

What it Looks Like in Centre County.

The outcome of Tuesday's great political conflict has started experts to opining on the cause that has effected the results announced in other columns of this issue.

Though Republican county chairman GRAY had claimed the county for his party by 430 or more Democratic county chairmen SPANGLER had a canvass which he believed would land his ticket by majorities ranging from 400 up.

The returns have been announced and while they show that Mr. GRAY's prediction came nearest being fulfilled there is nothing in them that would indicate that Mr. SPANGLER was either deceived by his committeemen or misrepresented the situation himself.

It was not a slump that carried part of the ticket down, nor was it a land slide in the country. There were more than a thousand more votes polled Tuesday than there were in 1892 and six hundred more than in 1894.

It is not a desire to create utopias nor build up hopes for those who are disappointed at the outcome that prompts us to say that the real reason for the loss in the county was the Republican legislative fight.

In the first place no one will deny the unprecedentedly lavish use of money to secure votes for both WOMELSDORF and CURTIN. The WOMELSDORF people were interested in him alone, but wherever they secured a Democrat it was voted for the straight Republican ticket with the exception of CURTIN.

Now from these two conclusions we are able to deduce nothing else but the assurance that Mr. SPANGLER'S estimate of what the county ought to have done was right. Had there been no such fight on the Legislature the whole ticket would have been elected from 200 up.

Centre county is a Democratic county, that is, there is a majority of its voters who are supposed to be Democrats.

To Those who Have Failed.

There is very little of consolation in explanations of how men fail to realize cherished ambitions, but the consciousness that they have striven honorably and sincerely for a coveted goal and that they have friends who are as much with them in defeat as in victory should go far toward effacing the bitter memories that will haunt those who have fallen in the conflict just closed.

In Centre county we have good men and true who are down. Mr. WEAVER, Mr. MEYER, Mr. KEISTER, Mr. WETZEL and Dr. IRVIN are among them. It is not that their party has repudiated them, but rather that the paid hirelings of the gold crochets have been able to carry their corrupt methods in accomplishing a selfish purpose.

We abide by the verdict with you all and trust that a time will come when men will triumph over corruption and there will be a pure and honest ballot that will vindicate you and the cause of the people.

Fight With a Negro.

Bryan Enthusiasts Fired Upon and One Shot at Middletown.

MIDDLETOWN, N. Y., Nov. 3rd.—A crowd of young men were cheering for Bryan this afternoon in this city when John Jackson, colored, pulled a pistol and shot at them three times. They chased him into a house. He fired from the house and shot Thomas Wood, white, in the forehead, seriously injuring him. Policeman Gould chased Jackson and was also fired at. The latter returned the fire, but neither was struck. Jackson was captured.

True Bill Against the Castles.

LONDON, Nov. 23.—At the Clerkenwell sessions today the grand jury found true bills against Mr. and Mrs. Walter M. Castle, of San Francisco, accused of shop-lifting.



FOSTER.



SCHOFIELD.



CRONISTER.



RUMBERGER.



HARPER.



HECKMAN.



HESS.

UN-OFFICIAL RETURNS OF CENTRE COUNTY FOR 1896.

Table with columns for President 1892, President 1896, Congressmen At-Large, Cong., Assembly, Sheriff, Treas., Register, Recorder, Commissioners, Auditors, Surv., Coroner. Rows list various townships and their electoral results.

The figures above have been verified by the official count on all except those for congressmen-at-large. The totals are official. The free silver electors received 67 votes in the county.

NOT A LAND-SLIDE AT ALL EVENTS!

McKinley is Probably Elected President But Bryanism is Not Conquered.

The Result is Actually in Doubt. McKinley Has 214 Sure, Bryan 170 Sure, with California, Indiana, Kentucky, North Dakota, Oregon and West Virginia Hanging in the Balance.

According to the latest returns Major McKinley is probably elected, but his majority in the Electoral College will be a much smaller one than was at first estimated. The figures show that in the country Bryan has gained considerably in several States.

Chairman Jones claims that the Democratic candidate has carried Indiana, Michigan, Minnesota, Kentucky, California and Oregon, that the result in Iowa now favors Bryan and that he has no fear of West Virginia.

Chairman Hanna admits that Kentucky and Tennessee are close but concedes neither. He does not give up Nebraska, California or Wyoming, and claims Indiana by 40,000, and ten of Texas' electoral votes. He says McKinley will have at least 277 votes.

