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TUESDAY'S ELECTIONS.

REPUBLICANS AND DEMOCRATS WILL BOTH FEEL GOOD

With Scant Excuse for Either—Republicans Probably Retain Ohio and Kentucky—Democrats Regain Maryland and Largely Increase Majority in Nebraska.

Neither Democrats nor Republicans can find much reason either for congratulation or commiseration in the result of Tuesday's elections. As we write this report up to 1 o'clock Tuesday night leave the result in Kentucky and Ohio in some doubt, but enough of the voting in general is known that there has been nothing in the nature of a landslide either way, and leaving the great battle of 1900 still to be fought and won—to be decided by the influence of further developments and the slight shift of public opinion in either direction.

The States that were considered doubtful were Ohio, Kentucky, Maryland and Nebraska.

In the ordinary course of events Ohio is expected to go Republican.

There is some doubt as to the result there, but it is probable that the Republicans have a safe plurality. Satisfactory comparison of vote with last election cannot be made because of the large vote received by Jones, independent. McLean, Dem., received largest gains in Counties where Bryan spoke.

Kentucky was carried for McKinley in '96. The situation there was aggravated this time by a bolting Democratic ticket with a strong following and openly and vigorously supported by the Louisville and Nashville railroad. That the result is close may be judged from the fact that Republicans claim it by only 10,000 and Democrats by only 5,000. Democrats lost in the large cities and gained in rural districts, and complete returns from these may give Democrats a slight plurality.

Much interest was taken in Nebraska, because it is Bayan's State, as was in Ohio, because it is McKinley's State. The fusion ticket was elected in the last election by only 3,000. They increased this to about 15,000 Tuesday.

Maryland, another Democratic State give its electoral vote to McKinley, elected its Democratic ticket by 10,000 in spite of goldite bolt.

The most interesting feature of the vote in New York is that N. Y. city returned to its old time Democratic majority of 50,000. The Republicans hold a safe majority in the Legislature. Chemung county, the home of ex-Senator Hill, gave a landslide to the Republicans, for which Hill is being openly denounced by Tammany.

It would be like saying the Dutch had captured Holland to say the Republicans carried Pennsylvania, though it may be noted that they lost 30,000 in Philadelphia.

Massachusetts, Rhode Island and New Jersey went Republican as a matter of course, as did Mississippi and Louisiana Democratic.

Democrats have lost nothing they held before, have regained Maryland, largely increased their majority in Nebraska and other points and still have a chance in Kentucky.

Mrs. Ingraham Fainted.

RALEIGH, Nov. 4.—At Lumber-ton court to-day Mrs. Bettie Ingraham, while giving her testimony against her assailant, Reuben Ross, fainted and the excitement among the men in the court room became so intense that many were seen to place their hands on their pistols. The woman in consequence of the crime is now a physical and almost mental wreck. But for the great precautions taken it is probable that the negro would have been riddled with bullets in the court room.

"Pa, give me a nickel, said the little son of a North Columbus citizen. "Don't you think you are too old to beg for a nickel?" "That's so. Pa gimme a dime."

Became Insane on the Subject of Religion. Statesville Landmark.

Our Taylorsville correspondent mentioned, in the last issue of The Landmark, that two daughters of Mr. Sion Watts, who were employed in the Moore Cotton Mill, near Taylorsville, had become demented and had to be taken home.

The Landmark learns that these young girls became insane on the subject of religion. They had been attending a meeting conducted by a sanctification preacher and had become so wrought up on the subject that they decided that they could pass through fire without damage—even as Shadrach, Meshach and Abednego in days of old. They therefore divested themselves of their clothing and saturated their bodies, the room and the furniture with kerosene, and were about to apply the match and try the actual experiment when they were discovered and prevented from endangering their lives.

At last accounts one of the girls was slightly improved but application had been made to send the other to the State Hospital. It is a pitiable case.

A North Carolinian Murdered in Macon.

MACON GA., Nov. 3.—A. A. Powell, a well-known oil merchant of this city, was found early this morning, unconscious, with his skull crushed into a jelly. He died shortly after he was found without having gained consciousness.

