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WILL the legislature undertake to remodel the Australian ballot this winter?

THE Plaindealer shows signs of considerable rustling on the home news pages.

On final counts the democrats gain an elector each in the states of California and Virginia.

Thanksgiving "blow out" to the big blizzard of March, 1892. BIERLY, of the Northwest News

Many of our exchanges liken the

fame, is regaining his health and will enter the newspaper field in the south. EDITOR MINDER is alderman of

the second ward over at Crystal and occasionally fills the pulpit in cases of emergency.

TWELVE inches of snow fell in a blizzard experienced down in Virginia last Wednesday. Enormous damage to property.

THE annual meeting of old settlers who located in the Red River Valley prior to 1878 meets at Pembina on the 18th inst.

SPEAKING of the blizzard at Steele last week Editor Wood says the Ozone shack is located in a huge snow drift east of the livery in 1892 when Cleveland beat Har- two states and twelve electoral

Dakota editors to Texas last week In a word, Major McKinley's fool seems to have been largely made friends have nothing to "bloviate" all of which is dead wrong.

NORTH DAKOTA patrons of the T. M. Roberts supply house at Minneapolis will suffer inconvenience for awhile. Their place of business was burned last week.

GRANT S. HAGER tells the readfeels to ride in the luxurious par- majorities as follows: lor cars of the Burlington along the banks of the Mississippi.

Following the close of the political campaign and in view of the approaching session of the legislature the State Business Men's union finds that its usefulness can be brought into actual practice.

In last week's Milton Globe the attention of the legislators of this district is directed to North Dakota's divorce laws. Although a bachelor, Editor McCarthy handles the question like a past-master.

CONGRESSMAN JOHNSON was beaten by Burke in his home precinct by 8 votes and in the county by 34 votes. McKinley pulled through with a majority of 13. That's what the official returns of Nelson coun-

MERCER, the versatile pen pusher on the Leader, at Larimore, has entered on a new venture. He has opened up a matrimonial bureau and offers to furnish bald headed men with young widows or old maids with hair enough for two.

OFFICIAL returns from South Dakota and Wyoming place both in the Bryan column. This gives 23 states, with 272 electoral votes, to McKinley, and 22 states, including the newly admitted Utah, with 175 electoral votes, to Bryan.

TRAINING headquarters for the senatorial fight that comes off in the legislative halls at Bismarck this winter have been established at both Fargo and Grand Forks and "favorite sons are being fitted

McKINLEY'S PLURALITIES.

McKinley's popular plurality is in. Unreliable partisan organs are far as the official and unofficial rethe day after the election, and souri, were not in. methods. But the official count in vote was smaller than 1892. all but three States shows the actual popular plurality to be greatly short of one million.

An approximately complete table of the McKinley, Bryan and Palmer vote in the whole country, made by a New York newspaper, shows McKinley's popular plurality to be 829,064. In this table, which is not made up entirely of official counts, Bryan's plurality in Missouri is estimated at less than 60,000 and in Texas at less than 110,000. The final counts in both states will show these estimates to be considerably too small, and will probably reduce McKinley's plurality below 800,000.

Grant's popular plurality over Greeley in 1872 was 762,991. Mc-Kinley's over Bryan will not ex ceed that much. If the middle-ofthe-road populist vote of about 50,000 were added to the Bryan column the McKinley plurality would be brought down to 779,064, or just about half of what the bigoted partisan organs are claiming.

When the immensity of the total vote is considered, this is not big enough to warrant the revel of intolerance indulged in by the partisan press. The total vote this year considerably exceeds thirteen and 579,638, Bryan has twenty-two a half millions. That is more than states and one electoral vote in 2,000,000 in excess of what it was Kentucky. McKinley has twentyrison by over 380,000. It is over votes in Kentucky. 5,000,000 in excess of the vote polled THE annual excursion of North in the Grant-Greeley campaign. up of doctors, lawyers and bankers, about, and nobody realizes this | 000 says the Peoria Journal. The cow, N. Dak. more keenly than does Mark Hanna, who is already oiling his machine for the continuous work of "education" from now until the close of the campaign of 1900.

