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NATIONAL CHAIRMAN PROBABLY DEFEATED FOR RE-ELECTION.

The Opposition Captures All the Offices, Organizing Both Branches of the Legislature With Votes to Spare—Some Exciting Times at Columbus.

COLUMBUS, O., Jan. 4.—The senatorial contest in the Ohio legislature has become desperate. The combine of the anti-Hanna Republicans with the Democratic members succeeded in organizing both branches of the legislature in the interests of "the combine" opposition to the re-election of Senator Hanna.

There are two more dates for tests of strength, the joint senatorial caucuses Wednesday night and the joint balloting for senator one week from next Wednesday, Jan. 12. With the complication of the legislative organization and its patronage disposed of, the Hanna men have begun a most desperate fight on the senatorship. The Hanna men deny that they will form a coalition with Brice for a Gold Democrat for senator rather than be beaten by a Free Silver Republican, or that they will do anything else but fight it out if it takes all winter.

Still Claim Hanna Will Win.

While they are not able to give a list long enough to elect they claim that Hanna is stronger than Boxwell, their candidate for speaker, and the other regular Republican candidates in the organization of the legislature, and that the opposition has not enough votes to elect a senator. The Hanna men concede that they have lost the power of the organization of both branches, can name no chairmen, place no members on desirable committees or dispose of any other state patronage, but they have carried the war into the home counties of the "bolting" Republican members and expect the necessary changes before the caucus is held.

The developments of the day have caused the Hanna men to admit they were outdone in the preliminary organization for this contest and that they underestimated the opposition, especially the growth of it since the November election. While Chairman Kurtz was thought to have been organizing against Senator Hanna ever since the Republican state convention at Toledo in June, yet the participation of Governor Bushnell and others had not been fully anticipated.

Hanna Lacks Three Votes.

The senate will cast 17 votes for Hanna and 19 against him. If Hanna is no stronger in the house than the Boxwell ticket was when Boxwell received 53 votes and Mason 56 for speaker, then Senator Hanna will have only 70 votes on joint ballot and 73 are necessary to elect.

The feeling of the Republican members who voted for their caucus nominees is openly expressed against Governor Bushnell more than against Mr. Kurtz or other Republicans who combined with the Democrats.

The feeling of revenge was shown even in the routine legislative proceedings. Representative Bramley of Cleveland introduced a bill to repeal the 50-year franchise law for street railways in which Senator Hanna is largely interested. Bramley is a contractor who has large interests under the municipal administration of Mayor McKisson, and other members from Cleveland, who are supporting Hanna, are said to have measures ready for charges and investigations at Cleveland that would affect Bramley.

Organization of the Legislature.

The greatest excitement prevailed during the session of the house of representatives. All of the 109 members were in their seats. After the name of Boxwell had been presented as the regular Republican candidate for speaker, the name of Representative Mason, Rep., was presented by Representative Jones, Rep., and seconded by two other Republicans. The Democrats did not participate in the speaking. As the ballot proceeded, there were loud cheers as the doubtful members responded to their names, and when the roll call approached the close and Mason secured the necessary majority there was a long demonstration that delayed the official announcement of the vote—56 to 53. John P. Griffith, Rep., for speaker pro tem, Charles H. Gerrish, Rep., for chief clerk, and the balance of the combine slate went through by the same vote.

In the senate Burke, Republican but opposed to Hanna, and Voight, fusionist, were absent, and the Democratic slate went through by a vote of 18 to 17.

Democrats Dividing the Offices.

At the headquarters of the "combine" the workers were engaged all night in entertaining the anti-Hanna Republican members. In the appointment of the chairmanships the Democrats got 28 in the house and the Republicans 18, that body having a Republican majority. In the senate, which is a tie politically, the Democrats got 18 chairmanships and the Republicans 4.

On the senatorial fight there were many rumors about Hanna and Brice pulling together for a gold standard senator and McLean and Bushnell for a free silver senator. There were Democrats urging McLean as the "combine" candidate rather than Bushnell, McKisson or Kurtz, and Republicans were favoring Brice rather than a Free Silver Republican.

HIS CONDITION NO WORSE.

Alarming News About Prince Bismarck Without Foundation.

FRIEDRICHSTETTE, Jan. 3.—Prince Bismarck's condition is as no worse. He took his midday bath as usual. New Year's day he passed in the company of Count Herbert Wilhelm, the Count and Countess Wilhelmina Bismarck, the Countess von Arnim and Count and Countess von Bentzen. He did not retire until 1:30 a. m.

THIRTY ARE DEAD.

Fearful Calamity Occurs During a Political Meeting at London, Ont.

LONDON, Ont., Jan. 4.—Thirty persons are known to have been killed and many injured by the collapse of a floor in the city hall. Last evening closed the municipal campaign and the hall was crowded to hear the addresses of the successful candidates. At midnight 25 bodies had been taken from the wrecked building and identified. How many were injured will never be known as those who suffered but slightly at once made for their homes or were cared for by friends. Those who were more seriously injured, were carried to neighboring drug stores, whence they were taken to the hospitals or to their homes after their injuries had been attended to. The dead were taken to the committee rooms of Alderman Parnell, the defeated candidate for mayor, directly across the street.

