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The farmers like McKinley prices—that is evident.

Mark Hanna must be a bogey man—to the fusionists.

Shell Creek is all right! A gain of 34 republicans over 1896.

Emerick shows a republican gain of 11 and a fusion loss of 18.

Fairview showed a republican gain of 19 and a fusion loss of 15.

Every precinct outside of Norfolk in Madison county that shows a change, indicates a fusion loss and a republican gain.

Indiana was claimed by the fusionists but seems to indicate an increased plurality for McKinley.

Jefferson made it pretty nearly unanimous, showing a gain for the republicans over 1896 of 58 and a loss to the fusionists of 31.

It has again been proven that republican forecasts in all parts of the country are not bluff. They are more likely to underestimate than to overdo the thing.

The solid south shows a republican gain but is still solid for anyone democratic even though he does claim to be the only living exponent of Abraham Lincoln republicanism.

Ohio indicates that she has made a supreme effort to double her majority for her favored son, and the fusionists had the presumption to place its electoral vote in their column.

Colonel Roosevelt has again won a victory. As on the battlefield he showed no desire to dodge a duty or a bullet in the shape of a question fired at him by the opposition. He met them fairly and squarely and won gloriously. Teddy is a winner.

Mr. Bryan's own county showed increased gains for McKinley. Mr. Stevenson's neighbors gave McKinley a majority; while the president's home precinct, county and state gave him increased majorities. Can there be a stronger testimonial as to who is right.

Every voting precinct of Norfolk showed a gain for the fusionists and a loss for the republicans as compared with 1896. This seems to be the only place in the county and state not able to comprehend the trend of sentiment and appreciate a condition that is beneficial to the country and its people.

The biggest "Little American" of them all—Senator Pettigrew of South Dakota—was buried so far out of sight that he will probably not be heard from again very soon. The man who dominated the policies of that state for 20 years has suffered his first defeat because he departed so widely from the traditions of his party and joined in a bitter attack on the government, the army and every patriotic tendency of his country.

If John R. Hays is defeated for congress, as the face of the returns would seem to indicate this afternoon, he comes out of the contest with the satisfaction of knowing that he has practically wiped out the big fusion majority in this district, and that while he entered the campaign against great odds, he has made a winning fight from the start. He has made magnificent gains throughout the district, and should have been elected. The margin against him is narrowing down until it begins to look as though he might have been sent to congress if Norfolk had voted for him as most communities do for a home candidate when he is running for an office which will place him and the town where he lives in national prominence.

The People are to be Trusted. The people of the United States have, in no uncertain tones, passed upon the questions presented for their consideration by the republican and democratic parties as national organizations. The result has been extremely gratifying to republican workers and they cannot but feel that the voters have given substantial evidence of good sound sense. Some of the fusionists appear to be disappointed, but all appearances indicate that it was but what many of them expected.

THE NEWS is sincere in its belief that the wisest heads in the democratic party recognized the weakness of their cause and realized that their only hope of success lay in misleading the people. They could not, under such circumstances, put their souls in their efforts and it is believed that down at the bottom of their hearts they admire the good judgment shown by the voters in supporting the present administration. With free trade and free silver utterly discredited as is

...their only hope was to retain their party organization by shifting to a new theme however light it might be. On the contrary the republicans were fired with confidence by the justness and common sense of their cause. The prevailing prosperity was a big factor resulting from careful business methods and a sentiment in favor of growth and expansion.

The republican slump in the east is easily accounted for on the expansion issue alone and from a purely social consideration. The people there recognize that with the retention of the Philippines and a growing eastern trade, they will have a formidable rivalry for trade by the cities of the western coast. Croker's stupendous efforts to swing New York City into line for Bryan, undoubtedly had an effect in the entire east, and with more substantial policies to work on it is probable that he would have been successful. His first failure in an effort to swing New York is evidently owing to the light issues of his party.

Nebraska has prepared and delivered one of the surprises of the campaign. Few, even among the republicans, although quite conclusively indicated by polls of the state, had believed that its electoral vote could be swung away from Bryan and given to McKinley. The result will unquestionably benefit the state, however, and an unparalleled growth and development is confidently expected. It has not been definitely claimed that Bryanism would be a success in a business sense and its repudiation by the people of the state which gave it birth will redound to their credit with the business people of all other states.

Besides being an unequivocal repudiation of false issues the results may well be taken to mean dissatisfaction with the fusion plan, especially in Nebraska. The people are convinced, apparently, that it is impossible for three parties, with three separate sets of principles, to combine on one set of candidates with anything like consistency in regard to any of the issues.

The one predominating feature of the result is that the people are to be trusted. When the honor of their country is assailed they can be depended upon to rally in defense, and when policies result in better business conditions, they can be relied upon to show their approval by endorsement.

HOOT ON TRIAL.

Waterloo Man Charged With Sending His Wife an Infernal Machine.

Waterloo, Ia., Nov. 8.—Jerome W. Hoot is on trial charged with an attempt to murder his wife. The charge if true, bespeaks a novelty in death dealing, the destruction of a woman by an infernal dynamite machine. The bomb was incased in a handsome cabinet and was received by Mrs. Hoot in this city, Oct. 28, and by a miracle she escaped death from the explosion that followed the opening of the box. Hoot's capture in New Orleans followed three months later and yesterday his trial was begun.

Woman is Found Dead.

Leavenworth, Kan., Nov. 8.—The dead body of Pearl Forbes, aged 26 years, was found in a ravine near her home in this city yesterday. Marks on her throat indicated she had been murdered by strangulation. The surroundings gave evidence of a terrible struggle. It is believed that the girl was outraged and killed to stifle her cries. Further investigation leads to the belief that the murder was committed by two men.

