COOPERSTOWN, - N. DAKOTA

The oldest United States soldier is declared to be J. J. Overton, of Los Angeles, Cal., who is now 105 years old. He served in the Black Hawk war, the Mexican war and the civil war. Mr. Overton is a native of Pennsylvania. He walked three miles in the last G. A. R. parade at Los An-

That a person who has been often stung by bees becomes in time immune to the poison of the sting is asserted by Dr. H. F. Parker. He reports that when he first began to keep bees he was frequently stung and that each sting was attended with acute pain; but that as time went on the pain and swelling became less.

Abdul Hamid is anxious to return the visit paid him by Grand Duke State Nicholas as the representative of the czar. The commander of the faithful is desirous of sending his representatives in a battleship with as much pomp as was displayed by Nicholas at Constantinople, but finds himself unable to do anything; his only availble warship is at present held in pawn by a shipbuilding company until the bill for repairs is paid.

Some idea of the wealth of Henry Clay Frick, Andrew Carnegie's former partner, may be obtained when it is stated that in the last two years he has purchased real estate in Pittsburg, the aggregate value of which is \$10,-502,000. This includes the Schenley property, at the Point, which he bought for \$2,000,000. It also includes St. Peter's Catholic cathedral, for which he gave \$1,325,000, and the new Frick building, erected at a cost of \$4,500,000.

Two Kansas boys, the sons of Martin Concannon, have made at their home near Lansing, 18 miles northwest of Kansas City, a discovery which has already set the scientists of America agog and promises in a little while to embrace in its study and interest the whole scientific world. What the boys have found, in a word, is the skull of a man who is supposed to have lived in America before the glacial period, or, from ten to thirty thousand years ago.

Hoopeston, the home of Mrs. Mary Hartwell Catherwood and the most prosperous little city in the richest agricultural district in the great state of Illinois, has what may be truthfully termed one of the most economical and successful forms of municipal government of any city in the world. The city has a population of 4,500, and the mayor of the town receives an annual salary of but 50 cents or \$1 for each term in office, the term consisting of two years.

the conversation of many kinds state legislature remains republican. of feathered creatures. He declares that they have language of their own, in which they are able to convey their ideas to each other, and the only reason why we do not understand them is that we have not taken the trouble to listen and observe. Dr. Wood not only comprehends much of what birds say, but, to a considerable extent, he can make them understand him.

Most monkeys have nothing but nose holes, and no real nose, as we consider it. But there is a monkey in Borneo that has a long nose, longer even than that of particularly longnosed human beings. A specimen of this monkey, known as the proboscis monkey, has just been brought alive to Europe, and is now in Hamburg. The queer creature has attracted much attention. It looks grotesquely human-like-very much like a man who has put on a big artifical nose for

Hawaiians are laughing heartily over a joke played on the members of the senatorial commission here recently. United States Senators Mitchell, of Oregon; Foster, of Washington, and Burton, of Kansas, were made to eat dog-not political dog, but real cooked canine. Those who are authority for the story declare that the senators ate the fare with relish and called for more. The dish was served to the party at one of the native "luaus,"

Small fry royalties are "all broken up" because Princess Emma, of Reuss. has announced her engagement to a mere count, Kunigl by name. The count's papa, who is Lord Forester of the principality, was forthwith bounced and Emma was ordered to keep to her rooms in the Greitz palace "until further orders." Emma says she is 23 years old, and can do as she pleases, and neither the kaiser nor any other relative can stop her from marrying Kunigl, the man she

While the rest of the civilized world is endeavoring to cure alcoholism, German and Belgian papers compare notes as to which nation drinks the most, and the national pride of many papers seems to be hurt because Germany does not march at the head of the alcohol brigade. The Belgians drink 219 liters beer and 9 liters schnapps per head of population per annum, while the German is satisfied with 125 liters of beer and 4 liters of schnapps. The English consume considerably more beer than do the Ger-

Cooperstown Courier. HOW THE STATES VOTED

Result of the Battle of the Ballots in Nearly All the Commonwealths in the Union.

