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AN ABSURD CLAIM.

Cortelyou Says He will Bag Two Hundred and Ninety Votes

BRYAN'S STIRKING CAMPAIGN In Indiana Is Said to Have Captured Fifteen Thousand Votes for Parker and Davis.

A dispatch from New York says managers of the Republican campaign profess to be so confident of Roosevelt's election that they have practically suspended work at national headquarters in that city and Chairman Cortelyou has gone west to spend most of the time remaining before the election at Chicago headquarters.

Many a Republican leader in this city is still under the delusion that Roosevelt will carry the State. He is confident that he will carry the State and that he will be elected Governor of New York.

Chairman Taggart said that he never had given out any figures and probably would not this year, but he estimated his own total doubtful states are sure for Parker.

News comes from Indiana that the "whirlwind" Bryan tour has had the effect of driving all candidates into both parties. The Democrats, flushed with hope and new born confidence of victory, are working as they never worked before.

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Impressed White Man. Fletcher Watson, a negro residing in the county jail at Gainesville, Fla., charged with the murder of Garrett V. Chamberlain, white, has confessed the crime and implicated A. G. Lamb, a prominent merchant of Micanopy, Watson said that he killed Chamberlain because the latter discharged him, owing him three dollars.

Found in Augusta. E. B. Mullins of Summit, Ga., was found on the streets of Augusta Friday in an unusual mental condition and placed under arrest. He has been missing two months and detectives have been trying to solve the mystery of his disappearance.

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In an automobile accident near Springfield, Ohio, Vernon Middleton, brother of George E. Middleton, was killed outright. Mrs. Wilkinson's arm was broken and Miss Virginia Hundley was internally injured so badly she may die.

LED THEM IN A TRAP.

A Japanese Night Attack Resulted in Disaster to Them.

The Japanese are fond of night attacks. They light a series of enormous campfires at false bivouacs and then stealthily they creep upon the Russian sentinels who, peering into the darkness and blinded by the glare, cannot see the Japanese approaching. Or they take advantage of a rain storm and rush upon the Russians.

A fine night for the Japanese, every one said, and the Russians huddled in the trenches had strict orders given to them that if the expected, but uninvited guests appeared not to fire but to meet them with the bayonet. It was so dark that a person could not see his hand before his face except vaguely.

Will French. A dispatch from Ranook, Va., says James H. Tillman, the former lieutenant governor of South Carolina, who, while in office, killed Editor N. G. Gonzales, in Columbia, has decided to enter the Methodist ministry, and has written a prominent divine there asking a letter for his admission to the Methodist Conference for admission.

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BRIGHT HOPES.

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SIX MEN ARRESTED.

Charged With the Killing of the Negro Prisoner Bookhardt.

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THE VOICE FOUR YEARS AGO.

Tabulated Returns from Every State in the Union.

Table with columns: State, Dem., Rep., Plurality.

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HOW IT STANDS.

What the Republicans and Democrats Claim in Electoral Vote.

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NO MIXING ALLOWED.

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Back of the wedding is a story dating from the Spanish-American war. Smith then was a member of the Sixteenth Indiana, stationed in Cuba and was stricken with yellow fever. He was ordered to Camp Wyckoff, New York. For two months he hovered between life and death and the new arrival, a member of the Vermont Red Cross Society, nursed him fully. A short courtship followed and Smith was ordered to Fort Mott, about eight miles from the city.

Letters followed and Smith's former nurse came to Salem on September 29, where they were married. Only a few of Smith's soldier friends attended the wedding, and the matter was kept very quiet.

Merchants With Parker. Democrats are surprised at the Parker and Davis sentiment manifested among the business men of New York in the past few days. There has been nothing like it in the history of the party, unless it was in the campaign of 1892, when Cleveland and Stevenson received the bulk of the support of the business men. Some of the business men's Parker organizations which have been effected in the past three days, are the Coffee exchange and the Downtown Merchants' Parker and Davis Club and the Printers' Parker and Davis Club, which embraced nearly every prominent printer, publisher and other well-known man in New York; the Jewelers' Parker and Davis Club, the Washington, Wholesale and Liquor Trade Parker and Davis Club.

They are certainly of One Hundred and Sixty-Nine Votes. The democratic national leaders consider 169 electoral votes of the 239 necessary to elect Judge Parker practically won. Eighty-four votes of a majority in the Senate are necessary to elect. There are eight states, New York, New Jersey, Connecticut, Delaware, Colorado, Montana, Indiana and Wisconsin, having a total of 97 electoral votes from which they hope to obtain the requisite 70. Of these, New York, Colorado, Montana and New Jersey look promising, if sufficient money is available for whirlwind effort. In Indiana, Delaware and Connecticut the situation is almost as bright. Wisconsin is deemed a long chance. The inspired republican estimates give Wyoming and Utah as doubtful, but Chairman Taggart believes the republicans conceded Utah as doubtful because they didn't want to be placed in the position of claiming the Mormon vote. Four persons have conversed privately with Judge Parker. It is learned that the candidate feels sanguine of election. He thinks the trend is in his favor and sufficiently strong to reverse conditions by November 8.