THE MAJORITIES.

ers of the St. Thomas Times in to date from official figures, with a editorial correspondence how it few unofficial returns, and shows of the wheat crop is \$415,592,000.

	MCKIII-			cnard
	ley I	Bryan	Briggs	son
Barnes				1
Benson	318	******	308	
Billings	. 50		56	
Bottineau	. 128		149	
Burleigh	400		446	
Cass	949		963	
Cavalier		428		36
Dickey	32		20	
Eddy	. 39		48	
Emmons	132		156	
Foster	78		68	
Grand Forks			165	
Griggs	000	42		49
K dder	72		99	
LaMoure	59			••••
Locan	15		91	
Logan	45		49	
McHenry	51		75	
McIntosh	268		288	
McLean	46		55	
Mercer	75		75	
Morton	357		457	
Nelson	13		9	
Oliver	1		1	
Pembina		120		58:
Pierce	146		170	
Ramsey	204		223	
Ransom	187		175	
Richland	749		472	
Rolette		22		
Sargent		49		5
Stark	362		419	
Steele	250		228	
Stutsman	127		181	
Towner		91		38
Traill	999		918	
Walsh		427		48
Ward	106		79	
Wells	267		259	
Williams	20		8	
Total	7073	1179	6733	1579
Net majority f	or Mel	Cinley.		
Net majority	or Brie	res (re	n.)	516
		200/16	h.)	

THE galaxy of North Dakota exgovernors that congregate in the wheat pit at Duluth received an addition in the person of Ex-Gov. Shortridge last week. Get there

Since Foster slipped a cog in his weather predictions for the last week of November the Fargo Forum is'nt so busy patting the person may put in their own letters, but

for Hans old shoes." The Devils preferable to the cyclones of Iowa, of One Minute Cough Cure. It never Lake senator seems to think that People may freeze occasionally but fails in colds, croup and lung troubles.

THE POPULAR VOTE.

At last reports the following dwindling as fuller returns come table gives the vote of the states as still deceiving their readers with turns were known. The result is Jud" in the first district. the pleasing fiction that it approx- practically correct, except that the "Oh! the crow, the beautiful crow! imates a million and a half. This official returns for three states, imates a million and a half. This official returns for three states, is the figure they started out with West Virginia, Texas and Mister the election and course were not in

most of them are sticking to it with The total prohibition vote will a bigotry characteristic of their not exceed 80,000. The socialist

	McKinley	Bryan
Alabama	54,788	107,137
Arkansas	37,512	116,103
California	146,217	142,926
Connecticut	110,238	56,734
Colorado	22,785	151,970
Deleware	20,367	16,671
Florida	11.545	. 29.426
Georgia	60,091	94,232
Idaho	5,031	15.754
Illinois	606,577	462,743
Indiana	323,919	303,854
Iowa	287,192	219,356
Kansas	159.267	172,027
Kentucky	218,055	217,797
Louisiana	18,962	73,861
Maine	80,421	32,217
Maryland	136,978	104,745
Massachusetts	267,787	102,655
Michigan	251,100	201,250
Minnesota	193,455	139,477
Mississippi	4,849	55,933
Missouri	304,500	363,759
Montana	10,100	41,275
Nebraska	102,168	115,240
Nevada	1,756	6,751
New Hampshire	57,444	21,271
New Jersey	211,897	134,995
New York	795,271	543,839
North Caralina	155.222	174,488
North Dakota		18,175
Ohio	525,989	474.880
Oregan	49,216	47,102
Pennsylvania	728,300	427.127
Rhode I-land	36,437	14,459
South Carolina	9,643	57,963
South Dakota	45,109	45.275
Tennessee	118,773	163,651
Texas		264,200
Utah		64,851
Vermont	49.456	9,789
Virginia	135.361	155,988
Washington	39,495	50,927
West Virginia	102,000	90,000
Wisconsin	265,656	162,609
Wyoming	10,073	10,389

