

Consider These Figures.

The Democrats of Kentucky, especially of Western Kentucky, can study and compare with interest and profit the vote in this state in 1896 and 1899.

For comparison we have compiled by congressional districts the majorities in these two elections. Two counties of the Third district and one of the Eighth were in 1898 put into the Eleventh, but the tabulation is as of the districts now existing, and is as follows:

Table with 3 columns: District, 1896, 1899. Rows include 1st, 2d, 3d, 4th, 5th, 6th, 7th, 8th, 9th, 10th, 11th districts.

The total vot, as certified, in 1896 was: McKinley, (Rep.) 218,171; Bryan, (Dem.) 217,890; Palmer, (Gold Dem.) 5,019; Levering, (Pro.) 4,781.

The total vote, as certified, in 1899 was: Taylor, (Rep.) 193,714; Goebel, (Dem.) 191,331; Brown, (Ind. Dem.) 12,140; Blair, (Pop.) 3,038; Wallace, (Pro.) 2,346.

It will be observed that there was in 1899 a tremendous loss of Democratic majorities in the First, Second, Third and Fourth districts these districts gave Bryan a majority of 23,597, while they gave Goebel a net majority of only 6,815—a loss of 16,782.

Upon the other hand Goebel made immense gains over the Bryan majorities in the Fifth, Sixth, Seventh, Eighth and Ninth districts—a total of 14,626—while the gains and losses in the Tenth and Eleventh districts were about a set-off.

Had the Democratic majorities in 1899 west of Muldrough's hill even been 75 per cent, of the Bryan majorities in those counties, there would have never been an element of doubt in the recent gubernatorial contest.

Why were these great Democratic losses sustained in Western Kentucky, while there were corresponding Democratic gains in Central Kentucky? That has been a subject of speculation for now nearly a year.

Clearly the great Democratic vote of 1896 in Western Kentucky was not brought out in 1899. Nearly, or perhaps quite, 20,000 Democrats who voted for Bryan in 1896 in the First, Second, Third and Fourth districts stayed at home in 1899.

Table with 4 columns: County, 1896, 1899, Difference. Rows include Christian, Daviess, Hancock, Henderson, Hopkins, McLean, Union, Webster.

In the Second district, in 1899, Brown, (Ind. Dem.) received 989, and Blair, (Pop.) 453. In 1896, Pulmer, (Gold Dem.) received 412. There was no Populist candidate in 1896. We take no account of the Prohibition vote, which was substantially the same both years.

The combined Bryan and Palmer vote was 24,102; the combined Goebel, Brown and Blair vote was 19,550—a loss of 4,552.

The McKinley vote was only 1,014 greater than the Taylor vote. In the First district the Democratic stay-at-homes numbered about 6,000, and in the Third and Fourth districts it was almost as bad.

Here is the milk in the cocoanut. The Democrats of these four districts can this year, by close organization and vigilant work, bring out for Bryan and Beckham 20,000 more votes than were polled for Goebel last year, while the Central and Eastern Democrats can surely hold their own. The Democratic fight must be in Western Kentucky.

Here is the fruitful field. Let no effort be spared to poll every Democratic vote.

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Things One Sees and Hears in America's Second City

It is to be feared Chicagoans are in the habit of treating almost every celebration which comes their way somewhat in the nature of a huge joke. They are inclined, as a rule, to take this opportunity to point out and laugh at what they consider the foibles of their "country cousins" who have come to the city to witness the display, and, incidentally, to do the bit of shopping they have had in mind since the last previous excursion rates made a visit to the city practicable.

There is one event, however, in which this general tendency is reduced to a minimum. There is one occasion when the most snobbish of the city critics, if not gifted with a capacity for appreciating the import of the scene, has at least sense enough to keep his observations to himself—and that is when one of the old boys of '61 goes marching by. At this time the conceited fop is conspicuous by his absence, and there are only cheers. The men with the blue coat and the G. A. R. hat may have a grizzled beard and may hail from the very center of "Podunk county"—no matter, he is the acknowledged king of the hour.

The other day an aged couple could have been seen driving in Michigan avenue. The carriage in which they were seated was old and worn and presented a strange contrast to the elegant rubber-tired equipages which haunt the avenue. The horse seemed on its last legs and its pace was slow. The man appeared to be a cripple, but his face was lit with pleasure as he viewed the G. A. R. decorations. Frequently the horse stopped while the occupants of the carriage feasted their eyes on the growing wonders. Some one in the crowd started a laugh at the aged couple, but the mirth died almost before it was born, and some one was heard to say: "You loons! can't you see he's an old soldier?"

Schemes of the Pickpockets. Now that the political campaign is occupying the attention of the Chicago public, those mercenary individuals, the pickpockets and confidence men, have come again into their rightful heritage. Really they have been through a period of depression and have been suffering from ennui; no class of citizens welcomes the return of festivities more than they.

The newest scheme by which that portion of Chicago's well-groomed and neatly-dressed populace known as the "light-fingered fraternity" extract from the masses the substance by which they live is to start a spirited political argument. People who are too cautious to spend their time gazing after airships and other aerial possibilities just because they see some one else doing so will join in a political controversy without the slightest hesitation or suspicion.

