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FORCE BILL NOWHERE

Beside this Democratic Scheme to Keep West Virginia

FROM EVER GOING REPUBLICAN.

A Plan Hatching for the Legislature—An Election Board to Be Appointed By the Governor to Appoint Commissioners in all the Counties—Here's How the Democratic Managers Propose to Hold this State in Line.

Special Dispatch to the Intelligencer

MARTINSBURG, W. VA., Nov. 11.—The lights of Democracy have already mapped out a plan for the next legislature that will, in their judgment, fix for all time to come the state in the Democratic column.

There are now about twenty-five counties in the control of Republican commissioners who appoint the three election commissioners at each precinct. Under the new order we are to have an election board appointed by the governor, composed of three tried and true Democrats, who are to appoint for each voting precinct in the state two Democrats and one Republican commissioner to hold and conduct the election.

CONGRESSIONAL DELEGATION.

The Official Returns Not Yet In—What the Estimates Now Show.

The result in the First congressional district will not be definitely known until the official returns are canvassed. The delay in getting the reports from Braxton and certain districts in Wetzel counties, where gains were expected for Dovener, is a reminder of the experience of 1888 when delays were convenient and aided the Democracy to show a plurality for Pendleton on the face of the returns when everybody knew that Mr. Atkinson had a legitimate plurality. There is reason to believe that in Wetzel Captain Dovener received a better vote than the returns show. However, the figures which are at hand are given below and may be taken for what they are worth until the official returns are in. It is regarded as a little strange that the official returns from the county of Wetzel should be held back so long. The figures so far given, but which are subject to change, are as follows:

	Majorities.	
	Dovener.	Pendleton.
Hancock	106	.....
Brooke	.....	14
Ohio	.....	92
Marshall	765	.....
Wetzel	.....	615
Tyler	342	.....
Doddridge	225	.....
Harrison	325	.....
Lewis	.....	136
Gilmer	.....	345
Braxton	.....	672
	1,763	1,864
Pendleton's estimated plurality		101

Mr. Pendleton's plurality in 1890 was 648. Mr. Dovener has made a Republican gain of at least 547, if he has not indeed wiped out the Democratic majority.

From the Second district no official figures have been received, but Mr. Wilson is undoubtedly re-elected by a majority of from six to eight hundred.

In the Third district the returns are as hard to get as in the First. In the absence of official reports the following estimate seems fair at this time:

	MAJORITIES.	
	Rucker.	Alderson.
Logan	.....	1,200
McDowell	650	.....
Wyoming	50	.....
Mercer	.....	150
Boone	.....	200
Fayette	500	.....
Kanawha	497	.....
Summers	.....	200
Monroe	.....	150
Greenbrier	.....	800
Pocahontas	.....	350
Nicholas	.....	200
Webster	.....	412
Upshur	928	.....
Clay	50	.....
Raleigh	.....	150
Estimated	2,675	3,912
Alderson's majority		1,237

In the Fourth district Capehart's majority over Caldwell will be in the neighborhood of eight hundred.

WOOD IS SERENE.

All Republicans But One Get In—Hungry Democrats Who Want the Spoils.

Special Dispatch to the Intelligencer.

PARKERSBURG, W. VA., Nov. 11.—Old Wood still stands serene amid the general political wreck, and points with a smile to the fact that the Republicans only lost the criminal judge, the county commissioner and the prosecuting attorney.

Judge J. M. Jackson is elected criminal judge over Judge Loomis, young Walter McDougle carries off the prosecuting attorneyship over J. W. Vandervort, and Ran Rector goes into the county court over T. A. Black. We elect a Republican sheriff, three members of the legislature, two school commissioners, surveyor, justices, constables, etc. The fact remains, however, that the usual Republican majority was cut down fearfully, and the tidal wave came near engulfing the whole business.

In the two counties adjoining Wood and in Wood the vote for sheriff was exceedingly close. Dudley, Republican, in Wood, is elected by a majority of thirteen; Ogden, Republican, in Pleasants, by four votes, and Rathbone, Republican, in Wirt, by seventeen.

