

THE VOTING IN NEW YORK

Unprecedented Early Morning Rush to the Polling Places.

Citizens in the Overpopulated Districts in Fear of Disfranchisement Because of Inadequate Facilities. The Election Inaugurated Without Disorder—Swarms of McCullagh Deputies on Hand Ready to Make Arrests—Few Charges of Irregularity During the Preliminary Balloting—All Records Broken in Brooklyn Borough—A Serious Problem.

NEW YORK, Nov. 6.—Election day in Greater New York dawned into an ideal autumn morning. The skies were radiantly clear, the air invigorating. There was an irresistible invitation in the bracing weather to be out of doors. A phenomenally heavy vote is assured.

The election machinery of the mighty municipality began moving in the five boroughs promptly at 6 o'clock. The election officials were no more prompt than the voters. In the over-populated districts in the upper West Side the apprehension that there were more voters than there were minutes in the day to receive their votes caused an early crush about the voting booths. As many as fifty men were in line at many places when the election officers arrived.

Chief Devery arrived at police headquarters at 5:45 o'clock. He went at once to his office, and had all the stations called up by telephone. Promptly at 6 o'clock the chief summoned the newspaper men to his office.

"The polls are open and the election is on," he said. "The opening of the polls has been effected without disorder. There will be no trouble during the day, if this department can help it. I will be here all day with my carriage handy. There will be inspectors and reserves handy to despatch to the scene of an outbreak."

"I have nothing to say about Superintendent of Elections McCullagh and his indictment. Sheriff Grell was here early this morning because of a communication with some authority. Was it Governor Roosevelt? I don't care to say. Let the sheriff tell you what he likes about it. I will say that his visit has not interfered with the police plans already formulated.

"They stand as they were first formulated. Nothing has transpired within twenty-four hours to cause their modification. Our business is to preserve order at the polls and afford the election officials protection in the discharge of their duties."

Later Chief Devery said: "Everything seems to be progressing quietly. There does not appear to be trouble in any part of the city, and I do not contemplate any. If trouble does come, however, we will be prepared for it."

In the Fifth Assembly district, it was said, one-third of the total registration had been polled at 8 o'clock today. This is the Republican district in which there has been heavy colonization alleged. The party workers were on hand before the polls opened with a large number of assistants, whom they kept in line to hold places for business men who would have little time at their disposal.

Swarms of Deputies.
The McCullagh deputies swarmed about the polls, having been sent out at 5 o'clock this morning, with the injunction not to forget their pistols and to carry out their instructions fearlessly. Five arrests were made within the first hour, three in Manhattan and two in Brooklyn. There was indication of trouble at Coney Island early today. The McCullagh deputy there several times telephoned to headquarters for instructions. He was told to read the law.

The early morning vote in the district lying between Fifty-ninth Street and Fourteenth Street and east of Fifth Avenue, which territory takes in parts of the Eighteenth, Nineteenth, Twentieth, Twenty-first, Twenty-second, Twenty-fourth, and Twenty-fifth Assembly districts, as well as several others was very heavy.

In many of the election districts in that section of the city, fully one-third of the entire registered vote was cast before 9 o'clock. This unusually large vote for such an early hour resulted in but little confusion and up to 9 o'clock the police and election officers reported that there had been no disturbance of a serious nature in any of the districts. The streets, except in the immediate vicinity of the polling places, were almost deserted and crowds were not permitted to collect around the polling booths.

Eight hundred of Superintendent McCullagh's deputies were in the districts where illegal voting was expected. Some of these deputies were directly at the polling places, some of them patrolled the streets near the polling places very much after the manner of members of the uniformed force, while still others did detective work about suspicious neighborhoods.

At the Jersey City ferries deputies had been posted to look out for the gangs of repeaters which Superintendent McCullagh professed to expect would be brought over to vote in the election districts in the lower part of the city.

"I got wind of this thing two days ago," said Superintendent McCullagh this morning, "and I obtained evidence showing that repeaters were going to be brought over here in blocks of ten. The ringleader in the scheme was arrested last night."

There were between one and two hundred warrants in the hands of Superintendent McCullagh's deputies when the polls opened. They were issued against persons charged with registering illegally, and were held back by the deputies in readiness for any attempt of the present subjects to vote. Special arrangements were made by the Board of City Magistrates to provide for a speedy disposal of the many cases expected today.

