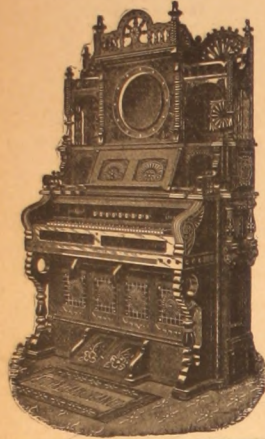


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IS THE TARIFF A TAX?

It is Very Evident That a Large Number of People in the United States Thinks So.

Verily, Verily, the Republican Party Appears to be Unconstitutional This Year.

The Republican Majority in Livingston County Cut Down to Nearly Nothing.

THE DEMOCRATS GET TWO MORE MEN IN THE COURT HOUSE AT PONTIAC.

Mr. Kelly's historical slide in baseball is not in it with the slide that took place last Tuesday, politically. Mr. Cleveland took a slide from Buzzards Bay into the White House with apparent ease, and will preside over the destinies of the nation for four years from next March. Mr. Altgeld and the whole democratic state ticket in Illinois took a slide off the rainbow they have been chasing into the state house at Springfield. Mr. Holly and H. Thompson slid into the court house at Pontiac, the former by over 300 majority and the latter by the skin of his teeth, but he is there just the same as if he got a thousand instead of about thirty majority. All the republicans got in the county was Stanford, surveyor, and Zimmerman, of Fairbury, for coroner. In the senatorial district the reports show that Bogardus, republican, is elected senator, and Bailey, Gore, R. C. Straight and Jim Smith, of Chatsworth, are elected representatives. Hon. Hamilton K. Wheeler is elected to congress from the ninth district by a small majority, but would have been beaten only for his popularity at home in Kankakee.

Frank Collier is elected member of the state board of equalization from this district, defeating Austin Gibbons, of Nevada, but Austin Gibbons is not borrowing any trouble about that.

The causes assigned for republican defeat all over the country are many. Some think the "tariff is a tax," and that the McKinley bill is responsible; others that the campaign was badly conducted by Mr. Carter, he not being a competent man; and others, that it was not more than right, that Baby Ruth should play around the white house four years just as well as Baby McKee. Also many are the causes assigned for defeat in Illinois. One is, the utter incompetency of the state central committee as a whole. There has never been a time in the history of the republican party in Illinois when they have had such a lot of rainbow chasing republicans to run a campaign. Delegations waited on them time and time again, and it was very seldom they got any satisfaction at all, and when they did get a promise of a speaker for a locality he was just as liable as not to disappoint them and not show up. The headquarters at the Grand Pacific was cold and chilly, and anybody visiting there unless he stood in, came away with a chill running down his back. The condition of matters there was not much like it was when Col. Babcock or "Long" Jones was chairman, and Secretary Dan Sheppard was alive.

It was just the opposite at Democratic headquarters. Everyone was made welcome, no matter where from, and speakers were sent and didn't disappoint the people. No matter who called there the committee made them believe that there were essential to the success of the campaign whether they were or not, and the visitor went out and worked, and there is a great deal in that.

It is also said that when Chicago got the world's fair Illinois was made democratic at the same time, on account of the large number of workmen employed being mostly democrats. It is also believed by many that the Germans in Cook county supported the democratic ticket nearly solidly.

It makes no particular difference what caused it now; it is done and every good citizen will make the best of it.

The condition in Livingston county shows that the towns of Pontiac, Fairbury, Dwight, Odell and others show a slight republican gain, while a great many farmers believe in free trade or tariff reform and voted for Cleveland.

Hugh Thompson got fifty majority in Odell but failed to carry Dwight. He ran ahead of his ticket in Round Grove, Broughton, Dwight, Odell, Nevada, Reading, Fairbury and Forrest and some other place.

Ed. Shroyer got 180 majority in his

home in Pontiac, which speaks well of him.

Mr. McDowell made a gallant fight against great odds not only in the democratic party, but in his own party.

The sooner the republican party in Livingston county kicks out bodily a lot of Judases, who go into conventions and then refuse to stand by their action the better it will be off, and they know where they stand. Even if they are in a minority, they will know who to depend upon, and know what they have got to do to win.