Already the Democrats are on the alert for the spoils that now, by the rules of war belong to them. For Captain Hozen's place in the postoffice, the applicants are numerous and growing. Among them are Colonel Thomas G. Smith, Captain A. N. Williams, Judge T. E. Quinn and George Tavenner. Tavenner claims that the place has been promised him and that he as good as has it now in his vest pocket. This remains to be seen, but he is known to have a pull with Congressman Capehart. For Collector White's job Dr. C. A. Wade is prominently mentioned. He is the defeated candidate for sheriff in this county, but made a great fight for it. Captain John McCabe will probably go into Colonel Taggart's shoes as janitor at the custom house, and so on.

Coming to This Country.

CHRISTIANI, Nov. 11.—Hagen, the champion skater of the world, has left this city for the United States.

PATHETIC CORRESPONDENCE.

Mrs. Maybrick's Mother Makes Pitiful Appeals to Hard Hearted British Officials.

LONDON, Nov. 11.—An interesting and pathetic correspondence written October 15, to which the representative of the Associated Press had access, discloses what unceasing, though still unavailing efforts, the Baroness DeRoques is making to succur her daughter in prison. The appeals alternately to the prison authorities, to the home secretary, to Sir Charles Russell as attorney general, to Lord Roseberry as foreign minister, pleads to each for release on legal grounds and failing in these tries to draw from the official breasts what sentiment of pity may be found therein. Finally she makes an appeal to the powerful journalistic influence of Mr. Stead, who is probably awaiting his best opportunity to practically intervene on behalf of mother and daughter by increasing the agitation in favor of release. The baroness had learned that Mrs. Maybrick was seriously ill, and appeals to the attorney general to enable her to send a physician to "report on her condition and try to relieve her sufferings." She mentions that she had selected Dr. Herbert Tibbits, who had agreed to visit her daughter in prison; but at the last moment Mr. Pemberton, the legal adviser of the home office, refused his sanction. Next she appealed to Sir Charles Russell and then to Mr. Stead writing him that her nights are consumed in planning and daylight brings despair. The baroness next appealed to Lord Roseberry as follows:

To the Right Honorable Lord Roseberry, Secretary of Foreign Affairs, London.

MY LORD: I am addressing you as an American and as the mother of Mrs. Maybrick, an American born woman of American parents, whose marriage in England made her for a time a subject of the queen. I am appealing to you to consider her case. Enough has been told about the misery and misfortune for you to know all about her, and I am sure you feel that there have been cruel mistakes on the part of England and that she, being a woman, almost a girl; a young mother, with no relation but myself, in the misery of an unfair detention; in failing health, which is fast bringing her the most awful of deaths by rapid decline, that it is indeed an act of mercy and a debt of honor that you, as England's head of the department of foreign affairs, assist us with your influence for her release. I think the question of innocence and guilt is no longer undecided; that the world, in fact, finds she is innocent. At the same time political feeling is weaving a net about the case and I would entreat to cut these threads, ever so unimportant and frail.

Give me back my child. Let me take her quietly away from England. Let her wrongs and her sufferings die in silence for the dignity of a great nation, if need be, but save her life to me. The time is now near when the law can be satisfied, the term expired for alleged attempt at poisoning. I wish to send my physician to report on her case and to try and alleviate her intense suffering. But I need influence to do this, and I entreat you to assist me. Respectfully,

[Signed.] DEROQUES.

To this appeal Roseberry replied through his secretary "that he has my letter, and cannot interfere in a matter the consideration of which rests exclusively with the home secretary." The rest of the correspondence shows that the baroness is in constant receipt of the friendliest and most compassionate letters from Miss Dodge and Mrs. Blaine. A part of what appears in the correspondence is that it is reported that Mr. Pemberton, who really controls the case, resents outside pressure and especially foreign pressure, and has declared that no United States interference, no newspaper pressure shall influence him.

BIG PACKING COMBINE.

A Deal Which Will Make the Greatest Packing Concern in the World.

