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EDITORIAL.

GERMANS AND IMPERIALISM.

While the Republican National convention was in session in Philadelphia the Turner's Bund held a great gathering in that city, which was representative of German sentiment throughout the country. The Bund, on the day the Republican convention adopted a platform reeking with imperialism and militarism sounded a grandly discordant note by adopting by a unanimous vote a resolution protesting against an imperialistic policy and denouncing the war McKinley is waging in the Philippines. The pith of these resolutions is as follows:

We recognize the right of all people to defend with arms of warfare their liberty and independence. We consider every attempt through the methods of war, of territorial expansion, as opposed to civilization and as an act of brute force.

We condemn every effort to extend the blessings of civilization with sword and gun as one based upon hypocrisy and greed for gain.

We protest against the policy of conquest of this Government, and against every attempt toward expanding the domain of the United States by force.

The Turner's Bund in this action represents the principles and convictions of nine-tenths of the German population of the United States. This has been abundantly demonstrated by other facts. The Bund is not a political organization, but is widely representative of German sentiment, and opposing imperialism is not politics but patriotism. It was founded by men who were driven out of Germany after the unsuccessful attempt of 1848 to overthrow the imperialistic system there, and their followers have always maintained a large share of political independence. This is true of the German voters generally, whose attitude has more than once decided essential elections in several of the States.

LINCOLN ON MCKINLEY'S POLICY.

The Republican national platform promises to the people of the Philippines "the largest measure of self-government consistent with their welfare and our duties."

Abraham Lincoln disposed of this specious plea, used in his time, as it has been in every time, by the apologists of government without the consent of the governed. In the course of one of his famous series of speeches replying to Douglas the first republican president said:

"These arguments that are made, that the inferior race are to be treated with as much allowance as they are capable of enjoying; that as much is to be done for them as their condition will allow—what are these arguments? They are the arguments that kings have made for enslaving the people in all ages of the world. You will find that all the arguments in favor of kingcraft were of this class; that they always bestrode the necks of the people, not that they wanted to do it, but because the people were better off for being ridden. Turn it whatever way you will, whether it come from the mouth of a king, an excuse for enslaving the people of the country, or from the mouth of men of one race for enslaving the men of another, it is all the same old serpent."

Thus clearly and emphatically has Abraham Lincoln bequeathed to us his judgment on the Philippine policy of William McKinley.

THE peach crop, thanks to the beneficent administration of President McKinley and the expansion policy adopted by him, is said to be about to break the record.

OF all the asinine stories, that of the gold that the Boers said to have on that train is the most asinine. A million dollars in gold weighs some three tons, and the \$50,000,000 that Oom Paul is said to have would weigh 150 tons, requiring about ten freight cars of the sort used in South Africa to carry it. This is rather a good sized load to run around the country with, isn't it?

The New York clothing house, located in the Francis building at Lewistown was flooded out on Sunday night a week ago. The spigot at the bath tub of the Kishacoquillas club, whose rooms are just above, was in some manner left run and overflowed the tub, going through the floor to the clothing store. All goods on a thirty foot counter were completely soaked, and more or less damaged. The proprietor places the amount of damaged goods at \$1,500.

WASHINGTON COMMENT.

The Democratic Congressional Campaign Committee will make a specialty of circulating literature showing up republican extravagance in public expenditures. Notable in this class of literature is the speech of Representative Livingston, of Ga. in which he said: "And I call attention also to the constant and gradual increase in the appropriations for Pensions, and likewise to the legislative, executive, and judicial appropriations. These items could not have been affected to any great extent by the Spanish American war. It shows, indeed, an increase all along the line, despite the fact that the Committee on Public Buildings and Grounds have held back all matters before them, and the Committee on Rivers and Harbors, all matters before them, with two or three exceptions, and all accounts and claims have been practically barred from consideration at this session. It should be borne in mind that in case of the appropriations for the Navy, the authorization of the eight new warships—two battleships, three armored cruisers, and three protected cruisers, involves an ultimate expenditure for construction, armor and armament, of something like \$56,000,000, not one dollar of which is now appropriated. The dominant party attempted to commit this session, and will doubtless renew their efforts at the coming session to so commit the government to what is known as the ship-subsidy scheme, which involves the sum of \$120,000,000 to be expended throughout a term of years.