Building Crowded to the Doors.

At the close of the polls a crowd gathered in the city hall, where it has been the custom for years past for the successful candidates to address the electors. The building was crowded to the very doors, probably 2,000 people being jammed in its narrow scope. In response to numerous calls, R. M. Toth was pushed forward to the platform on which the speakers stood. As he reached it there was an ominous creaking and the raised platform on which the mayor and newly elected aldermen were seated seemed to pitch forward to the floor. There was a sagging of timbers and the next moment 150 people were hurled 20 feet to the floor below. A beam running 20 feet along the center of the hall had given way and the crowded mass standing above that section of the floor was thrown in a heap to the bottom. A large safe stood in one corner of the hall and with a huge steam coil weighing half a ton came crashing down on the heads of the victims.

An investigation of the wreck after the catastrophe disclosed the fact that a whole section of the floor had dropped, the joists having been as neatly cut off as though the work had been done with a saw.

The building was an old one, having been erected in the early 50's, and of late years additional stories had been placed on the old walls.

Cost of the India Famine.

CALCUTTA, Jan. 1.—It is officially announced that the recent famine cost the treasury £300,000 while loans to agriculturists and the suspensions of taxes, mainly repayable, absorbed another £400,000, irrespective of charitable contributions, which approached £1,750,000.

Doesn't Desire to Be Annoyed.

TOPEKA, Kan., Jan. 1.—The Phoenix Fire Assurance company of London has notified Superintendent of Insurance McNeil that it will withdraw from Kansas Jan. 1. The company gives as its reason that it does not desire to be annoyed by fusses with McNeil.

Gladstone's Eighty-eighth Birthday.

LONDON, Dec. 30.—This being the 88th birthday of the Rt. Hon. William E. Gladstone, the usual congratulations were sent to Hawarden and Cannes, where Mr. Gladstone is improving, though still suffering from neuralgia.

LATEST MARKET REPORT.

Duluth Grain.

DULUTH, Jan. 4.
WHEAT—Cash No. 1 hard, 88½¢; No. 1 Northern, 88¢; No. 2 Northern, 83¢; No. 3 spring, 79¢. To arrive—No. 1 hard, 90¢; No. 1 Northern, 90¢; January No. 1 hard, 88½¢; No. 1 Northern, 88¢; May No. 1 Northern, 90¢; July No. 1 Northern, 88½¢.

Minneapolis Grain.

MINNEAPOLIS, Jan. 4.
WHEAT—January closed at 89½¢; May, 88½¢; July, 87½¢. On Track—No. 1 hard, 90½¢; No. 1 Northern, 90½¢; No. 2 Northern, 83½¢.

Poultry, Butter and Eggs.

CHICAGO, Jan. 4.
POULTRY—Dressed, steady; turkeys, 9½¢@10¢; chickens, 6¢@6½¢; ducks, 6¢@7¢.
BUTTER—Firm; creameries, 15¢@16¢; dairies, 12¢@13¢.
EGGS—Firm, fresh, 23¢.

Sioux City Live Stock.

SIoux CITY, Ia., Jan. 4.
HOGS—Market steady. Range of prices, \$3.20@3.35.
CATTLE—Market active; steady. Prices ranged at \$2.25@3.40 for cows; \$3.25@4.25 for stockers and feeders; \$3.25@4.25 for yearlings.
SHEEP—In fair demand at \$3.00@4.35.

St. Paul Union Stock Yards.

SOUTH ST. PAUL, Jan. 4.
HOGS—Market active to 5¢ higher; quality good. Range of prices, \$3.80@3.50.
CATTLE—Market steady. Sales ranged at \$3.40@3.64 for stockers; \$2.40@3.10 for cows; \$3.10@4.20 for steers \$2.30@3.40 for heifers.
SHEEP—Market firm. Muttons, \$3.50@4.10; lambs, \$5.15. Receipts: Hogs, 100; cattle, 200; sheep, 100; calves, 50.

Chicago Union Stock Yards.

CHICAGO, Jan. 4.
HOGS—Market active, and 5¢@10¢ higher. Sales ranged at \$3.35@3.55 for light; \$3.40@3.60 for mixed; \$3.40@3.60 for heavy; \$3.80@3.85 for rough.
CATTLE—Market strong to 10¢ higher. Sales ranged at \$3.90@3.25 for beefs; \$3.90@4.50 for cows and heifers; \$3.90@4.25 for Texas steers; \$3.90@4.25 for stockers and feeders.
SHEEP—Market weaker. Sales ranged at \$3.90@4.75 for natives; \$3.60@4.50 for westerns; \$4.25@5.55 for lambs. Receipts: Hogs, 25,000; cattle, 15,000; sheep, 19,000.

Chicago Grain and Provisions.

CHICAGO, Jan. 4.
CLOSING PRICES.
WHEAT—January, 90½¢; May, 91½¢@91½¢; July, 87½¢; September, 77½¢; December, 76¢.
CORN—January, 28½¢; May, 29½¢; July, 28¢@29¢.
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PORK—January, 49.07; May, 49.82.

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