All the magistrates reached their respective courts by 7:30 o'clock. Lawyers were on hand to look out for the interests of both parties. They were armed with authority from the Attorney General, making them special deputies for the occasion. At the Centre Street Court before Magistrate Flammner, six men were arraigned, charged with false registration and illegal voting.

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Brooklyn was reported to Superintendent McCullagh by Charles Hilton, of 198 Metropolitan Avenue. Over the telephone he told the Superintendent a story of intimidation. He said that when he went into the polling precinct on Grand Street between Berry and Bedford Streets, in the Fourteenth ward, he was followed into the booth by a man who insisted that he must put the mark opposite the Democratic column.

This Hilton says he refused to do. The man, he said, would not leave the booth, and the police refused to arrest him. McCullagh advised the complainant to swear out a warrant against the man.

Voting Problem in Brooklyn.

All voting records will have to be smashed in the borough of Brooklyn today if anything like a full vote is to be counted. In seventeen of the five hundred and odd election precincts more than 600 have been registered. With but 600 minutes in the voting day, balloting will have to go on at a lively rate to get all the ballots in the box before 5 o'clock tonight.

A stupendous problem was encountered in the Eighteenth district of the Eighth ward, where there are 1,238 voters. How to get a vote cast every thirty seconds for eleven consecutive hours was the problem to be solved.

The commissioners erected an immense steel booth in the middle of the street in front of 1134 Fifth Avenue. It was provided with two dozen voting benches for the voters to prepare their ballots.

When the polls were opened at 5 o'clock this morning there was a line of 100 men waiting outside the place. The officials were on hand early and on the stroke of 6 the balloting began. Every minute the waiting line lengthened out. In fifteen minutes it stretched around the corner and was fully a block and a half in length. Eighty-five ballots were in the box when the first hour was done. The officials expect to eat while they work and say that unless they can maintain a steady average of ninety votes an hour many voters will be disfranchised.

A similar, though less congested condition, existed in the Thirtieth district of the Twenty-eighth ward, at 571 Hamburg Avenue, where 799 votes will have to be cast.

AUSPICIOUS IN ILLINOIS

Citizens Taking an Intense Interest in the Election.

Greatest Confidence Expressed by the Democratic Leaders in the Result of the Balloting—Workingmen Crowded the Polls at an Early Hour. Two-thirds of the Vote in at Noon.

CHICAGO, Nov. 6.—From indications, a heavy vote will be cast in this city today. Long before the hour set for the polls to open lines of voters waited to cast their ballots.

In many of the precincts more than 150 votes had been cast before 7 o'clock and fully two-thirds of the total vote was in by noon.

The weather, while cloudy, was favorable and in the workingmen's districts was responsible for the heavy outpouring of voters.

In this city the Democratic leaders express the utmost confidence that the result of the balloting will be favorable to their candidates.

Their confidence has been increased today by the keen interest taken by the great mass of voters both in Cook county and throughout the State.

There is every reason to believe that straight tickets are being voted and that Mr. Bryan will be a heavy winner in Chicago.

CROKER VERY CONFIDENT.

Tammany Leader Says Bryan Will Win, With a Fair Count.

NEW YORK, Nov. 6.—Mr. Croker retired at dawn this morning for a brief rest. He cast his ballot for Bryan at 6:12 o'clock. After casting his ballot today Mr. Croker said:

"With a fair count and no intimidation at the polls we will win. The fight is all over and the people are with Bryan, if they are permitted to have their choice."

"I can't believe, carry the States of Ohio, Indiana, Illinois, Kentucky, and New York. He will win without New York and have lots to spare, but we will have New York, too. The city will give a grand plurality for Bryan, and I believe he will carry the State by at least 90,000."

"Today will be a grand day for the Democratic party. I am going to Tammany Hall, where I will remain all day and get the returns there in the evening. This indictment of Devery is the biggest thing that could have happened for Bryan in this city and State."

The Tammany leader, despite his post midnight conference, looked fresh, eager, and in good humor when he left the Democratic Club at 5:45 o'clock to act on his own advice and vote early. He was accompanied by his son, Frank H. Croker. They took a hansom cab and drove up Fifth Avenue to Seventy-fifth Street, then north to Park Avenue.

Mr. Croker was the eighth man in line at the Sixteenth election precinct in the Twenty-ninth Assembly district. It was exactly 6:12 o'clock when Mr. Croker handed his ballot to Max Fischer, Chairman of the Board of Inspectors of the precinct. He was registered from his residence, 5 East Seventy-fourth Street. Frank Croker voted immediately after his father.