The total vote approximates 13,-

THE private indebtedness of the people of the United States names as witnesses:
Jacob Veer, Jr. Abraham Krahn, Jacob Spenst, Jr and David Fehr, all of Mosamounts to more than \$22,000,000,public debt-that is, national, state, county, city and corporationamounts to \$20,000,000,000; total, \$42,000,000,000. The annual interest of this sum at 7 percent is terest of this sum at 7 percent is \$2,940,000,000. The average cotton crop of the country is 8,000,000 bales; at \$25 per bale it is \$200,-000 The value of the cover of the co The table below is corrected up 000,000. The value of the corn crop is \$651,385,600. The value Jas Irwin, Albert Timian, Jas Gordon, The oat crop is valued at \$165,-259,000. The annual gold production is valued at \$33,000,000. The annual silver production is value of the cotton, corn, wheat, onts, silver and gold crops is \$1,- D., on December 15, 1896, viz: 540,236,600. Now, if every cent of for the sw\% sw\% sec 28 and\cdot w\% nw\%, and this sum be applied to our annual se% nw% sec 33, twp 164 n, range 57 w. accruing interest debt, it would leave us defaulting in past due in- cultivation of said land, viz: terest \$1,399,673,400 yearly. On the constantly appreciating mode-Walhalls P. O., Pembina Co., N. Dak. tary standard how are the American people going to lift any portion of that debt burden off their shoulders?

> BISHOP SHANLEY is reported to his office in Langdon, N. D., on Monday be preparing for a vigorous attack the 28th day of December, 1896, on timupon the divorce laws now in force seld nwt & lots 3, 4, 5, of sec. No. 6, in in this state, and will use his influence towards having the next legislature change the statute in liam Helem, all of Hannah, N. Dakota. that particular.

DEACON BRITTON, the newspaper man up at Bottineau, had the glass front of the Courant office demolished by flying brickbats during the Thanksgiving blizzard. He's thankful it was no

SPACE writers for eastern papers got in their work on the blizzard. Just as we predicted they would.

The post office inspector has given orders that no person or persons shall be allowed to make a practice of collecting mail and mailing it on the train, as it interieres with the mail clerk's work and intention to make final proof in support and causes them considerable work. A accurate (?) prophet on the back. those belonging to others they may not.

Absolutely pure, perfectly harmless, NORTH DAKOTA'S blizzards are and invariably reliable are the qualities fails in colds, croup and lung troubles.

Children like it because it is pleasant to Jacob Spenst, Gerhard Spenst, all of they are still good enough for him ere never jerked into eternity on take and it helps them. H.D. Allert & Mcscow, North Dakota

FRANK'S LAMENT.

Frank Willson, of the Bathgate Pink Paper grinds out the following mournful dirge in honor of his obsequies in the late senstorial conflict against "Mahogany

You are poor and tough, but we love

And we singe the hair from your skinny old back.

We take out your entrails, empty and small,

And save your gizzard, liver and gall, And we'll boil and stew your tough old frame, Then dang you we'll eat you, all the

We'll guaw your legs and your meatless

wings,
We'll chew you giblets and your other
things,
We'll nibble your breast, and your withered old back,
We'll gorge and feast, and your bones
will crack.

Oh, you crow, you skinny black crow, We'll eat you along with our cake that's dough, We'll swallow you down while our enemy

We'll eat you all if we puke up our

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The old way of delivering messages by postboys compared with the modern telephone, illustrates the old tedious methods of "breaking" colds compared with their nte Cough Cure, H. D. Allert & Co.

U. S. Land Office.

Grand Forks, November, 2 1896 Notice is hereby given that Peter Penner has filed notice of his intention to make final proof before the clerk of district court, Cavalier county, N Dak, on Saturday, the 19th day of December, 1896 on timber culture application No 6324 for the n e quarter of section No 32, in township No 161 n, range No 6I w. He

JAS. V. BROOKE, Register.

U. S. Land Office,

Grand Forks, N. D., Nov. 12, 1896. Notice is hereby given that Adolph Schulke has filed notice of intention to make final proof before the Clerk of Dis-

He names as witnesses: Thomas Flynn, all of Langdon, N. Dakota. 15-20 JAS V. BROOKE, Register.

ing-named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof in support valued at \$75,000,000. The total of his claim, and that said proof will be

EUGENE MORIN, He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon and Henry Porter, John Greenwood, Octave

JAS. BROOKE, Register.

