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LOST IN STATE WE WON IN STATE SOCIETY FIGHTS TO THE LAST TO WIN AGAINST PROHIBITION.

Marion County Dominated In Dry Senate By Surprisingly Small Majority

Though the returns are still far from being counted, the indications are that the constitutional amendment prohibiting state-wide prohibition has been defeated by a small majority. P. A. Holt, manager of the campaign against the amendment, claims a majority of at least 4,000, but this claim does not seem to be fully justified by the figures as far received and counted.

The returns are full of surprises. Committees were expected to give the amendment large majorities have gone against it and counties that were regarded strongly against it have turned up with majorities for it. Hillsborough is probably the most notable case of this. Very few people expected anything else than that Hillsborough would return a heavy majority against the amendment, because the county gave a majority of 10,000 for the amendment.

Jacksonville and Duval county gave a majority of 3,500 against the amendment, and it is probable that when the returns are all in the Jacksonville majority will be shown to be of no more than a small majority given against the amendment.

In Marion county the result was a surprise to everyone. Many persons thought the country would give a vote of 10,000 to 15,000 for the amendment. A majority of 500 for the amendment was generally thought to be a very conservative estimate and the anti-amendment conceded a majority of at least 100. The returns show that the county was carried by the prohibitionists by only 11 votes. Five of the nine judicial circuits gave a majority against the amendment and not a single one gave a majority for it. Leon, by Hamilton and Raiford, the two largest towns, have been in the wet column. In Marion the vote was better than three to one and in Hampton it was more than two to one in favor of the amendment.

The canvassing board has not yet counted the county returns, but the following figures are correct:

District	For	Against
Lovett	56	37
Lake Butler	86	24
Palatka	13	19
Providence	18	23
Brunswick	39	33
St. Johns	165	161
Hamilton	68	27
Raiford	65	21
Worthington	11	26
Totals	612	457

Majority for amendment 81.

Marion was so completely centered in its opposition to the amendment that the returns of the vote for officers or the other amendments and the Telegraph cannot give these figures until the official canvass is made.

HE DIDN'T INTEND TO RUN AWAY.

Suspicious Conversation Concerned Safe Country Sausage.

The other day a Stark citizen, whom we will call Mr. Dunder, boarded the northbound forenoon train. As he stood on the rear platform he called his 12 year old son, talked with him until the son agreed, then gave him a bank bill.

Another citizen, Mr. Wetter, stood beside Mr. Dunder while he talked to his boy.

"Well in all, I believe old Dander intends to run away and leave his debts," answered Wetter. "I'll tell him I'll never give him five dollars he owes me."

He called Dunder's son and asked what his father had said to him.

He said, "Tell now I'm going to Starke to see about some lumber and I'll be back for dinner. Tell her not to expect to try that sausages because I just took them in salt water first so as to keep the snakes from biting," informed Dunder.

"But he say nothing else?"

"Yes he did. There stands old Wetter, who looks as though I'm going to run away. You'd better pay him this five dollar bill; which I owe him, or else he would go and hang himself in disgrace."

The writer grunted, took the bill and went away, a richer, but hardly a glad man.

Miss Reynolds, of Goshen, was advertising business in Stark Monday.

CHILDREN'S HOME SOCIETY OF FLORIDA

Something at the Great Work Being Done at This Organization.

If a human baby should be lost, every soul alive, though you would wonder if ever there is the world to do like it, especially if you did not want a home for your own home. This article is written to tell you that the Children's Home Society of Florida, with headquarters at Jacksonville, makes it their business to take just such babies, and all other children under the age of fourteen years, who are abandoned, abandoned, orphaned or absent from any home in the state of Florida. They will then keep the child at the Receiving Home there, which is not an institution, but a home, where the children are temporarily cared for till good family homes are found for them. The work of the society is to bring the homeless child and the orphan home together.

During the last seven years hundreds of little orphans and neglected or orphaned children have been taken by the society from all parts of Florida, and all of them are now in good family homes, where they are being loved, educated and made into useful citizens.

A new interest has been stirred up throughout the state this fall by Marcus C. Fogg, the new superintendent of the society, who dearly loves children, and who has had seven years of experience in children's work. Mr. Fogg aims to have every man, woman and child in the state of Florida to know about the work of his society and have some part in it, and will gladly furnish any information to persons who want to take children into their homes or want to report children who need the care or attention of the society.