REPUBLICANS - WILL HOLD CONGRESS.

Probably Elect 204 Members of the Next House-Odell Reelected Governor of New York-Results in Other States According to the Latest Telegrams.

Washington, Nov. 6 .- The latest election returns show that the republicans will control the next house by a vote of 206 republicans to 178 democrats, and that they will have a majority of 22 in the senate. The congressional table by states is as fol-

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New York. New York, Nov. 6 .- Gov. B. B. Odell's majority over Bird S. Coler, the democratic nominee for governor, is 12,887, according to reports made by the county clerks to Albany. The congressional delegation in the next house will be composed of 20 republicans and 17 democrats. The legislature is republican.

Pennsylvania.

Philadelphia, Nov. 6.-Practically complete returns from the state indicate a plurality for Samuel W. Pennypacker, republican, for governor, of about 135,000. Of the 32 congressmen elected 28 are republicans and 4 democrats. The legislature is repub-

Massachusetts.

Boston, Nov. 6.-Massachusetts went strongly republican, the entire Dr. Nelson R. Wood, of the Smith- state ticket being elected, the pluralisonian institution, has made a study of ty for Gov. Bates being 37,479. The

Trenton, N. J., Nov. 6 .- The republicans will again control both houses of the state legislature by heavy majorities, and the republicans elect nine of the ten congressmen.

New Hampshire. Concord, N. II., Nov. 6 .- The republicans carry New Hampshire, Batchelder's plurality for governor being 7,500. The republicans also elect both congressmen and the legislature will

be republican on joint ballot. Rhode Island. Providence, R. I., Nov. 6 .- Rhode Is-

land elected a democratic governor, L. F. C. Garvin, by a plurality of 6,358. The democrats also elected two congressmen. The republicans control the legislature.

Delaware. Wilmington, Del., Nov. 6 .- Returns of the election for members of the legislature show that the senate will stand ten republicans and seven democrats. The house will stand 18 republicans and 16 democrats. Another deadlock over the election of United States senators at the next session of the legislature is looked for.

Illinois. Chicago, Nov. 6.-The republican plurality on the head of the state ticket, Fred A. Busse, for state treasurer, is estimated at 82,000. The election gives the republicans a larger majority in both houses of the legislature and on joint ballot. The congressional delegation stands: Republicans, 16; democrats, 9.

lowa. Des Moines, Ia., Nov. 6 .-- Fuller returns place the republican plurality for the state ticket in lowa a little above 74,000. The plurality of P. B. Birdsall, who will succeed Speaker Henderson from the Third district, is 5,255, and that of M. J. Wade, in the Second district, the only democratic congressman elected, 1,140.

Michigan. Detroit, Mich., Nov. 6 .- Returns show that the plurality of Gov. Bliss will run up to 36,975, his vote being 51,693, as against 14,718 for L. T. Durand, the democratic candidate for governor. The state legislature will have exactly the same complexion as its predecessor-one democrat among the 32 senators and ten democrats out of 100 members in the house of representatives.

Indiana. Indianapolis, Ind., Nov. 6 .- Estimated pluralities by counties received at state headquarters indicate the election of the republican state ticket by 84,000, The delegation in congress will be unchanged politically, consisting of nine republicans and four democrats. The republican majority in legislature is republican.

the state legislature will be so large as to be almost unwieldy.

Ohio. Columbus, O., Nov. 6.-Returns received from nearly every county in Ohio show that the republicans carthe larger cities outside of Cleveland the republicans made great gains. They elected 17 of the 21 congressmen.

Wisconsin.
Milwaukee, Nov. 6.—Belated returns increase Gov. LaFollette's plurality in the state. The latest estimate brings his figures up to 50,000. As near as can be figured out the next legislature will be made up about as follows: Assembly, 75 republicans and 25 democrats; senate, 31 republicans and two democrats.

