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Chairman Jones Encouraged by Tuesday's Election—Democracy is again United.

"I think the result of Tuesday's elections presages Democratic victory for 1904. While it could not be called a Democratic victory, it was certainly a Republican defeat. It is an indication of what is to occur two years hence."

This statement was made to a correspondent of the Baltimore "Sun" on Wednesday by Senator James K. Jones, of Arkansas, chairman of the Democratic national committee. While Mr. Jones does not regard the result as a victory, he regards the situation as promising from a Democratic standpoint.

"There is now no doubt that there is a very decided feeling throughout the country," he said, "against the general course of the Republicans during the past few years. It is that dissatisfaction with the Republican party which created the hope that the Democrats would carry the House and probably New York. The fact that we have made material gains everywhere shows a popular dissatisfaction with Republican policies and gives us good reason to hope for Democratic success in 1904. I think the belief that the Republican party has been responsible for the organization and development of the trusts out of a very substantial figure in this result, and shows that the people disapprove of that party's course. And I think that the feeling prevails throughout the country that the Republican protective tariff has been used and is being used as a means of building up trusts. I believe this feeling has strengthened the Democrats.

"The magnificent vote cast in Greater New York is one of the strongest indications that we are just on the eve of Democratic success. It is apparent that most Democrats were in harmony on Tuesday and if we can repeat this performance in 1904, as we evidently can with a proper nomination in front of the people, we will win. A great deal, however, will depend on the nominations made.

"In contrast to the New York vote the Ohio entanglement stands out prominently. The New York vote shows that without division we can fight. The Ohio vote shows that with division we can do nothing. The Ohio result illustrates the fact that it is necessary for the Democrats to stand together everywhere, and if possible make nominations calculated to command the respect of all members of the party. We must do that in order to win.

"I think the result of Tuesday a decided success from our viewpoint," concluded Senator Jones. "We have made many reductions in the Republican majorities. That clearly shows a condemnation by the people of Republican policies." The result of the election is regarded by Republicans and Democrats as significant and important. On the assumption that no contest can overturn the apparent majority of Benjamin F. Odell as governor of New York, and that the House of Representatives will be Republican, the result of the election is very generally commented upon as being a Republican defeat without amounting to a Democratic victory.

The semi-official or administration view of the election is that it will be beneficial to the Republican party. "We have certain people forced by the closeness of the contest to a realization of the importance of recognizing public sentiment and according something to popular demand. The Democratic view most commonly expressed is that if it does develop that the House is Republican, still the strength of the Democratic party when united has been manifested, and there is every reason for Democrats to take courage and to believe that by united action they may elect a president in 1904 and restore the party to full power throughout the country.

REPUBLICAN PLURALITIES.
Pennsylvania, 140,000; Ohio, 100,000; Indiana, 30,000; Illinois, 60,000; Massachusetts, 37,479; Maryland, 8,201; New Jersey, 10,000; Iowa, 70,000; Wisconsin, 40,000; Michigan, 32,000; Kansas, 35,000; Montana, 2,000; Utah, 5,000; Washington, 10,000; Wyoming, 4,000; South Dakota, 21,000; Idaho, 3,000; Nebraska, 5,000; Delaware, 4,000.

Outside of the South the only states carried by the Democrats were Rhode Island, 7,000, and Nevada.

Massachusetts Surprises.
The Heavy Vote for Gaston, Democrat, for Governor and growth of Socialist Vote.

The election in Massachusetts was a surprise to the Democratic party. A total of 355,288 votes was cast for governor, and of this number John L. Bates, the Republican candidate received 198,156, and Col. Gaston received 157,072, giving Mr. Bates a plurality of 37,084.

Only once in the history of the state has a Democratic candidate for governor had a larger total vote and that was in 1892, a presidential year, when Gov. Russell received 186,375 votes. Mr. Bates can add to this number John L. Bates, the Republican candidate received 198,156, and Col. Gaston's vote exceeded the vote cast for Joseph Quincy, the Democratic nominee for governor in 1901, by 42,603.

In Boston Col. Gaston's total vote was 45,475, a gain of 14 per cent, over the vote for Josiah Quincy in 1901, while the vote for Bates in Boston was 32,158, a gain of about 3 per cent, over Gov. Crane's vote last year.

In some of the cities throughout the state the vote for Col. Gaston showed a surprising increase over the Democratic vote of a year ago. In Lynn the Democratic gain was 100 per cent.; Malden, 60 per cent.; Melrose, 300 per cent.; Fall River, 30 per cent.; Newton, 70 per cent.; Somerville, 60 per cent.

Surprising gains for the Socialist ticket were made throughout the state. In Brockton, Fitchburg, Chelsea, Lynn and Everett the Socialists made a decided advance. The estimated vote for the Socialist candidate for governor is 40,000 double the total Socialist vote in 1901.

The Democratic leaders were astonished at the size of Bates' plurality, as they figured that his lead would be under 25,000 and the Republicans are amazed that certain cities outside of Boston gave Gaston more votes than they did Bates, when last year Crane led his opponent in these places.