CHICAGO, Nov. 11.—It is announced here this morning that two of the largest packing companies in Chicago will soon be merged into one. These are the International Packing & Provision company and the Chicago Packing & Provision company. The consolidation is a financial movement of great importance, for it brings together one of the largerst aggregations of capital that can be found anywhere centred in similar business. The new company will really be one of the great organizations in the country, controlling as it will, over $4,000,000 of cash working capital, in addition to the plants represented by stocks and bonds.

The capital in the Chicago Packing & Provision Company is 400,000 pounds sterling, and of the International Packing & Provision Company 80,000 pounds. In addition the two companies have a little over $2,000,000 of bonds outstanding. It is suggested by those familiar with the packing business and more or less conversant with the plans of the ruling spirits in these two organizations that there is contemplated a great extension in the business. People connected with the Hammond company admit that there is a possibility of that company coming within the control of the consolidated company. That company is an enormous one, having a capitalization of 1,240,000 pounds.

It is believed that the Hammond people are particularly anxious to bring such a thing about. It is suggested also that there are possibilities of western extensions and that the plans of the leaders means a colossal organization which take first rank in the packing industry. The importance of the consolidated organization will be understood when it is known that the consolidated companies will have a capacity for killing 12,500 a day. This equals the combined output of the other three big packing concerns, Messrs. Armour, Swift and Morris, and is over twice as much as the largest of these.

Confessed Everything.

TOLEDO, O., Nov. 11.—Charles Meuendorff, one of the seven councilmen charged with soliciting bribes, was arraigned for trial in the common pleas court yesterday. He was terribly agitated and despite the encouraging words of his counsel broke completely down. He acknowledged every point claimed by the state about the oathbound gang meeting in the rear of his store at midnight and laying plans for bleeding the rich corporations which sought franchises from the council. He admitted all and begged for mercy.

THE GENIAL DEPEW

Comes Back at Brother Platt in Characteristic Style.

MR. PLATT, HE RAN THE MACHINE

And Did It Well, But He Should Not Blame the Collision on the Man Who was Limited to Making Speeches—Mr. Depew Accounts for the Landslide—The Country Wants a Chance at Free Trade and He Hopes It Will Get It.

NEW YORK, Nov. 11.—Chauncey M. Depew was asked this morning what he thought of a statement made last night by ex-Senator Thomas C. Platt, attributing the defeat of the Republican party in New York county to him (Depew.) In reply the doctor said:

"Brother Platt objected to me taking an active managing part in the campaign. He said: 'Brother Depew, you are a good orator and are good enough to make speeches for the party, but you must not do any managing.'

"Brother Platt thinks I am an amateur when it comes to politics. On the other hand, he believes, and so do I, that he himself is an expert and experienced politician. It was, therefore, agreed that Brother Platt should manage the campaign. He was allotted the task of running the machine and I was put off at speech-making.

"Now, Brother Platt is a shrewd and competent engineer, and ran the machine as well as it could be done. He did all the work in the city and in the state, and did it better, perhaps, than any one could have done it. But, then, as he was managing and conducting the machine, I don't think he can lay the blame for the collision on me.

"We just ran into a landslide—that was it, plain and simple. Brother Platt was at the throttle, and wide-awake, too, but he could not avert an accident. The engine simply plunged into the obstruction and we all know the result.

"Early in the fight Brother Platt insisted upon my confining myself to orations instead of engineering actively in the machinery department. He preferred to do this himself, as he had had more experience, so I went forth as a speaker. Between us we evolved the end.

"The result could not be attributed to any one person or party of persons. New York alone did not effect the result. It was the whole country. The people wanted a change of policy more than of candidates and they will have it. They want to try free trade because they think they will get clothing cheaper. They will have every opportunity to try it, I hope.

"The Homestead strike also affected the voting. It came on right in the beginning of the campaign and operated against President Harrison. There has been a good deal of talk about Mr. Carnegie and Mr. Frick. Now, we charge Mr. Frick with having voted the Democratic ticket. I declare that he did not contribute to the campaign fund, nor did Mr. Carnegie."

SENATOR PERKINS

Has Some Views About the Result, and Doesn't Mince Words.

