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The Result in the County.

The result of Tuesday's election in this county can scarcely be looked upon as significant of anything more than that Centre is still Democratic. The conditions were so peculiar as to make it more of a contest of individuals than anything else, though there is enough in the result to form a fair basis upon which to establish the assertion that Democrats predominate.

The campaign was remarkably clean, free from personalities and those vicious flings, on the part of persons and papers, that make such deep wounds without benefitting the cause they have been started to help. The fight was fought on Tuesday and, happily enough, there was such a fair field that the aftermath ought not to have anything of regret in it for successful or defeated candidates.

Another gratifying feature of the day's battle was the apparent absence of that corrupting influence, money. Especially was this noticeable in Belleville, where it was feared trouble would arise as a result of the terrible debauchery the floating element had been subjected to at the recent Republican primaries. But aside from the holding off of a few until late in the evening, until they discovered that neither party was going to bid for their votes, there wasn't a trace of a purchasable element in evidence.

The returns show CREASY'S vote to have been only 19 more than that polled for JENKS last fall, while BARNET ran 329 ahead of the vote cast for STONE for Governor. That he was not out by the HASTINGS Republicans in the county to any appreciable extent is shown by the fact that he ran only 104 votes behind BROWN and only 82 behind Judge MITCHELL, who was put on the ticket for the express purpose of catering to the insurgents.

The increase of 348 votes in the total poll has its explanation in the increased population about the industrial centres of the county. It would be incorrect to ascribe it to a greater activity among party workers or a livelier interest in the campaign, because the one just closed was far less aggressive than that of the fall of 1898.

The result on the treasurership fight in Belleville and Phillipsburg is interesting because it shows that both towns take pride in favorite sons and will support them, even to the extent of breaking party ties. The remarkable run made by CYRUS BRUNGARD is a splendid testimonial to the good judgment of the people of Centre county and especially is he to be congratulated on having carried the borough of Belleville. This latter result speaks plainer than words to those who have political aspirations for the future. It leaves no doubt of the disapproval of the people of everything that is not clean and elevating in campaign methods. While the defeat of Mr. HARPER, for recorder, was made particularly calamitous by his being the only Democrat to suffer, it seems to have been only a part of the effectively carried out plans of the voters. He was a splendid official; and the office has never had a more efficient or courteous incumbent, but it is evident that the people are beginning to demand more than mere qualifications.

Especially is the election of a Democratic board of commissioners a matter of comfort to the taxpayers of the county who have been at the mercy of incompetent officials for the past three years and the WATCHMAN unhesitatingly announces that reforms will be inaugurated as soon as Mr. MEYER and Mr. HECKMAN are inducted into office. It was their campaign promise and they are the kind of men to fulfill it.

Chairman J. K. JOHNSTON and his corps of assistants at headquarters deserve the congratulations of the party for the success of their campaign. It was his maiden effort as a political leader and he was handicapped by numerous untoward conditions, but he has surmounted most of the obstacles and comes out triumphant with a record of which he and his co-workers may well be proud. The township committee and their school district lieutenants all come in for their share of the congratulations that must be extended for the redemption of old Centre.

A Rooster for Sauers



This little rooster crows for CAL SAUERS of State College, Williamsport and Corning, N. Y. We promised him one all to himself if he would come home from Williamsport to vote and the exultant cackle of this jubilant Democratic birdlet is all for CAL. The connection of the SAUERS name with the WATCHMAN roosters recalls a little anecdote of years ago, when our faithful old friend JOHN SAUERS lived and flourished as a shoemaker at State College. There had been serious reverses for the Democrats and you may know it must have been a pretty cold day for us when the WATCHMAN couldn't score up cause for one or two roosters at least. Old Mr. SAUERS was sitting in his shop the day after election, ignorant of what had happened, when Prof. JOHN HESTON dropped in to twit him



OFFICIAL RETURNS OF CENTRE COUNTY, NOVEMBER 7th, 1899.

Table with columns for State Treas., Governor-'98, Treasurer, Sup. Judge, Superior J., Sheriff, Treas., Regist'ry, Record, Commissioners, Auditors, and Coroner. Rows list various boroughs and townships like Belleville, Centre Hall, etc.

Total 2110 2204 1469 3485 4841 614 3814 4300 163 3918 4116 170 3906 4131 167 3792 4353 1321 3881 4216 401 425 51 571 102 344 240 59 107 51 3083 4241 98 93 3083 4241 98 93

about the result. The old man was up in arms in an instant and declared he would not believe his party "beaten until the WATCHMAN comes."