U. S. Land Office,

Grand Forks, N. D., Nov. 12, 1896. Notice is hereby given that George W. Reekie has filed notice of intention to make final proof before the Clerk of Disber culture application No. 6647, for the two 162 n, range 61 w. He names as witnesses: William Dick-

JAS. V. BROOKE, Register

U. S. Land Office. Grand Forks, N. Dak., Dec., 5th, 1896 Notice is hereby given that the followng named settler has filed notice of his intention to make commutation proof in surport of his claim, and that said proof will be made before the Clerk of the District Court for Cavalier county, N. Dak., at Langdon, N. D., on Jan'y 15. 1897. FRANK CARIBOU, H. E. NO. 14,007 for the lots 1, 2, 3 and 4, section 19, ownship 160 north range 60 west. He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon and

altivation of said land, viz: Nat Woodiwiss, George Nelson, Thor-rold Gubbrud, Martin Roach, all of nagdon Cavalier county N. D. JAS. V. BROOKE, Register.

Grand Forks, N. D. Nov. 11, 1896. Notice is hereby given that the following-named settler has filed notice of his of his claim, and that said proof will be made before the Clerk of the District Court for Cavalier county, N. Dak., at Langdon, N. Dak., on January 2nd, 1897,

JOHN PETRICK, H. E. No. 11998. for the nw¼ sec 23, twp 161 n, range 61 w. He names the following witnesses to his continuous residence upon and culti-

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N. DAK.

Default having been made in the condi- U.S. Land Office tion of a chattel mortg ge bearing date the 24th day of April 1896, executed and delivered by Frank B. Coats as mortga-gor, to W. J. Mooney & P. McHugh as mortgagees, and filed in the office of the register of deeds of the County of Cava-lier and State of North Dakota, on the 24th day of April 1896: Wherein default has been made as follows: to write. The has been made as follows, to-wit: The non-payment of said debt when due. The debt secured by said mortgage is \$35.00 with interest at 12 per cent per annum from the 24th day of April 1896, due Nov. 1st 1896, of which amount the sum of \$32.10 is claimed to be due at the date

Notice is hereby given, that by virtue of said default and the power of said contained in said mortgage, and by order of W. J. Mooney & P. McHugh the present owners of said mortgage. owners of said mortgage, I will sell the following chattels described in said mortgage to-wit: All crops of every name, nature and description, grown and harvested on the nw% known as Ab. Prinyer tree claim and owned by Mary Donovan, of section 14 town 162 range 60 in Cav-alier county, also one black horse age 5 sota, between the hours of 1 and 4 o'clock p. m., on Saturday the 12th day of Dec. 1896, from the proceeds of which sale shall be paid: First, the cost and expenses of said mortgage sale: Second, the debt aforesaid, with interest thereon at the date of sale: Third, the balance, if any there be to the owner of the mort

gaged property.
W. J. MOONEY & P. McHugh, Dated at Langdon, this 2nd day of December, 1896.

Default having been made in the paynent of the sum of Three Hundred Four teen and 30-100 dollars which is claimed to be due at the date of this notice, upon certain mortgage, duly executed and delivered by Albert Oke and Elizabeth Oke, his wife, mortgagors, to William F Winter, mortgagee, bearing date the 30th day of March, 1894, and with a power of sale therein contained, duly recorded in the office of the register of deeds in and for the County of Cavali r and State of North Dakota, on the 2nd day of April, 1894, at 9 o'clock, a.m., in Book 22 of nortgages, on page 120, on the west half (w1/2) of the south east quarter (se1/4) and the south east quarter (sel4) of the south west quarter (sw¹4) section thirty-three (33,) in township 162, range 59 west, containing one hundred and twenty acres, more or less, according to the U.S. government survey thereof, in Cavalier county, North Dakota, and no action or proceeding having been instituted, at law or otherwise, to recover the debt secured by said mortgage or any part thereof, Now therefore, Notice is hereby given that by virtue of the power of sale contained in said mortgage, and pursuant to

the statute in such case made and provided, the said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the premises described in and conveyed by said mortgage, viz: The west half (w½) of the south east quarter (se¹/₄) and the south east quarter (se¹/₄) of the south west quarter (sw¹/₄) section thirty-three (33,) township 162, range 59, west in Cavalier county, North Dakota, containing 120 acres, more or less according to the U. S. government survey thereof, with the hereditaments and appurtenances, which sale will be made by the shariff of said Cavalier county, at the front door of the court house, in the City of Langdon, in said county and state on the 12th day of December, 1896, at 2 o'clock p. m. of that day, at public auction to the highest bidder for cash to pay said debt of Three Hundred Foureen and 30-100 dollars and the taxes if any on said premises and Fifty Dollars attorney fees, as stipulated in and by said mortgage in case of foreclosure and the disbursements allowed by law, subject to redemption at any time within one year from the day of sale as provided by law.

