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Ohio says: "The rascals must go," and the balance of the country says amen.

Conkling thinks the Republicans will be defeated next year and that the party will then go to pieces. He thinks a new national party will be then formed. It does look that way.

The "last spike" on the Kansas City, Springfield & Memphis road was driven last Sunday evening. Regular passenger trains will be run next week, it is thought. This road will be a great feeder to Memphis.

Although the majority against the prohibition amendment in Ohio was a little over 90,000, still the vote shows a wonderful increase of strength in that state. The amendment received 309,566 votes of the 709,334 cast.

The Jackson Whig made its appearance last week enlarged and greatly improved. It now has eight pages, with seven columns to the page. The Whig has the sincere congratulations of the Exchange on its prosperity.

The Frankfort (Ky.) Yeoman rejoices over the Ohio election in these words:

"Sound the tidings to the skies!
The Buckeye soon curls up and dies.
Let the gallinaceous fowl
Flap his wings and fairly howl.
Set it up and paint it red,
The world is free, the devil's dead."

Fred Douglas and Minister Langston are mad at the civil rights decision of the supreme court. They might as well keep cool. The negro will fare just about as well. Social equality has not been practiced to any great extent, and negroes who have any pride don't want it anyhow.

That great monopoly, the Western Union Telegraph Company, on the first of October, increased its tariff for special dispatches to the press more than one hundred per cent. Wonder if this was done because of the sympathy of the papers with the operators in the recent strike? A good strong competitive company is badly needed.

Messrs. Thoma and Hunt, editor and business manager of the Nashville World, have sold their stock and retired from that paper. Chas. M. Hayes was elected secretary and business manager. Our friend Wila. Williams, late of Humboldt, is one of the directors. The paper is also changed back to a folio shape. We hope it may prosper under the new management.

The Ohio result has started some queer schemes among the republican politicians. It is talked about among them that the best thing to do next year is to let New York go and capture Maryland, Florida, North Carolina and Virginia. It is admitted since Tuesday that New York will be a very difficult state to do anything with, and the proposition is to organize a great "still hunt" in the southern states named and canvass which reaches every last man in the state, and a generous distribution of new crisp \$2 notes. The peculiar political situation in Virginia, Maryland and North Carolina at this time are thought to be favorable to a scheme of this kind. It is admitted, however, that the Ohio defeat has a very depressing effect upon the Virginia coalition party.

Last Monday the Supreme Court of the United States decided five civil rights cases, based on the first and second sections of the civil rights act. They are respectively prosecutions under the act for not admitting certain colored persons to equal accommodations and privileges in inns or hotels, in railroad cars and in theatres. The court holds that congress had no constitutional authority to pass the section in question under either the thirteenth or fourteenth amendments of the constitution. The decision, however, is held to apply only to the validity in states and not in territories or the District of Columbia, where the legislative power of congress is unlimited so far as the states are concerned. The two sections of the law above referred to are declared unconstitutional and void. Justice Bradley rendered the opinion, Justice Harlan dissenting.

It is reported that much damage to property and great loss of life was caused by earthquakes on the peninsula between Cheema, Asia Minor, opposite Chios, and Vuela, on the southern coast of the Gulf of Smyrna. All the villages in that region are destroyed. It is believed that upward of 1000 persons perished. The survivors of the disaster are suffering fearful privations. A complete panic prevails.

The Baptist state convention which meets in Chattanooga on Thursday, Oct. 25, promises to be more successful and more largely attended than any that has been held for many years. Ministers from all portions of the state have notified the officers of the Baptist Church there that they will be present. There will probably be about two hundred in attendance during the four days the convention is in session.

Rev. Henry Ward Beecher thinks Arthur will be the nominee of the next national republican convention. He considers Blaine a dangerous man and believes that if he were president the United States would constantly be involved in international difficulties. In the opinion of Mr. Beecher, Thurman is the ablest democrat and probably the strongest.

Mr. J. W. Mackey and Mr. Jas. Gordon Bennett signed a contract on September 28th, with Messrs. Siemens Brothers, for two transatlantic cables, which are already in process of construction at the works of Messrs. Siemens Brothers, near London. The first cable will be open to the public about June 1, and the second one a few weeks later.

A belief is prevalent in Berlin that a crisis is impending in France and that the Duc D'Aumale will succeed Grevy in the presidency of the French republic and that the establishment of an Orleans dynasty in France will speedily follow.

Ex-Gov. Palmer, of Illinois, is of the opinion that the next national democratic convention could not do better than nominate Tilden and Hendricks.

The Courier-Journal declares its preference for McDonald for the Presidency.

The Memphis Ledger suggests a ticket composed of Cleveland and Hooley.

Alice Marguerite King's Libel Suit. NASHVILLE, TENN., Oct. 17.—Judge Baxter, in the United States Circuit Court to-day, heard the case of Alice Marguerite King against the Daily American for libel. The alleged libel consisted of the statement that Miss King, who had figured as an actress, and who claims to be a relative of the late Vice-President King, was a small lady with a very big nose, and ugly. Damages were laid at \$50,000. The Judge sustained the defendant's demurrer, and dismissed the suit. The plaintiff appealed to the United States Supreme Court.

AGRICULTURAL COMMISSIONERS.

The Great Work Commissioner McWhirter has Organized for the South.

LOUISVILLE, Oct. 11.—As the result of the circular of Col. McWhirter, of Tennessee, to the southern commissioners of agriculture, Col. A. J. Whirter, of Tennessee, Maj. E. G. Wall and Col. J. L. Young, of Mississippi, Col. Leslie Brooks, of Alabama; Maj. S. H. Nowlin and Dr. J. Guy Lewis, of Arkansas; H. U. Wilkes, of Florida; S. T. Jenkins, of Georgia; Prof. J. R. Proctor, of Kentucky; Col. W. H. Harris, commissioner of agriculture and immigration, from Louisiana, and Prof. H. B. Todd met to-day and organized the Southern Immigration Society, with as president A. J. McWhirter; vice-president, E. G. Wall, of Jackson, Miss.; secretary, S. H. Nowlin, of Arkansas, and Samuel J. Keith, of Nashville, treasurer. Its purpose in the resolution adopted, is the compilation of statistics for the encouragement of capital for the development of the material interests of the South, and the promotion of immigration. The president was requested to correspond with the governors of the states, and the association resolved to memorialize the Legislatures of the Southern States for an appropriation to establish an Immigrants' Home at New Orleans.

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