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DEMOCRACY SWEEP CENTRE COUNTY.

A Triumphant Victory at the Polls on Tuesday.

BIG MAJORITIES ROLLED UP.

A Decisive Vote That Shows That "Old Centre" can not be Wrenched From Her Democratic Moorings—One Candidate on Our Ticket Falls in the Race—Large Vote is Polled—Brungard Leads the Ticket.



"CENTRE COUNTY IS MINE AGAIN."

The Democracy of Centre county can well feel proud of the results achieved on last Tuesday. It again demonstrates that on a full vote the county is absolutely democratic. In all 8000 votes were polled, which is larger than for many years, and gives the head of the state ticket a lead of almost six hundred, which is more than was expected. This is a magnificent showing and hard for our hopeful republicans to explain away.

For sometime there was a large influx of voters in and about Bellefonte, who secured employment about the furnaces, iron works, lime kilns and other industries. A large portion of these the opposition claimed as republicans. Then the republicans have the benefit of the present prosperous condition of local industries. This no doubt induced many democrats to drift over to the republican side this year. Notwithstanding these facts the democrats won one of the most decisive victories in years and swept the county by large majorities.

The pluralities for the different candidates are as follows:

Table listing candidates for State Ticket and County Ticket with their respective vote counts.

But one part of the ticket failed election, that of the Recorder, and the conditions were such that this can hardly be considered a party defeat. The successful republican candidate, Nelson Robb, received the support of hundreds of stalwart democrats in every part of the county, who could not be induced to do otherwise. Such is the result, and from it some lessons can be gleaned.

No one individual can claim the credit for this splendid result. Our county Chairman, J. K. Johnson, devoted all his energies to the campaign and gave the minutest detail every possible attention; and has won his laurels on the first round.

He was fortunate in the selection of an energetic, active and efficient set of local committeemen; these in turn were supported by carefully chosen assistants. In addition there were hundreds of patriotic democrats who turned in and did all in their power for the success of the party and did much effective work.

All who participated in the work of the campaign or simply went to the polls

Un-Official Vote of the Election Held in Centre County on Tuesday, November 7th, 1899.

Large table showing un-official vote of the election held in Centre County on Tuesday, November 7th, 1899. Columns include various offices and candidates with their respective vote counts.

ELECTION ABOUT BELLEFONTE.

The election in Bellefonte passed off quietly and a large vote was polled in every ward. If you glance over the vote you will see that there was a surprising amount of scratching and cutting going on, and it was not confined to either party. When the vote was being counted it was amusing to see how most of the voters wobbled from one side to the other of their ballot. Straight votes were as scarce as henteeth. Another point to be observed is that the democrats turned out almost their full vote and did good work. As a result of independent voting Candidate Speer received a handsome compliment from the people of the town. He received a testimonial that he fully appreciates; and it did not come to him because of the opposing candidates weakness, as Mr. Thompson was recognized as one of the most popular men on the republican ticket, this year.

While not a resident of the town, Cyrus Brungard received a vote of which he truly can feel proud, as he carried the town for sheriff by 24 votes. This is what we call a vote of confidence and shows that the sentiment in this town for good, competent men still dominates, when the issue is made. One of the surprises in this place was the large vote cast for Nelson Robb, republican, for Recorder. The public is well enough acquainted with the situation, so that it is not necessary for us to go into detail, as to the cause of the change. It was a result that could not have been altered. It was an expression of public sentiment that should be carefully studied by candidates in the future who solicit public positions.

The vote in Bellefonte shows another thing and it is this: The new vote in the town does not indicate the wonderful republican gains, due to the furnaces starting up and the operation of other industries in this section. There is no doubt but that there has been a large increase in the voting population in this immediate section, but it is not so largely republican as many had thought. Many of the workmen and families, who have come to this section, simply moved here from other parts of the county and their votes in the total do not change the result in the county; almost as many democrats moved in as republicans. The republicans are wonderfully disappointed on this result of the vote.

The prosperity band wagon of McKinley and Hanna did not have the effect that was expected. The people know that the expense of living was wonderfully increased over what it has formerly, all on account of the gigantic trusts that have grown up and been protected by the McKinley administration. The laboring man and especially the farmer has learned this lesson by actual experience, and the voters in this county could not be deluded by such talk. Yes, the wonderful republican gains about Bellefonte did not materialize, when the votes were counted.

Those big crops in the far west, that brought big bank accounts to the farmers failed to deceive the "popocrats." They know the difference between the works of Providence and McKinley.

THE PHILISBURG LEDGER A QUAY ORGAN, explains the political situation as follows: "The ticket was badly cut up over the county and the returns uncertain, but we have reason to fear that under the leadership of the of the redoubtable Daniel the party has again been slaughtered, an end that was foreseen, or at least feared, several months ago. In this end of the county where Hastings' influence is nil the result was all that could be desired. Register and recorder and one commissioner are conceded us, which saves the game from being a "whitewash."

That is right, blame it on Dan. His shoulders are broad. Dan is hardly responsible for what happens in Ohio, Kentucky, Nebraska and other states, the same day.

THE next three years Brother Riddle will play the part of silent partner in the commissioners' office. Somebody else will have the say. Daddy Heckman will be a sort of a boss of the roost for a while, for a change.

FACT, FUN AND FANCY.

Bright Sparkling Paragraphs—Selected and Original.

Don't talk to me of women fair, Don't talk to me of music sweet; Don't talk of anything at all. But give me something good to eat.