Dated October 29th, 1896. W, F. WINTER, Mortgagee. JAS. V. BROOKE, Register. H. B. DOUGHTY, Attorney,

Notice is hereby given that Francis Coates has filed notice of intention to make final proof before the Clerk of Dis-trict Court, Cavalier county, N. Dak., at his office in Langdon, N. D. on Tuesday the 29th day of December, 1896, on timber culture application No 6276, for the ne% of sec No. 17, in two No 162 n, range No 60 w.

He names as witnesses: Jacob Eby, Ezekial Hooey, Geo. A. Williams, Frank Hooey, all of Langdon, N. Dakota. 15-20 Jas V. Brooke, Register. JAS V. BROOKE, Register.

STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA, | BH County of Cavalier.

In County Court, before Hon. H. E.

In the Matter of the Estate of Peter Kartes, deceased-Notice of Settlement

of Final Account. Notice is hereby given, That Andrew Kartes, executor of the last will and testament of Peter Kartes, deceased, has rendered and presented for final settle-ment and filed in this court his final account of his administration of said estate years, three white legs and face, weight and that said estate is ready for distribution and that Monday, the 28th day of

plete 4 horse whiffletrees and tongue, at public auction, for cash, at First National afternoon of said day, at the court room Bank corner in the City of Langdon, of said court, at the County Court House Cavalier county, and State of North Da- in the City of Langdon, in said County of Cavalier, has been appointed by the Judge of said court for hearing and settlement of said final account, and the distribution of the residue of said estate, at which time and place any person interested in said estate may appear and file his or her exceptions, in writing, to the said final account, or to the distribution of said estate and contest the same In testimony whereof, We have caused

the seal of the County Court of said County to be hereunto affixed. WITNESS, the Hon. H. E. Dorval, judge of the said County Court, in the City of Langdon, in said [SEAL.] County, this 30th day of No-

vember, A. D. 1896. H. E. DORVAL. Judge of County Court.

STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA, SS County of Cavalier. Ss In County Court before Hon. H. E.

In the Matter of the Estate of William Birtch, deceased -Notice of Settlement of Final Account.

Notice is hereby given, that Adam Isaac Birtch, executor of the last will and testament of William Birtch, deceased, has rendered and presented for final settlement and filed in this court his final account of bis administration of said estate; that said estate is ready for distribution, and that Monday th 28th day of December, A. D., 1896, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon of said day, at the court room of said court, at the County Court House in the City of Langdon in said County of Cavalier, has been appointed by the Judge of said court for hearing and settlement of said final account, and the distribution of the residue of said estate, at which time and place any person interested in the said estate may appear and file his or her exceptions, in writing, to the said final account, or to the distri-

In testimony whereof, We have cause the seal of the County Court of said County to be hereunto affixed.
WITNESS, the Hon. H. E. Dorval, judge of the said County Court at the City of Langdon, in said

bution of said estate and contest the same

County, this 30th day of November, A. D., 1896.
H. E. DORVAL, Judge of the County Court.

U. S. Land Office,
Grand Forks, N. Dak., Nov. 18th, 1896.
Notice is hereby given that the followingnamed settler has filed notice of his intention to
make final proof in support of his claim. and
that said proof will be made before the Clerk of
the District Court for Cavalier county. N. Dak.,
at Langdon, N. Dak., on January 2nd 1897.
viz:

for the s½ ne½ & s½ nw¼ sec 27, twp 163 n, range 60 w.

He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation of, said land, viz.

Andrew J Peterson, Nicholas Perius, Peter Perius, John Illerbrun, all of Mt. Carmel, North Dakots.

JAS. V. BROOKE, Register.

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