The returns now indicate that McKinley has 252 electoral votes and Bryan 179. Two States—North Dakota and Kentucky—with a total vote in the college of 16, are doubtful.

At 4 o'clock last evening the bulletins showed that the returns from the western States have all been overestimated in favor of McKinley and that the returns, though surprisingly slow in coming in, show great Democratic gains. Most of the figures are still county chairman estimates.

Chairman Jones will not concede McKinley's election and believes that Bryan may yet win in Indiana, Iowa, Kentucky, California, Oregon and West Virginia. Chairman Hanna ridicules these claims, however, and insists that McKinley is already elected.

The present outlook is that it will require the official vote in several of the close States to decide the contest.

McKinley is more than likely a winner, but the result will be so close as to proclaim to the world that the American people have awakened to thought, at least, and in four years will be aroused to such action as will sweep the leeching gold system away under the greatest wave that has ever swept the country.

South Dakota. Returns show the State is for Bryan, although the Republicans still claim it.

YANKTON, S. D., Nov. 4.—Sufficient returns have been received to show that South Dakota gives her electoral vote to Bryan by 5,500 to 3,000 and elects two silver Congressman and the entire fusion state ticket.

An associated Press dispatch says: Three hundred and eleven precincts give McKinley 2,500 majority. Clay county, the home of the Populist candidate, gives a majority for McKinley. Douglass county's majority for McKinley is 146.

J. A. Bowler, Democratic State chairman, has wired the Associated Press: "Am confident Bryan will carry the State by 5,000."

J. D. Elliot, Republican state chairman, has sent the following to the national committee: "Heavy storms delayed returns, which are now one-half in. McKinley has 2,500 majority, with continuous gains from all rural precincts. Three thousand McKinley majority is the minimum estimated."

Texas. COLUMBUS S. C., Nov. 3.—Bulletins received here from all parts of South Carolina show that the Democratic presidential, congressional, state and county tickets have been successful by overwhelming majorities.

RALEIGH, N. C., Nov. 3.—Populists and Democrats voted nearly solid for Bryan, and claim the State for Bryan. Governor and other fusion state officers are elected.

Montana. GREAT FALLS, MONT., Nov. 4.—Returns in the State are very slow coming in. Reports in the different counties received so far this morning would indicate that out of a total vote of nearly 45,000, Bryan's majority will be about 15,000.

The Present Outlook in the Electoral College.

Table showing electoral college results by state, including columns for Doubtful, Sure for Bryan, and Sure for McKinley. Lists states like Alabama, Arkansas, Colorado, Connecticut, Florida, Georgia, Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Kansas, Kentucky, Louisiana, Maine, Maryland, Massachusetts, Michigan, Minnesota, Missouri, Montana, Nebraska, Nevada, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New York, North Carolina, North Dakota, Ohio, Oregon, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island, South Carolina, South Dakota, Tennessee, Texas, Utah, Vermont, Virginia, West Virginia, Wisconsin, Wyoming.

The Governors Elect.

Men Who Have Been Elected as Executives in the Various States.

The following table shows the men who have been chosen to preside over these States. Those elected in Alabama, Arkansas, Florida, Georgia, Louisiana, Maine, Massachusetts, Rhode Island and Vermont were voted for prior to yesterday:

Table listing governors elect for various states: Alabama—Joseph E. Johnston, Dem.; Arkansas—Daniel W. Jones, Dem.; Connecticut—Lorrin A. Cooke, Dem.; Florida—Ebe W. Tunnell, Dem.; Georgia—William D. Bloxham, Dem.; Illinois—William Y. Atkinson, Dem.; Louisiana—John R. Tanner, Rep.; Massachusetts—Murphy J. Foster, Dem.; Maine—Llewellyn Powers, Rep.; Massachusetts—Roger Wolcott, Rep.; Montana—Robert B. Smith, Fusion; Nebraska—Silas A. Holcomb, Fusion; North Carolina—Cyrus B. Watson, Dem.; South Carolina—A. O. Ringrud, Rep.; Tennessee—Robert B. Smith, Fusion; Vermont—Joseph Grant, Rep.; Washington—John R. Rogers, Fusion; West Virginia—G. W. Atkinson, Rep.; Wisconsin—

Took it for Granted.

