

THOUSANDS VOTING IN GREAT ELECTIONS TODAY

Jerome Finds Plot to Defeat Him in New York Race

MANY BALLOTS LIKELY TO BE THROWN ASIDE

Betting Favors McClellan and Jerome, and Hearst Manager Predicts Greater Honor for Him in the Future—Weather Crisp and Clear.

(By the Associated Press.)

New York, Nov. 7.—Election day dawned clear and crisp with every indication of an enormous vote being polled, the greater part of it in the early hours of to-day. The polls opened at 6 o'clock and in nearly every precinct hundreds of voters were already in line. The morning papers were filled with minute directions as to voting the split tickets and the advice was timely as the prospect is that an unusually large number of ballots would be unintentionally invalidated by voters. The exposure by Jerome last night of an alleged plot by which six hundred thousand circulars were to have been distributed among the voters ostensibly illustrating how to vote for Jerome on the split ticket, but which directions, if followed, would invalidate the ticket, served to increase the fear that in the confusion of tickets and candidates many votes would be thrown out as illegal.

To-day's situation is unique in the possibility of defeat of the Democratic ticket when opposed by two straight and strong party tickets. Heretofore only fusion has been able to jeopardize Democratic success, and should Tammany go down to defeat the victory for the Municipal Ownership League or the Republican ticket would be unprecedented.

The last betting follows: McClellan, 2 to 1 in favor; Hearst, 2 to 1 against; Ivins, 5 to 1 against; Jerome, 2 to 1 in favor.

A development of interest this morning was the publication of a significant statement by Arthur Brisbane, one of Hearst's editorial writers, who declared that his employer was looking for greater things than the majority of New York. Brisbane said "Hearst is built for greater things even than the majority of this city, and he's going for them. This country is hard up to get him, intelligent and powerful men."

Hearst voted before taking breakfast. His ballot was cast at 6:45 o'clock in the polling place in an undertaker's shop in East Twenty-Ninth street.

McClellan and Ivins each voted at 10:30 o'clock. McClellan voted in a Sixth avenue tailor shop in the nineteenth election district, fifth assembly district. Ivins voted in the eighteenth election district, twenty-fifth assembly district. Ivins said he voted for Jerome and that he thought Jerome's chances particularly good.

The vote is expected to reach more than six hundred thousand, being cast at 1,948 polling places. The total registration is 648,871. The polls close at 5 o'clock.

One of Hearst's lieutenants said: "A great many Hearst watchers and captains have been bought off by Tammany and have deserted us. We have sent out volunteers wherever we could learn of desertions but they appear to be all over the city."

Mr. Hearst said: "We are handicapped by not having an organization back of us and by some of our captains having deserted us."

Before noon there were 67 arrests on complaints of illegal registration. All but one of the accused was discharged. Two police captains were arrested, charged with being disorderly. They were discharged.

District Attorney Jerome voted in the basement of a barber shop in the lower east side after which a cheering crowd escorted him to a street car.

Elections are being held throughout the State for municipal and county officers and for members of the assembly branch of the legislature. The weather is generally fair except in the extreme western part where

rain is falling. The vote was being counted early. Out of 112 election areas made before noon in New York and Brooklyn less than thirty prisoners were held by magistrates. Nearly all charges were for illegal registration. Joseph Thomas, one of the Hearst leaders, was beaten and perhaps fatally injured by 12 men who assaulted him when he attempted to escape the arrest of a voter to-day just outside of the election booth in Monroe street. Thomas is the head of the municipal ownership league committee for investigating election frauds. Thomas said that the men who assaulted him were supporters of Tammany Hall. Two hundred and twenty-two arrests for illegal voting were made up to 2:30 o'clock, but there was very little disorder. During the afternoon each of the three leading candidates for mayor expressed confidence in the result of the election.

ARRESTED FOR REPEATING.

Philadelphia Police Capture Twenty-Seven Fakirs at the Polls. (By the Associated Press.)