One-way Colonist Tickets.
On the first and third Tuesday of each month until April 30th, 1903, one-way second class colonist tickets will be sold by the Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul railway from Chicago to points in South Dakota, North Dakota, Nebraska, Kansas, Eastern Colorado, Texas, Oklahoma, Indian Territory and Southwestern Missouri, at about one-half regular rates.

Grace Darling.

Grace Darling, whose death took place on October 20th, 1842, is still remembered as the heroine of the Fame Islands, whose bravery helped to save nine lives in a terrible storm off the coast of Northumberland. The Fame Islands, which are little more than barren and desolate rocks, were so dangerous to navigation that a lighthouse was stationed upon Longstone, one of them, and there William Darling, his wife and daughter Grace lived in almost absolute seclusion. But a day came that caused their names, and especially the name of Grace Darling, to be honored in every part of the British Isle. In the morning of this particular day a boat in distress was seen about a mile away, but the storm beat so fiercely that the boatman at Bamborough, near at hand, refused to push off, and Darling, used to such scenes as he was, shrank from the danger. But Grace's heroic assertion of herself, and soon she persuaded her father to let her take one oar while he took the other. They reached the wreck and returned safely to the lighthouse with nine survivors. The news of the heroic act soon spread, and in time tourists from many countries visited the Longstone lighthouse and paid their respects to Grace Darling. Not only were Grace and her father entertained by the Duke and Duchess of Northumberland and presented by them with a gold watch, but Grace was awarded the silver medal of the Shipwreck Institution, and received as well a purse of £700 from public subscription. Not even after all these attentions did she lose her somewhat reserved disposition and modest manner. She has been described as having a fair complexion and comely countenance, with a mild and benevolent character. Notwithstanding many flattering offers to leave the islands, Grace Darling remained with her parents until her death which took place four years later at the age of 27 years.

Giving Girl a New Scalp.
A marked demonstration of loyal and unselfish friendship was witnessed at the Reading hospital Wednesday afternoon. In one of the wards lies Carrie Bauscher, the fourteen-year old girl who in September last had her entire scalp torn from her head by her hair coming in contact with a line of shafting in a Fleetwood hosiery mill, where she was employed.

For weeks her life was despaired of, but, thanks to constant and skillful treatment, the patient is now on the road to recovery. The wound led the head a mass of raw flesh.

Friends were told that the only hope for the girl's recovery was the transplanting of live skin from human bodies to the raw flesh on the head, and Wednesday 12 of her companions visited the hospital at the appointed time, and from the arms of each a strip of skin was taken and transplanted to the girl's head. Other operations will follow until the entire wound is covered.

This is the first extensive operation of that class ever performed at the Reading hospital, but the doctors have every hope of success.

Boy Kills his Father.

Then Burns the Body, With the Assistance of his Two Brothers.
Gerard Borchers, living a few miles north-east of Humphrey, Neb., was killed on Friday morning last by his fourteen-year-old son. The boy purchased a shotgun for the purpose, and holding the muzzle of the gun close to the back of the unsuspecting father's head, as he sat down in the house, fired the fatal shot. Then with the assistance of his brothers, August, 10 years old, and John, 8, a team was hitched to the body and it was dragged to a straw stack in a nearby field and the stack set on fire.

The only motive given for the crime is that the father, with whom the children had lived alone since their mother's death, had not treated them kindly. Neighbors of the Borchers say they know of no mistreatment on the part of the father.

Funeral of Charles Bottorf.
The body of Charles Bottorf was brought from Johnsbury to Flemington Friday afternoon for interment in the Flemington cemetery. Rev. J. J. Jelhart, pastor of the M. E. church and a delegation of paper mill employes, accompanied the funeral party. The Johnsbury Breeze gives the particulars of the accident that caused Mr. Bottorf's death as follows:

Charles was engaged in putting a belt on a large overhead pulley which was in motion and used a piece of metal pipe three or four feet in length as a pry. The pipe was wrenched from his hands, the one end striking him in the bowels and passing almost through his body. The bowels were badly lacerated and it was claimed by the physicians that the spine had been injured.

Girl Baby at Last Arrives.
None had been born in St. Louis Family for 140 Years.

For the first time in 140 years a girl has been born into the large family of which John P. Becker is the head in St. Louis. The girl was born on Tuesday to Mr. and Mrs. Arthur W. Becker. Arthur W. Becker is John P. Becker's oldest son. A general celebration by the family is planned. Members of the family say that a boy's name had already been selected in advance of the baby's arrival.

Arthur W. Becker, the father, is justly proud of having shattered the family tradition. He is the president of a manufacturing company, and is thirty-three years old. He is the father of one other child, a boy. He has three younger brothers, all married. They are Charles, Philip, and William D. Becker. Charles Becker's wife is Miss Josephine Ludwig, the prima donna. He is now residing in Paris, where he recently was made secretary of the American Chamber of Commerce.

