

WASHINGTON.

From our Regular Correspondent.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 24, 1898.
Next to boodle, Boss Hanna rates Mr. McKinley as a Republican vote-getter in the present campaign. Consequently, he has decided that Mr. McKinley shall take a swing through the East, in order to arouse the voters in that section. Like the western trip, the eastern trip is to be scheduled as strictly non-partisan, but that did not prevent Mr. McKinley begging support for the administration in almost every speech he made, and it will not prevent him doing the same thing in the East. It may be possible, of course, that Mr. McKinley has made votes for his party among the crowds that have turned out to greet him on his trip to and from Omaha, but judging from the effect of similar trips by other Presidents, it is not probable. There are a number of good reasons for crowds turning out to see the President, entirely aside from political considerations—respect for his official position, admiration of his personal qualities, and last, but by no means least, idle curiosity. That all of these reasons added to the number of persons who turned out to see Mr. McKinley in the West is certain, and it is equally certain, that they will do the same in the East; but there is nothing in the sight to show that the whole business will enable the Republicans to carry a single Congressional district that they would not have carried had Mr. McKinley remained in Washington and attended to his duties.

Democratic expectation of wresting the control of the House away from the Republicans is not based upon visionary hopes, but upon figures carefully prepared to show how each Congressional district in the country will vote on the 8th of November. According to those figures, there are sixty-one districts which may go either way by very small majorities. An attaché of the Democratic Congressional Campaign Committee, who came within three of estimating the result of the Congressional election of '96, estimates that 41 of these doubtful districts will be carried by the Republicans, and 20 by the Democrats. Should this estimate, which is ultra-conservative, turn out to be correct, the next House would contain 170 Republicans and 187 Anti-Republicans, Democrats and Populists combined. This estimate leaves out conditions in Pennsylvania and New York, which may result in sending the Anti-Republican majority as high as 40, because those conditions are contingent, and may be changed before election.

Secretary Alger received a hurry call from Pingree, and has gone to Michigan to see what he can do to save the Republicans of the State from the defeat which Pingree fears they are going to get.

The War Department is still extending all the protection it can to officers appointed from civil life, who are under suspicion or who have been proven to be inefficient or negligent. Advantage was taken of the absence of Mr. McKinley, who held up a similar order several weeks ago, to order the honorable discharge from the service of Lieut. Col. Rush Huidekoper, the horse doctor, who was chief surgeon at Camp Thomas, Chickamauga Park, and whose administration of medical affairs in that camp was so openly criticised by officers and men. It was believed to have been Mr. McKinley's intention, when he prevented this man's honorable discharge, that he should appear before the Dodge Commission. Why he did not, is probably known to Secretary Alger and other War Department officials, if not to Mr. McKinley. Capt. James G. Blaine, the young man who made such disgraceful exhibitions of himself and his jags at Honolulu and at Manila that he was ordered home, turned up in Washington last week, and he, also, is to be given an "honorable" discharge. Chaplain McIntyre, of the battleship Oregon, must be a friendless, poor devil, or that court-martial sentence, dismissing him from the service, would be set aside, and he would get an honorable discharge.

Secretary Long has made public the report of the board of naval officers, presided over by Commander Wainwright, locating the ships that participated in the destruction of Cervera's fleet. The report does not differ materially from the reports made by the Captains of the ships, and will not change anybody's mind as to who is entitled to credit for that brilliant victory.

A great big bluff is being put up

by the administration by the pretence that Judge Day is making extraordinary efforts to compel the Spanish Commissioners to hurry up their end of the negotiations, at Paris. It is dollars to ginger cakes that Judge Day is doing nothing of the sort. No matter how anxious the Spanish Commissioners should be to reach an agreement on the treaty of peace, they would not be able to do so before the Congressional election, as it was a part of Judge Day's private instructions to prevent an agreement being reached before that time. Should the Spanish Commissioners wish to protract the negotiations after election, Judge Day may put the screws on them, but he isn't doing so now, for fear that the treaty might add to the probabilities of Republican defeat.

DAY IS NAMED.