Minnesota. St. Paul, Minn., Nov. 6 .- With the receipt of more nearly complete returns, the majority of Gov. Van Sant (rep.) assumes tremendous proportions. It is at least 50,000, and may go as high as 75,000-a record-breaking majority in Minnesota for a gubernatorial candidate. Eight of the nine congressmen are republicans.

North Dakota. Grand Forks, N. D., Nov. 6 .- The republicans elect White for governor by 7,000 plurality, both members of congress and will have good majority of the legislature.

South Dakota. Sioux Falls, S. D., Nov. 6 .- Reports give the republican congressional ticket a plurality of 19,666. The republicans have elected all but six or eight members of the legislature. Kansas.

Topeka, Kan., Nov. 6.—A good majority of the legislature, all the state officers and a large part of the county officers were taken by the republicans. The plurality for governor is about 35,-000. The republicans have elected every member of congress and over 90 members of the legislature.

Nebraska.
Lincoln, Neb., Nov. 6.—Returns show that the republicans have elected five of the six congressmen. The entire republican state ticket is elected. The next legislature will be strongly republican.

Colorado.

Denver, Col., Nov. 6 .- Returns indicate the election of Peabody (rep.) for governor by 4,000 plurality. The legislature is probably democratic. Nevada.

Reno, Nev., Nov. 6.—The entire fusion state ticket has been elected, with the exception of Bray, superintendent of schools. Sparks' majority for governor will be fully 1,700.

Washington.

Spokane, Wash., Nov. 6.—Returns indicate the state has gone republican by about 20,000, with the election of three congressmen and the control of the legislature.

California. San Francisco, Nov. 6.-Complete returns from San Francisco and partial returns from all over the state indicate that George C. Pardee, the republican nominee for governor, is elected by a majority of 2,000 or 3,000. The legislature, which will choose a United States senator, is largely republican on joint ballot.

Montana.

Butte, Mont., Nov. 6.-Late returns from the various outlying counties be shown to have been diminished by indicate the election of the entire \$42,340,888 during the fiscal year. state republican ticket by 8,000 majority.

Salt Lake City, Nov. 6.-William M. McCarty (rep.) is elected associate justice of the supreme court by 2,500 plurality, and the republicans will have a majority in the legislature. thus insuring the election of a republican United States senator.

Idaho. Boise, Idaho, Nov. 6 .- Returns indicate that the republicans will carry the state and congressional districts and have a majority in the legislature. In Southern States.

Indications point to the democrats having carried Missouri by 30,000 majority. The legislature is claimed by both parties, but the indications are that it will be democratic.

Georgia elects a solid delegation of 11 democratic congressmen.

In Mississippi all democratic candidates for congress were elected. Constitutional amendments probably defeated. In Tennessee, Frazier, for governor,

were elected. The legislature is large ly democratic in both branches. All seven democratic nominees for congress were elected in Arkansas by

and the entire democratic state ticket

majorities ranging from 3,000 to 8,000. In Maryland the election was only for congressmen, the - republicans electing four of the six members.

The democratic majority in North Carolina is estimated to be about 63. 000, with a solid democratic delegation in congress and a democratic legislature.

Alabama elected the full democratic state ticket by a large majority. Indications point to the election of the entire democratic state ticket and all democratic congressional candi-

dates in Texas. South Carolina democrats elect their entire congressional state and county tickets, without the slightest opposition.

In Louisiana all the democratic

nominees for congress are elected. No opposition to the democratic state or congressional tickets in Florida. The legislature will reelect

United States Senator Mallory. Returns come in slowly from Virginia, but a full democratic congressional delegation is undoubtedly elected.

Bernard S. Rodney (rep.) is elected delegate to congress from New Mexico by 5,400 majority.

West Virginia elected a solid repub lican congressional delegation. The

ried the state by about 90,000. In all Annual Report of the United States Treasurer Presents Some Interesting Statistics.