He was a lawyer. When he died, For every wanderer's eyes Th' inscription on his tombstone carved Began like this—"Here lies,"

FROM ALPHA TO OMEGA.

A little miss, A little kiss, A little bliss, A wedding—that is splendid; A little jaw, A little law, A little ma, And, lo! trouble's ended.

—Chicago News

Soft on the stilly night, 'Mid nature's sweet repose, When birds have sought their nests And flowers their petals close; Then, as you slumber so; And dream of lost delights, Silent and undisturbed, The bedbug bites.

Soft coal may be hard to get. All fine music is well strained. The married state—Mrs. Sippi. Outgoing trains are also autumn leaves. A back number—the old-fashioned bustle.

The year would seem flat without its seasons. Should be given elbow room—the stovepipe.

Some maids cannot get married for love or money.

About the best kind of match to strike is a love match.

A song for the busy baker—"I knead thee every hour."

Sometimes a daughter seems dull because the son shines.

A person who is green with jealousy is more likely to feel blue.

They can't educate mules because they haven't horse sense.

The tailor sets the soldier a good example by facing the front.

A man can't very well take a woman at her word if she says "No."

The jailer doesn't encourage intemperance by being a bar-keeper.

There is nothing makes a man feel so cheap as to give himself away.

The bell-shaped pear isn't like a bell. A pear can be peeled only once.

The chimney sweep doesn't wear a stovepipe hat with his black soot.

One way to put down a carpet is to get the dealer to reduce the price.

They say Philadelphia is "dead." Well, it is nicely laid out, anyway.

Musicians play by the measure; the base drummer plays by the pound.

An army doesn't want to be injudicious, but it needs to be head strong.

When it comes to her age, even a selfish woman is willing to deny herself.

When business is slack, the milliner naturally feels somewhat out of trim.

The cobbler doesn't necessarily disappear when you see the last of him.

How can anybody steal both of a pair of shoes? One of them is sure to be left.

Lighting a candle in a church seems almost like making light of sacred things.

We don't call a girl a jewel just because she is bright and set in her ways.

"Rubber" is getting so worn out as a slang word that we are really "Rubber" tired.

Sometimes a man will rummage in the garret, and again rum ages in the cellar.

Lorgnettes would not be used so much if they were not such stylish looking things.

It is nothing unusual for a pint of whiskey to develop a whole peck of trouble.

"I don't object to dead people," said the undertaker, "but I detest dead beats."

The lodging house mistress doesn't harbor gossip every time she entertains roomers.

When a man's single is just when he's doubly interesting to women who are the same.

Nature has many voices. Do not beans stalk, oceans murmur and mountains peak?

Postage stamps may not be much talked about, but they are often on the tip of the tongue.

It's funny about false teeth. When you are wearing them in you are wearing them out.

"Yes," thought the monkey, as he looked at the end of his tail. "I can see my finish."

That old saying about "The early bird," etc., is what you might call a wormy chestnut.

Though it cannot wear forever, the Mother Hubbard is a dress that should never be worn out.

A girl does not object to being called a "maiden," but she dreads the time when "lady" is added.

OHIO rolls up a republican majority for Nash of 50,000. This the republicans claim as an endorsement for McKinley. Barnett has 110,000 majority in Pennsylvania, and is 40,000 behind the balance of the state ticket.

Maryland is Democratic by about 13,000 plurality, and the Democrats will have 55 majority in the Legislature on joint ballot.

Returns from Nebraska, almost complete, give the Bryanites, or Fusionists, about 12,000 plurality.

In Kentucky Taylor, republican, has an apparent plurality of 10,000, and says he will take and hold the Executive seat in spite of threats made by Goebel and his lieutenants.

Louisville, Ky., Nov. 8.—Democrats and republicans maintain their claims of victory to-night. The figures are not sufficiently complete yet to allow a definite statement, but the indications are that the republicans have elected Taylor, Governor, by 10,000.

The complete returns are not in but show Fusion gains, giving them a majority close to 15,000, the largest they have had since the palmy days of 1896. The total vote of the state will be close to 220,000, nearly 2000 more than were cast for Bryan and McKinley.

Both sides made a hard fight and got out all the votes. It is conceded to be in a large measure a personal victory for W. J. Bryan.

In Clinton County.

On the county ticket the republican candidates elected are J. B. Leshar, probrotonary; H. D. Loveland, sheriff; A. Y. Jones, commissioner, and W. D. Kintzing, auditor. The successful democrats are John Noble, treasurer; J. L. Boone and J. A. McCurdy, commissioners; H. G. Hanna and W. P. Darrab, auditors. Leshar, probrotonary, elected for the third term, has over 500 majority.

In Clearfield County.

Returns from Clearfield county; it remains republican by from 100 to 200 majority, the entire republican state and county ticket with the exception of Goss, the candidate for County Treasurer, being successful by that small margin.

HOW STATES HAVE VOTED.

In the five states in which important elections were held Tuesday these pluralities were given in 1896 and 1898:

States Pluralities

Iowa.....1896 65,552—R. 1898 63,524—R.

Kentucky.....281—R. 17,804—D.

Maryland.....32,224—R. 7,109—R.

Nebraska.....13,576—D. 7,221—D.

Ohio.....47,497—R. 61,139—R.

The Old Trick, Says Dewey.

"To my mind—and I am not speaking idly—it settles the question beyond doubt of the next Presidency. I believe it means that Mr. McKinley will be the nominee of the Republican party, and that Mr. Bryan will again secure the Democratic nomination.

CLEARFIELD county Democrats should learn a lesson from Centre county. Factional quarrels don't help democratic majorities over there.