Mr. Croker drove from the polling place directly back to the Democratic Club for breakfast. From there he went to Tammany Hall to remain throughout the day.

ROUGH RIDER OPTIMISTIC.

Roosevelt Anxiously Awaiting the Election Returns, However.

OSTYER BAY, L. I., Nov. 6.—Governor Roosevelt's last speech of the campaign was made to his fellow-townsmen. He received an enthusiastic greeting and retired early to rest.

Roosevelt was up early this morning and visited the polls to place his vote among the first that arrived there. He is anxiously awaiting returns from New York city, but says he is confident of the success of his party throughout the country.

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THE FIGHT IN MARYLAND

An Enormous Vote Being Cast in Baltimore.

The Concession General That the City Will Go Heavily Democratic. Odds Being Offered That the State Will Line Up in the Anti-Trust Column—Ideal Weather Prevailing.

BALTIMORE, Nov. 6.—Election day here is the most brilliant autumn day that has ever greeted the voters. It has resulted in a vast outpouring to the polls, and it is freely predicted that the number of ballots cast will be the largest in the history of the city.

Both sides are confident, or claim to be, but it is evident to those who stand aside that the sentiment is veering strongly toward Bryan. The number of Democratic votes cast during the morning hours was certainly heavily ahead. Hundreds of men who have been "doubtful" are now publicly announcing that they have voted for the straight Democratic ticket.

The Republicans claim the Democrats always vote early, and that the great preponderance of Democratic votes early in the day should not be considered especially significant.

There is every indication that Bryan will run even with the State ticket, at least, though up to today it has been said that he might be thousands of votes behind.

Encouraging Democratic news is heard from various parts of the State to help along the Democratic enthusiasm here. The Bryan men are beginning to give odds on the State for the first time in the campaign. A number of fairly heavy bets were made this morning at 4 to 3 on Bryan.

It is asserted at Democratic headquarters that Mr. Gorman has announced to his friends his positive conviction that the Republican chances for the State are nil. It is also said that his friends are offering 4 to 3 on Bryan.

BALLOTING IN INDIANA

Democrats Hopeful of a Hoosier Plurality for Bryan.

An Extremely Heavy and Early Vote Reported from the Counties. Straight Tickets Apparently the Order of the Day—Great Surprise for McKinley Leaders Expected.

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., Nov. 6.—Bulletins from fifty Indiana counties show an extremely heavy early vote. Little scratching is reported.

Several counties say all records for an early vote are beaten.

There is ideal weather throughout the State and the Democratic managers are confident that this will aid Mr. Bryan, who has made many converts in the agricultural districts.

While the Republicans continue to profess confidence in the outcome of the voting conflict, impartial observers are more than inclined to believe that Mr. Bryan's vote will be a big surprise for the Hannafites.

The Hoosiers have not forgotten Harrison's lukewarm "endorsement" of the McKinley Administration's policies and the object of the matter is that this and other things have estranged thousands of voters who had been in the habit of casting their ballots for the Republican ticket.

Thus far comparatively little disorder is reported except the riot near Brazil, which resulted in some bloodshed.

The Democrats, who are using every effort to combat alleged bribery schemes and get a fair count, await the result of the contest with great hope of victory.

NEW YORKERS IN SPENSE.

Fears That Election Troubles Will Develop This Afternoon.

NEW YORK, Nov. 6.—At the headquarters of both parties there is a feeling of suspense.

Superintendent of Elections McCullagh, a Roosevelt appointee and a bitter partisan, has a large number of men at the downtown voting places, and hundreds of Tammany voters already have been challenged and scores of them arrested. They are permitted to swear in their vote before being carried off to the lockup. Chief of Police Devery's men have not yet begun to arrest Republican colonizers or to challenge them in any considerable number.

It appears that not a large proportion of the colonized vote has yet been brought to the polls by the Republicans. It is expected that this vote will show up at the polls after 2 o'clock, and that then the trouble will begin. The militia is being held in reserve to assist McCullagh's men in the event of rioting.

At eight Tammany precincts visited this morning before 9 o'clock it was learned that nearly half of the registered vote had been cast. If this proportion is kept up throughout the city, the entire vote will have been cast by 9 o'clock. The polls close at 5. The count will begin to be reported soon after 5 o'clock.

Mr. Croker said at 11 o'clock this morning that nothing had occurred during the past twelve hours to weaken his confidence in a sweeping Democratic victory in the city. His agents in Brooklyn report that the Democratic vote in that borough is being fully developed.

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TROUBLE IN INDIANA.