The officers of the society and the board of directors are all prominent business and professional men of the state and are giving much time and personal service in the work.

The work is supported by voluntary subscriptions or donations, and at the present time the society is much hampered from lack of funds to do work with. Many children are in the state who should be cared for by the society at once, who must wait till enough money is secured to make it possible for the society to get them.

The society aims to be of service to all children who need its care, and among the many things it does are the following:

It looks after all children who are in distress in the native state of Florida, regardless of race, from tiny helpless babies to children 14 years of age.

It takes abandoned babies, dependent, neglected, abandoned and orphan children from homes of poverty, disease and vice.

It places these children in good family homes—homes where the children will be loved, educated and brought up to be useful citizens of good character, homes better than the best institution ever built.

It selects these family homes after a careful personal investigation by trained workers.

It supervises these children after being placed, by visits made as frequent as possible, the visits being made by skilled workers, who love the children, and have their interests at heart.

It receives children from almshouses, from other institutions and agencies, and places them in good family homes.

It co-operates with all churches, societies, lodges, city and county officials, institutions and agencies in all cases where children are concerned.

It keeps good mothers and little children together where it is at all possible by securing special funds for their maintenance.

It conducts a Receiving Home where children from all parts of Florida are kept temporarily till a careful study can be made of each child—the health, its disposition and habits—where it is properly cared for and clothed before it is sent out to its foster home.

It aims to secure positions for mothers with babies, that they may be kept together and not be objects of charity.

It acts as a Bureau of Information in all cases where children are involved.

It secures institutional care for all defective children.

It lends any aid possible to all children who need love, advice, friendship or encouragement or care of any kind.

It furnishes medical and other aid and temporary care to children who come under its notice.

It has now hundreds of children in its care, each receiving individual treatment in a good family home.

It helps to make men and women of sound worth out of helpless babies and waifs, who otherwise might become paupers, criminals or public charges.

Last, but not least—it is supported entirely by voluntary contributions. That means that every person in Florida can have a part in the great work.

You can help with your money, your time, your interest. Do it now.

Mr. and Mrs. F. L. Ulrich, of Dunbar, were visitors in Stark Monday.

TUESDAY'S POLITICAL UPHEAVAL.

Democrats Will Have Majority in Lower House Of Congress Elected Governors in Several Republics Strongholds.

Elections held throughout the country Tuesday, resulted in a political convention of far-reaching extent, similar to the famous tidal wave of 1898, and even more widespread in its effects.

The national house of representatives has been carried by the Democrats, who will control that branch of congress by a safe working majority after March 4, next, reversing the present Republican majority of 43. Representative George Clark, of Missouri, has announced his candidacy for speaker to succeed Speaker Cannon.

The United States senate will have a reduced Republican majority as a result of legislative elections held in many states.

In New York state, John A. Dix, Democratic candidate for governor, won over Henry L. Stimson, Republican, by a plurality of \$3,000 to 65,000, reversing the Republican plurality of 70,000 in 1908 for Gov. Hughes.

In New Jersey Woodrow Wilson, Democrat, is elected governor over Vernon M. Lewis, Republican, by 10,000 to 20,000, reversing the Republican plurality of 8,000 in 1907. The legislature of New Jersey is probably Democratic, and will elect a Democratic United States Senator to succeed Senator John Keay.

In Massachusetts Eugene Foss, Democrat, defeated Gov. Elmer Dyer, for re-election by about 35,000 plurality, reversing Gov. Dyer's former plurality of 3,000.

In Connecticut, Judge Simon E. Baldwin, in elected governor over Charles A. Goodwin, Republican, by about 25,000 plurality.

In Ohio, Judge Harmon, Democratic candidate, is elected by an enormous

plurality of 30,000.

In New Hampshire, Robert W. Frost, Republican candidate for governor, is elected by about 6,000 plurality.

In Mississippi, the election of Governor H. T. Moore, Democratic, is almost certain, as he has a large plurality.

In Rhode Island, Frank P. Flanagan, Democratic candidate, is elected by a large plurality.

