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EVE OF BATTLE IN NEW YORK

Arrest of Chief of Police Devery Attracts Considerable Attention in Political Circles.

FULL VOTE TO BE POLLED

Republicans and Democrats Agree That More Than 600,000 Citizens of Greater New York Will Exercise the Right of Suffrage Today. Statements Given Out by the Party Leaders—Croker's Claims—Betting 5 to 1 in Favor of McKinley.

By Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press. New York, Nov. 5.—The most interesting development in New York on the eve of battle is the indictment found by the local grand jury against Chief of Police William S. Devery, on the charge of interfering with the work of State Superintendent of Elections John McCullagh. Chief Devery's ball was fixed and arrangements have been made for hearing the case the day after election. The indictment has attracted a good deal of attention in political circles.

The points involved appear to hinge upon the rights of men to swear in their votes when challenged by any of the deputies of the state superintendent of elections. The legal aspects of the case are interesting to Republicans and Democratic leaders for the reason that it is feared that a clash might occur at the polls tomorrow between the 8,000 policemen and the 800 deputies. At all the political headquarters, at the office of the chief of police and at the Democratic club the consensus of opinion seemed to be that the election would prove a quiet one, despite the difference of opinion between the chief of police and the state superintendent, unless the unexpected happens. Everywhere confidence is expressed that a full vote will be polled and Republicans and Democrats alike agree that more than 600,000 citizens of Greater New York will tomorrow deposit their ballots for the men of their choice. Indications are that the vote in the city will be at least 65,000 larger than ever before in the history of Greater New York.

Statements Given.

At Republican national headquarters Jos. H. Manley, Senator Scott, of West Virginia and Frederick S. Gibbs, of New York, gave out the following statements respectively: Mr. Manley: "The national committee in this city after the receipt of telegrams to-day from Chairman Hanna and various state committees have nothing to add to the statement published this morning except to emphasize it. I do not share with some the opinion that Indiana is entirely safe for us. But we have no doubt of Illinois. We shall certainly carry New York state by not less than 75,000 majority and I look for something over 100,000 majority. I anticipate no trouble in Indiana either. I believe Superintendent of Police Devery means to give us a fair election, as he gave us a fair parade, and as he gave us protection in our meetings in this city."

Both Sides Are Sanguine.

St. Louis, Nov. 5.—The Democrats express the utmost confidence in their ability to place Congressman Dockery in the gubernatorial chair by a plurality of 30,000 and upwards and of giving the national ticket a majority of from 40,000 to 50,000. The Republicans are equally boastful. Many are of the opinion that when the counting of the ballots on Tuesday night is finished, McKinley will have a slight majority over Bryan. Others, not as sanguine of success, believe that the Democratic national ticket will show a greatly reduced plurality.

Estimates on South Dakota.

Sioux Falls, S. D., Nov. 5.—Eye of election finds both parties still stoutly claiming that they will carry the state. Conservative Republicans estimate the majority for their ticket in the state at between 6,000 and 8,000. Fusionists say Bryan will carry the state by at least 2,000.

West Virginia.

Wheeling, W. Va., Nov. 5.—The political situation tonight is unchanged. The Republicans continue to claim the state by over 15,000.

CENSUS FIGURES

By Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press. Washington, Nov. 5.—The population of the state of Florida, as officially announced today, is 225,542, against 201,492 in 1890. The population of Indiana is 2,316,402 against 2,102,411 in 1890.

CHAIRMAN JONES MAKES A CLAIM

He Has No Doubt That the Ballot Will Result in Election of Bryan and Stevenson.

RECORDING OCCUPATION

International Commission Sent from Peking to Settle Matters—Outcome of Russia's Operations—Importance of the Port—Control of the Coal Mines There—Port Privileges Will Be Demanded by America and Other Powers.

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"The country is now aroused as it has never before since the great civil war and the result will be nothing less than the triumphant election of the national Democratic ticket."

CHIEF OF POLICE DEVERY ARRESTED

He is Accused of Interfering with the State Superintendent of Elections.

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Assistant District Attorney O'Reilly speaking for District Attorney Gardner gave out the following statement:

"The indictment does not charge an overt act, but that every one entitled to vote will be allowed to vote. I am going to see that the policemen in my charge are not bulldozed even by John McCullagh."

Mr. McCullagh refused to talk concerning the matter. He said, however, that he was a witness before the grand jury today.

BERRYSBURG TRAGEDY.