TOPEKA, KAN., Nov. 11.—United States Senator B. W. Perkins, who is in Topeka this afternoon, in an interview with an Associated Press reporter, said:

"I believe our defeat is due to the rainbow chasing of the Republican national committee. Instead of giving their attention to the Republican section of the country they neglected and overlooked the Republican states almost entirely. They dissipated and wasted their efforts where there was no reason to expect Republican success. Instead of aiding Kansas and the Republican states of the northwest, and looking after Western New York and Ohio, they wasted their strength in Tennessee, North Carolina, Alabama, West Virginia, Delaware, New Jersey and Missouri. The result of this is the election of Cleveland.

"I think when the vote of New York is analyzed it will be shown that Cleveland's vote is no larger than it was four years ago, and that Harrison's failure to carry the state is the result of the failure of Republicans to organize in the country districts, and attend the polls. I think the truth when ascertained will show that not a vote has been changed in Ohio, although we have lost the state.

"Three days before election the national Democratic committee gave public notice that they expected to carry Ohio by seeing that all the Democrats voted, while the Republicans, in their apathy and over-confidence, were doing nothing. This notice was given in time to have allowed the national committee and the Republican committee of Ohio that they be awake to the situation, to have gotten out their votes and saved the state."

THIS IS TRUE.

After Our Bull Run Will Come Our Appomattox.

BLOOMINGTON, ILL., Nov. 11.—Concerning the causes of the great landslide of Tuesday, Gen. John McNulta said to an Associated Press representative:

"It is not a Waterloo, it is simply our Bull Run. The result will be the reorganization of the party on a better basis nearer the masses of the people indicating a reasonable protection and some practical recognition under the law of the equitable rights of organized and concentrated labor that are given to organized capital. Then we will have our Appomatox and in the end a better and purer government."

M'KINLEY SILENT.

He Will Not Express His Views Until He Studies the Situation.

COLUMBUS, O., Nov. 11.—Governor McKinley returned to-day from East Liverpool, where he attended the funeral of a friend. He was again besieged by newspaper men for his views on the result of the election. He declined and stated that he had not intended at any time to talk on the matter. It was a question of opinion and the judgment of one man was perhaps as good as that of another. When approached by newspaper men Wednesday it was learned he would be away until Friday and they expected to get an interview on his return.

To-night it is learned the governor accepted an invitation to address the Garfield club at Youngstown November 18, and it was at once assumed that he would no doubt express his views on the situation at that time, but he says he will only make a social talk at Youngstown; that he had accepted the invitation long before the election, and that he had no intention of making a statement either in an interview or in any address that he might make.

WATTERSON JUBILANT.

The Democratic Victory Means His Pet Hobby, Free Trade.

LOUISVILLE, KY., Nov. 11.—The Democrats had a monstrous meeting here to-night. The governor of the state and half the legislature coming to take part in it. Fully 10,000 men, representing the Democratic clubs of the three adjacent cities, took part in the parade.

The principal speech was made by Mr. Watterson.

"If," began Mr. Watterson, "if I were a Republican, I should be like the gentleman who, returning from his club, suddenly found his way blocked by a tree. He receded and took another angle, but with the same result. Finally, when this had happened three or four times, he folded his arms, sat down upon the curbstone and in despairing tones exclaimed: 'Lost in an an impenetrable forest.'"

The speaker then proceeded to pay his respects to those who had accused him of inactivity in the campaign, declaring that he had been steadily at his post of duty, and then addressed himself as follows to the general situation:

"There is no double meaning to the vote of Tuesday. It sounds the death knell of the protective system. The robber baron in his castle hears it; and amid the cheers of emancipated labor he is preparing to meet the inevitable. The money devil, a bully always, yet ever afraid of his shadow, and no wonder, it is so hideous, has been knocked speechless and can only gasp for breath. The sham heroes who have driven so brisk a business pursuing the old flag and a pension already see their occupation gone.

Closing, Mr. Watterson said: "I want nothing but a sound, successful Democratic administration. I expect to get another and another until the prophesy of the fathers is fulfilled and the right of every citizen to an equal share in the blessings of free government is confined and guaranted by a series of Democratic laws, disfigured, not even by the memory of a force bill, not bartered by the shadow of one single protective duty."

PRESIDENT HARRISON

Tells What He Sees in the Result of the Election.