When one of these street corner debates is well under way it is not difficult, to say the least, for a member of the fraternity mentioned, who is not a disgrace to his calling, to subtract from the crowd fees sufficient to recompense him for his pains. The new method is far and away ahead of the old stargazing one for the reason that the latter has been too widely exploited. Many people are still willing to gaze skyward, but they have become suspicious and generally hold tightly to their valuables while making this concession to their curiosity.

We are informed by depot masters and policemen doing duty at the various great railway terminals in Chicago that the other kind of professional swindler—the confidence man—is employing no new methods. The old ones are not by any means worn out, and seem to serve the purpose quite as well as the new ones possibly could.

Old Methods Still in Vogue. "No," said one of Chicago's depot masters, in reply to an inquiry concerning the new methods employed by confidence men, "there's nothing new. The 'cons' are playing their old games—and with just as much success as ever. The three things they use most are the 'explosion,' the 'padlock' and the bogus 'gold bond.' They've played those three for years. A few days ago they got another man on the 'gold bond' for something like \$300. They work it this way: 'The 'con' approaches a traveler, and the two pass a few pleasantries while they wait for their trains. In the course of the conversation the 'con' learns the man's name and address. Then he excuses himself, looks

up his victim's town in Dun's report, and sends in a confederate. The latter approaches the unsuspecting traveler, calls him by name and inquires after a good many of the folks at home. When the two are well enough acquainted he springs his 'gold bond.' Sometimes he is just buying a farm up in Jonesville and needs about \$40 to complete the deal—this part varies according to circumstances. When he has borrowed the necessary amount from his victim, he gives the latter the bond, for security, and sets him to watching a pile of baggage—belonging, as a rule, to someone else.

"The 'cons' usually try to get their 'marks' away from the depot to fleece them—take them out to see the 'explosion' or to buy some cheap clothing. Sometimes, by seeming accident, they stumble upon a padlock. The 'con' opens and shuts it with ease, and then makes a bet that his companion can't repeat the operation. When the bet is made a confederate with a star comes along and arrests them for gambling in the streets. Of course, they escape only by paying a big sum.

To Burn Chicago River. Chicago will soon add another sprig of laurel to her already large and promising collection of sweet-bay leaves. Alexander Jones, a sanitary trustee, is sponsor for a project which, if carried out along the lines suggested, is likely to make Chicago the admiration and envy of the world and, incidentally, to settle a score of vexatious problems which have confronted the sanitary board. The scheme is no less a one than the making of fuel from river mud. We have always been of the opinion that there is more in the Chicago river than appears upon the surface, and now we learn that our most extravagant estimates are tame as compared with the real wealth of the river bottom.

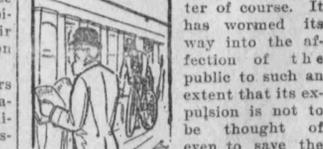
Mr. Jones' idea is not entirely new, for we are told that London capitalists have already formed a company for the avowed purpose of scooping inflammable briquettes from the bottom of the Thames. Chief Swenie is credited with the statement that "if London briquettes will bring four dollars a ton, fuel with the Chicago mark on it ought to command double that price." The new scheme is good enough to have been wholly American; and the thought that Londoners must share the credit for the new discovery is humiliating; but—pshaw!—Trustee Jones says the Chicago river mud is "richer in oils and grease, coal dust and animal carbons than any stretch of Thames bed the London capitalists will have to work on."

It is encouraging to note that President Boldenweck is interesting himself in the new project. He is an authority on novel departures of this kind. It will be remembered that President Boldenweck was the first to point to the drainage canal as the cause of Chicago's agreeable change of climate and to prophesy the city's future fame as a summer resort. Chicagoans may always be depended upon to back up honest investigators like Mr. Jones and President Boldenweck.

A New Dissipation. The penny-in-the-slot machine has come to take up its permanent abode in Chicago. Its introduction has been so gradual that it has been accepted as a matter of course. It has wormed its way into the affection of the public to such an extent that its expulsion is not to be thought of even to save the city itself from becoming one big automatic machine. Like the proverbial wolf, the penny-in-the-slot machine gained first entrance by thrusting "one paw in," and it has continued this stealthy process until it has landed, as it were, in the very middle of the best room, on all fours.

The very latest device in the way of a machine to catch the stray pennies of the public is a directory holder. It will no longer be necessary to hunt up a drugstore when one wishes to consult the city directory. The only exertion required will be that of dropping a penny in the slot and pushing a button—the machine does the rest. Penny-in-the-slot machines have become so numerous in Chicago and are so well patronized that they are a distinct feature of metropolitan life. Every elevated railway station has from one to a half dozen of these devices, and there are few public nooks where they are not to be found. Things have come to such a pass that the person who undertakes to escort a Sunday afternoon party about the city and does not take the pains to provide himself with a pocketful of pennies will be poorly appreciated, indeed. MILTON B. MARKS.

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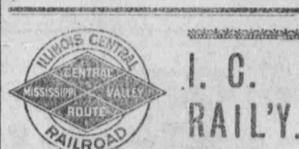
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