Blizzard in Minnesota.

Minneapolis, Nov. 8.—A blizzard is bearing down upon this section. The weather has turned cold and heavy snowstorms are reported from various places. New Richmond, Wis., reports five inches, with the snow still falling and the wind blowing a gale.

Falls Into Vat of Lime.

Clifton, Ia., Nov. 8.—John Johnson, while intoxicated, fell into a vat of lime and was terribly burned. He will lose the sight of both eyes and will probably die.

TELEGRAPHIC BRIEFS.

The national irrigation congress is to meet in Chicago on Nov. 21 for a 4-days' session. The Portland mine at Cripple Creek has been sold to an English syndicate. The price is given as \$15,000,000.

In a street duel at Anderson, Tex., Wednesday, growing out of politics, John Bradley and Deputy Sheriff William L. Scott were killed and John Bradley, Jr., and Sheriff Garrett Scott were fatally wounded.

Washington State Figures.

Portland, Or., Nov. 8.—About one-half of the total vote of the state of Washington has been reported and shows the following results: McKinley 27,481, Bryan 20,051. For governor, Frink (Rep.) 23,036, Rogers (Dem.) 22,794. Late returns from western Washington have increased Frink's vote and it will take a more complete count to determine the result. McKinley's majority in the state will be close to 10,000.

Delegate Re-Elected.

Guthrie, I. T., Nov. 8.—Secretary Rensh of the Republican territorial committee made the following statement: Dennis Flynn is re-elected by 5,500 majority. We have elected a majority in both branches of the legislature. The two houses stand as follows: Lower house, 17 Republicans, 9 Democrats; council, 7 Republicans, 6 Democrats.

CALIFORNIA.

McKinley's Majority May Reach 40,000. Congressmen All Republicans.

San Francisco, Nov. 8.—The majority for McKinley in California continues to grow and the indications are that it will reach 40,000. Complete returns from 1,374 precincts out of 2,190 outside of San Francisco give McKinley 107,992, Bryan 81,248. The same precincts in 1896 gave McKinley 106,367, Bryan 91,801.

Owing to the failure of a few election officers to make a semi-official report the complete figures in San Francisco cannot be ascertained at present, but it is safe to say that the Republican presidential electors have carried the city by 8,000 or 10,000. The Republicans have elected all seven congressmen. The legislature is Republican by a majority of 26.

The following is the complete vote of San Francisco: McKinley 35,112, Bryan 25,151.

DOCKERY IS ELECTED.

Democrats Make a Gain of 15,000 In St. Louis.

St. Louis, Nov. 8.—Returns from 40 out of the 114 counties in the state have been received at the headquarters of the Democrats and Republicans here. They indicate a decreased Democratic majority out in the state which will aggregate about 10,000 or 12,000, if the ballots continue at the same ratio. The Democratic decrease in the state is counterbalanced by the big Democratic gain of 15,000 in St. Louis. Congressman Alexander M. Dockery (Dem.) is elected governor by about 35,000 plurality, and the Bryan electors will go in by about 49,000 plurality.

The Democrats claim the legislature by 50 majority on joint ballot, but this the Republicans will not concede.

Bryan Has Montana.

Helena, Mont., Nov. 8.—Fuller returns of Tuesday's voting in this state confirm the preliminary estimates. Bryan's plurality will be from 15,000 to 18,000, and Governor Toole leads the Democratic vote ticket, with from 6,000 to 8,000 votes to spare. The legislature, which will elect two United States senators, is Democratic from 15 to 20 votes on joint ballot, and will undoubtedly re-elect Senator William A. Clark and some other Democrat or Populist to succeed Thomas C. Carter and fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of Senator Clark last session.

Texas Congressmen All Democrats.

Houston, Tex., Nov. 8.—Last night's estimate of 175,000 majority for the Democratic ticket in Texas was about correct, as indicated by the returns so far received. The only Republican congressman from Texas has been replaced by a Democrat and the delegation will be solid. The one Republican state senator has been defeated and the legislature is composed entirely of Democrats.

Bryan Leads In Nevada.

Reno, Nev., Nov. 8.—Seventy-four precincts out of 163 in Nevada give Bryan 4,977, McKinley 3,307. For congress, Newlands (Dem.) 4,780, Farrington (Rep.) 3,533. At this rate Bryan will have a majority of 2,500 and Newlands about 1,800.

Georgia.

Atlanta, Ga., Nov. 8.—Dispatches from the state do not materially change the figures reported in these dispatches last night. Mr. Bryan's majority in Georgia is about 40,000.

SHOOTING IN SCOTLAND.

An Immense Sum Expended Annually in This Form of Sport.

As to the sums spent on shooting in Scotland, so large is the total that it is a difficult matter to arrive even at an approximate estimate. In Perthshire alone there are 465 shootings, of which about four-fifths are let to tenants and bring in about 150,000 a year, or an average of £400 a year, which seems about a fair estimate if it be borne in mind that this is an expensive country and that 50 of its best shootings bring £35,000, or an average of £700 a year. In the whole of Scotland there are about 4,000 shootings, and as each of them must at least employ one keeper and one gillie during the shooting season some estimate may be formed of the money expended in wages and the number of people employed.

In the deer forests and on the larger shootings there will often be from four to six men permanently engaged and from six to eight others working for the shooting season only. In a well known forest where I once spent many pleasant days there were three foresters, three gillies and three pony men out each day. On the grouse ground there were three keepers, with three underkeepers, a kennel man and two carriers going to and from the nearest railway station, a total of 18 men and five horses, not to mention the ponies kept for riding into the forest and those kept to carry grouse panniers. On this property three rilles could stalk each day, while three other parties of two each could shoot grouse, or the six could combine for driving.—Chambers' Journal.

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