Thirteen Miners Are Dead—Three So Seriously Injured That They Cannot Recover.

By Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press. Philadelphia, W. Va., Nov. 5.—The latest reports from the ill-fated mines at Berryburg show that thirteen are dead, eight of whom have been recognized, and three are so seriously injured that they cannot recover. Coroner W. G. Keys began an inquest Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock, which continued without interruption till 5 o'clock this morning. The jury found that the persons named and others unknown and unidentified "came to their death by an explosion caused by the firing of powder and dynamite in the south entry of the south mine either intentionally or accidentally by persons to the jury unknown."

WRECK AT SPRAGUEVILLE.

A wreck occurred last night at Spragueville, on the Lackawanna. A coal train had been waiting on a siding for a fast freight to pass. After the freight had passed the train pulled out, but the brakeman had neglected to unlock the safety switch. The engine ran off the track and toppled over an embankment. The engineer and fireman escaped by jumping.

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Tien-Tsin, China, Sept. 28.—Russian operations to the north of China are being watched with keen interest by the other powers. Since the taking of the Peitang forts, followed a few days later by the occupation of the forts at Lu-Thai, the Russian advance up the line of the railway toward Shan-Hai-Kwan and the great coal mines at Tung-Shan has been steady. The details of the movement are lacking, owing to the absence of telegraph and mails, but it is known that the Russians are now in the vicinity of Tung-Shan.

The coal supply probably will be the most important question which will confront the armies, and the value of the control of the Tung-Shan mines is evident. With a railway direct to Tong-Ku, Tien-Tsin and part of the way to Peking, the Tung-Shan mines, if captured and under the control of the armies now in China and all the troops that are expected.

Shan-Hai-Kwan is also regarded as a point of vital importance. It is an open and free port, with deep water and natural advantages for the construction of docks. The railway which connects it with Tong-Ku was built by British capital and leased to the Chinese. That it will form a subject of diplomatic negotiation is not doubted in well-informed circles.

Demand Port Privileges.

In the event of the occupation of Shan-Hai-Kwan by Russia or any other nation it is considered that the American and the other powers represented here will demand port privileges. Practically all eight weeks remain until the closing of Taku by ice, and Shan-Hai-Kwan remains the only available port open for the landing of belated supplies or supplies necessitated by the exigencies of the situation.

All the armies have the situation pretty well in hand as far as winter supplies are concerned, and every effort is being made to push forward preparations for the rigorous weather to which the troops will be exposed. Wherever possible the British, Japanese and European troops are being quartered in houses. There is not a foot of roofage now vacant in the city. Every house has been commandeered or rented, and rents for private dwellings have advanced 100 per cent. The large compounds, or walled grounds, which usually surround dwellings in the east, are all occupied by the camps. These quarters were sought after, as the thick brick walls often fifteen feet high, form wind-breaks, and are also utilized as one wall of a barracks, timber and matting roofs being constructed on the inner side. In none of the concessions is property allowed to be rented or sold without the consent of the military authorities of the respective nations.

ACCIDENTAL SHOOTING.

Young Baptist Minister Killed by a Hunter. By Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press. Trenton, N. J., Nov. 5.—Rev. Stephen Reed, a young Baptist minister, was accidentally killed this afternoon by being shot by John Bahrenberg with whom he was hunting. The accident happened near Spragueville, which is the home of the minister. The two men were close friends and were returning from their hunting trip when the gun in Bahrenberg's hands went off shooting the minister in the stomach and instantly killing him. Bahrenberg was frantic with grief and is hardly able to explain how the accident happened. Coroner Nutt visited the scene and has not yet decided whether to hold an inquest. The minister was but recently ordained and at the time of his death was taking a post-graduate at the West Chester seminary. He was married some months ago to Miss Mary Studder a Trenton young lady.

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THE NEWS THIS MORNING

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ANOTHER VICTIM OF IGNITED GAS

Patrick Kane Burned While at Work in the Dodge Shaft—Taken to Moses Taylor.

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CHIEF DEVERY'S ORDER

The Mayor Is Warned by Governor Roosevelt That Unless Steps Are Taken to Secure the Recall of This Order, He Will Be Held Responsible for Any Breach of the Peace and Intimidation or Crime Whatever Against the Election Laws. Mayor Van Wyck Upon Receiving Governor Roosevelt's Message Confers with the Chief of Police and the Order is Rescinded.

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