soldier selected for himself.

Time wore away in camp at Burlington, with roll calls, drills upon foot and the school of the trooper mounted. Whether McCarty ever learned the precise method of saddling, bridling and mounting a horse, I cannot say. What he did become acquainted with, the particular manner of holding the reins in the left hand I do not know, but my opinion is he cared for none of these things. His forte was rather to obtain egress from camp—to steal his way past the guards and sentries who were stationed around it with clubs, to operate outside. He evidently possessed from the start, all of those essential qualities which were afterwards found to characterize a first class bummer in the army. The bummer were not without their usefulness, when the chase was not too large, they were valuable appendages, and the messes to which they belonged generally lived well.

The regiment had embarked upon the cars at Burlington—had tickled the people of New York City in making its display in passing through Broadway—had galloped from Jersey City to Elizabeth, where riders became dismounted, and the highway literally strewn with blankets, bundles, and all the liveries of war, reminding one of a grandioso, and the horses were so much soiled in the saddle, that the horses were never afterwards ridden faster than a walk except on extraordinary occasions. The regiment took the cars again at Elizabeth, and wended its way through Harrisburg to Washington, and McCarty was ever useful in filling canteens for the boys at the corner groceries on the road.

When the regiment reached Washington, it went into "Camp Greaves," and the President had determined on a course with regard to the War Department, which was very likely to end in further conflict, and to add to the certainty of his conviction by the Senate. In pursuance of his determination not to let the Reconstruction Committee agree that before taking action on the Alabama case to call for the official returns of all the late elections there.

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New Hampshire State Election.

GOV. HARRIMAN RE-ELECTED!

THE REPUBLICANS JUBILANT!

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IMPEACHMENT MATTERS.

Important Ruling by Judge Chase.

ARRANGEMENTS FOR THE PRESIDENT'S TRIAL.

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Summary of News.

—Barnum has lost three museums by fire.

—Nashby is going to Washington to lecture.

—There are 8,000 Methodists in Illinois.

—North Carolina has nine daily papers.

—Lettuce is already in the Allegheny market.

—The Seminoles of Florida still hold slaves.

—There are fifteen hundred lakes in Maine.

—There are 1,000 John Smiths in New York.

—Bishop Whittingham's health is improving.

—Wisconsin is cutting pine trees six feet in diameter.

—The Cincinnati insurance companies lost \$300,000 on the late Copenhagen fire.

—Queen Victoria has twelve grandchildren.

—No wonder politicians quarrel so much. Quarrels are their common food.

—A new lot of Artemus Ward's unpublished productions are soon to be published.

—The new Constitution of Missouri declares that duellists shall not vote.

—Milo, Sarah Field, sister of Rachel, is a vendor of hair dyes, and has sold 100,000 bottles.

—The value of a White North gun—worth a whit.

—The "last of the revolutionary heroes" is still dying in every section of the Union every few weeks.

—The new edition of the "Lives of the Presidents" is now a devotee to the American rock-thrower. That is the only popular "institution" he has ever favored.

—Western ministers went to church a few weeks ago and took his seat with the congregation, refusing to preach because his salary had not been paid.