Mr. McKay worked hard for the success of the republican ticket, but the democrats headed by Gene Baker had far the best organization throughout the county, and had four men working where the republicans had one.

Hugh Thompson is well known in the county and is a competent man and will undoubtedly fill the position of circuit clerk with honor to himself and his party.

Mr. Holly's qualifications we know nothing of, but it is said by those who know him, that he is a competent and fine young man.

Mr. Stanford has been surveyor for some time and is a good man for the place.

John Zimmerman, of Fairbury, who was elected coroner on the republican ticket is one of the prominent business men of that place and well liked by everyone. John said when nominated that his first duty would probably be to hold an inquest on the democratic party, but it would be a good idea to postpone that for the present.

Below is given the full votes for the candidates named in the different townships as far as they can be learned at present:

Dwight—The total vote cast in Dwight is 616, of which the Harrison electors received 321 and Cleveland 266, Prohibition 19 and Peoples' 2. One vote was thrown out entirely and seven others were voted so as not to count for president. Considerable less than majority of all votes were cast for the amendment, the voters generally forgetting all about it. Fifer got 322 votes and Altgeld 266, balance of state ticket 321 republican, 266 democratic, Wheeler 319, Snow 269, Gibbons 271, Collier 311, Yeager 267, Bogardus 321, Smith 221, Potter 370, Straight 380, Gower 383, Thompson 292, Shroyer 298, McDowell 315, Holly 272, and the balance of the ticket about the same. We will publish the total official vote of the county next week.

Long Point—Cleveland 118, Harrison 124, Altgeld 118, Fifer 124, Snow 118, Wheeler 122, Thompson 118, Shroyer 122, Holly 124, McDowell 118, Knight 119, Stanford 123, Young 120, Zimmerman 121.

Pike—Cleveland 88, Harrison 63, Altgeld 88, Fifer 65, Snow 90, Wheeler 61, Thompson 87, Shroyer 66, Holly 91, McDowell 61, Knight 88, Stanford 65, Young 88, Zimmerman 65.

Amity—Cleveland 83, Harrison 116, Altgeld 74, Fifer 125, Snow 80, Wheeler 116, Thompson 78, Shroyer, 116, Holly 85, McDowell 111, Knight 79, Stanford 117, Young 82, Zimmerman 118.

Newton—Cleveland 84, Harrison 142, Altgeld 84, Fifer 143, Snow 85, Wheeler 142, Thompson 85, Shroyer 142, Holly 86, McDowell 141, Knight 85, Stanford 141, Young 85, Zimmerman 141.

Eppards Point—Cleveland 72, Harrison 134, Altgeld 73, Fifer 134, Snow 73, Wheeler 133, Thompson 72, Shroyer 134, Holly 86, McDowell 119, Knight 72, Stanford 135, Young 72, Zimmerman 134.

Pontiac, 1st precinct—Cleveland 187, Harrison 243, Altgeld 191, Fifer 242, Snow 194, Wheeler 246, Thompson 168, Shroyer 271, Holly 212, McDowell 284, Knight 194, Stanford 241, Young 189, Zimmerman 243. 2d precinct—Cleveland 225, Harrison 250, Altgeld 227, Fifer 349, Snow 224, Wheeler 251, Thompson 206, Shroyer 284, Holly 254, McDowell 240, Knight 234, Stanford 246.

Sunbury—Cleveland 137, Harrison 67, Altgeld 136, Fifer 70, Snow 140, Wheeler 66, Thompson 136, Shroyer 69, Holly 137, McDowell 96, Young 137, Zimmerman 66.

Avoca—Cleveland 87, Harrison 104, Altgeld 87, Fifer 104, Snow 89, Wheeler 104, Thompson 86, Shroyer 106, Holly 86, McDowell 116, Knight 87, Stanford 105, Young 87, Zimmerman 105.

Odell—Cleveland 170, Harrison 209, Altgeld 171, Fifer 209, Snow 170, Wheeler 208, Thompson 222, Shroyer 172, Holly 173, McDowell 205, Knight 171, Stanford 208, Young 170, Zimmerman 209.

