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Indiana casts fifteen electoral votes and Ohio casts twenty-two. They both hold State elections in October, and these elections will be watched with a keen interest by the managers of the two great parties. The third party this year will make but a small figure in the National contest. The venerable Peter Cooper, who may be said to represent its best element, was quick to acknowledge this fact by his visit to General Hancock.

In 1876 the vote for President in Indiana stood as follows: Tilden.....21,221 (Dempsey) 9,243 Hayes.....28,011 (Tilden's pl'y.) 9,243

In 1878, for Secretary of State, it stood: Tilden.....23,049 (Hayes) 9,243 Hayes.....28,011 (Tilden's pl'y.) 9,243

The vote of 1878 of whom with 17,000 short of that of 1876, and with this deficiency the Democrats lost 19,000 and the Republicans 28,000 on the total poll. Hence, it is apparent that the defection to the National was greater on the Republican than on the Democratic side. During the past year several thousand negroes were colonized in Indiana with the expectation of capturing the State by that movement. But the practical effect of the attempt seems to have resulted injuriously to the Republicans by a reaction against this partisan manoeuvre.

In 1876 the vote for President in Ohio stood as follows: Hayes.....34,491 (Tilden) 24,445 Tilden.....28,774 (Hayes) 12,770

A change of less than one and a half per cent. on Hayes' vote would have given the State to Tilden.

In 1870 for Governor it stood: Foster, Rep.....38,281 (Frost) 3,972 Frost, Dem.....21,127 (Foster) 4,149

The vote was 14,700 greater in 1876. It is well known that many hard-money Democrats refused to support Ewing, while on the other hand he did not satisfy the Greenbackers.

These figures exhibit the political condition of the two States—Indiana strongly inclining to the Democrats and Ohio to the Republicans. The candidacy of General Hancock brings a new element into the contest which will reinforce the Democracy in both States, and ought to be decisive in each. But it would be wiser than unwise to count upon accessions which are contingent on circumstances, and it would be foolish even if they were reasonably sure, to abate any effort to relax any energy on that account.

The Republicans will concentrate their resources, their appliances, and all the official machinery on Indiana and Ohio, knowing full well that if they do not win they are certainly beaten. The Democrats cannot do better than organize their campaign on a similar basis. They are in a condition to fight with the resolution to make the victory crushing at the outset. A decisive triumph in October would settle the Presidential election, and save a large expenditure of money and material.

One hundred and eighty-five votes are required in the electoral college to choose the next President. Giving 158 from the North, according to Mr. Conkling's favorite form, with 35 from New York and 15 from Indiana, and Gen. Hancock would have three more than are required. Or Indiana might be left out, and New Jersey and Connecticut would furnish 15 to make the same complement.

There is much confidence that Pennsylvania will vote for General Hancock, and the Pacific States promise to do likewise. But we cast all these speculations aside, and regard the October States as the pivots of the contest. In that view, the friends of Hancock would be criminally negligent if they failed to organize promptly and vigorously, so as to put Indiana beyond all doubt, and to make Ohio now for the Credit Mobilier candidate. Now is the time to begin the work, and every day of delay invites danger.

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OUR BOYS CLUB. The Hancock fever has spread all over town until the boys too have opened a raking fire on the President's side. The Democratic boys of the borough met somewhere in town some evening and appointed a Committee to interview the Hancock Club Executive Committee for the purpose of renting the Wigwam with the intention of organizing a boys' Hancock Club. The Executive Committee of course consented, and the boys went to work, and on Thursday evening July 29th, met in the Hancock Wigwam for the purpose of effecting a permanent organization.

At about 8 o'clock Wm. M. McCullough, Esq., President of the Senior Hancock Club, called on the meeting to order, and the object of the organization was explained.

On motion of John Short, Thos. J. Boyer, Jr., was elected Temporary Chairman, and on motion of Frank Shurtz, Joe Smith was elected Temporary Secretary.

A temporary organization having been effected, the next business in order was the appointment of a Committee to select permanent officers for the Junior Hancock Club.

While the Committee were deliberating, loud calls were made for a speech from President McCullough, who at once proceeded to talk to the boys in regular Sunday school manner, which they all received with great interest.

The report of the Committee was unanimously adopted, and the boys' Hancock Club of Clearfield is a fixed fact, and will meet in the Wigwam every Sunday evening at 8 o'clock, for the purpose of transacting such business as may be brought before the organization.

We understand that the Executive Committee have engaged J. Frank Snyder to deliver a course of lectures on the subject of the rights of the people, which will be held in the evening, and it is to be hoped that the boys will be able to attend.

