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### DEMOCRATIC NATIONAL TICKET.

FOR PRESIDENT,  
WILLIAM JENNINGS BRYAN,  
of Nebraska.

FOR VICE PRESIDENT,  
ADLAI E. STEVENSON,  
of Illinois.

### DEMOCRATIC STATE TICKETS

FOR AUDITOR GENERAL,  
HON. P. GRAY MEEK,  
Bellefonte.

FOR CONGRESSMEN AT LARGE,  
N. M. EDWARDS,  
Williamsport.

HENRY E. GRIMM,  
Doylestown.

### County Ticket.

FOR ASSEMBLY.

J. H. WETZEL,  
Bellefonte, Pa.

J. W. KEPLER,  
Ferguson township.

FOR JURY COMMISSIONER:

FREDERICK ROBB,  
Liberty township.

### EDITORIAL.

#### BRYAN AND STEVENSON.

The Democratic National Convention, at Kansas City, last week, was a notable gathering; the attendance was unusually large and the greatest enthusiasm prevailed throughout the various sessions and especially when the name of Wm. J. Bryan was presented as the standard bearer in the coming presidential campaign—there was an outburst of popular sentiment that swept over the great hall like the billows of the ocean. It was a splendid tribute to the great leader who, for four years, has stood before the people with matchless ability and fortitude, and waged battle in the cause of good government and for the preservation of the nation's honor and integrity. This nomination was a free and unfettered expression of the appreciation of the masses for an ideal American. The nomination of Adlai Stevenson for the Vice-presidency was fitting; he is trusted and tried, having filled this same position under President Cleveland and adds dignity and strength to the ticket.

The platform adopted needs only to be read to be appreciated, and we give it in full in another portion of this issue. It is one of the strongest declarations made by any party in many years. It is positive and clear on every point. From beginning to the end it breathes a living inspiration that arouses the highest patriotic sentiment and calls upon the American people to awake to the great crisis that is confronting them under the wabbling, vacillating, imperialistic, trust-subsidized policy of the present administration of Mark Hanna and McKinley. It appeals to the people not to forsake the fundamental principles of the Declaration of Independence and the provisions of the Constitution; it opposes the very thought of an imperial empire with vast colonies and an immense standing army with serious international complications continually threatening our peace and prosperity, as a great republic. This is the chief issue in the platform, while other and very important matters are also taken up and tersely and concisely stated. It is a truly American document, and it will appeal to the better judgment of the thoughtful voter.

The Chicago Platform of 1896 is reaffirmed and this has caused some to criticize. The party believed it to be correct then and do so now, but the money question is relegated to the rear this year in the open declaration that Imperialism is regarded as the foremost issue in this campaign.

It is four months until election day and at this time it is only rash assumption to declare that Bryan or McKinley will be elected. The situation is far different from that of four years ago, and the Democracy goes into this fight with a great portion of the Gold Democracy back in the fold and have gained strength from other elements. It is a hopeful fight and an encouraging one too.

ONE result of the Kansas City convention will be to convince the entire country that W. J. Bryan is absolutely honest. The man who could stand ready to flatly refuse the nomination offered to him by a unanimous gathering like that, unless a platform was adopted at the same time affirming a given principle can never again be accused of being willing to sacrifice principle to expediency.

TIME was when a great catastrophe in China would have been relegated to the bottom of the column on the inside sheets of the papers; but now the world has awakened to the frightful danger of its future that lurks in the heart of the Flowery Kingdom. It behooves the western powers to wipe away their jealousies and stand shoulder to shoulder to face the yellow pest in the great battle of Armageddon that is to come. The world has grown strangely forgetful these days, of the terrible scourges that have in past centuries swept down from the east and blotted out civilization.

### MCKINLEY CONSISTENCY.

William McKinley is primarily a politician. He wears his principles lightly. When he thought silver popular he was a free silver man. He voted for free coinage along with Bland when Bryan was a boy at school. Later he criticized the Democratic party for not doing enough for silver and told how much more the Republicans would do if they were intrusted with power. In the Republican convention four years ago the was afraid to have the word "gold" mentioned. Now he is a partisan of the absolute, unmitigated, single gold standard.

In Congress, when he had no offices to distribute, Mr. McKinley was an ardent civil service reformer. He became Governor of Ohio and turned the helpless lunatics in the insane asylums, and he inmates of all the other State charitable institutions, to the tender mercies of the spoilsmen. When he was a candidate for President the first time he promised that he would take "no step backward" in the matter of civil service reform. When he took office he became the first President to take a backward step since the reform was first instituted under Arthur, fourteen years before.

President McKinley said that we could never be guilty of "criminal aggression," and then he began and carried on an unnecessary war in the Philippines. He said that it was our "PLAIN DUTY" to give the Porto Ricans free admission to our markets, and then he not only accepted but actually forced through Congress a bill levying heavy taxes both ways on Porto Rican trade.

He promised a pure government to our dependencies, and he filled the public service of Cuba with thieves. All these inconsistencies have a single cause—Mr. McKinley is not his own master. He speaks from the good impulses of his heart, and then he does what he is told to do.