Friday morning, when the paper arrived at the College, Prof. HESTON called at the post office and secured Mr. SAUERS' copy, armed with it he proceeded to the little cobbler shop, which he entered in such an indifferant manner as to indicate that he had forgotten about the previous controversy. Tossing the paper to the old Democrat, he remarked: "There is your WATCHMAN, Mr. SAUERS."

The latter picked it up with an eagerness begotten of long supported hope and scanned every page in vain search of some crowing sign of victory, then dropping the sheet on the floor by his bench he was the picture of disconsolation as he groaned out his despair in these words: "Not a damned rooster!"

Maryland Again Democratic! Smith Defeats Louder for Governor by 15,000 Plurality.

BALTIMORE, Md., Nov. 7.—After a three years trial of Republican rule, Maryland returns to the Democratic fold and can hereafter be counted as a reliable Democratic State. It has tried Republicanism and is tired of it. It was asked to endorse McKinleyism, and has repudiated it. John Wallin Smith a Democrat, will be the next Governor of Maryland. All returns received from Baltimore city and State, up to midnight, indicate his election by about 15,000 majority. With him will go the entire Democratic city ticket and the three legislative districts. Returns from 120 out of 308 precincts have been heard from at midnight, and these show immense Democratic gains. Although the city returns are handicapped by numerous untoward conditions, but he has surmounted most of the obstacles and comes out triumphant with a record of which he and his co-workers may well be proud. The township committee and their school district lieutenants all come in for their share of the congratulations that must be extended for the redemption of old Centre.

Incomplete returns from Baltimore city all show heavy Democratic gains, and it appears that Smith, Democrat, for Governor, will carry the city by from 10,000 to 12,000, a much larger plurality than that given Thomas G. Hayes, Democrat, for mayor in the municipal election last May. On the eastern shore, Colonel Smith's Congressional district will give him a large plurality. The Republicans concede the counties of Prince George's, Dorchester, Howard and Baltimore to the Democrats, the last named giving a Democratic majority of 12,000. There is no doubt but that the House of Representatives in the Legislature will be heavily Democratic, while the Senate will be close with chances in favor of the Democrats.

New Jersey Stands by the Republicans? Corrected and complete returns show that the Republicans carried New Jersey on Tuesday by about 20,000 plurality the vote for Assemblymen. This is a falling off in the majority given McKinley of over 60,000. There was no State ticket. The State Senate stands as last year, while in the Assembly the Republicans have gained seven seats, the division being forty-one Republicans and nineteen Democrats. The Senate stands fourteen Republicans and seven Democrats.

POOR PENNSYLVANIA STILL RING BOUND.

Official Figures Show the Smallest Majority for Barnett That Has Been Given Any Republican Candidate for Years.

Twenty-seven of the Sixty-seven Counties in the State Give Democratic Majorities.

Semi official returns from sixty of the sixty-seven counties in the State, show a falling off in the Republican majority given McKinley in 1896 of about 200,000 and from that given the present State Treasurer in 1897 of over 20,000.

While the Republican candidate for Supreme Court, J. Hay Brown, and the Republican candidate for the Superior Court, John I. Mitchell, received practically the full party vote, Lieutenant Colonel Barnett, candidate for State Treasurer, was cut in nearly every section of the State, and his plurality is far less than that of his associates on the ticket. S. Leslie Mestrezat, Democratic candidate for Supreme Judge, ran ahead of his party ticket.

In connection with this is a table showing the majorities given the candidates for State Treasurer, by the different counties. The returns from the sixty of the sixty-seven are official and the full official vote will not vary much from these figures. By it it will be seen that twenty-seven of the sixty-seven counties in the State have arrayed themselves on the side of the Democracy, a condition of politics that has not been known in Pennsylvania for many years.

In the contest for Judges the Democrats secure one in Philadelphia, one in Berks, one in Chester, one in Westmoreland and one in Fayette, while the Republicans succeed in electing one in each of the following districts: Philadelphia, Lancaster, Luzerne, Dauphin and Armstrong.

In Chester county where a hot contest was made between the fusionists and the ring Republicans, the latter succeeded in electing its entire ticket.

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Clinton county Democrats lost their sheriff and prothonotary but gave substantial majorities for the balance of the ticket.

Huntingdon county that had heretofore been good for 1800 Republican majority, contents itself with giving but 610 to the candidate of the state ring.

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Table with columns for REPUBLICAN and DEMOCRATIC, listing counties and their respective vote counts.