Mr. Powell lived by himself in a room over his store and had been murdered apparently, while he slept. The cause of the killing is shrouded in mystery. The victim a quiet, inoffensive man, with no known enemy. The fact that a considerable amount of money was found in his pocket tends to discredit the theory of robbery. The police, up to this time, appeared to be completely baffled.

Mr. Powell came to Georgia several years ago from North Carolina. He has a sister and several brothers in Texas.

A Human Hound.

Newton Enterprise. About a year ago a young lady in the eastern part of the county put a mortgage on her land to furnish a young man she was engaged to marry \$125 to go to school. A short time afterward he wrote to her for more money. She did not send it, and the fellow notified her that their contract was off. Yesterday the land was sold by the mortgagee to collect his note.

An Appeal to Farmers to Sow Wheat.

Wadesboro Messenger and Intelligence. I beg to call the attention of our farmers to the importance of laying down a reasonable part of their lands to wheat. There is no crop grown in Anson county which pays as well upon the cost of it as wheat crop.

Apart from the value of the crop in money it makes at any flour mills, and I have tried most of them, a quality of flour better in all essentials than the flour usually sold here from other States. It leaves the land in good heart and condition when the crop is harvested; it yields straw which, if carefully handled, is good alone, and better in combination, for horses and horned cattle than any other long forage which exists in as great abundance.

The bran is excellent for cow feed. The wheat crop is a good crop in an intelligent rotation of crops. It followed with peas a good forage crop may be cut and the land laid down to rye, and this turned in during March or April following prepares the way for a good corn crop.

We don't mean to worry farmers. We know our views to be sound on this subject.

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WHO HIT BILLY PATTERSON?

EX-CONGRESSMAN SETTLE ASKS SOME EXCEEDING HARD QUESTIONS

of His Party Friend Linney—He Shows the Ridiculous and Destructive Policy the Republican Party is Pursuing in Opposing the Amendment.

The letter from ex-Congressman Settle and directed to ex-Congressman Linney, published in Sunday's papers, produced the most profound sensation of any utterance on a political question since the last campaign. The subject of his letter is the position assumed by Republican leaders at the recent Statesville meeting when it was determined to employ counsel to fight the election law and the amendment in the courts. The first part of the letter is devoted to showing how fruitless will be any fight against the election law, concluding that subject as follows:

"I am not the champion of or the apologist for the present election law. It is not such as I would like, but it is before us, speaking in the emphatic language of a 'condition,' and not in the lurid eloquence of a 'theory.'"

Then he takes up the constitutional amendment as follows:

Now as to the Constitutional Amendment, assuming that it will be ratified, and I think that it is a reasonable assumption, how will you test its constitutionality? You cannot get a decision of the courts on the question in a contest for a seat in Congress, or a seat in either branch of the General Assembly of the State. For by the Constitution of the United States, and for the State, each of these legislative bodies is made the sole judge of the election and qualification of its own members.

There are practical difficulties in the way of raising a question in a contest for one of the judgeships, which precludes that method. The Judges are voted for by the electors of the entire State, and it is probable that these persons who are declared elected will get the face of the returns by at least 15,000 or 20,000 and the difficulties of proving that number of unlawful votes cast for the incumbent are insurmountable. If you undertake to raise the question in a contest for some other constitutional State office, such as clerk of the Superior court, sheriff or register of deeds, you are still in a position scarcely less embarrassing. If the majority in favor of the incumbent should be small enough to warrant an attempt to overcome it, how would you proceed? You might show by the various registrars of the county that certain persons, white and colored, registered under the so-called "grand-father" clause—but you must show for whom these persons voted. The best evidence of how a person voted is the oath of the elector himself, but as that class of voters can neither write nor read, how can they swear for whom they voted? They deposit their own ballots in the boxes and it is a remote possibility that any of the judges of the election will be able to swear how they voted.

