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PROBS—Moderate to fresh winds; fair and cold.

TAFT'S TOTAL VOTE IS 309

Colorado Added to Bryan Col- umn—Maryland Goes Re- publican By 149— Aftermath.

NEW YORK, Nov. 4.—Practically complete returns received up to a late hour to-night indicate that Wm. H. Taft of Ohio as president-elect will have a vote of 309 in the electoral college. This is within sixteen votes of the forecast made by National Chairman Hitchcock, and 67 more than a majority out of the total electoral vote of 482.

The most important news of the late returns indicates that Maryland after vacillating during the day and apparently being safe for the Democracy has been swung into the Taft column. The figures give Mr. Taft the state by 136 votes.

Maryland was the last of the doubtful states to be heard from. Indiana and West Virginia, as well as Montana, turned out to be safely Republican. Colorado went for Bryan.

Mr. Bryan has a total of 174 votes, two less than he received in 1896. In 1904 Mr. Parker received only 155 votes and in 1896 the Nebraskaan received 176 votes. Mr. Taft's 309 electoral votes compare with 236 received by Roosevelt in 1904, 292 received by McKinley in 1900 and 271 received by McKinley in 1896.

No changes of material interest have been reported in the congressional returns to-day. The Republicans will have about the same working majority in the first congress as at present and Joseph G. Cannon of Illinois, undoubtedly will succeed himself as Speaker.

Representatives Jesse Overstreet of Ohio, and Hepburn of Iowa, are the most conspicuous ones who have failed of re-election.

The senate retains its Republican complexion, although there will be a material change in the personnel of the upper body of the national legislature.

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TRADING COUNCIL 51 28TH YEAR

THE VIEW OF PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 4.—President Roosevelt to-day gave his interpretation of the victory of the Republican party at the polls when he said to the newspaper men whom he received in his office:

"The administration has made a steady effort, and progress should never be allowed to deviate into an unwise radicalism. The one thing that I do not want to see is an unwise conservatism on the other. The nomination of Mr. Taft was a triumph over reactionary conservatism, and his election was a triumph over unwise and improper radicalism."

Townships On G.T.P. to Be Opened

Land in Northern Ontario Clay Belt Will Likely Be Ready For Settlement Soon.

Now that the elections are over it is expected that the government will take into consideration the opening of the townships along the line of the Grand Trunk Pacific Railway in Northern Ontario.

These lie in the clay belt of which so much is heard and are considerably north of any lands yet opened on the T. and N. O. Railway. The last townships opened were Bowman, Hilsop and Benoit.

The government experimental farm at Deerpark City, and a reserve is made of Hanna and Reaume.

It is the intention and desire of the government to consolidate the settlement as far as possible, but the opening up of the region naturally necessitates the homesteading of adjoining lands.

With the sale of Cochrane township lot which is anticipated about the beginning of December, the opening of the transcontinental townships may be expected very soon.

The following buildings are completely destroyed: National Manufacturing Co., Leland Hotel, Wright's tannery, Brash's Hotel, Fraser's boot and shoe store, Briscoe's restaurant, Kemp's grocery, Wallace Co.'s drugs, Winter's dentistry, Harding's photograph gallery, Mitchell's stationery, Miller's general store, Shepherd's butcher shop, Pembroke Milling Co., Pembroke Woolen Mills, Pembroke Clothing Co., Standard office, Mackie (dentist), Bolt (jewelry), Dominion Express office, Reay's hardware, Bell Telephone office, Taylor's paint shop, public library, Delahaye & Reeves' law office, Beal Stone Works, Hennish (furniture), and a veterinary.

HALF MILLION LOSS BY FIRE

Pembroke Suffers Hard Blow,
Business Section Being
Pretty Well Wiped
Out.

PEMBROKE, Nov. 4.—(Special)—Fire swept the heart of the business section here this morning, and when it was subdued, after eight hours' work, it had done between \$450,000 and \$500,000 damage.

On the destroyed property there was \$225,000 insurance, all in British and Canadian companies.

The chief losers are: National Manufacturing Co., \$140,000; insurance \$90,000. Mrs. J. W. Munro, \$75,000; fully insured. J. P. Millar, \$20,000; only partially insured.

A. Millar & Son, \$25,000; partly insured. Moffat estate, \$10,000. Pembroke Milling Co., \$40,000; insured.

Mrs. W. W. Dickson, \$12,000. Branch Bank of Ottawa. Bell Telephone Co.'s office. Two hotels. Public library. Half a dozen private residences.

About 250 men will be out of work as a result and business and professional men will have difficulty in securing quarters.