New Jersey.

RENTON, N. J., Nov. 7.—The returns at midnight indicate that the Republicans have carried the State by about 20,000 plurality, although there was no direct vote on a State ticket. The Republicans will control both Houses of the Legislature by good working majorities, and will have an increased representation in the Assembly.

The Republicans have elected Senators in Camden, Gloucester, Somerset, Union and Essex, and probably in Salem and Monmouth. The Democrats have elected but one Senator, in Warren. The Senate will stand 14 Republicans to 7 Democrats. The Democrats lost three Assemblymen in Middlesex and one in Salem, and the next Assembly will be composed of 41 Republicans and 19 Democrats, as against 37 Republicans and 23 Democrats last year.

The result in Monmouth is very close, but it is believed that the Republicans have elected Francis, Senator, and that the Democrats have elected Assemblymen and county officers. The Republicans carried Cumberland for the Assembly, but the Democrats elected the county clerk and sheriff. The Republicans carried their entire ticket in Middlesex and Union counties.

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Mix-up Down in Kentucky.

Both Sides Claim the Election and There May Be Trouble.

LEXINGTON, Ky., Nov. 8.—The political situation in Kentucky to-night is replete with interesting features, inasmuch as each side claims the election; W. S. Taylor, the Republican candidate for Governor, says he has been elected and that he will assume the trust.

From Democratic headquarters the following statement comes: "The situation has materially changed since midnight. From the best figures at hand, Goebel's plurality will be nearly 4000, as follows: For Goebel, these majorities: First district, 6319; Second district, 1550; Fourth district, 3003; Sixth district, 5620; Seventh district, 3831; Eighth district, 63; Ninth district, 146; Tenth district, 379; Total 13,411. For Taylor: Third district, 433; Fifth district, 3737; Eleventh district, 11,143. Total, 14,524.

The legislature will be close but Republicans concede that both branches will be Democratic. Under present conditions this is an important matter.

In the event of a contest it will come before the legislature. This is the case only with the offices of Governor and Lieutenant Governor.

To-night's developments bring the Legislature into prominence, because of the probability that it ultimately will have to determine who is to be the next Governor of Kentucky. In all expressions upon the result of the election, coming from Democratic headquarters, the Legislature has been claimed as safe for that party. No statement of its make up has been given, but it is probable a number of members claimed by the Democrats are not Goebel men. If the strength of the two great parties is nearly equal, these anti-Goebel Democrats, probably will hold the balance of power, thus furnishing all the elements for a repetition of the exciting and bitter contest of 1897 which resulted in the defeat of J. C. Blackburn, for the United States Senate.

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Democratic Gain in New York.

NEW YORK, Nov. 8.—The receipt of later returns from yesterday's election in this city and the State shows practically no change in the figures given out last night. In New York county the entire regular Democratic ticket was elected by pluralities averaging about 60,000. Of the Assembly districts in New York county the Democrats elected thirty-one Assemblymen and the Republicans four—a Democratic gain of four. The Republicans will probably have a majority of thirty in the Assembly, a Republican gain of six.

In Kings county (Brooklyn) the Democratic ticket was elected by pluralities averaging 14,000. Robert Mazet, Republican, was defeated by 400 votes by Perez M. Stewart, Tammany and Citizens Union candidate, in the Nineteenth district. The Legislature will be Republican as usual.

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We Crow for Old Centre!

- Creasy - 446
Mestrezat - 198
Reilly - 225
Brungart - 461
Speer - 425
Archey - 51
Heckman - 344
Meyer - 240
Tibbens - 107
Beck - 51
Irwin - 166

More Civilized Warfare.

LONDON, Nov. 5.—Transports have just been secured for the Woolwich Howitzer brigade, which will be hurried to the Cape. The brigade has 10,000 rounds of five-inch Lydite shells awaiting it. According to the estimates a single shell falling into a compact body will kill 300 men. It was demonstrated in the battle of Omdurman which destroyed the army of Khalifa Abdullah, that large numbers of derisives were killed by suffocation while hundreds of volutes and eagles fell upon the battlefield from the same cause.

Many Rebels Killed.

Decisive Victory for Americans in the Philippines. Strong Expedition Will Co-Operate With Other Columns to Ham in the Rebels' Capital—Should the Concerted Operations Succeed, Organized Insurrection on a Large Scale Will Be an End Early in the Spring—Many Will Help the Army.

MANILA, Nov. 6, 10:15 a. m.—Two columns of Gen. MacArthur's division yes-