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EIGHTEEN STALWART GAINS.

Plans For the Republican State Convention at Harrisburg This Month With Regulars in Complete Control.

(Special Correspondence.)
 Harrisburg, April 3.—Attorney General John P. Elkin has given the insurgents of Pennsylvania something to talk about in a review of the results of the voting by Republicans of the several counties of the state in the matter of selecting candidates for the legislature. He has made it quite clear that the caucus holders and party wreckers are not popular with the men who are in touch with the Republican organization throughout the commonwealth. He points out where they have been repudiated in clean cut contests, and he predicts the success of the nominee of the Republican caucus for the United States senatorship in the next legislature.

This is what Mr. Elkin had to say: "I have no doubt that the next legislature in both branches will be organized by the friends of the regular organization. From present appearances there can be no doubt about the re-election of Senator Quay. The contest for nomination of members between the regulars and the insurgent forces throughout the state has been decided in favor of the candidates of the regular organization in every instance where the issue was fairly made. Up to this time 20 counties have nominated candidates for the senate and members of the house. The stalwart Republicans have made a gain of 18 members in the nominations thus far made. We have made a gain of one in the city of Erie, a gain of three in the county of Crawford, two in Delaware, two in Mercer, two in Butler, two in Cambria, two in Blair, one in Juniata, one in Union and three in Fayette; that is to say, in each of the counties named there have been nominated by the stalwart Republicans the number just indicated in addition to the regular members nominated and elected in those districts in 1898.

"In 1898 the city of Erie was represented by a Democrat, elected by the insurgents and Democrats. Crawford county was represented by three Democrats, Mercer by three Republicans, two of whom voted against Senator Quay during the entire session; Butler county, in 1898, was represented by two of the most active insurgents of that term. This year two stalwart Republicans have been nominated. Cambria county was represented in 1898 by two Democrats, elected by Democrats and anti-Quay Republicans. This year two stalwart Republicans have been nominated and will be elected. Blair county was represented in the session of 1898 by an insurgent Republican and a Democrat, elected on a fusion ticket. This year two stalwart Republicans are nominated and will be elected. Juniata was represented by a Democrat. This year a stalwart Republican has already been nominated and he will be elected. The same is true of Union county. In 1898 Fayette county was represented by three Democrats. This year three stalwart Republicans will be elected. In the senatorial contests, so far held, the stalwarts have nominated their friends in every instance. In Delaware county one member and a senator voted with insurgents. This year political differences have been adjusted, and all the members and the senator will support the regular organization. This makes a gain of two votes in Delaware county.

MAJORITY RULE THE ISSUE.
 "The campaigns throughout the state have been made on the direct issue of majority rule, abiding by the decision of the caucus and in support of party organization. Large amounts of money have been expended by the insurgents to nominate their friends in almost every county where primaries have been held. It is evident that a great majority of Republicans favor the contention made by the friends of Senator Quay during the last legislative session. The prevailing sentiment among the Republicans of the state is in favor of majority rule and the re-election of Senator Quay. It is not true, as has been stated in the papers, that the members nominated in Franklin county are opposed to Senator Quay. Neither is it true that the defeat of Senator Farr in his district is due to the Quay issue in the state. That was purely a local fight, and the Quay and the anti-Quay issue did not enter into it.

AS TO ARMSTRONG.
 "The only other instance where the insurgents have made any gain up to this time is in Armstrong county, where one insurgent was nominated. In that county the anti-Quay people won one member because five friends of Senator Quay insisted on running, and thus the vote was divided, so that the insurgents, concentrating their efforts in behalf of one candidate, succeeded in placing him in nomination. If the Quay people had concentrated on two candidates they would have won the contest in that county by ten or twelve hundred majority.

"Whatever strength the insurgent forces have in Allegheny county, but in that county Senator Quay had only three votes in 1898 that remained with him to the end of the struggle. This year he will have not less than three and in all probability four or five. The contest in the First legislative district is not being made on the lines of Quay and anti-Quay. The four candidates there are all friendly to Senator Quay, and he will receive their votes, no matter who is nominated at the primaries.

FAYETTE SOLID AS A ROCK.
 The primary election held in Fayette county last Saturday resulted in a clean sweep for the friends of Colonel Quay, who nominated the three members of the legislature without the bolters daring to put up candidates against them. The insurgents after consultation with the Flinn-Martin leadership made a careful canvass of the county to ascertain their chances of success against the regular organization candidates for the assembly. They soon discovered that the Republicans of Fayette were in favor of majority rule and would repudiate any candidates set up as representatives of the insurgent, caucus bolting element.

ANDREWS IS DEFEATED.
 In Allegheny county, where the Republicans held primaries also last Saturday, the returns show that there is no change in the relative strength of the two elements. In this county, the home of Magee and Flinn, the organization has for years been in the hands of the followers of Magee and Flinn. The immense official patronage of the city of Pittsburgh has been a power which the opponents of Magee and Flinn could never overcome.

The stalwarts, however, retain control of the two assembly districts which they had in the last legislature, the First and Second, and the Magee-Flinn faction have the balance. One of the districts, however, is Democratic. In the First district the local leaders of the stalwart element made a determined stand against the aspirations of former State Chairman Andrews, who desired to go to the legislature. They made their fight against him on the score that he, having but recently removed into the district from Crawford county, should wait his turn before aspiring to honors from the local organization. Andrews had as his running mate Representative Simons, who sought renomination. Against them were pitted Richard M. Kopp and C. W. Neeb. The last named won, securing 28 delegates out of 40. An attempt has been made to have it appear that the defeat of the Andrews ticket is a setback for the friends of Colonel Quay. A public statement signed by Director of Public Works Robert McAfee, Director of Public Safety John R. Murphy and Delinquent Tax Collector Samuel C. Grier, who led the fight against Andrews, shows that the contest was simply one within regular organization and that the insurgent issue did not enter into the fight. This is their statement:



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8:06	10:25	12:55	4:15	5:25	Halls	7:30	9:45	12:00	4:00						
8:06	10:25	12:55	4:15	5:25	Pennsdale	7:30	9:45	12:00	4:00						
8:20	10:40	1:10	4:27	5:40	Hughesville	7:45	10:00	12:15	4:15	6:00					
10:48	14:25	4:35	5:48	Picture Rocks											
10:54	14:29	4:41	5:54	Lyons											
11:02	14:37	4:48	6:02	Chamond											
11:11	14:46	4:56	6:11	Glen Mawr											
11:15	14:50	5:00	6:15	Strawbridge											
11:19	14:54	5:04	6:19	Jewett Glen											
11:25	15:00	5:10	6:25	Muney Valley											
				Senestown											
				Nordmont											
				Mokoma											
				Laporte Tannery											
				Ringdale											
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