

PROVED A SUCCESS.

Baker's Ballot Law Works Like a Charm, and Makes Friends Everywhere.

VERY QUIET DAY IN TOWN.

A Marked Absence of Disorder Around the Polling Places.

VOTES CAST QUICKLY AND EASILY.

The Law Strictly and Impartially Enforced to the Letter.

ALLEGHENY CITY CASTS A LARGE VOTE

The general verdict in Pittsburgh last evening was that the Baker Ballot law is a success, though there are always kickers against innovations and improvements in the voting system.

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All parties had watched on hand to instruct and give information. The man who knew how to vote was quite willing to help his neighbor who didn't.

The spirit of fairness shown all around is commendable and in marked contrast to the lively scramble for votes under the old plan. The chain around the booths plainly said to the public, "Thus far shall thou come and no farther."

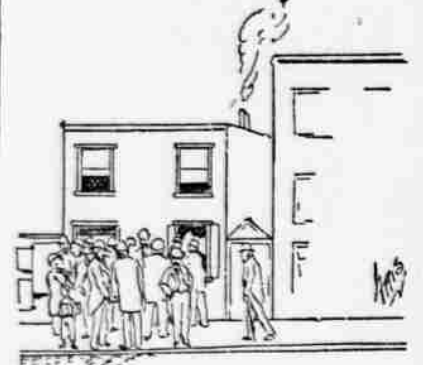
The effect of the law first was to bring out an early and in consequence a full vote. The latter result may be due to the interest always taken in a national contest, but it is a fact that a great many people who probably would not have voted at all went to the polls to try the new ballot act.

All the precincts in the city were provided with from four to six booths, and nobody was compelled to wait more than a few minutes. The vote in the suburbs in the outlying wards was very heavy in the morning. The citizens deposited their tickets before going to work, and many had made arrangements to remain in the city all night to hear the returns.

In the downtown wards of Pittsburgh the vote was slower coming in. In the Fourth ward the average was maintained all day, while in the First and Second wards the workers claimed in the afternoon the vote was not as large as it ought to be.

Remarkable Vote at the Northside. In Allegheny Superintendent Muth at noon completed the count in all the precincts. He said the vote up to that time was the heaviest in the history of the city.

One of the men reached over the chain to explain what he meant on the official ballot. The marshal present requested him not to touch the ticket, but to use a sample. This example will give some idea of how the polls were watched to prevent fraud.



Waiting for Vacant Booths. all its parts or not. Peter Carr vowed he would not vote for Jim Breen when he was nominated, and he kept his word. He claimed he would line up 250 other Democrats from the First ward against him, and he was confident yesterday that Breen would run away behind the ticket in the ward.

Another Kink in the Law. Mr. King said he was surprised to learn that turning the booths away from the crowd and the election board was illegal. He thought it is the way they are should be located, and the law ought to be modified to correct this defect.

The white-haired magistrate, Barney McKenna, sat outside of the chain in his office yesterday afternoon and watched the people vote. He said the ballots were coming in slowly. When asked how he liked the new law, he replied, "Well, I have heard a great many complaints about it today from voters, but I notice they don't have much trouble in marking the tickets."

Chief Elliot was down at the Eagle engine house yesterday afternoon to hear how the election was going. He said, "Any man can stand off the booths and tell how the voter is marking the ticket. The old law, with the New York system of registration, is the best plan in use."

Failed to Make His Bluff. An amusing incident occurred in the Second precinct of the Fourth ward. A man with a red nose opened the door and called the young Democratic watcher in charge to step outside. The man said, "I am in company with him on the pavement and it was evident that the gang was hard up for a drink."

NO SECRET BALLOT FOR THEM. They Got Around the Law in the Thirteenth Ward. The operation of the secret ballot and disability features of the Baker law in the Seventh district of the Thirteenth ward. The usual remarks from one of the judges as a voter passed behind the guard rail was: "Do you want somebody to help you fix your tickets?"

How a Ward Worker Bluffed a United States Marshal. The election in the Twenty-third ward was the quietest in the city. There was no trouble with the new ballots and all were pleased with the new system.

