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The United States Elections.

The elections in the United States have resulted in the return of Mr. McKinley, of Ohio, the candidate of the Republicans and of the gold standard, and in the defeat of Mr. Bryan, "the boy orator of the Platte," candidate of the Chicago Democratic convention, and of the unlimited coinage of silver at a ratio of 16 parts silver to 1 gold.

It is also apparent that an overwhelming majority of the members of the House of Representatives elected are Republicans, supporting the gold standard, and that the State Legislatures, which will select the Senators in the new Congress, are so strongly Republican that the National Senate will be thoroughly in accord with the McKinley programme also.

Thus, the Republicans have opportunity to promote the legislation which they deem to be in the best interests of the Republic without any drag. They are likely to have, as President Cleveland has had in the Administration soon to dissolve, control of the three branches of the governing body—the Presidency, the Senate and the House of Representatives.

Whether or not they will use this power wisely remains to be seen; but we believe that there are a sufficient number of modifying circumstances growing out of the exceptional nature of the recent campaign to keep legislation in moderate grooves, and to induce the dominating statesmen to rule more from the point of view of the country, as a whole, than that of the party caucus. There can be no doubt that McKinley owes his election to the support of many thousands of men who, ordinarily voting Democratic, could not conscientiously support the revolutionary and unsettling programme of the Chicago convention.

Mr. Charles Tupper to Mr. Bryan, Nebraska: "I condole with you. I have been there myself."

Canada's Interest in the Fight.

With a border common with the United States for 3,000 miles, and with close ties of blood and commerce, the Canadian people were naturally very much interested in the result of the Presidential election. Not that either of the candidates of the two great parties was to the liking of the average Canadian, or could be regarded as an ideal statesman. But it was felt that no matter who triumphed, the result would have marked effects on the Dominion. Some of our people have thought that a Bryan triumph would help this country because it might demoralize our neighbors and drive into Canada capital that ordinarily would be invested in the Republic. Some benefit would undoubtedly come to Canadians from such a diversion of the sinews of business. But the mass of the people of Canada have recognized that such an advantage would be far more than discounted by the attendant demoralization in our business relations with the United States. Canadians now do a business of over \$30,000,000 a year with the people of the United States, and our intercourse is bound to steadily increase as the population grows and the needs of the two sections of the race are increased. It is of the utmost importance to us that these trade relations should not be interrupted by untoward events of any kind; and that prosperity should attend our neighbors in fulfilling their destiny on this continent. When times are good in the States, they are good in Canada. When they are dull over the border, we feel the reaction.

Tom Watson seems to have been left in the "Middle-of-the-Road." But the Populist Vice-Presidential candidate probably consoles himself with the idea that he has plenty of company.

The Effect of the Election.

The decisive character of the victory of McKinley in the United States Presidential election will have a most satisfactory influence on the business and industrial situation over the border. Though a very large number of business men have never believed that the Bryan programme would be carried out so long as the electors had not pronounced upon it, and there was even a remote possibility that it could be made law, business was in a large measure paralyzed. Enterprise was hindered, and industrial development was kept back, because of the fears that a change in the money standard would bring disaster. Many millions of money that ordinarily would be invested in trade, commerce and speculative pursuits

were kept out of circulation, and in some instances sent out of the country for safe investment. The settlement of the completion of the United States national government for four years to come—the knowledge that there will be no radical attempt made to grant that protection to the silver combine which it has craved—will at once steady affairs. The industries of the country will be set going full time, because merchants will begin to buy freely, and customers at home and abroad, who desire to either buy or to sell, will know that the standard of value will be stable, because gold, and not fluctuating, because silver. Thus, the settlement of this question at the polls will have a beneficial effect, not only on the people of the United States, but upon all nations which trade with the republic.

Mr. Hanna, McKinley's manager, guessed that his man would at least get 311 out of the 447 electoral votes. The Cleveland millionaire is a formidable rival of Miss Fay.

A Potato Triumph.

Mr. Pingree, the Detroit mayor, who first successfully organized the poor to cultivate vacant city lots for their potato supply, has been elected governor of Michigan by a large majority. Great is the influence of the potato in this its tercentenary year.

Not Opposed to Silver.

The attitude of a large section of the Democratic party, who refused to recognize Bryan as an exponent of their principles, is betokened by Mr. Carlisle, Secretary of the Treasury in Mr. Cleveland's Administration. In a speech at Louisville, last week, Mr. Carlisle said that he had been accused of being unfriendly to silver, but he would say that if everybody was as friendly to silver as the Secretary of the Treasury there would be far more silver in circulation than there is at present. He said that the Treasury was continuously paying freight on silver to distant points, but it kept coming back, and could not be gotten rid of. As to the issues before the people, he was for his country first and party afterwards. The chief opposition to the Bryan programme, indeed, was not based on antipathy to silver as an agent of value. Many people favor silver, but cannot see how it would profit the people of the United States to make it the standard of value at a ratio of 16 to 1 without an international agreement, making it legal tender in foreign transactions. Any country with a foreign commerce such as that conducted by the United States must take into consideration the attitude of those with whom it does business.