Nevada—Cleveland 140, Harrison 38, Altgeld 140, Fifer 38, Snow 140, Wheeler 38, Thompson 146, Shroyer 32, Holly 144, McDowell 34, Knight 142, Stanford 36, Young 140, Zimmerman 38.

Forrest—Cleveland 136, Harrison 226, Altgeld 137, Fifer 229, Snow 137,

Wheeler 228, Thompson 134, Shroyer 220, Holly 159, McDowell 304, Knight 137, Stanford 225, Young 135, Zimmerman 225.

Saunemin—Cleveland 129, Harrison 169, Altgeld 129, Fifer 170, Snow 130, Wheeler 170, Thompson 127, Shroyer 172, Holly 139, McDowell 160, Knight 129, Stanford 170, Young 129, Zimmerman 170.

Chatsworth—Cleveland 194, Harrison 64, Altgeld 193, Fifer 165, Snow 194, Wheeler 160, Thompson 274, Shroyer 181, Holly 193, McDowell 163, Knight 186, Stanford 173, Young 194, Zimmerman 161.

Charlotte—Cleveland 95, Harrison 79, Altgeld 95, Fifer 79, Snow 95, Wheeler 79, Thompson 91, Shroyer 84, Holly 96, McDowell 76, Knight 74, Stanford 100, Young 95, Zimmerman 78.

Sullivan—Cleveland 133, Harrison 102, Altgeld 134, Fifer 102, Snow 135, Wheeler 101, Thompson 135, Shroyer 100, Holly 135, McDowell 98, Knight 134, Stanford 100, Young 134, Zimmerman 98.

Broughton—Cleveland 122, Harrison, 82.

Round Grove—Cleveland 120, Harrison 90, Altgeld 119, Fifer 92, Snow 121, Wheeler 90, Thompson 127, Shroyer 86, Holly 120, McDowell 90, Knight 120, Stanford 90, Young 119, Zimmerman 90. Nebraska gives Cleveland 60 plurality, Thompson 61, Holly 64.

Reading gives a democratic plurality of 16 for president and governor.

Rooks Creek gives Harrison and Fifer 32 plurality, Wheeler 17, Shroyer 23, Holly 6, Stanford 14, Zimmerman 17.

Esmer gives Harrison and Fifer a plurality of 8, Shroyer 8, McDowell 6.

Belle Prairie gives Cleveland and Altgeld 2 plurality, Snow 3, Thompson 3, Holly 7, Knight 2, and Young 2.

Indian Grove gives Harrison and Fifer 93, Shroyer 64, McDowell 95, Stanford 91, Zimmerman 128.

Owego—Cleveland 29 plurality, Altgeld 24, Snow 33, Thompson 16, Holly 43, Knight 30, Young 29.

Fayette—Cleveland and Altgeld 59 plurality, and balance of the democratic ticket about the same.

Pleasant Ridge gives the republicans about 20 plurality throughout their ticket.

Union—Cleveland and Altgeld 35 plurality, Thompson 53, Holly 53.

Germanville gives the democrats 11 plurality through their ticket.

Broughton gives a democratic plurality of 40 throughout.

ELECTION NOTES.

The Thompsons have it.

The betting was lively in Dwight.

Gardner went thirty-five republican.

Dwight seems to be republican all right.

Holly gets about 350 majority over McDowell.

One ballot had to be thrown out on account irregularities.

The unofficial returns give Hugh Thompson about 30 majority.

Zimmerman and Stanford are elected by only a very small majority if any.

Lyceum hall was crowded Tuesday night and the enthusiasm was great.

Will Ketcham is the happiest man on earth, and he don't care who knows it.

The republicans had carriages out election day bringing voters to the polls.

Major Judd and Mayor Romberger went to Chicago and heard the election returns.

Gus Levi went to Chicago Tuesday and heard the democratic majorities read out.

New York went 200,000,000,000,000,000 democratic, and Nevada township is a good second.

Reports give this congressional district to Wheeler, republican, by majorities ranging from 200 to 1,500.