Got Disease from Corpse.
Undertaker Contracts Diphtheria Under Peculiar Circumstances.

James P. Sullivan, an undertaker of Stamford, Conn., is seriously ill of diphtheria, contracted, it is supposed, while embalming a child who died from the disease a week ago. Mr. Sullivan was taken ill a day or two after the child's burial and his case has developed into an aggravated form of diphtheria. There have been several administrations of anti-toxin, but his condition has become so serious that the physicians have been giving him oxygen to keep him alive.

The Probability.
Professor—Now, Mr. Skimmitt, if an irresistible force should meet an immovable body, what would happen?

Mr. Skimmitt—Why—er—probably Bishop Potter and Mark Hanna would volunteer their services in the interests of arbitration!

Killed Her Husband.

Mrs. Enoch Hink Did so in Defense of Her Own Life.

Mrs. Enoch Hink shot and killed her husband at their home, about three miles above Port Dickinson, near Binghamton, N. Y., Sunday morning, about 4 o'clock. Hink was 53 years old, his wife is 40. They have been married twenty-three years. For some time Hink has been jealous of a nephew, Frank Hink, who has boarded at the Hink home. Saturday Mr. and Mrs. Hink and Frank Hink went to Binghamton. Mrs. Hink and Frank drove home alone. About 2 o'clock that morning Hink, who had arrived home sometime previously in an intoxicated condition, quarreled with his wife and made an assault upon her. She ran out of doors in her night dress and barefooted and, pursued by her husband, ran down the road. He was armed with a clasp knife. Finally Mrs. Hink struck him and went back to the house barricaded her bedroom. Hink came back and when he tried to open the door to renew the assault the woman took up a shotgun and pointed it at her husband. It was discharged, the charge entering Hink's breast just above the heart. He died in a few minutes.

It is not thought that Mrs. Hink will be arrested. The coroner says he looks on it as a case of justifiable homicide.

The King of Gas Wells.

The gas well on the Peter Kerr farm, in East Franklin township, bought in for T. N. Phillips, is undoubtedly the greatest gusher ever found in Armstrong county, if not in Western Pennsylvania. The drill penetrated the sand on Saturday, and operations stopped. On Sunday and Monday the gas worked through the sand, and gushed out of the mouth of the well in a volume that has surprised the oldest and most experienced operators. Men who have passed a lifetime in oil and gas fields, say they have never seen the equal. The full capacity of the casing is strained to let the gas escape. The derrick quivers under the force. As may be supposed, this well, and the question that is puzzling the owner and drillers. To shut that well in would be to have the casing, etc., shot out and up in the air. One operator says he believes the pressure will reach 700 pounds, and the Lord only knows where the rock pressure will go to. Crowds of gas men and other people are flocking to see the wonderful sight. As may be supposed, this well, an extraordinary strike, has put owners of land and holders of leases in the vicinity wild, while big bonuses are being offered for unleased land. Of all wells this is the big one—Kittanning Times.

Hearse Wrecked.

Long Trip Necessary Because Railroads Refuse to Carry a Corpse.

J. E. Dean, a Maryland undertaker, arrived in Oxford, Pa., Saturday evening with a hearse containing the body of J. L. Smedley, who died in Bynum, Md. Intending that it be made in West Chester, and the undertaker set out to drive the entire distance of sixty-six miles. He changed horses at Oxford and left at 9 o'clock for West Chester. He was not familiar with the road and when near Eggs Major church, north of Oxford, the horses turned into a ditch and the hearse was upset. The vehicle was wrecked and the casket damaged.

A hearse was borrowed from a local undertaker and West Chester was reached about 5 o'clock Saturday morning. The railroad refused to transport the corpse because the death certificate stated that Smedley died from a "contagious disease." Consumption was the cause of his death and the physician in charge apparently considered this to be contagious.

Would Desert It.

Dr. Van Dyke, the present Professor of English at Princeton, once on a Southern trip came across an old colored woman sitting at the door of her cabin, smoking a short clay pipe. He stopped to chat with her, and took occasion to joke with her about her smoking. "Anny," said he, "that's a pretty bad habit of yours. And such a pipe! Why the smell of it is horrible. How do you expect to go to Heaven when you die with a breath like that?" "Why, boss," the old "mammy" replied, "when I die I spects to lose my breath."

Cost of the Twelfth Census.

The cost of the temporary work of the twelfth census, according to Director Merriam's annual report just issued in Washington, was \$11,854,818 or an average of 15.5 cents per capita of the population. The cost of field work was \$4,358,670 an average of 5.7 cents per capita. A total of 59,373 persons were employed in the census and 3,910,000 bulletins were issued.

Returned from India.

Miss Jessie Brewer, a Williamsport lady who left that place eight years ago to do missionary work in India, has returned home for a res. Miss Brewer has been located at Guntur, and was the superintendent of a girls' training school at that place. She was directly engaged in looking after the Hindu girls, and enjoyed the work very much.

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