Philadelphia, Nov. 7.—Bright, crisp weather marked the election day and the first hour indicated the vote being fully as heavy as that polled at any presidential election.

Much pressure was brought to bear on the stay-at-homes by reformers and they claimed that a large majority of those were induced to vote. Mayor Weaver distributed an extra force of nearly one thousand special policemen in the wards where disorder was anticipated and in the fifth ward twenty-seven alleged repeaters were arrested during the first hour. In the suburban precincts the vote is said to be the heaviest on record.

When the polls opened at 7 o'clock disorder began in several wards. In the fourth ward charges of illegal voting at one precinct resulted in a disturbance which the police were unable to subdue and a riot call was sent in. Every person at the polls, including election officers, were arrested, but all were discharged by a magistrate.

In the eighth ward fifty men, accused of attempting to vote on bogus tax receipts, were taken into custody and during the disturbances three polling places were temporarily closed. There were forty arrests for alleged repeating in the fifth ward. The polls were closed at 7 o'clock. (Continued on page two.)

REFORMERS SAY THEY HAVE WON

Leaders in Philadelphia Claim Victory This Afternoon—Mayor Weaver Makes Prediction of Big Majority.

(By the Associated Press.) Philadelphia, Pa., Nov. 7.—At 3 p. m. to-day the indications are that the reform ticket in Philadelphia will be elected. The vote is unusually heavy. Mayor Weaver sticks to his claim of 100,000 plurality. The other city party leaders are more modest in their claims, the figures ranging from 40,000 to 60,000. Senator Penrose and other leaders of the regular Republican organization decline to express an opinion. Contrary to general expectation, there has been no serious trouble in the city. Hundreds of arrests have been made for illegal voting, repeating and other election offences.

RHODE ISLAND VOTE HEAVY.

Democrats Make Special Effort to Win Legislative Victory. (By the Associated Press.)

Providence, Nov. 7.—Intense interest in the issues of the campaign brought out a large vote early to-day, the weather being very favorable. The leaders of both parties conceded that the vote will be close. The Democrats made a special effort to bring out the full ballot for their candidates for the lower branch of the legislature.

All the news of the election not given in The Times up to going to press will be read to-night in front of King's drug store.

Election Bulletins By Evening Times For City Tonight

In order to serve the people of Raleigh, who have taken such a tremendous interest in the elections being held throughout the country to-day, The Evening Times will have an election bulletin service for the evening tonight. There is no time in which to arrange for a stereopticon exhibition, but a plan which will prove even more popular, perhaps, will be followed.

In about King's drug store, at the corner of Fayetteville and Raleigh streets, the bulletins will be read by "Doc" Hayes, who has done such things before and who has a voice sufficiently strong and powerful to be heard by the assembled masses. The bulletin service of the Associated Press, which supplies The Evening Times with its telegraphic news, will be received and these will be supplemented by the special wires from New York and other points to The Times. The polls in New York will close at 5 o'clock and just how soon after that hour the dispatches will reach here will depend, of course, upon the facility with which the cables are counted. It is certain, however, that the result in New York will be known very early in the evening, and the fight for mayor and for district attorney will not be in doubt by bedtime.

The special bulletins to this newspaper will start about 6:30 o'clock and the Associated Press information will be coming in along about that time. As the public is more concerned about the New York result, every effort will be made to supply that information as quickly as possible.

Reports this afternoon indicated that a very heavy vote was being pulled everywhere, and the interest is almost as great as in the presidential election last year.

Come out to-night and hear the news. The Evening Times will furnish it free of cost to all of its friends in Raleigh.

NEGROES SAFE IN JAIL HERE KILLED WOMAN THEN HIMSELF

Alleged Slayers of W. C. King Brought to Raleigh to Prevent Violence on the Part of Outraged Citizens of

The two negroes, Ganfield Hicks and Burton Garrett, of Warren county, charged with the murder of Mr. W. C. King, a farmer, near Littleton, on Saturday night, were brought to Raleigh last night at 7:15 by Sheriff R. E. Davis and Deputy Edward Peters for safe keeping, as it was feared they would be lynched. As was told in The Evening Times yesterday afternoon, Sheriff Davis telegraphed Governor Glenn that there was danger of the two negroes being lynched, and asking the Governor what to do. Governor Glenn telephoned the sheriff that he could have every aid from the militia that was needed, and instructing him to bring the prisoners to Wake county.