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MY REMARKS. CLEARFIELD, Pa., July 29, 1888. Mr. EDITOR—How the issue in the coming Presidential contest may present itself to others, I am unable to predict, but to me the greatest and most vital issue is the one which I have designated "The right of the people to govern." This right of the people to govern is maintained or lost. This single issue, fraught with such vital interest, not only to the common weal of every citizen, rises so high above the partisan issue in Presidential contests in the past, and is so National in all its sequences, that it should be considered as an issue transcending political parties. When the right of the people to govern is at stake, as has been won by the American people since the first gun was fired on Bunker Hill. This right is the keystone of our temple of liberty, and if it is taken away, all other liberties and privileges we enjoy, and which are the result of our national independence, support and maintenance will pass away and leave us a Nation with out a form of government.

That it now is, and has been for years, the issue of the greatest importance to the Government of the United States, is a fact which is not only admitted by the Executive, Executive and Judicial Departments, but also by the people of the United States. Powers not delegated to the United States, by the Constitution, nor prohibited by the States to the States, are reserved to the people of the United States, respectively to the people. The General and State Governments, each acting in its own sphere without trenching upon the lawful jurisdiction of the other, are the result of the Union, comprising a General Government with general powers and State Governments with State powers for purposes local to the States, is a political union, the result of which is a National Government in the true sense of the word. It is the Union our fathers made, and which has been so respected abroad and so beneficial at home. Tried by blood and fire it stands to-day a model form of free popular Government, a political system which, rightly administered, has been and will continue to be the admiration of the world. May we not our own, nearly in the words of Washington, "The Government of the United States is a Government of the people, by the people, and for the people. It is the main pillar in the edifice of our real independence, the support of our peace, safety and property, and it is the duty of every citizen to cherish and support it as the basis of our national existence."

But no form of Government, however carefully devised, no principles, however sound, will protect the rights of the people unless the administration of the Government is in the hands of the people. It is the principle in our system that neither fraud nor force must be allowed to subvert the rights of the people. When fraud, violence or incompetence control, the Government is no longer a Government of the people. The bayonet is not a fit instrument for collecting the votes of freemen. It is only by a free ballot and fair count that the people can rule in fact as well as in theory of our Government. Take the foundation away, and the whole structure falls.

Public office is a trust, not a bounty bestowed upon the holder. No honest or dishonest persons should ever be entrusted with the administration of the Government. If they should, they should be promptly ejected. The basis of a substantial, practical civil service reform must first be established by the people in filling the executive offices of the Government. A high standard of qualifications for office and sternly reject the corrupt and incompetent, the result will be decisive in governing the action of the servants whom they entrust with the appointment.

LET US HAVE PEACE. The war for the Union was successfully closed more than fifteen years ago. All classes of our people must share alike in the blessings of the Union and are equally concerned in the perpetuity and in the proper administration of public affairs. We are in a state of profound peace. Henceforth let it be our purpose to cultivate sentiments of friendship and not of animosity among our fellow-citizens. Our political, religious, and personal differences, demand our constant and united efforts. A sedulous and scrupulous care of the public credit, together with a wise and economical management of our governmental expenditures, are to be maintained, in order that labor may be lightly burdened and that all persons may be protected in their rights to the fruits of their own industry.

THE WAY TO PROSPERITY. The time has come to enjoy the substantial fruits of our national unity. Let us encourage the harmony and generous rivalry among our own industries which will revive our languishing mercantile marine, extend our commerce with foreign nations, supply our merchants, manufacturers and producers to develop our vast natural resources and increase the prosperity and happiness of our people.

ORGANIZATION.—We notice that the Democratic National Committee has appointed two Committees—one to have charge of the distribution of documents and newspapers, and the other to arrange for speakers. On the former Committee are Senator William A. Wallace of Pennsylvania, the Chairman of the National Congressional Committee, Orestes Cleveland, of New Jersey, and Bradley B. Smalley, of Vermont. The Committee on speakers consists of Abram S. Hewitt, of New York; Wm. Finckley Whyte, of Maryland, of the Congressional Committee, B. M. Boyer, of Pennsylvania, General Duncan S. Walker, of Washington, D. C., was made Secretary of this Committee.

HANCOCK AND STEWART.—On the 17th of June, 1864, Gen. Hancock, at Spottsylvania, captured twenty pieces of artillery and 5,000 prisoners. Among the latter were Gen. Edward Johnson and General George H. Stewart. When General Stewart was brought in, Hancock, who had been an old army friend, held out his hand and said: "Stewart, I am glad to see you." But Stewart drew back and replied: "Under the circumstances, sir, I cannot take your hand." "And under any other circumstances," said Hancock, "I would not have offered you my hand."

A LAME MAN.—The editor of the Petroleum World embosoms himself after this manner: "Sitting in the judgment seat, as we do, valuable opinions are expected of us on all manner of subjects. As to Garfield—although Garfield is a fine-haired man and a Christian statesman—if the \$5,000,000 in controversy was simply a fee, as we understand he claims it was, why then we fear he is too high priced for President. This is, or ought to be, a poor man's country, and we want a modest man for our President."

Peter Santos, late Greenback candidate for State Treasurer, says that Harry White will be defeated for Congress at the Democratic Greenback ticket for Legislature in Indiana county.

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