

American Progress.

The student of ancient history contemplates with wonder the statistics of periods dating by thousands of years anterior to our own. With all our boasted modern advance in the arts and sciences, he finds that, in the numerical strength of armies and fleets, the costliness of equipments, the splendor of public places, as well as of public temples, the vastness and population of cities, and the stupendous grandeur of man's ideas and monuments—Europe, at least, was far surpassed by Asia and even Africa Egypt, at times when what is now the most refined portion of the modern world, was literally a howling wilderness. In America only do the aerie proportions of things seem to have revived, and within the last thirty years to have assumed incomparable grandeur. Commencing our career with less than three millions of population, we have, within a term of time covered by the existence of human beings still alive, attained the aggregate of 36,000,000, which, estimating intelligence as well as numbers, places us as a peer beside the greatest Power on Earth—This mass contains, commingled with it, some of the best elements of the Old World gathered in by immigration. In the ten years immediately preceding the commencement of this century, only about 50,000 persons fled from Europe to seek a permanent home in the United States. In the year 1800, our total population was 3,625,925 souls according to the Census, and from then up to 1820, about 184,000 immigrants joined us. The next ten years, however, brought us 500,000, and between 1840 and 1850, at least three times as many more came in, the 40 years ending with 1860 adding fully 5,500,000 human souls to the cohorts of liberty—a total more than our whole census estimate in 1800. During the past six years, notwithstanding the discouragement of a fierce civil war, at least a million more have joined us, the estimate for 1860 alone being 300,000. Between 1850 and 1860, such was the prosperity of the foreign born inhabitants of our country, that, in addition to the immense capital and resources created by them here for themselves, they were able to remit \$50,000,000 in cash to their relatives in Europe through bankers and merchants, over and above what they sent through mere private channels. From an excellent address delivered recently by the Hon. John A. Andrew before the Agricultural Society of Vermont, at the fair held under their auspices, and those of the Agricultural Society of New England, we condense briefly some facts that bear directly upon our subject, from among the rich and varied store collected by the speaker. As a people, we have brought under cultivation more than 50,000,000 acres of virgin soil, causing our agricultural output our numerical increase; have completed 22,000 miles of railroad, augmenting the capital therein expended from \$26,640,148 in 1850 to \$1,150,500,829 in 1860. Within 40 years, 11 States have been added to our domain, while the individual commonwealths have in many cases exhibited the most surprising growth. For instance, Indiana with a population of 1,471,178 in 1820, had 4,350,428 in 1860. Illinois from 34,162 grew to 1,741,551. Wisconsin with but 5,318 in 1830, had 766,881 in 1860, and Missouri rose from 66,557 to 1,182,312. The cash value of the farms and lands occupied, multiplied in a ratio that left all the other elements of increase far behind. Take the distant Northern State of Vermont as an example. The census returns of 1850 made her farms worth \$63,367,289. In ten years they grew 50 per cent and were computed at \$91,511,678. The total real estate of the Union in the same lapse, ascended from \$3,271,574,426 to \$6,638,414,221, or twice the former amount. Not only have the machinery and implements used in every species of labor augmented in number, variety and convenience, but the case and economy of their production have exceeded all anticipation. Farmer's live stock have run up from \$5,600,000 to \$1,100,000,000; the products of their orchards from \$7,700,000 to almost \$19,700,000; their slaughtered animals from less than \$111,550,000 to \$212,000,000 and more; their market garden stuffs from \$5,280,000 to \$15,541,000. The growth of grain from 707,000,000 bushels of wheat, rye and corn in 1853, became 1,100,000,000 in 1860, or 35 times for every inhabitant, prices at the same time rising to the most remunerative standard. In 1860 flour cost double what it brought in 1826; Indian corn four times as much; hogs three times, and lard double. While our population increased 35 per cent, the quantity of wheat increased 79 per cent, and our live stock, keeping pace in numerical expansion with the population, doubled in value. The proceeds of animals slaughtered for food did likewise, and all the manufactures that from source received proportionate development, while improved lands gained 50 per cent in area, rose 103 per cent in price. What remains to be done may be gleaned from the fact that in 1860 for every two acres improved, there were three on the same farms still uncultivated, and that the whole area of unsettled territory, comprises an area three times as large as all the plantations and farms.

Whether your life is to be long or short, let it be a life in earnest—a life that shows religion, not as something among other things, but as absolutely everything.

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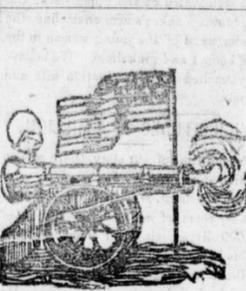


The Largest Circulation of any Paper in the County. THOMAS ROBINSON, - Editor. BUTLER PA. WEDNESDAY, NOV. 14, 1866.

STATE ELECTIONS!



REPUBLICAN VICTORIES!



The Grand Result!

