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BRYAN WILL WIN!

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Mark Hanna Is Down To Stay Down.

Farm, Field and Fireside.

Bryan will win so says Alfred Henry Lewis, the Washington correspondent to the New York Journal, and he figures it out this way:

Coming events, especially if they be of politics, cast their decided shadows before in the capital departments. These folks are the tree toads of politics. They change their color with the varying hues of changing administrations. Also do they chirrup mightily before the storm. Just now the political tree toads here are singing lustily of Democratic victory in November, and their golden green is giving way to the ashen white of silver. By these signs one may know McKinley's defeat, and that a teeth-gnashing day is to dawn for Hanna and his syndicate.

If this prophecy be not true, then let some earnest one take the map and point out the detail of Republican success. Go west to the Missouri.

Can McKinley carry California—a state, by the way, which produces more gold than silver? There exists no chance of it. For years the Republicans of California have declared for free coinage at 16 to 1 as their only hope to win the state.

NO HOPE BEYOND THE MISSOURI.

Is there a McKinley hope in Oregon? Look at the last election.

Does Hanna build on Washington or Idaho? If he does it's but a dream with Dubois leading the silver bolt and Squire just turning his coat.

The Dakotas are no better. Pettigrew, a senator as keenly sensitive to a public breeze as any, so finely strung as to be a very acolian harp of politics, to sing consistent with every breath of general opinion, went to the silver side at St. Louis and bolted with Dubois. Go where you will in the region west of the Missouri, there's not one green and growing blade of McKinley hope. The Dakotas, Nebraska, Kansas, all gone. Every state west of them gone. Democracy, free silver and Bryan everywhere between the Rio Grande and the Canadian line, when once you are ferried over the Missouri.

How is it south of the Mason and Dixon line? Not a McKinley state. If there is put your hand on it. Every whisper from Kentucky shows a free silver feeling growing knee deep.

GORMAN VOUCHES FOR MARYLAND.

Is it Maryland? The channels of the old Democracy are bank full and still rising with the flood of silver sentiment that is rushing in. The state will be swept off its feet by the tides of a rising November Democracy. The other day Gorman, whose business it is to know, said privately that Maryland would give Bryan a 20,000 majority. You can take Gorman's word for Maryland. He has been over that trail too often not to know the whereabouts of all the wood and water. The man who says Gorman does not know Maryland simply publish the fact that his intelligence has been misled. Maryland is for Bryan, and will be for Bryan on the November clean-up. As you look over the map there isn't a

southern McKinley state. Should he win he must win east of the Missouri and north of the Ohio and the Mason and Dixon line. What states make up this territory and what electoral votes does he need to bring success? The total number of electoral votes in the country is 447. The man who wins the next white house must get at least 234. Now where are they in the region into which McKinley has been driven? A table of the states involved with the vote and electoral voice of each shows like this:

Maine.....	6
New Hampshire.....	4
Vermont.....	4
Massachusetts.....	15
Connecticut.....	6
Rhode Island.....	4
New York.....	36
New Jersey.....	10
Delaware.....	3
Pennsylvania.....	32
Ohio.....	23
Indiana.....	13
Illinois.....	24
Iowa.....	13
Michigan.....	14
Wisconsin.....	12
Minnesota.....	9
Total.....	230

CANNOT HOLD THEM ALL.

In other words, should McKinley carry every state east of the Missouri and north of the Ohio and the Mason and Dixon line he would have a majority of six in the electoral college. The beauty of it is he can't do it. And Hanna, with all his money and all his lack of scruple added to his coarse force, can't do it for him.

In all of these states the Democrats fuse with the Populists and present an unbroken silver front. The only bolts in these ballistics are silver bolts from the Republicans, and in passing one may say to the Populists' refusals to fuse with the Democrats, that the Republicans can gain no aid, no comfort from them. These fuse refusals only occur in states like Alabama, where, wherever happens, Republicanism and McKinleyism stand no more of a show than a feather in a furnace.

But, to go back to this table of the middle west, the north and the northeast: McKinley has six to the good, should he carry them all; but there are several of these perimeters beyond the reach of the Hanna syndicate pole. Buy they ever so wisely, corrupt they ever so cunningly, they can't get them.

SEVER'S HOLD ON MINNESOTA.

Take Minnesota for example—and without it McKinley is swept away and a lump rises and lives in the Hanna throat every time he thinks of it—take Minnesota with its nine votes; what man allows McKinley Minnesota in his count? The Republicans are two-thirds for silver there. They are leaving the party for the Democracy by squads, platoons and companies. It's been nothing but "bolt McKinley" in Minnesota ever since Hanna got his nomination in St. Louis. Ex-Governor Merriam and Mike Doran may carry caucuses, and even dominate state convention, but they are helpless at the polls. They may lead the Minnesota horse with a corporation halter to the water, but they can't make him drink. Minnesota will be for Bryan.

With a hop and a skip over Iowa, where gold is in a corner fighting for its life and bidding fair to lose it, come to the great state of Illinois. Every Illinois sign is a silver one. Altgeld for governor is to win over John Tanner; even Republicans admit that. If the state is to go locally Democratic, how will it resist an even stronger national impulse? The

state is half way on its way to Bryan now, and by November the world will witness a silver stampede in that corn-stalk commonwealth.

HOOSIER VOTES NEEDED.

In Indiana and in Michigan the McKinley dove, when cast loose by Hanna, returns with weary pinion to the syndicate ark, finding no rest for the sole of its foot. They say about Washington that the millions Hanna will pour forth on the Hoosiers will make the former financial operations in politics of blocks-of-five-Dudley look pale and wan. It is to be hoped that Hanna will break open his barrel on the banks of the Wabash. The Hoosiers need money. And such is their thrift and such their political direction that they will take all Hanna will bring them and then vote for Bryan, just the same.

The truth is the McKinley chances are as dreary as this is written, in Indiana, in Michigan, in Ohio itself; while from the smudges going up in parts of the Empire state it would appear as if New York itself was in direct range of the sparks and liable to burst into silver burning at any hour. Even the staid and solemn state of Pennsylvania is acting peculiarly, and from what Stotsman comes now ashore from the Keystone community, one might reasonably look for Republican woe in that direction.

That is the situation, and there are the table and figures by which McKinley must make his conquest of the white house. One will have to stand on his head before he sees or reads any Hanna syndicate encouragement in them.

Bryan will win.

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