Major McKinley Expressed Confidence of His Election.

New York, Nov. 3.—At 7:30 o'clock Harry Dearborn, chairman of the Commercial Travelers' sound money league, called up Major McKinley over the long-distance telephone and congratulated him on the outlook. Mr. McKinley sent the following message, taking his election already for granted: "Nobody realizes, more than I do the great services rendered in the sound money cause by the commercial travelers. They have been as important a factor in my election as any organization in the country and I thank them for their work in my behalf."

Delaware.

WILMINGTON, Del. Nov. 4th.—Returns from Delaware are still incomplete in detail, but enough is known to accurately state the result. McKinley carries the State by 1,500 to 1,800 majority. He may lose one elector, James G. Shaw, Sr., whose name was printed without the affix "Sr." on the regular Republican ticket, but it is conceded that the courts will correct the irregularity if the issue is raised.

Democrat Shot by Republican.

ST. LOUIS, Nov. 3.—John Kielly, a Democrat, was shot and mortally wounded just before 2 p. m., in an election room at Tenth street and Cass avenue, by John Egan, a Republican ward worker.

Growth of the Tourist System.

The Philadelphia railroad company through its personally-conducted tourist system and the unexcelled standard of high service has won an enviable record for itself. These tours have grown to be thoroughly appreciated in this age of luxurious travel, and the series announced for the season of '96 and '97 admirably illustrates the progress of the times.

First comes a series to the golden gate, starting from New York, Philadelphia and Harrisburg, January 27th, February 24th and March 27th. Tourists will travel by superbly-appointed special trains of Pullman compartment, drawing-room, sleeping, dining, smoking and observation cars under the supervision of a tourist agent and chaperone.

Next in importance comes a series of four to Florida—January 28th, February 9th and 23rd, and March 9th. The first three admit, of two weeks in the sunny South, while tickets for the fourth are good to return by regular trains until May 31st.

A series of short tours to Washington from New York, Philadelphia and adjacent points will be run on December 20th, 1896, January 21st, February 11th, March 11th, April 1st and 22nd and May 13th, 1897. Old Point Comfort, Richmond, and Washington tourists will leave New York and Philadelphia December 26th, 1896, January 28th, February 20th, March 18th and April 15th, 1897.

Handsome illustrated itineraries will be issued by the rail road company, containing full information as to how these tours may be pleasantly and profitably made. These itineraries may be procured on personal application or by addressing tourist agent, 1196 Broadway, New York; 860 Fulton street, Brooklyn; 789 Broad street, Newark, N. J., or room 411, Broad street station, Philadelphia.

Jones Still Confident.

The Democratic Chairman Feels Certain Bryan Has Been Elected and Tells Why.

CHICAGO, Nov. 4.—"I believe that Wm. Jennings Bryan has gained the majority of the electors for President of the United States. I have all the time maintained that he would carry the south, with 156 electoral votes, and all the States west of the Missouri river, with 61 votes, making 217 in all. If we lose Maryland with its 8 votes, we can win with either Michigan or Indiana. The possibilities are that we have lost Maryland, but my latest and best information is that we have gained both of the other States named. Indeed, it is almost a certainty that we have carried Indiana, and the chances are fully as favorable in respect to Michigan, although the returns from the States are not so complete. I feel sure that Mr. Bryan will be found to have carried both States, and he will be elected. "JAMES K. JONES," Chairman National Democratic Committee."

Li Loses a Year's Salary.

The Chinese Ambassador Punished by the Emperor.

PEKING, Nov.—Although advised to deprive Li Hung Chang of all his offices, the Emperor substituted for this punishment at the loss of a year's salary. A dispatch, on October 26, announced that Li Hung Chang had been appointed Minister of Foreign Affairs, and at the same time an imperial edict was issued ordering that the Chinese statesman be punished for presuming to enter the precincts of a ruined summer palace while visiting the Dowager Empress of China.

Illinois

CHICAGO, Nov. 4.—Returns from the State indicate that the Republicans will have a large majority in both houses of the Legislature, which will thus elect a United States Senator this winter to succeed John M. Palmer. The entire Republican state ticket is elected by majorities ranging from 100,000 to 125,000. John R. Tanner, for Governor, will get about 25,000 votes less than McKinley.