In Tennessee, the Fusion candidate, P. W. Elmer, is elected by a wide plurality.

In Michigan, Charles N. O'Conor, Republican, is elected governor by a plurality estimated at 40,000.

In Wisconsin, Francis M. Hagedorn, Republican, is apparently elected by a reduced majority, and the return of Senator LaFollette is assured.

Democratic gubernatorial candidates in Alabama and South Carolina.

Returns from other localities of the Middle and Far West are not yet conclusive.

In California, Vernon Lee, Progressive, and Democratic senator over Newell, and probably from Tennessee in addition to those already named.

Representative Cannon, of Illinois, and Payne, of New York, author of the tariff bill are among the prominent Republicans re-elected to Congress.

Any one writing Mr. Fogg about the work will receive a reward.

Those who wish to contribute to the work can send their checks to R. V. Covington treasurer, Jacksonville.

The other officers of the society are J. H. McLaurin president, Arthur G. Ummer, Hon. D. U. Fletcher, Dr. R. H. Dean, Cecil Wilcox vice president, Chas. H. Smith secretary, E. O. Painter, and treasurer, Judge W. H. Baker.

LOSS TO H. & W. B. BREW CO.

Beef Collapses and Stock Is Ruined. Five Men Hurt.

After having been burned out twice, another stroke of ill luck has befallen the H. & W. B. Drew Co., printers and wholesale stationers of Jacksonville and well known all over the state.

Overhauled with tons of building material which was being used in erecting a third story to their store at 23 West Forsyth street, the old roof of the structure crashed through Monday morning at about 11:45 o'clock, carrying with it the floor and supporting timbers of the second story and demolishing the stock of office fixtures in the store room beneath. The office force in the store all escaped without injury in a hasty retreat from the building. Three of the negro laborers engaged by the contracting firm of Hadlow & Co. were taken from the debris by the fire department, who made a quick arrival at the scene. At a late hour Monday night authorities at the Brewster hospital, where the men were hurried for treatment, gave out the statement that they were all getting along in a satisfactory manner.

The escape of the twenty or more people about the building without a single death, is as the belief without all the debris having been removed yet is nothing short of miraculous. As soon as the accident took place the proprietors of the store immediately got at work checking up their employees. All escaped from the accident.

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CHURCH OR CHURCH PROPERTY.

LARGE COLLECTION AT SOUTHERN FARMERS AND MERCHANTS BANK.

The sixteenth annual convention of the Church of Christ in the West is being held in Atlanta, Georgia, this week, and the collection at the meeting is being conducted by the Southern Farmers and Merchants Bank.

W. C. Jones, of Atlanta, J. W. Dickey and G. C. Jones of Birmingham, T. A. Cox of Louisville, J. W. Elliott, F. J. Long, of Chattanooga, T. A. Cox of Greenville, and J. W. Elliott, of Birmingham, are the main speakers.

The convention is presided over by President J. T. Boone. Three sessions are being held each day and the longest session allotted any speaker is 30 minutes.

Wednesday and W. B. H. Day, Thursday and Friday, and Saturday and Sunday.

Wednesday evening is the main session.

Wednesday session begins at 7 o'clock, afternoon session at 2 o'clock and evening session at 7:30 o'clock.

Pastor Cannon has been a busy man these days and with the help of some of the members he has put his church in good order. Today is the last day of the convention and no one who can go should neglect to do so, as both the services and the addresses are well worth hearing.

MURRAY WAS LEGAL SALES DAY.

MURRAY SOLD VALUABLE PROPERTY UNDER THE HAMMER.

Monday was legal sales day and several pieces of property were sold under the hammer. See E. J. Prescott, property brokers, comprising the stores occupied by A. M. Darby and the Johns Furniture Company and a half interest in the old postoffice building, was sold under a judgment in favor of Beneficent Pollard & Co. and was bought by Mr. H. H. Hodges. The sale was made subject to a mortgage of \$4000 held by J. W. Hodges.

Of the C. E. and W. N. Dunham lands, J. W. Townsend, of Lake Butler, bought 50 acres and the People's Bank and Trust Company of Florida, who had bought the property, 500 acres.

The sale of the Southern Furniture and Hardware Co. personal property