Sheriff Davis said that there had been grave danger of the people taking the law into their own hands, and that late yesterday afternoon there were many of the citizens from around Littleton gathering near Warrenton, and there were many open threats of violence.

Upon receiving instructions from the Governor, Sheriff Davis started to Norlina, with the prisoners, to take the Seaboard train for Raleigh, but on hearing that a crowd of frenzied citizens were congregating on the road to Norlina to intercept the prisoners, Sheriff Davis changed his route and went to Ridgeway, where he telegraphed the Seaboard officials to stop their last train.

The negroes were brought safely to Raleigh, but on reaching here there was some trouble in getting a commitment, as Sheriff Page did not want to receive the prisoners without an official commitment. The Governor was again communicated with, and upon his instructions, the prisoners were admitted to jail, and the commitment was regularly issued this afternoon.

Sheriff Davis and his deputy returned to Warrenton this morning.

Reforms in Russia.

(By the Associated Press.) St. Petersburg, Nov. 7.—The project for sweeping extension of suffrage in elections to the national assembly, promised by the Emperor, is published to-day. After the first days of confusion and doubt following the issuance of the manifesto giving a constitution to Russia and nominating M. Witte for premier, the latter's new government appears to be getting fairly under way.

Postmasters Appointed.

(By the Associated Press.) Washington, Nov. 7.—Postmasters: Florida—Cadillac, Ada McCleary; Monte Vista, Edmund A. Hull; West Apopka, Carl L. F. Vebinger. North Carolina, Connelly's Spring, Winslow C. Abee. Virginia, Repton Mills, Martin L. Lohr.

GHASTLY ACCOUNT OF MURDER ON SCHOONER

Adams Tells of Butchery on the Schooner Berwind

SAYS SCOTT KILLED MEMBERS OF CREW

Horrible Details Related by Prisoner in Federal Court at Wilmington—Saw Scott Throw the Steward Into the Sea.

(Special to the Evening Times.)

Wilmington, N. C., Nov. 7.—In his testimony at the mutiny trial here Arthur Adams, charged with the wholesale slaughter on the schooner Harry A. Berwind, along with Sawyer and Scott, gave a detailed account of the tragedy and like Sawyer he put the crime at the door of Scott.

The first part of Adams' testimony was devoid of interest save that it did show that there had been grumbling about the food and that Robert Sawyer had trouble about water with the cook. He also testified that after a short while out from Philadelphia in July the captain and Scott had some words and that one of the men said that Scott struck the captain. On the way from Cardenas, Cuba, to Mobile he stated that Scott and the captain had some words, and that the departure of the Berwind had to be delayed at Mobile for Scott and that the captain stated at the time that if he had another man to put in Scott's place he would not have waited a second on him. He then testified that there was no trouble on the voyage from Mobile to Philadelphia until the fateful 10th of October, and about this his testimony was as follows:

"Myself, Sawyer and the captain were in the starboard watch and our time was from 12 o'clock at night until 4 o'clock in the morning. Sawyer was at the wheel and I was in the lookout. When eight bells sounded I looked at the time and it was twelve minutes past 4 o'clock. Scott relieved Sawyer at the wheel. I went to the fore-castle and Sawyer was there when I got there. I hadn't seen the captain and I told Sawyer that I didn't know the captain was asleep. He said he wasn't; that he was in the engine room. I then heard the captain and the engineer speaking. During his watch the captain had been relieving the engineer on account of the vessel having been in the storm and sprung a leak. We went to bed.