The origin of the fire, which was discovered at 4 o'clock, is unknown. It started in the foundry of the National Manufacturing Co. and, fanned by high winds, soon spread.

A heavy snowstorm partly saved some stores, but wind again swept the flames on.

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TWELVE PAGES—THURSDAY MORNING NOVEMBER 5 1908—TWELVE PAGES

A VICTIM



MR. BRYAN: I thought I'd caught the eagle, but the eagle seems to have caught me.

WAKEE BOATERS RAID B.C. HALIBUT FISHERIES

130 Vessels Said to Be Illegally Taking Fish for Seattle Market.

VANCOUVER, Nov. 4.—(Special)—The board of trade has addressed a strong resolution to Ottawa regarding the importance of conserving and protecting the halibut fisheries of the Pacific coast.

H. H. Watson declared the halibut was absolutely depleted, that single fish were being caught weighing only from ten to twelve pounds, whereas a few years ago they weighed fifty to sixty pounds.

This was due to the invasion of American poachers, he declared. 130 vessels were now poaching in Canadian waters. Last year 39,000 tons of halibut caught in Canadian waters were shipped east from Seattle, as against 13,000 tons from Vancouver.

MONTREAL BROKERS GO OUT OF BUSINESS

Not Enough Business to Pay Expenses in the Last Few Months.

MONTREAL, Nov. 4.—(Special)—Messrs. Barclay and Strath, stock brokers, corner of St. Sacrament and St. Francois Xavier streets, who have been doing business thru John Dickson & Co., members of the Consolidated Stock Exchange, New York, have closed their office in this city owing to the lightness of transactions.

The firm will be dissolved immediately, as Mr. Strath will engage in other business. The latter then taking his own life by inhaling illuminating gas.

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KILLS MOTHER AND SELF OVER A SECRET MARRIAGE

Announcement of Wall St. Broker's Wedding Precipitated Quarrel With Tragic Result.

NEW YORK, Nov. 4.—Revelation by a son to his mother of a secret marriage and parental refusal to be reconciled to it is believed to have been the impelling cause of a double tragedy in an uptown hotel to-day.

The victims of the tragedy were Mrs. Rebecca Veit, a wealthy widow and her only son, J. Nelson Veit, a Wall Street broker, the circumstances of the affair pointing to the shooting of the mother by the son, the latter then taking his own life by inhaling illuminating gas.

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PAID 5 PER CENT. QUALITY TO AGENT

And it Was Tacked on to
Above-Retail Prices for
Goods Sold to Marine
Dept. at Quebec,
Says Murphy.

QUEBEC, Nov. 4.—(Special)—Justice Cassels' enquiry into the administration of the Quebec agency of the department of marine and fisheries has elicited startling evidence at its very opening.

The enquiry opened at 11.30, J. U. Gregory, the suspended local agent of the marine department, being represented by Senator Choquette.

George Watson, K.C., for the commission, gave first a list of the members of the staff of the agency, and their salaries, and a statement of the expenditures of the agency since 1904. According to the public accounts the expenditures were nearly a million dollars in 1904-5; in 1905-6, \$825,077, and in 1906-7, \$874,540.

Some of the contractors of the agency, Joseph Archer of Archer & Co., coal and lumber merchants; Blackston, mill maker; F. X. Brolet, machinist, and Gagnon, pork and butter merchant, were called to the witness box and promised to produce their books in the afternoon. The contracts of Archer & Co. with the agency of the marine and fisheries department since 1904 amounted to \$121,967.

J. J. Murphy, the first witness examined, testified that during the last four years he had paid \$330.95 to Gregory. Murphy is a wholesale dealer in lumber, bricks, cement, etc. His books showed that from 1904 to 1908, he supplied goods to the department for which he received \$43,400 delivered at the wharf of the department. He orders for the goods came from Gregory, often over the phone. There were no definite arrangements as to prices, but sometimes Gregory asked what they were. At Gregory's suggestion, Watson drew on his own account, and Gregory accepted the drafts. This was only during the last four or five years. Gregory suggested that by this means he would get his money immediately.

Field Five Per Cent. Commission. To Mr. Watson's witness admitted that it was not necessary to his business to have spot cash, and that the government trade was so good that he would be glad to have the payment in 90 days for payment. On every draft, so cashed by Gregory, witness paid him a commission of five per cent. practically all of his own money. Payment, and Gregory accepted the drafts. This was only during the last four or five years. Gregory suggested that by this means he would get his money immediately.

