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CLOSE IN JACKSON

McKinley Has a Fine Chance to Carry the County.

BRYANITE CAMPAIGN IS LIFELESS

Fusionists Have Neither Organization Nor an Issue of Calamity to Line Up Their '96 Vote.

ASHLAND, Or., Oct. 21.—(Staff Correspondence.)—Jackson County's vote for President will be close next month.

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great majority of them will support Barker or Debs. It is not so easy, however, to get at the intention of the stay-at-homes, of whom there were over 300 last June.

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281 FOR M'KINLEY

Such Is New York Herald's Forecast of Election.

FEWER FOR BRYAN THAN IN 1896

Probable Falling Off in Large Pluralities in Certain States—Situation in New England.

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WHAT PAPERS SAY

Various Views of the Anglo-German Agreement.

HOME PRESS GENERALLY COMMENTED

Press of Other Countries Inclined to Be Critical—Imperial China Troops Meet Reverses.

LONDON, Oct. 21.—All the morning papers dilate upon the high importance of the Anglo-German agreement.

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FOUR FIREMEN KILLED

Gasoline Tank Exploded in a Burning Building.

ST. PAUL, Oct. 21.—As a result of a fire that broke out in the slaughtering plant of H. M. & Co. Packing Company's large brick warehouse last night, four firemen are dead and a number of others injured and property worth about \$400,000 destroyed.

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SUMMARY OF IMPORTANT NEWS

Political.

The New York Herald's forecast of the Presidential election is that McKinley will have 281 and Bryan 109 votes in the Electoral College.

China.

Imperial troops have suffered reverses in southern provinces.

Domestic.

President Mitchell states the case of striking miners.

Pacific Coast.

A score of criminal insane patients overpowered their keepers and escape from a New York asylum.

Local.

Fugitive negro shot by police officers.

WONDER ABOUT RUSSIA

How French Papers Comment on New Chinese Agreement.

PARIS, Oct. 21.—The Anglo-German agreement to maintain the territory and integrity of China and to keep her ports open to the commerce of the world continues to monopolize public attention in France.

Foreign.

The Japanese Cabinet is announced and criticized.

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A COPY REACHES WASHINGTON

Anglo-German Agreement Comes Through German Charge d'Affaires.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 21.—The State Department has received a copy of the Anglo-German agreement regarding China published in the Associated Press dispatches from London yesterday afternoon.

Commercial.

Our exports to China have more than quadrupled in value in the past five years.