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VOTING IS BRISK.

Beautiful Weather all Over the Country, and a Big Vote Being Cast.

PREPARED FOR TROUBLE.

McCullagh Has Eight Hundred Armed Deputies at the Polls in New York City—McKinley Goes to Canton and Votes for Nash.

By Telegraph to The News.

NEW YORK, Nov. 7.—Fine weather reported all over the country. The election day is perfect. A large vote will be cast in New York city, Ohio, Kentucky and Nebraska.

THE PRESIDENT VOTES.

CANTON, Ohio, Nov. 7.—The President arrived at 8:30 o'clock this morning and cast his vote for Nash. A large crowd was at the station. The party returns to Washington at 8:45 o'clock this evening.

800 DEPUTIES IN NEW YORK.

NEW YORK, Nov. 7. Eight hundred armed deputies, under superintendent of elections McCullagh, with revolvers and bludgeons are at the polls this morning.

NEBRASKA.

OMAHA, Nov. 7.—It is an ideal day at this favors the Fusionists. A large vote is likely.

NEW YORK.

ALBANY, Nov. 7.—Voting throughout the State is proceeding quietly. The vote is light.

OHIO.

COLUMBUS, Nov. 7.—Advices from all the cities show a heavy vote. The vote is large, especially in Toledo.

KENTUCKY.

LOUISVILLE, Nov. 7.—The army is alive with blue coats, the city hall crowded with patrolmen. There was little excitement during the morning.

MARYLAND.

BALTIMORE, Nov. 7.—There was a heavy vote in this city from the start. A large Lowndes vote was polled early. The Republicans are hopeful of carrying the Governorship and Legislature.

TWO KILLED AT THE POLLS.

LOUISVILLE, Ky., Nov. 7.—One man was killed at the polls at Ashland and one at Mayfield. Fights have occurred in Louisville, but no shooting. Democrats are reported blocking the booths in Lexington.

CROKER CLAIMS 70,000.

NEW YORK, Nov. 7.—Croker claims the city by seventy thousand. Eighty-eight arrests had been made at noon.

SURPRISE IN KENTUCKY.

LEXINGTON, Ky., Nov. 7.—The Republicans and Brown Democrats met with a new surprise today when the election of officers took place. The Gospel commissioners had last night changed these officers to sheriffs and clerks of the election, giving the former post to the Democrats and the latter to the Republicans. The latter all powerful and cast the vote.

TO BE OPENED THE 22ND.

Elks Club's Reception Will Take Place on Tha Eat

The Elks Temple will be formally opened the evening of the 22nd of this month.

This announcement has been eagerly awaited by the public who are exceedingly anxious to inspect the handsome home the Elks have planned and furnished for themselves.

The building on North Tryon street is one of the most imposing structures in the city. Added to this the Elks have spared neither pains nor money in furnishing it with the most up-to-date furnishings which will add greatly to the beauty of the surroundings.

The News learns that the Elks will issue about 1,000 invitations to their "house warming" which, as is usually the case, will be one of the nicest affairs of the season.

Charlotte has no stronger organization than the Elks. Its membership is made up of the best young men of the city, therefore the city feels a great interest in whatever undertaking they may see fit to put on foot.

As has been stated before, the opening night will be Wednesday, the 22nd of this month, and all who are so fortunate as to be included in the invited list will be greatly indebted to this order for a most pleasant evening.

A COMING MARRIAGE.

Popular Young Couple to Wed the 22nd of November.

The marriage of Miss Lillie V. Sims and Mr. Arthur H. Wearn will be solemnized at the home of the bride's parents on North Poplar street Wednesday evening, November the 22nd. It is to be a home wedding to which the members of the families and a few friends will be invited. The ceremony will be performed by Rev. Dr. J. R. Howerton, of the First Presbyterian church.