Wants Heyward to Resign. The Greenville news received Friday night a copy of a letter to Governor Heyward, signed by 112 citizens of Oconee county, asking for his resignation in view of his course in the Hoyt Hayes murder case. In declining to publish the petition the Greenville News, which has held that Governor Heyward is blundered, urges the citizens not to pursue such a course for the reason that the governor was undoubtedly conscientious in what he did. The feeling in Oconee, while sharply divided, is bitter, many people believing strongly in the guilt of Hayes. In a personal note to the editor the signers of the letter say that it has already been called to the governor.

Three Prisoners Released. In a rear-end collision on the Cleveland Pittsburg railroad near Alliance Wednesday morning a fireman, messenger and a brakeman were killed. Several cars were wrecked and one other brakeman was injured.

THE BAOS QUESTION. Harbers and Negroes of Pittsfield, Mass., in a Row.

There is a reign of terror among the barbers of Pittsfield, Mass. The artists of the lather brush are in a state of mind, a mixture of anger and dread, because of the persistent presence of a champion of the negro race, who, they say, is a "sure thing hood" for a regular "Jonah man."

The man who is Frederick C. Gould, of Boston, recently made complaint against William H. Frank, a West street barber, alleging that the barber refused to shave him. The barber was ordered to pay \$25 damages and \$5 for the court costs. The barber appealed, and the case is now awaiting the next sitting of the court Monday.

Gould, of course made no claim because of the decision in his favor by the district court judge, tried the tonsorial artists again, this time asking for the best and latest thing in the hair-cutting line.

With a white companion for a witness, he entered the shop of John Gilbert, but finding all the barbers near sighted and somewhat deaf, he put Mr. Gilbert's name down in his notebook and the left shop without disturbance.

Next he tried the Gregory barber shop and was told that all hands were just then, but that if he would come around later, say about 11 or 12 o'clock at night, they would see what could be done for him.

When last seen Gould's hair was still uncut and his fighting spirit was waxing, and he declared he would camp on the trail of the Pittsfield barbers until the call "Next" is directed his way.

The barbers are afraid of losing their white customers if they accept the patronage of negroes. The local barbers' union is expected to take a hand in the race war, while Gould has the backing of all the other negroes of the city.

Meanwhile Pittsfield barbers look and tremble before they speak and all out "Next!" in a subdued tone of rising infection.

Dismissed from Service. Capt. R. M. Hitch, who was in charge of the troops at Statesboro, Ga., on the occasion of the recent lynching and burning of the negroes, and who had been dismissed from his services in the martial law, was approved by Gov. Tarrell. In addition to dismissing Capt. Hitch, the verdict contains the following recommendations: Lieut. L. A. Mell, who was in charge of the camp while Capt. Hitch was at the court house, is suspended for one year and is to be publicly reprimanded. Lieut. Griner, who was in charge of the reserves and who left his command without authority, is to be publicly reprimanded. Lieuts. Come and Morrison were acquitted.

The finding of the court martial is the result of a trial which was held in Savannah, Col. Clifford L. Anderson of Atlanta being president of the court. The most careful inquiry into the facts surrounding the lynching of the two negroes was made, the hearing lasting nearly two weeks.

THE BROTHERHOOD. In a rear-end collision on the Cleveland Pittsburg railroad near Alliance Wednesday morning a fireman, messenger and a brakeman were killed. Several cars were wrecked and one other brakeman was injured.

IT WAS NOT FORGOTTEN. Many have thought and said that the shameful Eutawville lynching would sink into an unimpaired memory, as so many other similar cases before it have done. Governor Heyward, however, felt there was a chance in this case to arrest those implicated and to get the evidence and grapple with the task with determination. There was no money with which to employ detectives and he fell well known that nothing could be done without cooperation and such circumstances, and so he obligated himself because he felt the shame of the killing of the helpless negro and the necessity for calling a halt.

The men will be given a fair and prompt trial. The arrest of the alleged Eutawville lynchers means very much at this time.

The news that the arrests were expected has been known for several days, but in response to the request of the authorities no use was made of the information until the arrests were actually made.

A STORY OF THE CRIME. Several days after the crime was committed the correspondent had occasion to visit Eutawville and at that time this story was given concerning the crime.

The evidence shows that on the day before the Monday on which the killing occurred Kite Bookhardt, a negro boy, about 21, went on a firing trip with two or three Martin brothers. Henry C. Edwards and Butler, Bookhardt worked on the farm with the Martins and Edwards and knew