Chance of Reciprocity.

Canadians have a special interest in the result of the elections in the United States because of the attitude of the parties with regard to reciprocity in trade. The question was not an issue in the campaign, all other issues being shunted for silver and gold. But the attitude of the parties, though probably subject to modification, is pretty well known. When Mr. McKinley's party was last in power, it was in favor of reciprocity with various South American States, but it exempted Canada from the operation of its law. Mr. McKinley, though a protectionist, is in favor of reciprocity, and it may be that his Administration will be prepared to enter into negotiations with our Government. What Canadians are assured of, under the present Administration at Ottawa, is that reciprocity negotiations will be conducted with an honest desire that they shall be in the interests of Canada, and be brought to a successful issue. In that respect, their programme differs from that of their predecessors.

Altgeld Went Down, Too.

Governor Altgeld of Illinois sought re-election on his record, but has been defeated by an overwhelming majority. Lovers of law and order everywhere will be rejoiced at this result. John P. Altgeld is a man of great ability, but the tendency of his teachings and of his official deeds has been decidedly anarchic. He set free the Anarchist convicts guilty of participation in the Haymarket bomb atrocities some years ago, and on the eve of the present election he gave liberty to them their citizenship in order that they might vote for him. He achieved notoriety during the great railway strike at Chicago by his resistance of President Cleveland's order that the national troops should see to it that the mails of the country should not be delayed, no matter what interests were menaced by the quarrel between the railway companies and their employees. Because Altgeld gave a strong support to Bryan, the Presidential candidate lost many votes.

SUICIDE AT BRANTFORD.

Brantford, Ont., Nov. 4.—The coroner's inquest, to inquire into the death of Agnes Pepper, who was found dead Thursday last on the floor of the residence of Judson Baker, her employer, returned a verdict that "The late Agnes Pepper came to her death from the effects of a dose of Paris green, administered by herself while temporarily insane."

Pet Scheme Defeated.

London West Cannot Exempt New Building.

The Electric Light Question Again Before the Council—Communications From the Solicitors.

The village fathers—Reeve Saunby, Deputy Reeve Moore, Councillors Collins, Duff, and Hamilton—vested with the municipal affairs of London West at the regular meeting of the council last night.

Deputy Reeve Moore felt a little disconcerted when the letter from the village solicitors was read, vetoing the scheme of exempting all new buildings for two years. The letter says:

"As to the legality of the proposed bylaw for exempting new buildings, we would say the council has no power, and that the only powers of exemption are contained in section 306, of the Municipal Act of 1892, which says that every municipal council shall, by a two-thirds vote, have the power of exempting any manufacturing establishment, or any building for the storage of ice, for commercial purposes, or any waterworks, or water company, from taxation, except as to school rates, for any period not longer than two years, and to renew the exemption for a period not exceeding ten years."

A letter from the clerk of Walkerville was read, describing the steps taken to pass a similar bylaw in that town, and which was working very satisfactorily. After considerable discussion, in which Deputy Reeve Moore and Councillor Hamilton differed from the opinion of the solicitors, the letters were filed.

Tenders for laying new plank sidewalks were received from W. Cotton, at 23 1-2 cents per foot; John Mott, 23 1-2 cents, and F. R. Ellis, 16 3-4 cents, and were referred to the chairman of the Board of Works.

No action was taken, but the solicitors will be asked for separate accounts of the different cases.

Another letter from the village solicitors referred to the suit against ex-Clerk W. H. Bartram, stating that the sheriff had been instructed to dispossess of a lot belonging to the ex-clerk.

The council decided to advertise for persons having claims against the village, to send in their accounts before the end of the month.

The matter of placing lights at Oxford street bridge and Oak street was discussed, and Mr. Alex. Ferguson appeared before the council to urge the necessity for the light at both places. He said women were afraid to pass under the C. P. R. bridge after dark. No action.

Mr. Maxwell Armstrong resigned the position of auditor, owing to his removal to British Columbia.

The report of Collector Campbell showed \$4,783 35 of taxes received in October. Treasurer Rockett's report for the same month showed receipts of \$3,970 88, of which \$3,135 was for 1895 taxes. The expenses for the month were \$2,887 06, \$890 80 going for electric light, \$1,000 to pay off a note and \$801 62 on sinking fund account.

FATALLY CRUSHED. Collingwood, Ont., Nov. 4.—John Ransier, son of Mr. Andrew Ransier, a farmer on the north concession of the township of Nottawasaga, was operating a hay press, when one of his legs became caught and was terribly crushed. Ransier lingered until Sunday afternoon.

Wesley Methodist Church, Amherstburg, has been presented with a handsome new pipe organ by Colin Wiele, proprietor of the Amherstburg flour mills, who is the recording steward of the church.

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