

A WORD TO VOTERS.

Three Powerful Documents Issued to Lovers of Honest Government.

Republican Corruption at the Polls as Evidenced by the Result in Ohio.

The Will of the People Trampled Under Foot by Desperate Men.

Democrats Urged to Force the Fighting with Vigor All Along the Line.

BLAINE'S TACTICS EXPOSED.

An Address by the National Democratic Committee.

To the People of the United States:

The result of the elections in the States of Ohio and West Virginia is before you. Ohio chose Republican electors in 1868, 1872, 1876, and 1880. West Virginia chose Republican Presidential electors in 1868 and 1872, and Democratic electors in 1876 and 1880. Garfield obtained a plurality in Ohio in 1880 of 34,227 votes. The Republican candidate in the late election for Secretary of State was a gallant soldier and a reputable man. The vote of the Republican party in that election was broken down by the weight of Mr. Blaine, a factional seeker after the Presidency. The people then elected a Democratic majority of the Congressional delegation of the state. We may confidently expect a majority in Ohio for Cleveland and Hendricks in November. West Virginia has by its splendid and decisive majority for a Democratic Governor at the October election already demonstrated that it will not let the voters who have chosen it off its hands. The Bains managers employed extraordinary methods in both States. They expended not less than \$50,000 in Ohio, and more than \$100,000 in West Virginia in their political work. They did not use money, but they used their influence. Their officeholders were invited to do the work at which they were put. They crowded these two States with such men. They employed on political jobs the men engaged in the postal service of the United States, and left the veterans who had given their lives for their country without the pay to which they were entitled under the pretense of having an insufficient clerical force in the pension Bureau, and then used the Commissioner of Pensions and a great number of other men of political influence in the late elections in Ohio and West Virginia. It has been openly charged, without denial, that the payment of the veterans by the Commissioner of Pensions has been delayed by him for the purpose of coercing them to vote for Blaine. The Bains managers, who were fully committed under the eye-witnessing of Mr. Blaine and with his full sanction, they show the manner in which, if he were elected, public offices would be subordinated to his personal and to the personal and country interests. They made the Marshalls of the United States and their deputies, who ought to be guardians of the rights of every citizen of the United States, a party of their own machine.

They armed them and invited them to vote for Blaine, and, having thus got the weapons and services of these men of the Treasury of the United States. They made Mr. Blaine and one of their country and ward workers in Ohio and West Virginia, and he entered with zest in the familiar work. He has defended his knowledge methods of compelling workmen to vote as their employers dictated. They kept him in daily association with the worst elements of their political organization. They armed him with the authority in every disreputable plan which they could contrive for his success. He could not have been a stranger to their purpose to make gains in Cincinnati at the late election by using armed Deputy Marshals and armed negroes to drive voters from the polls in the midst of the campaign in Ohio and West Virginia. The Bains managers candidate in those two states had added to the opprobrium already resting upon his name, and have assured his defeat at the general election on November 5.

Mr. Blaine has been a member of the House of Representatives, a Senator in Congress, and a Secretary of State of the United States. He has been accused of corruptly using his influence as Speaker and as member of the House of Representatives for his individual profit. His misconduct in this regard is well known to all. They have confronted him, wherever he has gone. He attempts no explanation. The phrases of these letters are so well known that they are by-words on the streets and jests upon the stage. The Speaker of the House of Representatives or a member of that House would barter his influence for money or property might avail himself of the larger opportunities which the office and powers of a President afford. These are not words dictated by party rancor, but by the language of the press, which is always the press which is and always will remain the bulwark of good and constitutional government. They express the convictions of the leading Republicans, journals and the belief of those distinguished political statesmen and citizens whose love of country has forced them to declare that the name of Blaine was one not fit to be made.

There is reason for our confidence that we will always elect a President in November. The army of others expected for a month past in Ohio and West Virginia must now disband. Each man of the number must go to his own place. The Commissioner of Pensions and his bureau clerks can not be conciliated in their severest. Some of them will be unable to do mischief. The marshals of the United States, by reason of the powers which they exercise, may again do harm in November. They ought to understand that for what they have done and for what they will do hereafter hold to the strictest account by a justly indignant people. The hopes of reward at the present of indemnity which have been held out to them will not avail them in the day which comes at hand.