One Man Killed and Three Wounded at the Polls in Brazil.

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., Nov. 6.—News has reached here from Brazil, this State, that there has been a serious election riot at that place.

During a quarrel at the polls, a general fight started, and the result was one man killed and three wounded.

The details have not been received here, but the trouble is believed to have been caused by an effort to intimidate voters.

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THE STRUGGLE IN OHIO

Balloting Proceeds Without Disorder in the Buckeye State.

Estimate That Sixty-five Per Cent of the Vote Had Been Cast at 11 o'clock—Little Scratching of Tickets Reported—Republican Managers Say All Signs Are Favorable.

COLUMBUS, Ohio, Nov. 6.—Election day dawned clear and bright in the President's home State and indications point to an unprecedented vote. Voters beat judges and clerks to the polls in every voting precinct in this city this morning.

It was estimated at 11 o'clock that 65 per cent of the total vote had been cast. No attempted fraud has been detected and every man is evidently voting according to his own conscience.

The Republicans are making a strong fight against Representative John J. Lentz and expect to elect Emmet Tompkins as his successor. The district is close and the outcome doubtful. The polls close in this State at 5:30 o'clock.

CLEVELAND, Ohio, Nov. 6.—At 5 o'clock this morning one-half of the vote of this city had been polled. The registration here is \$2,000. The same report of heavy voting comes from all parts of Northern Ohio. There appears to be but little scratching.

The remarkably heavy vote early today, Republican managers say, is a favorable sign for McKinley.

THE PRESIDENT VOTES.

Arises at His Usual Hour and Goes to the Polls.

CANTON, Ohio, Nov. 6.—After uttering his last words of the campaign to the voters of the country in a speech from the porch of his home last night, President McKinley today arose at his usual time and went to the polls. He was accompanied by several of his lieutenants, among whom was William R. Day, ex-Secretary of State.

The President had a drive after he voted and returned home to await the returns. Mark Hanna and Col. Myron T. Herrick, of Cleveland, came to the McKinley home. They will probably remain until the result of the election is known.

Mr. McKinley, it is said by his intimate friends, believes that he will receive more electoral votes than he did in 1896.

IN THE BLUE GRASS STATE.

Republican Committee Claims Kentucky by 11,000 for McKinley.

LOUISVILLE, Ky., Nov. 6.—Clear, crisp weather is bringing out a heavy vote in Kentucky today. Republicans claim the weather favors them, as it brings out the mountain vote. Chairman Combs said this morning that the Eleventh district, which is composed of mountain counties, would give McKinley and Yerkes 22,000 majority. Up to noon few cases of fraud had been reported.

The Democratic fight is concentrated on Orear, Republican candidate for Judge in the Fourth Appellate district, for his election would give the Republicans a majority of the judges of the State Court of Appeals.

At noon the Republican State Campaign Committee claimed Kentucky by 11,000 for McKinley and 14,000 for Yerkes.

Reports received from every Congressional district at noon show a heavy vote is being cast. Chairman Combs has wired every county chairman to guard the returns and watch the count. They are instructed to use force if the Republican inspectors are denied admission to the booths during the count.

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BRYAN CASTS HIS VOTE

Democratic Leader Reaches Lincoln Calm and Confident.

Followed Throughout the City by an Enthusiastic Crowd, Which Repeatedly Calls for a Speech—Voters Briskly to Receive Returns of the Election at His Home Tonight.

LINCOLN, Neb., Nov. 6.—William Jennings Bryan, calm and confident, arrived here this morning from Omaha.

He went directly from his car to the court house, and thence to the voting booth in his district, where he cast his vote.

After voting, the Democratic leader went to his home, where he will receive over a special wire election returns from all over the country until late tonight.

From the train to the court house, from the court house to the voting place, from thence to his home, Mr. Bryan was followed by an enthusiastic crowd.

He was cheered, and was many times called on for a speech, but made none.

WEST VIRGINIA CONTEST.

Indications Point to a Big Democratic Victory.

CHARLESTON, W. Va., Nov. 6.—Fair weather prevails in all parts of the State. A very large vote is being polled as a consequence. The Democrats are thoroughly confident of carrying the State for Bryan, and the complexion of the voters is strongly indicative of Democratic success.

Arrests have been made in various parts of the State of supposed illegal Republican voters. An attempt to colonize in various localities on the part of the Republicans is strongly evident.

No disturbances have been reported from any of the polls. Order generally prevails.

THE CONTEST IN TEXAS.

Heavier Voting at the Start Than Was Expected.