AVAILABLE CASH BALANCE ENORMOUS.

Decrease in Revenues Due to the Repeal of the War Tax-Public Debt Greatly Decreased-Large Growth in the Volume of Money Kept in Circulation.

Washington, Nov. 4 .- Ellis H. Roberts, treasurer of the United States, in his annual report, says the magnitude of the available cash balance and the unprecedented holdings of gross gold are the striking feature of the condition of the treasury at the close of the fiscal year 1902. The net ordinary revenues for the year were \$562,478,233, and the expenditures \$471,190,857, showing a surplus of \$91,-287,376. In comparison with the previous year there was a decrease of \$25,207,104 in revenues and of \$38,776, 495 in expenditures. While there was an increase of \$15,859,252 in the receipts from customs, the internal revenues, owing to repeal of war taxes, fell off \$35,300,541.

The total receipts of the year from all sources, including the public debt, were \$1,062,124,037, and the disbursenotes and treasury notes were reTELLS ABOUT ARMY.

Adjt. Gen. Corbin Says Force Is to Be Reduced to 60,000 Men-Payors Restoring the Canteen.

Washington, Nov. 8 .- Maj. Gen. Henry C. Corbin, adjutant general of the army, in his annual report, deals with every feature of the army and makes a statment showing the army is to be reduced by December 1 to 60,020 men, of which 2,877 belong to the staff departments. The report also shows that during the fiscal year there were 35 officers killed in action or died of wounds and disease, 21 resigned and 68 retired. Of the enlisted men 1,227 were killed or died of wounds and disease, 35,806 were discharged on the expiration of service, 5.498 were discharged for disability or dismissed by order of court-martial, 4,677 deserted, two were missing and 203 retired.

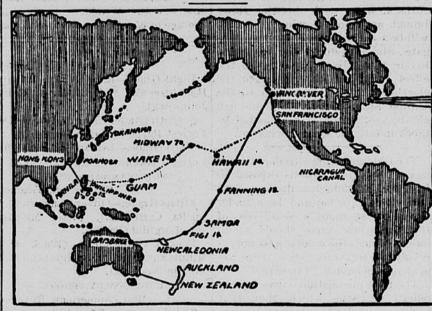
Concerning the army canteen he says: "The restoration of the exchange as it existed prior to the passage of the act of February 2, 1901, prohibiting the sale of beer, is desired and urged by the great majority of officers and men, and by none more than those of pronounced temperance

WILL TAKE A REST.

Members of the Anthracite Coal Commission Leave for Their Homes to Meet Again Nov. 14.

Philadelphia, Nov. 7 .- The anthracite coal commission has finished its inspection of the mines and has broken ments \$969,627,041. United States up to meet again on November 14 at Scranton. Chairman Gray, Recorder deemed in gold to the amount of \$17,- Wright, Brig. Gen. Wilson and Mr.

CABLES IN THE PACIFIC. -



New line just completed between Van couver, B. C., and Brisbane, Australia. Dotted line shows the projected American cable from San Francisco to the Philip-

of the latter without any impairment ley and Neill arrived here from the of the gold reserve of \$150,000,000.

Decrease of Public Debt. While the accounts of the public

Added to Circulation.

To the general stock of money in the country an addition of \$80,189,631 was made during the year. There was also an increase of \$19,735,259 in standard dollars, and of \$7,360,991 in subsidiary silver. The growth in the volume of money in circulation during the year was \$74,082,589, carrying the per capita from 27.98 to 28.43.

There was a net increase during the fiscal year of 368 banks, 437 charters having been granted and 69 surrendered. The total number of banks chartered to June 30, 1902, was 6,325, of which 4.546 were in operation and 1.779 out of existence.