Witness: I don't do this with everybody. It can help. He admitted that it was not necessary to his business to have spot cash, and that the government trade was so good that he would be glad to have the payment in 90 days for payment. On every draft, so cashed by Gregory, witness paid him a commission of five per cent. practically all of his own money. Payment, and Gregory accepted the drafts. This was only during the last four or five years. Gregory suggested that by this means he would get his money immediately.

Replying to other questions, witness said he had never made a kick and the orders continued. He charged the government retail rates and received in some cases 25 per cent. more than other retailers did, but was never paid a quarrel between them, culminating in the tragedy.

BORDEN'S VICTORY.

Opponent in Cardwell Loses His Deposit.

OTTAWA, Nov. 4.—(Special)—The first sitting of the cabinet council since the election was held in Sir Wilfrid Laurier's house this afternoon. Only routine business was transacted. The ministers present included A. B. Aylesworth, S. A. Fisher, Sir Richard Cartwright, Sir Frederick Borden, Charles Murphy, William Paterson and L. P. Brodeur.

Hon. Mr. Fisher leaves to-morrow for Rome to attend the international congress on agriculture.

R. L. Borden's official majority in Carleton County is 1370. J. E. Caldwell, his Liberal opponent, loses his deposit.

Verdict in Full. Chief Justice Mulock yesterday awarded the Jencks Machine Company, Limited, St. Catharines, \$1600, the full amount of their claim against the Canadian Northern Railway Company for a carload of tools lost in transit.

REDUCTION FOR REVENGE.

London Trades Council Have an Ax to Grind.

LONDON, Nov. 4.—(Special)—At a well attended meeting of the London District Trades and Labor Council tonight that body passed a resolution to apply to the city council to present to the people a license reduction bylaw on Jan. 1.

The trades council give as a reason that with fewer licenses the help, or union labor, will receive better consideration.

The real move, however, is thought to be as a mode of retaliation on the part of the labor men on the local hotelkeepers. When the strike was on at Carling's Brewery a letter from the trades council was sent to all the hotel proprietors asking them to refrain from buying the Carling brew. The hotelmen ignored the request.

BRYAN UP EARLY. FAIRVIEW, Lincoln, Neb., Nov. 4.—Altho it was after midnight when he actually went to bed, William J. Bryan was up and doing early this morning. So far as appearances went, there was nothing about his manner to indicate the disappointment which he must have felt over the result of the election. He greeted his callers with a smile and scanned the morning papers for news from states from which no definite returns had been received.

MERCHANT GOES TO PRISON.

18 Months for Forgery—A Pastor Who Wouldn't Bind Himself.

"I'll not sign that bond," was the determined refusal of "Rev. Robert Brown, pastor of the Chinese Church, of Montreal, who offered to suspend sentence on a charge of illegal performance of marriages if Mr. Brown would bind himself not to perform ceremonies in the future. The ordinance of Mr. Brown, the court holds, does not entitle him to perform marriages, but the 'pastor' who threatened with jail, persisted in his refusal.

Adjournment was made until the afternoon, when he agreed to refrain from tying knots until the high court legalizes his work. The judge suggested that he visit a doctor.

Annis Pancer, a girl, fainted in the dock when sentenced to ten days for theft from stores. She was taken to jail in an ambulance.

E. McLean of the machinery firm of Levy, Weston and McLean was sentenced to 18 months in the Central Prison on three charges of forgery.

COULDN'T LAND PILOT.

And He's Now on His Way Unexpectedly to Glasgow.

MONTREAL, Nov. 4.—(Special)—For the first time in many years the weather has been so rough in the river below Quebec that vessels have not only been delayed for hours awaiting a chance to board their pilots, but at least one pilot has been carried over to the other side, being unable to land.

This happened to the pilot of the SS. Ionian, which left Montreal last Saturday. She took on her lower river pilot at Quebec, but when Father-Point was reached it was found that the weather was so rough that he could not land because the tender could not come near the boat.

The Ionian then proceeded to sea, with the pilot on board, in hope that he might be transferred to an incoming vessel down the Gulf. This does not appear to have happened, and the pilot is now well on his way to Glasgow.

HATS FOR THE HOLIDAY. The Most Popular Headwear for Men is at Dineen's. Many men like to wear a new hat on a holiday. Thanksgiving Day is the only holiday between now and Christmas. Dineen's, at Yonge and Temperance streets, is the best place for a man to go for a hat, because the newest styles, reliable quality and reasonable price combine to ensure satisfaction. Dineen's are sole Canadian agents for the leading English and American makers, and their facilities for pleasing the buyer are better than elsewhere.