Mr. Wearn has just completed a handsome cottage on North Pine street, and it will be ready for occupancy by the 15th of this month. The young couple have many friends in Charlotte whose best wishes will attend them. The bride is the eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Sims. She possesses many beautiful traits of character and is a prize which any man should feel justly proud of.

The groom is one of the most popular young men of the city. As a business man he has made a splendid success and his friends congratulate him on winning an estimable young lady.

SANS SOUCI RE-ORGANIZES.

The Sans Souci club, which has in previous seasons added so much to the attractions of the Charlotte social season, has been re-organized with the following members: Misses Adele, Annie Parks and Selene Hutchison, Elizabeth and Sadie Clarkson, Bessie and Julia Robertson, Violet and Julia Alexander, Mary Armond and Bettie Nash, Nellie Tate, Sadie Young, Mary Mayer, Anna Locke Hutchison, Lena Heath, Mina Brem, Kathrine Jordan and Ethel Holt. Honorary member: Miss Addie Williams.



CHARLES E. MACRUM, AMERICAN CONSUL AT PRETORIA.
Charles E. Macrum, American Consul to the South African Republic, with station at Pretoria, has charge of British interests during the conflict of arms between the English and the Boers. During our war with Spain, England's representative at Madrid looked after our affairs.

BURNING THE VELDT. THE A. R. P. SYNOD.

Boers Kindle a Fire that Explodes Dynamite Magazines Near Kimberley.

FLEET TAKES PRECAUTIONS.

British War Vessels in the Mediterranean Adopting Measures Never Before Known in Time of Peace—Natives Report Boer Reverse at Ladysmith.

By Telegraph to The News.

LONDON, Nov. 7.—A dispatch from Kimberley via Hopetown Wednesday, says: "The Boers this morning fired the veldt near Dronfield, seven miles from Kimberley. The flames set fire to the smaller two magazines of dynamite which exploded with a terrific report. Nobody was injured. The veldt is still burning. It is feared that the larger magazine will be blown up. Twelve hundred cases of dynamite are there. A terrific explosion is feared."

LATEST REPORTS FROM THE FRONT.

LONDON, Nov. 7.—A dispatch from Aliwal North says the Boer command 350 strong at Goversdrecht, expected to enter Cape Colony and join the Beutle Burgers. The natives are reported greatly excited. Many casualties.

THE FLORAL FAIR.

The Proceeds to Go to Alexander Rescue Home.

Thursday morning at 11 o'clock the floral fair will be opened and will continue through Thursday and Friday, including Friday night.

The managers have made considerable preparations for the success of this entertainment. Reduced rates from all nearby towns have been secured and good weather is now all that is asked to guarantee its success.

The News is asked to state that all who have flowers are urged to send them in by Wednesday morning. The flowers that will compete for prizes can be sent as late as Wednesday evening.

The proceeds of the fair will go to the support of the Alexander Rescue Home. The object is a most worthy one, and the business men are asked to help by taking their meals at the fair the two days of its existence.

The fair will take place in the auditorium of the city hall. The room will be beautifully decorated for the occasion and all who may attend may feel sure of a pleasant time.

The following ladies will have charge of the different departments: Flower committee—Mrs. A. B. Reese, Mrs. C. M. Carson, Miss Maggie Rankin.

To Sell Cut Flowers—Mrs. Hirshinger, Miss Adele Wittkowsky, Mrs. S. O. Brooks, Miss Sadie Hirshinger, Miss Laura Wadsworth, Miss Fannie Andrews.

Fancy Table—Mrs. J. A. Solomons, Mrs. H. S. Bryan, Mrs. R. M. Miller, Jr.

Candy Table—Mrs. J. M. Scott, Mrs. J. V. Weaver, Mrs. Canisler.

Lemon Tree—Mrs. Graham Weddington, Miss Maggie Ward, Miss Mary Mayer.

Ice Cream—Mrs. George Brockenborough, Mrs. Moseley.