Historic Residence Burned. Kenosha, Wis., Nov. 8.-The historic Kimball homestead, the oldest residence in Kenosha, and one of the oldest in southern Wisconsin, was destroyed by fire Friday, entailing a loss of \$10,000 on the building alone. With the burning of the famous house many priceless pieces of furniture, paintings, silver and china, together with the Kimball library, were damaged. The house was built by Julius Kimball in 1836. The collection of relics was next in importance in the state to that of the State Historical society.

Found Dead in Church.

Omaha, Neb., Nov. 6 .- Rev. W. C. Rabe, pastor of the German Baptist church in this city, and Miss Augusta Busch, missionary, were found dead in each other's arms in the church. They were suffocated by gas.

Quarreled About a Woman.

Bloomington, Ill., Nov. 7 .- James Bell was arrested Thursday at Lincoln. Ill., on a charge of fatally stabbing Robert Woodward, of Lincoln. The woman.

Talks to Masons.

Philadelphia, Nov. 6 .- President Roosevelt addressed the grand lodge of Ancient Free and Accepted Masons of Pennsylvania, praising the order and paying honor to Washington and Lincoln.

Negro Hanged.

Van Buren, Ark., Nov. 8.-Hall Mahone (colored) was executed here for assaulting Mrs. Rebecessa, Mc-Loud, six miles from this city, on September 5 last.

Robbers Loot a Bank.

Richards, Mo., Nov. 6.-Robbers arly in the day wrecked the vault of the bank of Richards with dynamite and secured \$1,590, all that it con-

482,590 of the former and \$1,274,590 Parker and Assistant Recorders Mosecoal regions, where they have just ended a week's tour of the coal belt. From here Judge Gray went to his debt on their face show an increase of home in Wilmington, Del., and Com-\$15,283,512, if allowance be made for sioner Parker departed for New York, the increase of \$57,624,400 in gold cer- while Recorder Wright, Gen. Wilson tificates, the national obligations will and the other members of the party left for Washington. Commissioner Clark left the party at Reading, Pa., and started for Chicago. Bishop Spalding and Commissioner Watkins returned to Scranton, where they will remain for some time. Scranton is Mr. Watkins' home. The bishop will be the guest of Bishop Hoban while in that city.

LOSS OF LIFE HEAVY.

Twelve Killed and Over Eighty Injured in the Fireworks Explosion in New York.

New York, Nov. 6.-Complete revised lists of the dead and injured victims of the explosion of fireworks in Madison square show that 12 persons were killed and about 80 injured. Several of those are probably fatally hurt and many others are in a serious condition. Seven legs of victims of the fireworks explosion were amputated at Bellevue hospital Wednesday. Besides the amputations there were dozens of minor operations on hands and feet and for burns. Many of the patients underwent several operations and some lost both hands.

Wheat Harvest Poor.

Sydney, N. S. W., Nov. 8.-Official statistics show that owing to the drought the wheat harvest in New South Wales this year has been very poor. The shortage is estimated at 11,000,000 bushels. Queensland and other states of the federation will probably also have very poor harvests.

Drainage Law Held Valid.

St. Paul, Minn., Nov. 8.-In a decision of a case from Polk county, the supreme court Friday held that the state drainage law of 1901, for the reclamation of swamp lands, is valid and constitutional, and of inpolice say the quarrel was over a terest to every county in the state.

Killed in Mistake for Deer.

Deadwood, S. D., Nov. 8.-Louis Sherwin, of Central City, was mistaken by Ira Maley for a deer while hunting along the Spearfish river, and was shot and instantly killed. He was one of the best-known deer hunters in this country.

Victim of Pneumonia.

Elkhart Lake, Wis., Nov. 4 .- M. Gottfried, the millionaire Chicago brewer, who had made his home here for the past 12 years, died at eight o'clock Monday night. He had been ill with pneumonia nearly three weeks.

Football Victim. New York, Nov. 6.-William B. Albrecht, of Bayonne, N. J., is dead from a broken spine, the result of a football

THE NEEDS OF THE ARMY

Annual Report of Lieut. Gen. Miles O Gives Some Interesting Facts and Suggestions.

