

The Result a Disappointment.

The result of the elections surprised nobody more than those who voted the winning ticket. This fact is clearly demonstrated in the manner in which the returns were received on one hand and the possible consequences on the other. If the logical instructions implied in the vote were followed the Fifty-fourth Congress would reopen the tariff agitation and re enact the McKinley law. That measure bankrupted the Treasury before, and when it was enacted there was a surplus of \$100,000,000 to draw from. The restoration of it without a surplus would result in an immediate deficiency.

The new tariff law saves the people more than \$1,000,000,000 a year in taxation. The result of the election literally interpreted would be an astraction to Congress to reimpose the taxes, yet no man who voted the ticket intended to convey such instructions to the Federal Legislature. Certainly no man in Missouri had such an idea in his mind. And yet that is the logical inference to be drawn from the vote. The reimpement of the tax wouldn't benefit the industries. It wouldn't increase the revenues. It would simply add that much to the burdens of the people without compensation.

In the face of these facts it may be assumed that the Republican victory was the result of the mad impulse of the people to vote against the party in power without reason. No doubt there was disappointment at the delay in changing the economic policy of the government. But the Democratic party wasn't responsible for that. The remedial legislation was delayed by the party which has profited through the delay. The Republicans seem to have relied on the stupidity of the people, and were not disappointed. This is a humiliating fact, but an indisputable one.—K. C. Times.

Cause of the Disaster.

Bloomington, Ill., Nov. 7.—Hon. Adlai E. Stevenson, Vice-President, spent the entire day in seclusion in the house of his brother, John, meditating upon the political events of yesterday and preparing to attend the wedding of a nephew which takes place tonight. It was a dreary day, with leaden skies and a cold drizzle dimming the window panes. Mr. Stevenson, when asked to state his opinion as to the causes leading up to the Democratic defeat of yesterday, said:

"My opinion can be briefly stated. The result is due in part to the financial depression which came upon the country soon after the inauguration of Mr. Cleveland. While the democrats were in no way responsible for this, they were made the scape goats. It was also in part due to the delay of congress in passing the tariff bill. Had the bill become a law ninety days earlier than it did, it is probable the business conditions of the country would have so adjusted themselves that the political result would have been different."

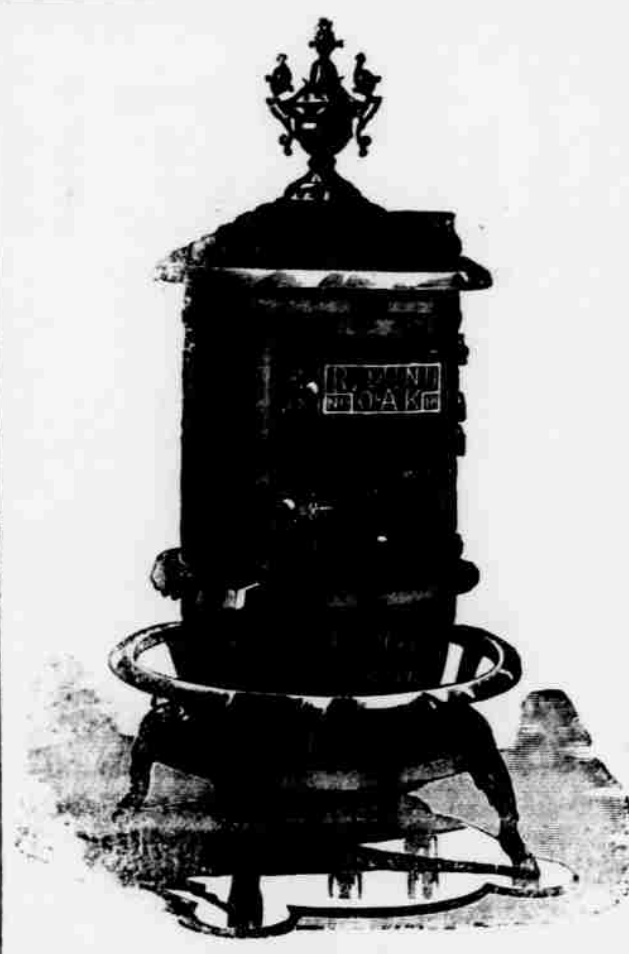
Mr. Stevenson will depart from Bloomington this week for Asheville, N. C., where he joins his family, who are sojourning there. He will remain in the South three weeks going thence to Washington.