Pennsylvania's Population Is Called Upon to Offer Devotions for Our Glorious Victories on Land and Sea.

Governor Hastings issued the following proclamation Friday last:
"The people of Pennsylvania, together with their fellow citizens throughout the land, have great cause at this time for rejoicing and thanksgiving. A foreign power, by the barbarous and inhuman treatment of its own subjects, had shocked the civilized world. The American people reached the point where they would no longer permit humanity to be so cruelly outraged almost under the shadow of their own flag.

"In the struggle which followed, God's guiding hand was abundantly manifested. The people answered as one man to the country's call. Our army and navy executed with unparalleled valor the will of the Nation. Our victories by sea and on land were signal triumphs for civilization and free government.

"Pennsylvania's surviving soldiers have returned to their homes, bringing renewed proofs of their devotion to the flag. Where opportunity came, they won the laurels always coveted by the American soldier, and where opportunity came not, their devotion and steadfastness were deserving of equal praise.

"The people of the Commonwealth, in accordance with the sentiment of the hour, desiring to make public manifestation of their appreciation of the services and sacrifices of those who so nobly sustained the Nation's honor, will hold in the city of Philadelphia on the 26th and 27th days of October a Peace Jubilee, and it has been deemed meet and proper that one of the aforesaid days be set apart as a day of thanksgiving and prayer.

"Now, therefore, I, Daniel H. Hastings, Governor of the said Commonwealth, do, by virtue of the Act of the General Assembly, approved the 23d day of June, A. D. 1897, authorizing the Chief Executive to appoint days of thanksgiving and prayer or other religious observances, issue this, my proclamation designating and setting apart Thursday, the twenty-seventh day of October, Anno Domini, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-eight, as a special day of thanksgiving and prayer to Almighty God.

And I do recommend that our usual places of worship be filled with God-fearing, thankful and patriotic worshippers praying that the influence of the day's observance may find fruition in years to come in that rectitude of life, that devotion to home and country, and that performance of every private and public duty which shall be well pleasing to Him, to the end that the future shall know nothing but peace and that the results of the war may prove a permanent blessing to our land and to the cause of advancing civilization.

Given under my hand and the great seal of the State at the city of Harrisburg, this twentieth day of October, in the year of Our Lord one thousand, eight hundred and ninety-eight, and of the Commonwealth, the one hundred and twenty-second.

(Signed) DANIEL HASTINGS, DAVID MARTIN, Secretary of the Commonwealth.

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As Mr. Guffey said at that meeting, the party was never more completely united and the Republican party was never more dangerously divided.

The leaders of the latter realize this, though they refuse to acknowledge it. And the Swallow managers fully comprehend that whatever strength he is to show in the count must come from the Republicans, for he will get practically no Democratic votes. Their bluffs to the contrary deceive nobody, not even themselves.

The one urgent need is to get out the Democratic vote. That effected, victory will be certain. The full Democratic vote alone will elect, and it is becoming daily more apparent that the Democratic ticket will have the support also of many thousands of Republicans who feel that their votes will be worse than thrown away if given to Swallow and who will, under no circumstances, support Stone.

Prosperous Farmer.

D. F. Yohey, a prosperous farmer of Wapwallopen township and also a reader of the Record of the Times, was in this city on Tuesday and made a call at the Record office. Mr. Yohey's farm comprises 180 acres in a high state of cultivation and this year he has been rewarded with a bountiful harvest. He garnered large crops of rye, wheat and oats, and next week will begin threshing the same. Already he has husked 1,500 bushels of corn and when finished expects to have 2,000 bushels in his cribs. His orchard also did well and 200 bushels of apples will be a small estimate of the yield. Mr. Yohey also had a large crop of potatoes, and with five cows yielding ten gallons of milk a day, a crop of buckwheat ready to grind, new sausage, spars ribs, chime, etc., still on the foot Mr. Yohey will undoubtedly pass the winter all right. Who wouldn't be a farmer?

Mr. Yohey was reared in Columbia County and follows closely the marvels produced by his old neighbors, Barney Case, Joseph Van Sickle and Joseph Fausey, as recorded by the snake editor.—Wilkes-Barre Record.