There are thousands of different brands of rye whiskey, but you can compare with Klein's Silver Age at \$1.50 per full quart, or Klein's Duquesne at \$1.25 per quart. They stand at the head of the list.

Through the courtesy extended by Messrs. Solomon & Ruben THE DISPATCH was enabled to flash their election bulletins on a canvas stretched on their magnificent building opposite the Dispatch building.

QUAY UNCONCERNED.

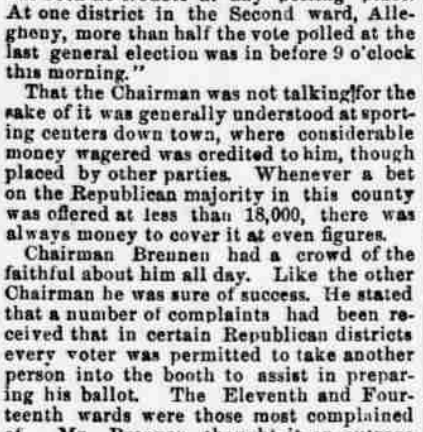
His Information on the Contest Based on Hearsay Evidence.

IT IS A HARD FIGHT, HE THINKS.

He Violates a Custom by Leaving Home on Election Night.

C. L. MAGEE'S STORY IS NOT CREDITED

United States Senator Quay, apparently the most disinterested and unconcerned individual in America, spent three hours yesterday in Parlor C at the Duquesne Hotel. The Senator was either sublimely confident of Republican success or he was delightfully indifferent as to the outcome of the national contest.

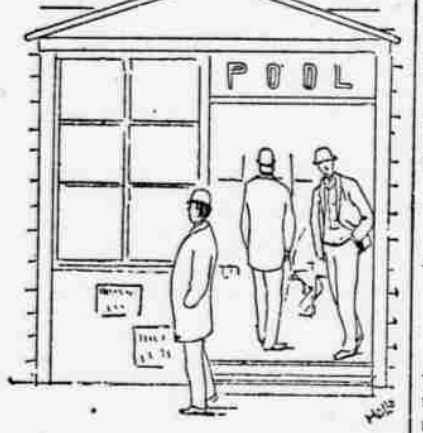


Waiting for the Ballots. said: "It's a hard fight. They tell me Harrison will win. That's all I know about it."

Senator Quay was looking the picture of robust health. He was dressed in a neat-fitting suit of gray. His cheeks looked fresh as a girl's and he appeared younger by ten years than when in Pittsburgh some months ago.

TICKLED TO DEATH.

Allegheny People Think the Baker Ballot System Just the Thing—The Bond Issue to be an Easy Winner at 2 to 1. Allegheny is tickled over the Baker ballot law, and more of her citizens tried it yesterday than usually go to the polls.



A Polling Place Located in a Kink. up his opinions he wagged the best hat in the two cities with Mr. Kennedy that the issue would win out 2 to 1.

ON THE SOUTHSIDE. A Falling-Off in the Vote of Several Districts—Wrangling at Some of the Polling-Places—Voted Sample Ballots by Mistake. With very few exceptions everything went smoothly on the Southside yesterday under the new ballot law.

OUT PENN AVENUE. Lawrenceville Citizens Have No Trouble Balloting Under the New Law. Out along Penn Avenue a fairly heavy vote was cast. The new ballot caused very little trouble, and no one was deprived of a vote who reached the polls before 7 o'clock.

THE CITY IN COURT TO-DAY.

The Triennial Assessment Cases to be Called Up Before a Full Bench of Common Pleas Judges—Great Interest Manifested—Figures from the Assessors.

The appeals number 260, and about 30 of the best attorneys in the city have them in charge. Every point in each case will be vigorously fought in court to-day.

THE PRESS CLUB BENEFIT.

Will Present the Best Programme Ever Offered in Pittsburgh. The sale of seats for the Press Club benefit, to be held at the Duquesne Theater, on Friday afternoon, November 18, was opened yesterday.



BEFORE BREAKFAST BROMO SELTZER Acts as a Bracer—100 a Bottle.

E. P. ROBERTS & SONS. CHINA DEPARTMENT. We open this week our first importation of CHINA and BRICA-BRAC for the holidays.

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