Aside from these practical difficulties, however, there is another feature of the matter, I apprehend has not received mature and wise consideration by those who would commit the Republican party to a policy of opposition to the amendment. The chief appeal we now hear is addressed to the unlearned white voter, and is that he will be disfranchised because the "grand father clause" will be declared unconstitutional by the courts. How? If it is brought before the courts, it can only be done by such contest as I have spoken of above, and for such a contest the Republican party would have to stand sponsor. If the Courts then were to decide it unconstitutional, who would be held responsible for disfranchising these unlearned white people? Manifestly the Republican party, sponsor for the suit. The Democrats protected their franchise by a provision in the amendment, and the Republicans strike it down,

leaving the balance of the amendment standing—

"Who hits Billie Patterson?" I am aware that I have been much criticized by some from my attitude on this question, but I yield to no one in the State in allegiance to the principles of the Republican party. And I invoke the judgment of the intelligent people in the State on that proposition.

The St. Louis convention drew the lines very tight on the financial question. It was leading issue of the campaign. Yet these gentlemen who now control the destiny of the Republican party in this State refused to stand upon the St. Louis platform, in fact made speeches in the State in which they advocated exactly the reverse. I have forgiven them for their backsliding, since there is much evidence of their conversion, though none of their repentance.

Why would it not be the better plan for the Republican organization in this State to leave the amendment alone, and make the campaign on sound money, protection, and support of the Administration's foreign policy? Let us expand our currency, our manufacture, and our country by an adherence to the principles of the National Republican party.

With highest esteem, I am, Sincerely yours, THOMAS SETTLE.

Georgia to Adopt an Amendment Its Constitution.

Atlanta Ga., Nov. 3.—The Committee on Constitutional Amendment of the Georgia House of Representatives to-day recommended the passage of Representative Hardwick's bill disfranchising the negro. The bill imposes an educational qualification on the negro voter, and Mr. Hardwick stated plainly that its object was to rid the State of the illiterate and purchasable negro vote. It is believed the passage of the bill the House is assured.

Schley in Atlanta.

Atlanta, Nov. 4.—Rear Admiral W. S. Schley was enthusiastically welcomed to Atlanta, to-day. The arrival of the train at an early hour prevented a large crowd from being present at the depot, but the reception was none the less warm. In the party, beside the admiral, were Mrs. Schley, Miss Letterman, General Felix Agnus and Mr. Louis Garthe, of Baltimore, and the Atlanta reception committee. After a short reception at the Kimball House, the ladies and gentlemen of the party, were escorted to the State capitol, where they were met by a great crowd of people on the grounds and were welcomed in the Governor's reception room by the chief executive; United States Senators and Congressmen, judge of the Supreme bench and others. From here they were escorted to the hall of the House of Representatives. Admiral Schley, after an introduction, made a short speech acknowledging the appreciation of his welcome.

At the Finestreis.

Baltimore American. -Tambo—Why is Oom Paul like an out-of-date gun? Bones—Because the British can't fire him? Tambo—No. Bones—Because they didn't know he was loaded? Tambo—Not right yet. Bones—Give it up, then. What's the answer? Tambo—Because he's a smooth Boer. Terrific crash on the bass drum.

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POINTED OPINIONS.

The Atlanta people now realize why Admiral Dewey preferred to remain in Washington.

The lynching of a negro in Kansas is another indication that sectional lines are gradually being wiped out.

An Ohio Postmaster died the other day and the pall bearers were selected from among the applicants for the vacant job.

In the matter of revenue tax the express companies appear to have the joke on the banks, and Senator Platt of the United States Express Company looms up as the "Little Joker."

We fancy there will be a very interesting time when the Civil Service commissioners call down Mark Hanna for his part in the campaign fund soliciting circular.

All through the course of the Philippine muddle President McKinley has been careful to keep the country in the dark as much as possible. What were his instructions to General Otis? What directions did he give the Philippine Commission? What were the concessions asked by Aquinaldo before fighting began, and what terms did our army officers offer? What is the arrangement with the Sultan of Sulu? What were the contents of the dispatch sent by Admiral Dewey last December? All have been suppressed. Could an Emperor have kept more from the people than President McKinley has done?

President McKinley seems to think that flag flapping if sufficiently vigorous will cover all kinds of blunders.