QUIRTERS FOR ARTILLERY ARE NEEDED

Readjustment of Department Outlines Recommended-Indian Situation Is Satisfactory - Fortitude and Heroism of Officers and Men Warmly Praised.

Washington, Nov. 6.-The annual report of Lieut. Gen. Miles, commanding the army, is a brief review of the reports that have been submitted to him by other officers. He indorses the recommendation of Gen. Brooke for a readjustment of the geographical limits of the different departments with a view of equalizing conditions, and calls attention to the necessity of quarters for troops, saying that while hundreds of thousands of dollars are being spent for quarters for cavalry very little is being used for shelter for artillery, which is exposed to severe climates along the coasts.

Criticism of Fortifications.

"I also call attention to the incomplete condition of the fortifications, especially on the Pacific coast, where millions have been expended in engineering and ordnance work and yet the commands have not been properly supplied with ammunition, electrical plants and other appliances essential to effective use of these fortifications in actual warfare." The report con-

Indian Situation.

"The condition of the Indians is quite satisfactory and there has been no disturbance of importance among them during the last 12 months. This is accounted for principally by three rea-sons: First, just and humane treatment of the Indians and the judicious management of their affairs; second, their gradual transition from a condition of barbarism to that of a semicivilized people, and, third, the close proximity of the military garrisons, which are always available in case of threatened disturbance.

Schools of Practice.

"The experience during the great civil war and years of campaigning along our western frontier afforded the best schools of practice for our army in former years. The attention given to calisthenics and gymnastic and military exercises made our small army a corps of athletes, while the elementary schools established for enlisted men, the post libráries, the post lyceums and officers' schools, the various schools of instruction and practice for officers, as well as the miltary academy, produced an army of such excellence that I was able in my annual report of 1896 to state: 'The personnel of the army was never in better condition.'

Heroism of the Army. "This was proved to be true by the fortitude, skill and heroism displayed in every serious campaign on every field of mortal combat wherever the army has been engaged in any part of the world during the last four years. During that time many changes have occurred and the army has been very

largely increased. "The long and varied service of the senior officers, their experience in organizing, disciplining, instructing and leading their commands, as well as the excellent discipline, instruction and exemplary conduct of the soldiers of the army of 1898, have been the leaven of the army of the present time. Evils may creep into any system or great organization. Such as have affected our army have been or will be eradicated."

RURAL FREE DELIVERY.

Some Interesting Facts About This Branch of the Postal Service Are Made Public.

Washington, Nov. 8.-The annual gross cost of a complete rural free delivery service throughout the United States will approximate \$24,000,000, according to the annual report of August W. Machen, general superintendent of the service.

The remaining 700,000 square miles not now covered by rural free delivery service will require the employment of 26,000 or 27,000 carriers in addition to those now employed, making the entire force of carriers 40,000 when the extension of the service is completed within the next three years.

Died at the Age of 102. Binghamton, N. Y., Nov. 8. - Mrs. Sarah M. Jones died here Friday at the age of 102 years. She was born in England. Mrs. Jones was an artist of considerable skill and was fond of literature, having collected one of the

largest libraries in this part of the Oldest Postmaster Dies.

Ithaca, N. Y., Nov. 8.—Roswell Beardsley, of North Lansing, who was the oldest postmaster in point of service in the United States, having held that position 74 years, died at his home in this city at the age of 93 years.

Quiet Elections in Porto Rico.

San Juan, Porto Rico, Nov. 6 .- There were no serious disorders anywhere in Porto Rico Tuesday. The election which resulted in a sweeping republican party, passed off quietly.

New Head of Naval Academy. Annapolis, Md., Nov. 7.—Capt. Wil-lard H. Brownson, who arrived here Wednesday evening, was officially received as superintendent of the naval academy Thursday.