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Ballot Frauds in Various Cities.

If the current reports are to be believed there was an unusual number of ballot frauds perpetrated this year. In New York there seems to have been an honest election last Tuesday, but that fact is attributable more to fear on the part of the usual ballot manipulators than to the virtues of the voters, and in Baltimore, a city notorious for election frauds, the perpetrators of the crime seem to have had a day off. But these are democratic cities and it seems that ballot frauds are criminal only when they are in the interests of Democracy.

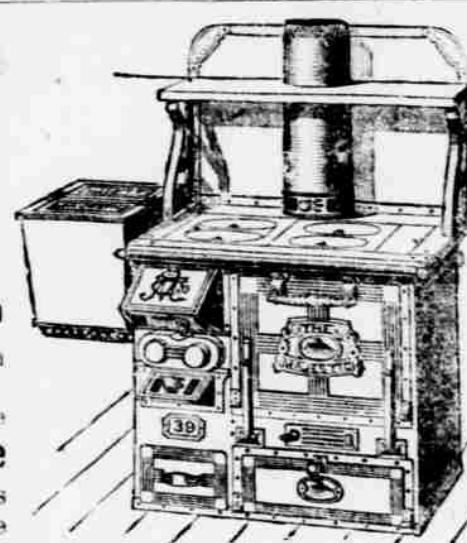
In Philadelphia, the Gibraltar of Republicanism, electoral frauds seem to have been practiced without shame or restraint in the interest of the Republican party. There was really no necessity for invoking such methods in that city and the state of which it is a part. But they were perpetrated just the same, to an extent that is beyond calculation. The courts struck 20,000 names



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from the registry list, including that of a pug dog which has been returned as a voter under the name of Wm. Rife, residence 1231 Canby street, occupation fancier, but less than 1/2 the list was revised and presumably that many fraudulent votes were cast in the other half, including some of the pet dogs owned by Republican statesmen.

The truth is that this crime is growing in popularity and increasing in danger, and where the republican party is strongest the evil is greatest. The Times is glad that it has been uprooted and eliminated from the politics of New York, but insists that the same rules of morality that are enforced in New York should be pressed in Philadelphia. It is a poor system that doesn't work both ways.—K. C. Times.

Fought Over The Election.

Fort Scott, Kan., Nov. 7.—Early this morning C. M. Greenman, traveling out of Kansas City for the Studebaker Wagon company, and Charles D. Vernon, traveling out of St. Louis for the Drummond Tobacco company, became engaged in an altercation over the election, and a vicious fight resulted, in which Vernon narrowly escaped death. He knocked Greenman down three times, and when he arose the last time the Kansas City man whipped out a razor. He cut Vernon's overcoat into ribbons and slashed his trousers legs, but only one stroke of the razor took effect. It cut Vernon in the face, making an ugly wound. The men were finally separated and Greenman was arrested. He paid a light fine in Police court, and was immediately arrested on a State warrant, charged with assault with intent to kill. He was put under a bond of \$500, which he could not give, and is now in the County jail. His trial occurs tomorrow. The fight occurred in the Inter State hotel.

Lincoln's Views on Assassination.

Noah Brooks in the Century.

That night, as we walked back to the White House through the grounds between the War department buildings and the house, I fancied I saw in the misty moonlight a man dodging behind one of the trees. My heart for a moment stood still, but, as we passed in safety, I came to the conclusion that the dodging figure was a creature of the imagination. Nevertheless, as I parted from the President at the door of the White House, I could not help saying that I thought his going to an fro in the darkness of the night, as it was usually his custom, often alone and unattended, was dangerous recklessness. That night, in deference to his wife's anxious appeal, he had provided himself with a thick oaken stick. He laughed as he showed me this slight weapon, and said, but with some seriousness: "I long ago made up my mind that if any body wants to kill me he will do it. If I wore a shirt of mail and kept myself surrounded by a body guard, it would be all the same. There are a thousand ways of getting at a man, if it is desired that he should be killed. Besides, in this case, it seems to me the man who would come after me would be just as objectionable to my enemies—if I have any."