NEW YORK, Nov. 11.—President Harrison talked freely to-day about the recent defeat of his party and the causes which brought it about, says a dispatch from Washington to the *Herald*.

"The overwhelming defeat of the Republican party," the President said, "was due mainly to the position of party on tariff question. The Republicans had forced this issue to an extreme which evidently did not meet with the approval of the people."

The inevitable result, if the party was to hope for a renewal of power, was a modification of this position, but not a renunciation altogether of the protective tariff policy.

President Harrison has very decided views as to the conduct of the campaign. He does not think very much of Chairman Carter, of the Republican national committee. He consented to Mr. Carter's appointment only when it became evident that no more acceptable man could be found.

OHIO STILL DOUBTFUL.

Possibility That Two Republican Electors Will Pull Through.

COLUMBUS, O., Nov. 11.—Claims are even at Republican and Democratic headquarters to-day and each insists on the honors. After two days and nights of figuring and telegraphing, the question as to which party carried Ohio is no nearer a solution than it was on the night of the election. Both parties, however, have reduced the size of the plurality. The Republicans claim to have official returns from seventy-one counties and reliable semi-official reports from the remaining seventeen. On these Chairman Dick claims the election of the Republican state ticket by over 1,100 plurality and that the lowest of the Harrison electors will have 950. This is a material scaling down from yesterday. The Democrats claim 1,000 plurality for the Cleveland electors, but do not offer details as to counties.

It now seems certain that the electors will be divided. Seward and Danford respectively on the head of the Democratic and Republican electoral tickets, are ahead of the others because the electors made the error in marking the Australian ballot, putting the cross in front of the name of the first elector instead of in the circle. Unless subsequent changes run up the plurality for one or the other parties to a figure bordering on the thousands, both Danford and Seward will be members of the electoral college.

California Returns.

SAN FRANCISCO, Nov. 11.—Returns from the interior of the state are coming slowly, and only about 45,000 ballots on the general ticket have been recounted. These give Harrison 19,005, Cleveland 23,711, Weaver 1,719. This, taken with returns so far received from the interior, give Harrison 100,985, Cleveland 98,246, Weaver 1,211, or a plurality of 2,379 for Harrison, with 455 interior precincts and 15,000 votes in this city to hear from. The Republican state committee conceded 6,000 plurality in San Francisco to Cleveland, which would offset Republican gains outside at all events, leaving a small plurality for either candidate.

Washington Legislature.

SPOKANE, WASH., Nov. 11.—Returns to the *Review* indicate that of the forty members of the legislature from this side of the mountains thirty will be Republicans and ten Democrats. This includes four hold over senators.

Lewis Baker Will Not Be Senator.

ST. PAUL, MINN., Nov. 11.—Almost complete returns from seventy-two of the counties give Nelson, Republican, a plurality of 12,168. Latest reports make the legislature Republican by a small majority, but enough to re-elect Senator Davis. The Republicans are sure of four congressmen and the Democrats of two, while the seventh is still in doubt.

THE THIRD PARTY

Will Control Kansas—Jerry Simpson May Not be Senator.

TOPEKA, KAN., Nov. 11.—The Republicans of Kansas are now looking around to see if they have really saved any thing from Tuesday's wreck. One candidate after another which thought they had survived the general disaster, has been found to have gone under until now their only consolation is in the election of two congressmen.

To-day the unofficial returns show that Congressman Funston has been defeated for re-election in the second district, and that the fusionists have secured a majority of nine on joint ballot in the legislature. A Populist majority in the legislature, of course, means the retirement of Hon. Bishop W. Perkins from the United States senate.

A Populist majority would doubtless have to choose between Jerry Simpson and Judge John Martin. Jerry Simpson is generally regarded by the Third party people to have secured honor enough in his re-election to the house, and his aspirations to sit in the senate will probably be squelched.

Wyoming is Democratic.