There is a demand on the part of the people to know who is responsible for the death and suffering in the army, and this demand also contemplates the punishment of the guilty men. For this reason a Democratic Congress must be elected. The people owe this to the soldiers, and should not fail to do their duty in the fall elections.—Chicago Democrat.

VOTE THE STRAIGHT DEMOCRATIC TICKET, FROM TOP TO BOTTOM.

Borrows—"Say, old man, can you—" Foxie—"How clever and witty you are!" "Hey! What!" "O! don't deny it. You saw I was going to ask you for five dollars, and you just anticipated me. Very well, I'll go elsewhere."

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The lad who affects much and mimes, Turns out the "dead weight" of the household; And the one who grumbles and winces, Has not in his make-up the true gold.

Ned took the first prize, being grounded in grammar, and that is the reason; Fred's gun at his practice oft sounded, So he bagged the most game of the season.

And the clerk who specially studied The wants of the house that employed him, Was advanced, while an elder who worried His off-hours away went before him.

Oh, boys! whether dull or quite clever— Whether rich or poor is your station— Delve on with high purpose, and never Forget you're the hope of the nation! George Bancroft Griffith.

"Licking" a Royal Highness.

During her majesty's residence at Osborne, about forty-five years ago, her children were accustomed to ramble along the seashore. Now, it so happened that on one occasion the young Prince of Wales met a boy who had been gathering sea shells. The young prince, presuming upon his high position, thought himself privileged to do what he pleased with impunity, so without any notice upset the basket of shells. The poor lad was very indignant and said:

"You do that again and I'll lick you."

"Put the shells into the basket and you will see if I don't," said the prince.

The shells were returned to the basket.

"Now, touch them again, if you dare," said the boy. Whereupon the prince again upset the basket and shells. The boy then pitched into him and gave him such a licking that few princes ever had. His lip was cut open, his nose knocked considerably out of its perpendicular, and his eyes were of a color which might have well become the champion of a prize ring.

His disfigured face could not long be concealed from his royal mother. She inquired the cause. The prince was silent, but at last confessed the truth. The poor boy was ordered before the queen. He was asked to tell the story. He did so in a very straightforward manner. At its conclusion, turning to her child, the queen said:

"You have been richly served, sir. Had you not been punished sufficiently already, I should have punished you myself. When you commit a like offense, I trust you will always receive a similar punishment."

She commended the parents of the poor boy to her presence the following morning. They came, and the result of the interview was that her majesty told them that she had made arrangements for educating and providing for their son, and she hoped he would make good use of the advantages which would be placed within his reach.—Manchester, Eng., Guardian.

Burdock as a Vegetable.

What is even regarded as a vile weed can, with a little stretch of imagination, be turned into an ornamental plant or delicious vegetable. This is especially the case with the common burdock, Lappa major. Schoolboys all know it from gathering the burrs and compressing them into a ball, they being held together by the curved points of the floral involucre. This is all they know about it. It is difficult to see anything more to be despised in the burdock leaf than in the leaf of the rhubarb. It appears that it is largely used in China for food. But it is stated that if the stalks be cut down before the flowers expand, and then be boiled, the taste is relished equally with asparagus. The leaves, when young, are boiled and eaten, as we eat spinach. In Japan it is in universal use. Thousands of acres are devoted to its culture. But in this case the root is the object. It requires deep soil to get the roots to the best advantage. The common name in China is gobbo—a name, however, which need not replace our common one of burdock.

Spider Weather Prophets.

Mexican gypsies can foretell the weather accurately. Of course they trade on the knowledge, but how do you suppose they often get it? Why, simply by watching spiders, which generally alter their webs every twenty-four hours. In summer the boys and girls will find it interesting to watch the little arachnids. If you see them at work bright and early in the morning, be sure of a clear day; and if they make the terminating filaments of their webs unusually long expect fine weather for at least a week. If they are very busy between six and seven o'clock in the evening, look for a lovely night, or if they spin away while it is raining, have no doubt but the sun will soon shine. If they destroy their webs and crawl away to hide, conclude that continued storms are certain.—Chicago Record.



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