### A NEW FEATURE.

Beginning with this issue we propose to give our readers a new feature during the campaign. For many years it has been our custom to furnish on page 6 a sermon by a noted minister like Dr. Talmage or Rev. Dixon. These sermons were always appreciated by a large portion of readers, and it is not that there is a lack of interest in them, but for the purpose of giving space to another line of reading matter at this time that they will be discontinued for the present. Instead of the sermon we will furnish a letter of about three columns each week from the pen of the distinguished leader of the democratic side of the house in Congress, the Hon. Champ Clark, of Missouri. Mr. Clark is recognized as one of the brainiest men in the party, and at Washington he always was a central figure. As an orator he has attained wide distinction, and as a writer for the press he is one of the foremost. He is a man of wide experience, a careful thinker and a safe party counselor. His articles are written in terse style and contain the best thoughts and selections of the day, and in the coming campaign there will be much to be found in his contributions that will be beneficial to those who wish to keep themselves informed on the leading issue.

We urge our readers to not fail this feature of the Democrat, as it will be continued just as long as we find that it meets with the approval of our patrons.

THE issue this year will be: Republic vs. Empire.

THE Republicans are very anxious to talk about the silver question.

THE Democratic National Platform makes good reading. Save it and read it carefully. It is the best campaign document going.

THERE is very little flurry among the republicans in this county over the nominations for Legislature. Under existing circumstances, no one seems anxious to have the honor, except Samuel Diehl.

THE secretary of the anti-imperialists says that body may endorse Bryan or nominate someone of their own like T. B. Reed, or vote the Prohibition ticket, or fight to control the next House. One thing they will not do, and that is vote for McKinley.

CHAMP Clark's weekly letter in the Democrat will be a splendid feature of this paper during the campaign. It will appear regularly on page 6. Clark is one of the best political writers in the country. These letters are copyrighted and we go to an additional expense to secure them for our readers.

THE democratic party declares in its platform that the interests of the laboring man should be recognized in the future, by creating a new department in the cabinet for such a representative. The trusts are represented there already in several ways and it is right for the laborer to be in the council of the nation, too.

THE print cloth trust, controlling thirty mills with a capital of \$10,000,000 has decided to shut down for one month so as to boom the already tremendous prices. Twenty thousand employees are thrown out of their jobs. Oh, this country is certainly prosperous under McKinley's trust rule—prosperous for the trusts, that is.

### PRESIDENTIAL ENTRIES.

Though the national campaign has hardly opened, there are not less than ten tickets in the field, with a prospect of two or three more before autumn. Here is a list of the parties and their nominees for their great fight of the year:

For President. For Vice-President.

REPUBLICANS.

William McKinley, Theodore Roosevelt, of Ohio, of New York,

DEMOCRATS.

William J. Bryan, Adlai E. Stevenson, of Nebraska, of Illinois.

SILVER REPUBLICANS.

William J. Bryan, Adlai E. Stevenson, of Nebraska, of Illinois.

POPULISTS.

William J. Bryan, Charles A. Towne, of Nebraska, of Minnesota.

MIDDLE-OF-THE-ROAD POPULISTS.

Wharton Barker, Ignatius Donnelly, of Pennsylvania, of Minnesota.

PROHIBITIONISTS.

John G. Woolley, Henry B. Metcalf, of Illinois, of Rhode Island.

SOCIALIST LABOR.

Job Harriman, Max S. Hayes, of California, of Ohio.

SOCIAL DEMOCRATS.

Eugene V. Debs, Job Harriman, of Indiana, of California.

DE LEON SOCIALISTS.

Joseph F. Malloney, Valentine Remmill, of Massachusetts, of Pennsylvania.

UNITED CHRISTIANS.

Dr. S. C. Swallow, John G. Woolley, of Pennsylvania, of Illinois.

### The Crop Bulletin.

The weekly crop bulletin for the week ending July 10th, say the wheat crop in the state is now nearly all harvested and the yield ranges from fair to very good. Oats are beginning to ripen and a good yield will be secured. Corn is making rapid growth; tobacco in some localities has been backward, but in most places in the state the plants have been growing finely. The growth of potatoes has been vigorous. A large crop of apples is expected and the peach crop is very promising. The hay crop throughout the state will be below the average.

### SPLENDID RAINS.

During the past few weeks there has been an abundant amount of rainfall that has been a great help to the farmers of this section. The wheat and hay were a very scant crop and it was felt that the extreme dry weather that had prevailed during the earlier portion of the summer might have the effect of a shortage in all other crops. Corn and the oats have picked up wonderfully in the past two weeks and the fruit is doing very nicely.

Traveling over the county at this season of the year the harvest fields in most places are very scant in the number of shocks of grain. The grain is short in the straw and there is very little in the heads, so that the yield will be very small.

### "Musical Normal."

A Normal Music School will be opened in the Evangelical church at Centre Hall, Pa., on July 23 and continue for six weeks. Music will be taught in all its branches. Expenses very moderate. For further information, address,

C. E. ZEIGLER, (Director.)

The leading business men of Centre Hall are encouraging this project and every indication points to the fact that the Normal is going to be a success.



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Ivory Soap their want supplies.

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### Bucknell's Fund Completed.

The fund of \$75,000 for Bucknell university, of which John D. Rockefeller gives \$15,000, was completed June 30. Of the amount \$33,000, has been paid in.

### Married.

On the Fourth of July, at Hablesburg, by Rev. H. I. Crow, Jacob D. Heck, of Mill Hall, Pa., to Emma J. Whiteleather, of Walker, Pa.

## 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.



### 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.

### 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 you mothers has been copying from, will start at 45 Cents.

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.

Pereale 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.

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.