Senator Harris, of Kansas, said of the political outlook just before leaving Washington, for his home: "The people are not to be deluded into the idea that the existing prosperity is the product of the republican administration. We are having prosperity in the West, but it is due to good seasons, hard work, rigid economy and self-denial. Unfavorable conditions elsewhere, even now, and advancing the price of wheat, which will greatly benefit the farmers of Kansas and the West, but these unfavorable conditions were not brought about by republican administration. The people understand the reasons for these things. Further than this, the people recognize that the late session of Congress gave to the trusts of all kinds, all that they asked for. They also recognize that Congress absolutely refused to do for the country those things which were demanded irrespective of party, such as an amended Interstate Commerce law, Anti-Trust Legislation, a reduction of the War Taxes, providing for the Nicaragua Canal, and other things." Senator Harris says the Bryan ticket will carry Kansas easily, and, if the right candidate for Vice President is nominated at Kansas City, several other middle-western states.

Republicans are condemning their own management of Cuban affairs by widely advertising the fact that since the exposure of the wholesale stealing of Cuban funds by republican officials, there have been reductions in the salary list in Havana alone which will result in a saving of \$1,200,000 a year. Such an open acknowledgement of extravagance and incompetency, has seldom if ever been made by an American administration.

This government seems to be getting tangled up in that big Chinese puzzle. Secretary Hay says we are not at war with China, and all the diplomatic representatives of the European nations say the same for their governments, and the Chinese minister says his government has not sanctioned any ill-treatment of foreigners or any of the fighting that has taken place; that the whole trouble is due to rioting, such as occasionally occurs in every country. The Chinese Minister has also assured Secretary Hay that he had received official information that all the foreign ministers in Peking, which has been cut off from the coast cities for more than a week, were safe and well. Notwithstanding all this, the administration and the European governments are proceeding as though we and they were at war with China, and troops are being hurried forward to form an allied army for the invasion of China, and the allied troops now on the ground are fighting the Chinese. If all that isn't the worse sort of a Chinese puzzle, pray what is it?

RECENT events have somewhat reduced interest in Oom Paul, but he is still doing business at the old Capitol stand—or rather, he is still doing it at the old Capitol, at a one night stand.

THE administration generals tell us that Aguinaldo and his friends are tired of fighting and will hail the amnesty proclamation with delight. Nevertheless, more troops were sent to Manila only last Saturday.

THE agricultural exports of the United States this year are larger in quantity and smaller in total value than ever before. Now wait a little and you will hear the republicans telling how McKinley caused the big crops and how the wicked democrats the small prices.

THE Republicans are dropping the mask and are beginning to openly advocate the seizure of territory in China. The reason they give is a hackneyed one. They claim it is to save the Chinese subjects from the "tyranny" of European powers and subject them only to the "benevolently assimilative" rule of the United States carpet bagger.

FOOT WEAR NEVERS.

- 1st. Never wear a shoe that will not allow the great toe to lie in a straight line.
- 2d. Never wear a shoe with a sole narrower than the outline of the foot traced with a pencil close under the rounding edge.
- 3d. Never wear a shoe that pinches the heel.
- 4th. Never wear a shoe or boot so large in the heel that the foot is not kept in place.
- 5th. Never wear a shoe or boot tight anywhere.
- 6th. Never wear a shoe or boot that has depressions in any part of the sole to drop any joint or bearing below the level plane.
- 7th. Never wear a shoe with a sole turning up very much at the toes, as this causes the cords on this part of the foot to contract.
- 8th. Never wear a shoe that presses up into the hollow of the foot.
9. Never have the top of the boots tight, as it interferes with the action of the calf muscles, makes one walk badly and spoils the shape of the ankle.
10. Never come from high heels to low heels at one jump.
11. Never wear one pair of shoes all the time, unless obliged to do so. Two pairs of boots worn a day at a time alternately give more service and are more healthful.
- 12th. Never wear leather sole linings to stand upon; white cotton drillings or linen are much better and more healthful.
- 13th. Never wear a short stocking or one which after being washed is not at least, one half inch longer than the foot. Bear in mind that stockings shrink; be sure that they will allow your toes to spread out at the extreme ends, as this keeps the joints in place and make a strong and an attractive foot. As to

shape of stockings the single digital or "one toe stocking" is the best.

14th. Never think that the feet will grow large from wearing proper shoes; pinching and distorting makes them grow not only large but unsightly. A proper natural use of all the muscles makes them compact and attractive.—Health Culture.

TIMES WHEN WE PAY WAR TAXES.