The country has been aroused. It is alarmed by the corrupt influences surrounding Mr. Blaine and will elect him as President. Mr. Blaine has grown rich. The men around him have grown rich. The speculators whom he is afraid to brandish have grown rich. They are rich. The manufacturers which he has helped to monopolize the public lands. He trades in stagnation. The commerce of the country has decayed. Mills are standing idle. Workmen have not been stopped, they are reduced. Men and their labor are seeking employment in vain. Women and children are beginning to want bread, and yet the farmer can find no profitable market for his grain. These circumstances afford conclusive proof that the manufacturers have been cared for by the Republican managers, and the interests of the great body of the people. The treatment in this favored land of the extremes of wealth and poverty and the evils which have overtaken all who engaged in labor are to you fail. Those who use the power which they have for their own advantage, leaving you to fare as best you can. It is for you to determine whether these evils shall continue and increase or diminish as a end in general prosperity shared in by all.

You have a right to expect that your party leaders to whom you have given support and accorded honors in past years will lay aside all differences and establish a lasting claim upon your gratitude by making common cause in your support of the election of a President of a good government. You will not be disappointed. Remember that victory in November over the unscrupulous men who are now endeavoring to seize the Presidency can only be assured by your support. When men are of one mind and want to impress their opinions upon the community in which they live, they must stand together and work together. The highest and best organization of which men are capable is that in which every man wants to do that part of the work which he can do, and does it with all his might. Your organization ought to be of such nature, and if it is, your Government will be elected in November by an unparalleled majority.

W. H. BARNUM, Chairman.

A. P. GOEMAN,

Chairman Executive Committee.

STAND BY YOUR GUNS.

Address of the Ohio Democratic Committee.

To the Honest and True Patriots of Ohio and of the United States:

The result of the election in Ohio for State officers should arouse every citizen who loves his country to a realizing sense of the dangers which menace our free institutions. The men who stole the Presidency in 1876 mean to repeat their methods even with more audacious desper-

ation in 1884. To them nothing is sacred; liberty is a farce, and the ballot-box a burlesque. When the Government was begun on this continent has the world witnessed such a degradation of the right of franchise, such desecration of citizenship, and such desperate, corrupt, and polluted methods as those employed by these men who citizens of Ohio to effect the overthrow of the people at the ballot-box. A million dollars raised by wealthy stock jobbers and monopolists was sent into the State. With it came the scum of the country, thieves, ex-convicts, desperadoes, and other outlaws headed by W. W. Dudley, Chief of the Pension Bureau. Although thousands of widows, orphans, and maimed soldiers have been waiting patiently for years for pensions promised them and denied them from the Government, large numbers of employees and special agents from the pension office, headed by their chief and non-residents of Ohio, spent four weeks in the State under Government pay, engaged in preparing for the trials conducted last Tuesday. In addition to the number of them who were these despotic characters, and but few of them citizens of Ohio, were sworn in as Deputy United States Marshals in Cincinnati. Armed with weapons purchased by the corrupt and fraudulent agents of the Bains, they surrounded the polls in the city, and when they pleased, bulldozed, beat, and bled blood at pleasure, interfering with our citizens in the discharge of their most sacred duties. The enumeration of the inhabitants of Cincinnati in 1880 shows that 50,000 of which number 1,683 were colored, and yet over 2,000 votes were polled at the election in that city. The enumeration taken in 1883 included all persons over the age of 21 years, whether they were naturalized citizens or not. Yet within a period of fifteen years 7,000 more votes than there were citizens a year previous. At least 6,000 votes cast in Hamilton County were fraudulent. Republican vot-est cast by United States Marshals and non-residents of Ohio, and the shameful method the Republicans have only succeeded in securing a plurality of about 10,000 for the head of their ticket on a total vote cast of nearly 800,000—loss of 70,000 in majority as compared with the previous election.

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