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Governor Stone Talks Western Democracy.

Jefferson City, Mo., Nov. 8.—Gov. Stone was asked by The Chronicle representative for an opinion as to the causes of the great Republican landslide which swept the country yesterday. He said:

"I hardly think it worth while to express an opinion on that subject. At the call of my party I went out and did all I could to stem the tide against us. The Republicans have won, as I expected, a most signal victory. I greatly regret it, of course."

"I will take my medicine like a man, but while I watch Republicans jolly I can at least acquit myself of having contributed anything by any act of mine to help them to their victory. I fought them as fiercely as I could from start to finish. I did not sulk or pout; I did not aid or abet the enemy; I fought for my party. Let others throughout the State and Union, whether in official or private life, answer for themselves whether they did their duty, and whether they are in any degree responsible for the victory the Republicans are celebrating."

"I am not surprised at our defeat. I expected it. It is a temporary disaster, springing from causes well understood. The Democratic party is all right."

"Yes, I am for a Western man for President on a distinctively Western platform. The party will not recede an inch. We will go forward. We will shake off Eastern domination, and making the Democratic party entirely Democratic, we will win the great battle of 1896."

Congressman Wilson's Brother.

Congressman W. L. Wilson of Virginia, has an older brother living down in Jasper county, Mo., who is this year running for the humble office of Justice of the Peace on the Democratic ticket at Cartersville.

He is older than the Democratic leader by probably ten years, and much taller in stature, being above six feet. He weighs somewhere about 160 and has white hair, whiskers and mustache, and is as straight as an arrow. He is very proud of his brother and regrets that the Wilson bill did not pass as it left the house. He was in the confederate service as cavalryman, commencing at the outbreak of the war and serving to the close. This is his first experience as a candidate for office, and the nomination came to him unsolicited.—Ex.

Fire Bugs.

Pine Bluff, Ark., Nov. 8.—Pine Bluff and vicinity is suffering terribly from fire bugs. In the last week five gin houses near the city have been burned to the ground, with their contents of cotton and cotton seed. That of Mr. Shelby Currie, one mile east of town, was burned last night, with 15 bales of cotton and 20 tons of seed. Also the residences of R. E. Bloom and Will Riley.

Citizens will organize a Vigilance Committee for better protection and the business men have offered a reward of \$500 for the apprehension of the fire bugs.

Memphis, Tenn., Nov. 9.—Unknown men shot Needham Smith, a negro, to death in Tipton County, Tenn., Wednesday night for attempting criminal assault upon Mrs. Bramble, wife of a farmer.

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Vanquished Three Burglars.

Denver, Col., Nov. 4 Mrs. James D. Scott, wife of the proprietor of the Capital Turf Exchange, vanquished three burglars who broke into her house last night after a desperate fight, in which she was seriously injured. One of the men was armed with a revolver, another with slugs and the third with a billy. With these weapons they rained blow after blow upon her head, arms and body but she fought so energetically and raised such an outcry that they beat a retreat without taking any of the jewelry or other valuables lying about. The battle lasted ten minutes, but Mrs. Scott did not faint until her assailants had gone. An hour elapsed before she revived sufficiently to give an account of the affair. She is a handsome woman of 45, six feet tall and weighs 200 pounds. She was alone in the house reading in bed when the burglars assaulted her.

Railroaded to Prison.