Secretary Gage says the war taxes are piling up a surplus that will reach \$70,000,000 at the close of the fiscal year, and in all probability will be greatly in excess of that amount. And still the government fines the citizen—

- When he sends a telegram.
- When he draws a check.
- When he becomes a member of a corporation.
- When he transfers his stock.
- When he insures his life or his house.
- When he assigns his insurance.
- When he makes a note to raise money for the payment of his other taxes.
- When he buys a money order.
- When he executes a lease.
- When he sends a paid telephone message.
- When an indemnity bond is given.
- When a bill of exchange is given.
- When the citizen executes an instrument necessary in the sale of merchandise on 'change.
- When he ships goods by freight or express.
- When he clears a vessel and files a manifest.
- When he buys a ticket to go abroad.
- When he executes a power of attorney.
- When he buys proprietary medicines.
- When he chews gum.
- When he uses any perfumes or his wife indulges in cosmetics.
- When a note is protested.
- When a warehouse receipt is given.
- When merchandise is entered at a custom house.



HOW STORIES GROW.

They say the lamb which Mary had,
Whose fleece was white as snow,
Was really just a clever "Ad."
For Ivory Soap, you know.

IVORY SOAP IS 99¹/₁₀₀ PER CENT. PURE.

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Whisky straight is the cause—a crooked walk the effect.
Kind words are never lost, but they are frequently mislaid.

The evils that are found in soda water are always winked at.
Faith may move mountains, but it requires work to tunnel them.

A Centennial Forerunner.

Centennial will be celebrated in Bellefonte in honor of Centre County's 100th Anniversary, but a still Greater Celebration for the benefit of the people will be held from JUNE 26th until our complete stock consisting of Clothing and Furnishing Goods has been sold. It is not a sale of old goods, but this stock has been bought new this spring and is strictly up-to-date. Why are we anxious to sell a new stock? Because we have not the capital to carry this stock over, and Fall Goods will soon be here and we need room. We also want to get acquainted with you rather than have the money remain in this stock, pay storage, and next year have old goods. Everything will and must be sold for and below cost. There will be only one motto maintained during the sale which is "Cash at any Price." Below we quote you a few prices:

CLOTHING DEPARTMENT.

Boy's Suits.

The Famous Grindstone Brand with double seat and knees, in three piece and two piece suits. Your \$1.48 takes the ones that formerly sold for \$1.90 and \$2.25, and still some better ones for
\$1.98, \$2.79 and \$3.44.



Youths' Suits.

The latest novelties in Fancy Worsteds, Serges and Basket Weaves during the sale will sell them from
\$4.98 up.

Children's Suits.

The pretty Vestee and Blouse Wool Suits with extra fancy vests; such pretty colors and designs. We price them as follows: 98c, 1.48, 1.89, 2.47 and 3.62, and those pretty Sailor Wash Suits your mothers has been copying from, will start at
45 Cents.

Men's Suits.

In Stripes, Checks, Blues and Blacks that formerly sold for \$7.00 and \$8.00, must go at \$4.98.

Also some better ones you can't afford to miss at
\$6.48 and \$8.79.

Some pretty Crash Suits, Coats and extra Pants at prices far below their actual value.

In Clothing they will be sold just as they are and alterations such as making shorter, narrower, etc., will be at the buyers expense. Most of the above Clothing is in odd sizes and broken lots left over from the great 40 per cent. reduction sale.

FURNISHING GOODS DEPARTMENT.

Underwear.

Ballbrigan in plain, stripes and Blue Shirts with long or short sleeves, and drawers with double seat, go at
45c and 90c a Suit.

Shirts.

Percale that formerly sold for 25c, 50c, 75c and \$1.00 will go at
19c, 39c, 69c and 79c.

Also in silk fronts at
39c, 69 and 79c.
Our shirt line is the prettiest and largest ever shown before.

Ties.

Those pretty English Squares and Batwing Shapes that we have made such a run at 50c and 25c sell for
39 and 19 cents.

Hosiery.

In those "loud stripes," neater patterns, and drop-stitch sell for
11c, 19c and 39c.

Straw Hats.

The latest novelties in rough and smooth Straw Hats for men start at 19 cents. In Working Hats you pay 9 and 14c. The Boy's pretty Sailors and Rough Riders sell at 19c and 39c.

Whole line must be cleaned out now.

Felt Hats

For Young Men, in Crush and Alpine; former price \$1.50, now go at
98 cents.

Space and ink is very precious and will have to end in quoting prices, but everything will be sold in the same proportion as above. Remember everything must be sold regardless of cost or profit. During this sale everything will be conducted in the same old way of "Fairness and Squareness." You certainly can profit by giving us a chance. Do not forget that this sale is now going on and where it is held.

YOURS FOR BUSINESS,

SIM, THE CLOTHIER,

Reynold's Bank Building, Allegheny street.

BELLEFONTE, PENN'A.