

# "A Speech from Gov. Hayes" Newspaper Article, November 9, 1876

## The General Result.

NEW YORK, Nov. 8. — A *Tribune* extra, just received, says:

“The latest news leaves a bare possibility of Hayes’ election. The probabilities are still all the other way. But the Republicans now claim Wisconsin and California. This leaves Tilden with one vote short of an election, Hayes twenty short, and the following doubtful States, from which either must draw for what he needs: Florida, 4; South Carolina, 7; Nebraska, 3; Nevada, 3; Oregon 3. Hayes cannot be elected without all of these. Accurate returns from them to day impossible.”

NEW YORK, Nov. 8. — The *Post* gives Tilden 184 electoral votes, with Nevada, California, Florida, Louisiana, Oregon, and Wisconsin as doubtful. It says Mr. Tilden appears to be elected President of the United States. This decision of the majority of the people will be promptly acquiesced in by the minority, as it always has been, with a single exception which has made the year 1860 memorable. When he takes office next March the intelligent and patriotic citizen, who cares more for his country than his party, and to whom good government is more important than the adoption of his own method of securing it, will hope that the administration of Mr. Tilden will be wise and successful, and he will do all that lies within his power to make it so.

NEW YORK, Nov. 8 — The election of Hayes is still claimed by cautious Republicans, who count on carrying Florida and Louisiana.

## A SPEECH FROM GOV. HAYES.

COLUMBUS O., NOV. 8 — After hearing the news at Republican headquarters a crowd, numbering several thousand, formed a procession and marched to Gov. Hayes’ residence. In response to repeated calls, Gov. Hayes appeared in the doorway and after scores of cheers spoke as follows: My friends, I assure you I am obliged to you for this hearty demonstration, but if you will keep quiet about half a moment I will say something to you which I think it is my duty under the circumstances to say. While our present advices look favorable, we must remember that several of the States which have been considered doubtful have a large territory remote from railroad or telegraphic communication, and it will naturally take some time to receive definite returns from them. I therefore take this call as an earnest of your loyalty to the Republican party and your desire for its success. If late advices should change the result from what it is announced at present, I assure you I shall frequently recall this visit during the time I shall yet live among you with pleasure. I bid you good night.

After further cheering the crowd dispersed.

R.C. McCormick, secretary of the National committee, has just telegraphed Wikoff, chairman of the State Republican committee, that Louisiana, South Carolina, Wisconsin, Oregon, California, and Florida have all gone for Hayes, and that North Carolina is uncertain.