The head of the ticket, Harrison and Ried gets between 20 and 30 plurality in the county. Fifer got about 50 or 60.

E. T. Miller, Geo. Baker and Frank Bell, were clerks of election, and the supervisor, assessor and collector were judges.

The official count which took place yesterday in Pontiac, may change some of the majorities yet. We haven't heard how it came out.

The man who said "I told you so" is a first-class liar. The Australian ballot knocked out all the political prophets this year.

We believe we remarked last week that some one had to be beaten and they might as well take their medicine with a smile. Ha-ha-ha-ha-ha.

J. C. Lewis displayed excellent nerve Tuesday, but he has less money now. He takes it good naturedly however, and will back his convictions next time.

Already we here many names mentioned among the democrats for post-

master, among whom is John Thompson. John is certainly the old wheelhorse of the party in this section and his work deserves some recognition.

It was impossible for us to get the official vote of the county for this weeks paper on account of the count not taking place until so late in the week.

Who will be the next postmaster. President Harrison allowed John George to serve his time out. Will Cleveland allow Col. Parsons to do the same. It's no more than fair.

It was reported Wednesday that Thompson was beaten, and the delegation who went to Pontiac with the returns wore long faces, but when they returned they wore smiles all wool (with no tariff) and a yard wide.

The general feeling of republicans is, that the democrats have got everything their own way, or will have after March 4, the party should carry out the Chicago platform, and make a test case as to whether they were right or not. The party is certainly not handicapped by republicans and can do as they please. If free trade is better for this country than protection that's what the country wants. If it's not they don't want it, and the next four years will be a good time to find out.

Womans' Auxiliary Keeley League of Dwight.

The meeting called for last Monday afternoon was well attended and a great deal of interest was manifested in the cause. The Womans' Auxiliary Keeley League of Dwight was organized with a membership of twenty-four ladies, after which an election for officers of the newly formed league was held resulting as follows:

President, Mrs. Dr. J. E. Blaine, vice-president, Mrs. Dr. Broughton; secretary, Mrs. Carrie Lounsbury; treasurer, Mrs. J. B. Parsons; executive committee, Mesdames J. E. Blaine, Chas. L. Romberger, Dr. Barr, Ida B. Cole.

A second meeting will be held in the reception parlor at the club house next Wednesday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock sharp, at which meeting the lines of work will be decided, superintendents and committees appointed. An invitation is cordially extended to every lady in Dwight who takes an interest in this movement to be present at the next meeting of the league.

Hon. O. W. Pollard.

Our esteemed townsman, Hon. O. W. Pollard, who has been for the past few months in Wisconsin near Kenosha, Wis., for his health, is in about the same condition. There is no man esteemed more highly by all who know him than O. W. Pollard, and all hope for a release from his great suffering and his speedy recovery. Miss Artie Pollard returned from his bedside Wednesday and went back again to-day. Mr. David McWilliams visited them Thursday.

Thanksgiving Ball.

Bills are out for the Fourth Annual Thanksgiving Ball which is to be given by the Knights of Pythias lodge here. Every one who has attended these gatherings know with what brilliant success they meet with. It is a great pleasure for those who enjoy dancing to meet annually at these social dances, and there is no doubt that Lyceum Hall on Thanksgiving evening will contain the happiest gathering of the season. Everybody invited to attend.

Holidays.

Merchants should be thinking about preparing for the holidays and saying to the people through the STAR AND HERALD what they will have. The merchants of Dwight always have everything in the line of holiday presents, ornamental and useful, for the young, middle aged and old, and probably this year will be no exception.

The Lecture.

The historical lecture at the Congregational church Monday evening was the first of a series to be given by Rev. Cole for the benefit of the Keeley League. The new stereoscopic worked fine and the views were thrown on a large canvass covering nearly the whole north end of the church. The lecture was well attended and highly appreciated.

Oyster Supper.

The ladies of the M. E. church gave one of their fine suppers in the lecture room of the church Thursday evening. The attendance was quite large and the oysters in all styles and other eatables were excellent. Everyone always has a pleasant time and plenty of good things to eat when they attend the Methodist ladies suppers.

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