The treaty between President McKinley and the Sulu Sultan provides for recognition and payment of the Sultan's harem keeper. Although the pay is only \$40, a month, it is a regular official position under the United States carrying the title of Habi Mura. Appointment can be made without examination by Civil Service Commission.

When the Cabinet is not on the stump it is in Washington discussing politics. This is the McKinley Cabinet idea of serving the country.

President McKinley's Thanksgiving Day proclamation read like a bold plagiarism from spellbinder McKinley's rear platform-speeches.

There were several important questions which Senator Hanna carefully avoided speaking on during his Ohio Campaign. Possibly he is saving them for his message to Congress.

The Civil Service Commission talks of making trouble for the Ohio Republican politicians who sent out the Burdell circular levying contributions on Federal office holders, but no word of condemnation has come from President McKinley.

The glass industry has had 100 per cent tariff protection longer than any other industry, yet we now pay more per box for window glass than our fathers paid in 1860. The industry is in the hands of trusts, which make more money by working the people than by working their mills.

When we adopt a special flag for the Sultan of Sulu we can retain the stripes, but replace the stars with interlinked shackles for the slave and bracelets for the intimate of the harem.

Whenever Thomas B. Reed has leisure from his law practice he gratifies his taste for sunny literature by reading Senator Hanna's speeches on trusts.

If the trust issue can be fairly presented and squarely voted upon next year the politicians of Mr. Hanna's school will find that the people will not elect a monopoly breeder to put down monopolies.

It is pretty generally understood by this time that the trusts grease the wheels of Senator Hanna's Republican machine, and that if his party is successful the trusts will control Republican legislation on this subject, as their constituent manufacturers in the past has dictated Republican tariff bills.

From McKinley's Thanksgiving Proclamation.

"A national custom dear to the heart of the people calls for the setting apart of one day in each year as an occasion of special thanksgiving to Almighty God for the blessings of the preceding year. This honored observance acquires with time a tenderer significance. It enriches domestic life. It summons under the family roof the absent children to glad re-union with those they love.

I, William McKinley, President of the United States, do hereby name Thursday, the 30th day of November 1899, as a day of general thanksgiving and prayer, to be observed as such by all our people on this continent and in our newly acquired islands, as well as by those who may be at sea or sojourning in foreign lands; and I advise that on this day religious exercises shall be conducted in the churches or meeting houses of all denominations, in order that in the social features of the day its real significance may not be lost sight of, but fervent prayers may be offered to the Most High for a continuance of the divine guidance without which man's efforts are in vain, and for divine consolation to those whose kindred and friends have sacrificed their lives for country.

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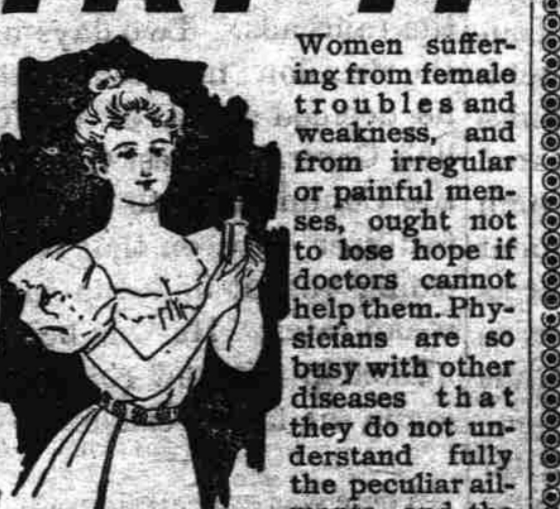
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John Randolph, of Virginia, once met a disagreeable enemy on the sidewalk who blustering up and occupying most of the way, said: "I never give way to a rascal." "I always do," said Randolph, politely stepping aside.

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Women suffering from female troubles and weakness, and from irregular or painful menses, ought not to lose hope if doctors cannot help them. Physicians are so busy with other diseases that they do not understand fully the peculiar ailments and the delicate organism of woman. What the sufferer ought to do is to give a fair trial to

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