Denver, Col., Nov. 3.—At the next meeting of the board of pardons the application for a pardon for Charles Keagy, who has served two years of a term of twelve years for forgery will be considered. Keagy claims to be innocent and the evidence in his favor is so strong that he has already been paroled. Keagy says that when working as a teamster in Kansas, he found a box partly buried on a river bank in which were \$11,000 in bills, gold and silver. He came to Colorado with his treasure which he declares he gave to R. K. Fullam at Manitou in exchange for two notes made by Fullam for \$10,000 each. Fullam declared the notes were forgeries and Keagy, who can not write his own name, was railroaded into prison. Soon afterward Fullam left the country.

Presidential Pardons.

Washington, D. C., Nov. 5.—The president has pardoned James M. and Elisha Roberts, sentenced in Kentucky to six months' imprisonment and a fine for illicit distilling; Herbert Guy, sentenced in Washington to eight months' imprisonment for facilitating opium smuggling; James A. Jassul, sentenced in Mississippi to four years' imprisonment for pension frauds.

The president has commuted to life imprisonment the sentence of Augustus Jenkins, who was to have been hanged at the district jail Friday, November 23, for the murder of Benjamin M. Sheppard.

Postmaster Murdered.

Perry, Ok., Nov. 4.—News was received here this morning that Samuel J. Dunlap, postmaster at Red Fork, in the eastern part of the Cherokee Strip, was murdered yesterday by the Cook gang of outlaws. The gang went to Dunlap's store in which the postoffice is situated and ordered Dunlap to hold up his hands and to give out his money. Dunlap was a little obstinate and he was shot to pieces by the gang. The robbers took what they wanted from the store and postoffice and left. Great excitement exists.

October Coinage.

Washington, D. C., Nov. 2.—Reports to the Director of the mint show coinage for the month of October as follows: Gold, \$2,912,000; silver, \$1,217,000, of which \$600,000 was standard dollars; minor coins, \$23,000. Total coinage, \$4,152,000.

LIKE MARBLE THROUGH LIFE.

Attacked by Catalepsy While Standing He Remained in That Attitude. Chicago Herald.

One of the most remarkable exhibitions of the power of catalepsy, a form of hysteria that contracts the muscles and divests the subject of the sensation of volition, occurred in this city a few days since, in which Thomas Purdy, a laborer, was the subject. In company with several other workmen, Purdy was engaged in digging a trench.

He was standing at the top of the trench with a long handled shovel removing the gravel which a workman below threw to the top, when with the suddenness of an electric flash the man became transfixed in position, as immovable as a piece of statuary. He was in the act of raising the shovel when attacked. His right hand tightly clutched the shovel handle near its end and the left hand near the middle. His left leg was advanced and slightly bent at the knee, while the blade of the shovel pointed upward at an angle of about 30 degrees. His eyes were closed.

Every muscle of the lithe and compactly built workman was as taut and rigid as though constructed of iron.

One of the workmen who observed his condition got out of the trench and undertook to remove the shovel held by the silent workman. The shovel, though, was clutched with an iron grip, and, although he tugged hard he was unable to remove it from the clutches of the possessor. The man's feet were firmly planted on the ground as though nailed and he stood there as rigid and motionless as a piece of statuary.

Physicians were summoned to the scene, and the marvelous sight was witnessed by hundreds of citizens. Several unsuccessful attempts to remove the shovel from his hands were made when police captain Alaback, assisted by several of his officers, succeeded in removing it from his grasp, although it seemed that they would surely break off his fingers in so doing. The man's heart beat with the ordinary pulsations, and the lungs were performing their vocation.

After the man had stood in this position for over two hours he was picked up like a piece of marble, placed in the patrol wagon and conveyed to a hospital. He remained in substantially the same condition for two whole days, during which time his bedside was almost constantly surrounded with physicians who were interested in the case. There were indications that the man was conscious of his surroundings. Although improved in condition he has not yet been able to relate his experience.

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Another survivor of the cavalry party that captured Jefferson Davis has died—this time at Seattle, Washington. The way this party is stringing out, it promises to outnumber the famous Light Brigade, which originally as we are told in Tennyson's poem numbered but 600. According to newspaper reports, many thousand "survivors" of the remnant which came out of that historic charge have already died.—Ex.

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