"We were asleep when, about 5 o'clock, I think it was, which was coffee time, John Cokerley came to the door of the fore-castle and shouted out: 'Get up they are shooting aft.' I was so frightened that I couldn't do anything save to sit on the bench by my bunk. Cokerley didn't know who was shooting, Scott or the captain. In about three minutes Scott came to the fore-castle door and ordered Cokerley back to the wheel. He said to us: 'You fellows stay in here. I am going to shoot everybody aboard.' He then left. After while Sawyer went outside, but I soon heard him yell: 'O, Lord, don't shoot me.' He ran back into the fore-castle. Scott came back to the fore-castle and said for us to go hoist the main and spanker topsail. He also told us that he didn't want us to have anything to do with it; that he was going to take the boat into port and that he would tell the white men that he did it. When we got on deck there was not a soul to be seen, except Cokerley, who was at the wheel. After we had tended to the spanker and main topsail Scott ordered us to go forward. He again said that he wanted to do everything himself and that he would tell the white men he did it. We went forward and after a while I heard talking. I looked aft and saw the engineer on the weather side of quarters, opposite the spanker rigging. Scott was on the house walking up and down with a pistol in his hand.

"Washed in Blood. "The engineer was washed in blood. He looked like he was in agony, bending over and raising his hands to God. They talked about half an hour, then Scott came down (Concluded on Third Page.)

BANKER'S SON KILLED BY FIST

Midshipman Branch Dies at Annapolis From Injuries Received in Ring Battle—Fought Twenty-Three Rounds to Finish.

(By the Associated Press.) Annapolis, Md., Nov. 7.—Midshipman James R. Branch, son of James R. Branch, of the Hanover National Bank, of New York, and secretary of the American Bankers' Association, who was seriously injured in a fist fight with another midshipman, died to-day.

Midshipman Branch died from injuries received in a fight with Midshipman Meriweather, of Lafayette, Illinois. The fight took place Sunday night and was a regular pitched battle with a ring and seconds. It lasted twenty-three rounds and ended when Branch was knocked down and struck the right side of his head against the floor. An operation was performed last night, but a turn for worse took place this morning. Meriweather is also in the hospital as a result of injuries received in the fight and for that reason the authorities have not put him under arrest. The question of his accountability to the civil authorities on the charge of manslaughter is also discussed.

Branch was a second classman and Meriweather a third, but the latter is slightly older, being nineteen in January, while Branch would not have been nineteen until August. Both have some reputation as athletes, Branch as wrestler and Meriweather as a football player. It is understood that the fight took place because Branch had reported Meriweather for a breach of discipline.

Prince Goes to Baltimore.

(By the Associated Press.) Annapolis, Md., Nov. 7.—Prince Louis, of Batenberg, made a thorough inspection of the Naval Academy to-day, accompanied by his personal staff. This afternoon the Prince leaves for Baltimore, returning to-night. The British ships are scheduled to sail at 6 o'clock to-morrow morning for New York.

Noted Stallion Dead.

(By the Associated Press.) Richmond, Ind., Nov. 7.—George W. Lederer, the 2:18 pacing stallion, owned by Sylvester Hilligoss, is dead of pneumonia. He was valued at \$5,000.

Noted Woman Dead.

(By the Associated Press.) London, Nov. 7.—Lady Florence Dixie, a well-known writer, explorer and champion of woman's rights, died in Scotland to-day.

FOUR KILLED IN WRECK.

Mail Clerk and Four Trainmen Perish in New York Disaster. (By the Associated Press.)

Syracuse, N. Y., Nov. 7.—Milton F. Toms, a mail clerk, and three trainmen were killed in a head-on collision on the Rome, Watertown and Ogdensburg road near Liverpool this morning.

THE POE AMENDMENT.

Baltimore Will Support It, But the General Result is in Doubt. (By the Associated Press.)

Baltimore, Nov. 7.—The election to-day is the most quiet for many years and apparently the vote will be the heaviest. It is admitted by Democratic managers that the majority in the city against the proposed amendment to limit suffrage will