ST. LOUIS, MO., Nov. 11.—The *Globe-Democrat* this morning publishes the following dispatch from Wyoming: "About all the returns have been received from the far-off counties in the state. As near as can be ascertained there were about 20,000 votes cast in the state. Osborn, Democratic governor-elect, has 2,500 majority. Cafren, Democratic congressman-elect, has 1,000 majority over Clark, the most popular Republican in the state. Chairman VanDeventer, of the Republican committee, concedes the legislature to the Democrats. This will insure a Democratic United States senator."

Solvely Didn't Get There.

TACOMA, WASH., Nov. 11.—The latest returns do not materially change the result in this state. Harrison carries the state by 4,000. Governor McGraw (Rep.) will have a plurality of 2,000. The Republicans elect both Congressmen by good pluralities. In the legislature the Republicans have forty-eight majority on joint ballot.

Indiana's Plurality.

INDIANAPOLIS, IND., Nov. 11.—Complete returns from 88 counties in Indiana show a net Democratic gain over 1888 of 10,300, making the Democratic plurality thus far 7,952. The remaining five counties will probably increase this 500.

Is This Industry a "Fake," Mr. Register?

ELWOOD, IND., Nov. 11.—There is no truth in the report that Elwood's tin plate and plate glass works had suspended operations. The plant closed down temporarily while new and additional machinery is added.

Hogg Elected.

WACO, TEX., Nov. 11.—Late last night, after having figured up returns received during the evening, Judge Clark conceded the election of Hogg by about 25,000 plurality.

Oklahoma Legislature.

GUTHRIE, O. T., Nov. 11.—Reports from nearly all the counties in the territory show that the Democrats will have both branches of the legislature.

Myer and McAuliffe to Meet.

CHICAGO, Nov. 11.—Arrangements have been completed for Billy Myer and Jack McAuliffe to meet December 10, at the Second regiment armory in a six-round go on their merits. When Alf Mennedy was in New York before the Godfrey-Choynski fight he met McAuliffee and suggested a ten round go between him and Myer, to take place in Chicago. McAuliffe was not willing to go that long, but agreed to meet Myer in a six round contest. The terms, however, were not satisfactory to either party, and an agreement was not reached until last night, when Kennedy received a telegram from McAuliffe naming December 10, as the time.

A Wise Precaution.

COLUMBUS, O., Nov. 11.—Congressman Outhwaite has addressed a letter to the State Bankers' Association, in session, asking them to adopt a resolution petitioning for the replacement of mutilated and soiled paper money by new issue. He calls attention to the discovery of disease bacili on such money and the claims of medical science that infectious diseases are frequently imported in this way. In view of the threatened epidemic of cholera he thinks immediate action of Congress necessary. He will introduce a bill looking to this as soon as Congress meets.

K. of L. Assembly.

ST. LOUIS, MO., Nov. 11.—High officials in the order of Knights of Labor of America, are rapidly arriving in St. Louis. The annual convention of the General Assembly meets in this city on the 15th inst, and the advance committees are already assembling and holding meetings to prepare their reports to the general body.

CONDENSED TELEGRAMS.

If the grand jury finds an indictment of murder against Lizzie A. Borden, the trial will take place in New Bedford in January.

The President has begun his annual message to Congress. It will be short and will not deal with the existing political situation.

Captain Densmore, for many years chief usher at the executive mansion, is lying at the point of death at his residence in Washington.

Senator Hill's organ, the Albany *Times-Union* comes out for Edward Murphy for United States Senator to succeed Senator Hiscock (Rep.)

The World's Fair directors have passed a resolution favoring the opening of the exposition gates on Sunday, provided that the machinery be not run.

Governor Brown, of Maryland, has fixed upon December 30, and signed the death warrant, for the execution of the eight murderers of Dr. J. M. Hill, of Kent county.

ENGLISH POLITICS

Now Loom Up as a Subject of Some Importance.

THE NEW CONSERVATIVE PLATFORM

The Rigidity of Old Toryism Absolutely Vanishes and is Replaced by Elastic Constitutionalism—Drifting Toward Republicanism—Morley's Evicted Tenants Commission Doomed—The Radicals Not Squeamish—Other Matters of Interest.