The political campaign which has absorbed so much of the peoples' attention for some months past, and upon which so much depended, came to a glorious termination on Tuesday, of last week—On that day twelve States voted for members of Congress, for State officers, and in most cases for members of the Legislature. Two of these, Delaware and Maryland, with the assistance of rebel votes (returned rebel soldiers) went Democratic, the remaining ten went Republican. Commencing in the East we have MASSACHUSETTS, Which rolls up her majority of 70,000, electing her entire Republican delegation to Congress. Two of her delegation, Boutwell and Butler, are pledged to bring forward bills of impeachment against the President. Her Legislative ticket was equally successful, there is not a Democrat in the State Senate, and only five or six members in the House. In New York, the struggle was more fierce, and the final issue more uncertain. Here the great defection in our party was supposed to be most potent. The leaders of the Conservative wing of the party, including Seward, Weed and Raymond, had joined hands with our political enemies. Indeed, Seward had publicly declared that they would beat us forty thousand,—how strange to realize that Seward was against us, and in counsel with the New York rebels! Mayor Hoffman, a popular Democrat, was the nominee of the Conservatives and Democrats. The present Governor, Fenton, was our candidate. The issue was watched with most intense interest throughout the whole country, and by none with more solicitude than Johnson and Seward. What a gratification to realize that a campaign which opened so unpropitiously, on our part, terminated so gloriously. In New York city, large frauds were perpetrated by false naturalization papers, and otherwise, which swayed the Democratic majority of that disloyal city to an aggregate of 47,000, defeating three Republican Congressmen. How cheering to find that this majority has been overcome by the remainder of the State, and the handsome majority of 15,000 rolled up on the right side. Re-electing Governor Fenton, and also gaining three members of Congress, thus offsetting our loss in the city and sending to the next Congress a delegation of the same complexion of that in the present Congress—twenty-one to ten. Well done, New York—Alas, poor Seward!

Our readers will remember the threatening situation in Maryland, where Governor Seann and Andy Johnson conspired to betray the State into the hands of rebels—into the hands of the men who murdered Massachusetts troops in '61 as they were passing through for the defence of the Capitol! The result of the election there proves too plainly that their treachery has proved successful, so far at least. By this result we lose two members of Congress. The matter, however, will be brought before that body, and justice may yet be done, in the premises. From Maryland we turn with pride to loyal ILLINOIS, Where repose the remains of the lamented Lincoln. A majority of 52,000 for the right, records the verdict of her people on "My Policy," and also elects eleven Republicans to Congress to two Democrats, a gain of one for us. The Legislature, too, is largely Republican which secures the re-election of Judge Trumbull to the U. S. Senate.—Next comes MICHIGAN With 33,000 majority, electing her full Republican delegation to Congress, and a Legislature of the same way of thinking. Next comes WISCONSIN, Which carries everything before it, not leaving a resting place for sham Democracy yibing her borders—rolling up a majority of 25,000. Washburn is returned to Congress by nearly, if not quite, nine thousand majority. The Legislature is largely Republican, which secures the re-election of Senator Howe and rebukes Doolittle for his treachery. MINNESOTA Joins Wisconsin on the West, and has, emphatically, resolved to stand with her in the union column. She elects her whole Congressional delegation, Republican, and foots up 10,000 majority for the right. A little further South we find RAZICAL MISSOURI, Once in the hands of Rebels, but now under the control of loyal men. Here the President was expected to interfere in the interest of treason. But as there was no "tight fit," his interference could accomplish nothing, and so it was not attempted, and she foots up a majority of 20,000 in favor of loyal men ruling the country, elects a Republican Legislature, which secures the election of a U. S. Senator, and also sends seven Radicals to Congress accompanied by two Conservatives. KANSAS, That has been the scene of so much strife has also renewed her vows to liberty carrying his State ticket by 20,000 majority, and electing a Radical Legislature which secures a Radical U. S. Senator from this promising State. NEVADA, From the western slope of the Rocky mountains, comes words of cheer to the States of the East. Nevada, too, has gone for the Union, by a decided majority. Thus ends this important chapter in our political history, by the great Free States of the North—the States that sustained the war for the Union—rolling up a majority of between three and four hundred thousand votes against executive tyranny and training and in favor of a loyal Congress. It is cause of congratulation that the Congress thus chosen last as long as our accidental President's term runs, if they should not impeach him even, which is by no means certain. Surely in all this the loyal millions have great cause of gratitude for such a grand deliverance from those who had betrayed them into the hands of their enemies and the enemies of human liberty.

THE REPUBLICANS OF FRANKLIN COUNTY, met at their respective places of holding elections on Saturday last, to choose delegates to meet in convention on the following Tuesday (being yesterday) to declare the choice of the party of the county for U. S. Senator. This movement is intended for instructions to their Senator and Representative on this question. It seems that their member elect, Mr. Stumbaugh, has published a card in the Harrisburg Telegraph, declaring to be instructed, giving as a reason, the fact that it would prejudice his influence in favor of the scheme which it seems is still on foot to procure more aid from the State for the border counties. Every intelligent man will understand this as worse than no excuse at all. This remarkable card is, it would seem to us a public notification that Mr. Stumbaugh is "on the wing," and if Simon is not after him with a "sharp stick" he soon will be with something else. Should Mr. Stumbaugh not recede from his present position, he stands a fine chance of having his name inscribed on the role of fame (I along side of Waggoner and Boyer) the latter of which had not courage enough to consummate his perfidy. After our canvass had closed, Gov. Curtin spent most of his spare time in New York, in the interest of the Republican cause. He received cordial greetings and addressed enthusiastic meetings everywhere.

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