DALLAS, Texas, Nov. 6.—Perfect election weather prevails in Texas. The polls opened at 8 o'clock. The voting was heavier at the start than had been expected.

The only local office over which there is any special contest is that for sheriff. The candidates are Johnson (Democrat), and Finley (Independent).

Probably three-fourths of the vote of the State will be polled. The irrigation amendment to the State Constitution will have little opposition.

The Times Election News.

The returns from the Presidential election will be bulletinized tonight on a mammoth screen erected in front of The Times Building in the great triangular space at the intersection of Tenth and D Streets and Pennsylvania Avenue. In addition to the matchless news service of the Postal and Western Union Telegraph Companies, and through the courtesy of the Chesapeake and Potomac Company by long distance telephone. The news, without regard to its complexion, will be displayed immediately upon its receipt, and no expense or effort will be spared to give the Washington public the first authentic information as to the day's balloting.

HANNA AT THE POLLS.

The Senator Again Expresses His Confidence of Victory.

CLEVELAND, Ohio, Nov. 6.—Senator Hanna voted at precisely 10 o'clock this morning. As he stepped from the booth, he was asked what he thought of the outlook.

"I have no fear of the result," said the Senator. "The Republican ticket will be triumphantly elected."

THE BALLOTING IN TENNESSEE.

Indications for a Heavy Vote All Over the State.

CHATTANOOGA, Tenn., Nov. 6.—Election morning broke clear and pleasant over Tennessee. The indications for a heavy vote throughout East Tennessee.

The Republican hope to elect McCall Governor and two additional Congressmen, but do not claim the electoral vote. The Democrats claim their lines are unbroken.

The voting began with a rush when the polls were opened at 9 o'clock and held up well until noon, when it was the heaviest. Under the Australian ballot it will be late before results are known.

TRAGIC RIOT IN DENVER

Two Men Killed and Four Injured in an Election Fight.

A Colored Gang Attempts to Break into a Polling Place and Collides with the Police—One Officer Shot Dead, and His Slayer Immediately Afterward Fatally Wounded.

DENVER, Col., Nov. 6.—The election here was marked by bloodshed early in the day, a riot having taken place in Larimer Street, a tough section of the town.

The trouble was started by a gang of colored men, presumably Republicans, who endeavored to force their way beyond the lines of election officials and cause a disturbance in the polling place.

Great excitement followed the attempt to commit this infraction of the law. Several policemen stepped in immediately to suppress the rioters and were ejecting them from the limits when John Branford, colored, drew a revolver and fired at Police-Carpenter. The bullet took effect and the police officer fell dead, almost in his tracks. This enraged the other bluecoats and one of them at once fired a shot at the negro slayer, killing him almost instantly.

A general battle among the crowds of colored men and the officials and policemen followed. There was indiscriminate use of firearms and as a result four persons were wounded, most of them seriously.

There continues to be great disorder in the Larimer Street district, although the negro disturbers have been practically suppressed. The firing of revolvers did not cease, however, until every pistol in the crowd had been emptied or the rioters dispersed.

REPEATING IN BOSTON.

Police Place 200 Men in Ward Under Surveillance.

BOSTON, Nov. 6.—In precinct No. 1 of the Twenty-first ward, five cases of repeating were reported to the election commissioners today.

The police were notified and the entire ward was at once put under police surveillance.

BALLOT BOX STOLEN.

Republicans Break into a Wilmington, Del. Polling Place.

WILMINGTON, Del., Nov. 6.—In the Third election district, in South Wilmington, during a fight, the ballot box was stolen, and the ballots destroyed.

It is alleged that because the polls were not opened on time by Democratic officers a number of Republicans broke in, and there was a general fight.

The election board is now hearing the case, and the polls are closed.

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ELECTION DAY WEATHER

Bright Skies Everywhere Almost Without Exception.

Reports From All Sections of the Country Indicate That Nearly All the Voters Are Favored With Sunshine—Slight Flurries of Snow in Some Portions of the Northwest.

Willis L. Moore, Chief of the Weather Bureau, issued the following bulletin at 11 o'clock this morning:

"It is seldom that any day opens without a drop of rain falling anywhere within the area of the United States. Such is the remarkable condition this morning. With the exception of cloudiness over southern Wisconsin, northern Illinois, and eastern Iowa, the sky is clear with pleasant temperatures everywhere. The showery condition which yesterday covered New York and New England has moved away, as was expected, and all portions of New York and New England, are therefore certain to have fine weather during the day."