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LONDON, Nov. 11.—No event in the recent history of the Conservative party approaches in importance the adoption of the new programme by the conference of Conservative associations just held in Edinburgh. The platform is frankly Democratic. It even goes beyond the New Castle programme of the Liberals in admitting popular control of party legislation, and further it contrasts favorably with the Liberal Federation's policy as allowing greater independence of opinion among the adherents of the principles of Unionism. The rigidity of old Toryism has absolutely vanished and is replaced by an elastic constitutionalism, which Mr. Balfour and other leaders have accepted, though certain fossils like the duke of Rutland continue to think it incompatible with genuine Conservatism and dangerous to the success of party government.

The programme includes electoral registration reform, with an equalization of votes, and a reduction of the period of occupancy required to qualify voters. This in itself trumps the Liberal proposals in the same direction. Next, the conference approved the extension of the franchise to enable rate payers, the disfranchisement of illiterate voters, popular control of the liquor traffic, state provision for old age, assistance to workingmen to enable them to acquire land for building purposes, an amendment to the employers' liability laws, and factory acts in the workingmen's interest. Finally some touch of home ruleism was infused in the programme by the approval of the transference of private bill procedure from the committee of parliament to local bodies.

A DOOMED MOVEMENT.

Mr. John Morley's evicted tenants' commission seems doomed to disastrous failure. Lord Salisbury has characterized it as a saturnalia for insolvent debtors and has declared that Justice Matthews, its president, will turn to the judicial bench with his robes soiled and moth eaten. But neither Lord Salisbury's jibes nor Mr. Balfour's denunciations are causing the collapse of the commission. Internal disputes concerning the methods of inquiry, mistaken instructions by Mr. Morley and partisan mismanagement by Justice Matthews are the chief factors in the breakup.

NOT A BIT SQUEAMISH.

The Radicals have abandoned all hope of any legislation for the evicted tenants during the coming session. A plan now discussed by the ministerial circle is to not ask the house of commons to vote a grant for their relief, but to evade a decision of the house by drawing funds enough from the land purchase commission to compulsory purchase portions of estates from obstinate landlords, with enough to make loans to tenants to enable them to start farms anew.

There is nothing timid or squeamish about this proposal, but with another general election almost within sight, prudent Liberal members of the house of commons hesitate to approve a course that is certain to arouse general reprobation.

A LONG SESSION PROMISED.

The Bering Sea arbitrators, who are to meet in Paris, will probably not assemble before February. Lord Hannen, assisted by Sir George Badenpower, is laboring steadily over the case for Great Britain. In official circles here the opinion prevails that the arbitration proceedings will be protracted.

Visitors returning from Woodstock testify to the general regret felt by the towns people at the death of the Duke of Marlborough. In his later years the duke had won popular esteem in Woodstock and in the whole surrounding country, and had gained the affection of his Blenheim tenants, many of whom he had assisted with advices, and often with needful advances.

MAY BE SETTLED.

The threatened law suit of the Dowager Duchess of Sutherland against the Duke of Westminster and Duke of Portland, as guardians of the young Duke of Sutherland, is varying toward a settlement.

LATEST LABOR UNION.

The latest trades union development in London is the formation of a domestic servants' union. Seven hundred servants have already joined, and the number of possible members in London is estimated at 240,000. The members of the union intend to hold an open air meeting to give expression to a demand that the government establish a servants' labor exchange where no fees be exacted, fix the hours of labor, regulate salaries, and force employers to give a suitable character to servants on dismissal.

Across Asia on Bicycles.

LONDON, Nov. 11.—A dispatch to the *Times* from Shanghai, China, announces the safe and successful termination of the journey of two American college students who set out some two months ago to cross Asia on bicycles. They traveled by way of Tashkend, Kuldja, Urumtsi, Hami, Suhehau and Pontinfue. They were everywhere kindly received.

Weather Forecast for To-day.

For West Virginia, Western Pennsylvania and Ohio, generally fair, except snow flurries on Lake Ontario; cooler by Sunday morning, winds becoming northwest.

TEMPERATURE YESTERDAY.

as furnished by C. SCHNEPF, druggist, corner Market and Fourteenth streets.

7 a. m.	37	3 p. m.	46
9 a. m.	40	7 p. m.	46
12 m.	43	Weather—Fair.	