Hosehold and Kitchen Furniture—Mrs. J. H. Weddington, Mrs. James Ross, Mrs. John Irvin and Mrs. W. R. Burwell.

Supper—Mrs. W. W. Ward, Mrs. Latta C. Johnston, Mrs. E. L. Keesler, Mrs. Davidson, Miss Ella Summey, Mrs. C. M. Jetton, Mrs. R. E. Cochane and Mrs. Walter S. Alexander.

REV. G. T. THOMPSON NAMED

Succeeds Dr. Howerton on Mission Committee, Mecklenburg Presbytery.

An adjourned meeting of the Mecklenburg Presbytery convened in the First Presbyterian church this morning at 10 o'clock. The object of the meeting was to elect a chairman of the home mission committee to succeed Dr. J. R. Howerton, who recently resigned this position.

At the meeting this morning the matter was brought up and Rev. G. T. Thompson was unanimously elected to fill the vacancy.

A committee consisting of Rev. Dr. John W. Stagg, of the Second Presbyterian church; Rev. M. McG. Shields, of Gastonia; Rev. Mr. Semple, of Mt. Holly, and Dr. Eddlemon were appointed to consider the matter of changing the name of the church at Mt. Holly from "Goshen" to "Mt. Holly."

This committee will meet the second Saturday in December when the matter will finally be settled.

After the adjournment of the Presbytery the home mission committee met in a lengthy session, the object of the transaction of a business that has accumulated.

THE ALDERMEN MEET

Interesting Session Last Night, Brokers Seek Annulment of Tax.

TO LIMIT LIQUOR TRAFFIC.

Resolutions to This Effect Offered by Alderman Franklin—The Report of the Finance Committee—The Janitor at the City Hall.

The board of aldermen met last night in regular session. All were present except Alderman O'Donoghue.

After the reading of the minutes of the last meeting Mr. Keesler appeared before the board in reference to a stream running through the center of his property on Caldwell street between Eighth and Ninth streets.

Mr. Keesler requested that a committee be sent to the property to look into the situation. Mr. Keesler's plea was based upon the fact that much of the drainage of the city was turned into this stream.

Alderman McNinch moved that the finance committee be added to the street committee. The motion was carried, the two committees being empowered to act in the case.

A delegation representing the merchandise brokers then appeared before the board with Mr. Robert Stokes as spokesman. The committee of brokers requested that the license tax on them be annulled. The brokers complain that outside drummers come in and compete with them while the drummers pay no tax to the city.

Alderman Franklin, who had conferred with the city attorneys, stated that it would be possible to tax wood-sellers, for instance, who live outside of town if the law were made without reference to the place of residence, but should only be determined by whether or not the party sold within the city limits.

Alderman Garibaldi moved that the matter be referred to the finance committee with power to act. The motion was seconded and carried.

Mr. C. McNelis then appeared before the board and asked permission to build a stable on his lot on the corner of Alexander and Vance. The law states that no stable can be built nearer than thirty feet to any street without permission from the board. The request was granted.

A petition was read by the clerk from tax-payers requesting that a light be placed on the corner of Tenth and Caldwell streets.

Several other requests for lights were presented, and the matter was referred to the committee on lights.

A petition was read from Mr. W. J. H. Weddington praying that he be relieved of city tax for this year because of the burning of his house some time ago.

Alderman McNinch moved that the request be refused. The motion to refuse was carried.

The Drum Corps had a petition presented to the board requesting the right to use a room in the rear of the city hall building for storing drums, etc. On motion of Alderman Franklin the matter was referred to the public building committee.

Mr. D. P. Hutchison appeared before the board in behalf of himself and others in reference to the opening of an alley in which Messrs. D. P. Hutchison, James Hart and others were interested. The alley way costs \$100, but all of the parties interested had not been able to agree on the conditions.

The matter had formerly been referred to the fire and finance committee.

Mr. D. P. Hutchison moved that the committee be directed to see that the deed of trust be recorded.