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CAMPBELL'S COMING.

Ohio's Splendid Governor Practically Certain to Succeed Himself.

His Gains in the Country Districts Expected to Be Very Large.

And Will Overturn Any Majority McKinley May Secure in Cincinnati.

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COLUMBUS, O., Oct. 25.—The political pot in Ohio is at the boiling-over point. The Democrats feel that the tide is coming over the wall, and many who have been doubting Thomases from the time the campaign opened are now expressing confidence in Campbell's election.

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BLACKBURN'S POSITION.

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WASHINGTON, D. C., Sept. 25.—Senator Blackburn, who is in the city for a few days, talks freely about Democratic chances in the coming election.

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TRIED TO WAKE JAMES.

An Attempt to Serve a Summons on the Secretary on a Sleeper.

Great Differences of Opinion Among Correspondents on Blaine's Health.

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WASHINGTON, Oct. 25.—Jacques Van Raalte, a native of Rotterdam, Holland, but who resides and does business in Glasgow, Scotland, where he is also consul for the Netherlands, instituted a suit against Mr. Blaine, as secretary of state, for \$25,000.

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THE SAGE IS SAVAGE.

One Taste of the Courts Only Stimulates His Thirst for Gore.

And He Proposes to Bring Other Suits Against the Pioneer Press.

The Anarchist Editorial and Recent Utterances Are the Basis.

Attorney Wellington Reviews the Trial Just Concluded.

Ignatius Donnelly was in St. Paul for a short time yesterday. He was en route to his home in Niangua, where he has some engagements for to-day.

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TIP TO THE CARELESS.

Where Baby Clothes, Toys and Stockings Go.

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Tip to the careless.

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UNPARALLELED LETHARGY OF A MICHIGAN GIRL.

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