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### EDITORIAL.

### A REMARKABLE DOCUMENT.

The principal event of the past week was W. J. Bryan's formal acceptance of the nomination for the presidency, on the democratic ticket. The exercises took place at Indianapolis, on Wednesday of last week. The speech of Mr. Bryan was a masterly production and sounded the keynote of the campaign by decidedly pronouncing imperialism as the paramount issue. Other issues were only referred to, and imperialism discussed at length. It was a wonderful utterance on that point, and the general opinion is that it is one of the ablest discussions of that question that has been contributed to our political literature. It will be the text of the discussion in the present cam. paign. We give a three-column report of the speech on page three of this issue, and it will be worth careful reading. The following editorial from the New York World, in commenting on Bryan's speech, will prove interesting at this time. We may be giving our readers a great deal of Bryan in this issue, but then we insist that in this campaign there are some unusual and important issues involved, and to be good citizens it is necessary when election time comes to be able to vote intelligently, and not as a bitter partisans. The World says :

### Mr. Bryan's speech of acceptance was "the most logical, eloquent and convincing of all his public efforts." It is a masterly presentation of the paramount issue of the campaign and a splendid evidence

As Mr. Bryan tersely says : The whole difference between a monarchy

and a republic may be summed up in one sentence. In a monarchy the king gives to the people what he believes to be a good govern ment ; in a republic the people secure for them selves what they believe to be a good govern ment

Meeting Mr. McKinley's claim of a 'duty'' and "obligation" to hold the Omnibus Containing Twenty-five islands, Mr. Bryan pointedly says that 'duty is not an argument, it is a conclusion," and must be decided upon wellsettled principles of right. "Force can defend a right, but force has never yet WILLIAM JENNINGS BRYAN ..... Nebraska. | created a right," proclaims this eloquent apostle of freedom. And he affirms that-If it was true, as declared in the resolutions of intervention, that the Cubans "are and of crashing into an omnibus containing right ought to be free and independent" (language taken from the Declaration of Independence), it is equally true that the Filipinos caped uninjured. 'are and of right ought to be free and independent.

As to the "obligation" alleged to have been put upon us by our conquest of Spain, Mr. Bryan replies :

theory of government and the substitution of doctrines against which our whole national life has been a protest. And second, that our obligations to the Filipinos who inhabit the islands are greater than any obligation which we can owe to foreigners who have a temportrade there Is there any escape from this argu-

ment? Could there be anything more essentially American than this logic?

The assumption that the Filipinos are not capable of self-government is mercilessly riddled. Quoting Henry Clay, that "it is the doctrine of thrones that man is too ignorant to govern himself," Mr. Bryan says :

Once admit that some people are capable of elf-government and that others are not, and that the capable people have a right to seize ipon and govern the incapable, and you make orce-brute force-the only foundation of government and invite the reign of the despot. I am not willing to believe that an all-wise and an all-loving God created the Filipinos and then left them thousands of years helpless until the islands attracted the attention of European

The flimsy plea that we cannot "haul down the flag where it has once waved" s contemptuously brushed aside by the speaker with conclusive historic precedents. The commercial argument, as baldly put by Senator Wolcott, is met by the assertion that "a war of conquest is as unwise as it is unrighteous," and by the happy epigram that "it is not necessary to own people in order to trade with them." Mr. Bryan's citation of trade facts abundantly fortifies his ethical argument.

Himself somewhat of a religious zealot, Mr. Bryan reminds those who attempt to that his life is despaired of. Each of make Providence the leader in "criminal aggression" that "a majority of the Filipinos are now members of one branch of the Christian church." and he asks for

any warrant in that system to civilize with dynamite and proselyte with the

## **KEYSTONE HAPPENINGS**

News Items of Interest From All Parts of the State.

FOURTEEN KILLED AT A CROSSING

Persons Returning From a Funeral Struck on Lehigh and New England Railroad Near Slatington.

Slatington, Pa Aug. 13.-Fourteen persons were killed in a grade crossing accident three miles east of this city, by a passenger train on the Lehigh and New England railroad 25 persons. All the dead and injured were in the omnibus and but three es-The accident occurred about 5

o'clock. The omnibus driven by a man named Peters was returning to Slatington from a funeral the occupants had been attending at Cherrysville. The dead and injured were nearly all rela-First, that the highest obligation of this na- tives of Sophia Schoffer, at whose obtion is to be true to itself. No obligation to sequies they nad been present. The any particular nation, or to all nations com- train was a special and consisted of bined, can require the abandonment of our an engine and one car. At the point at which the collision occurred there is a sharp curve in the road and the omnibus came along at a good rate of speed, the occupants unconscious of any impending danger. As the 'bus swung around the curve, the engine and car ary residence in the Philippines or desire to came in sight. It was too late to stop either the omnibus or the train and as the ariver of the former whipped up the four horses to cross the track ahead of the train, the latter crashed into its middle. The occupants were thrown in all directions, bruised and bleeding.

### Murdered in Cold Blood.

Pittsburg, Aug. 13 .- Jasper Houston, master mechanic for Eigemann & Hellerback, contractors on the new government dam near Sewickler, was murdered in cold blood yesterday by was William Fobbs and another negro called "Rag Time." Houston, who had charge of the plant, ordered a crowd of negro crap shooters to disperse. As he turned around Fobbs, who held a revolver in his hand, shot him in the side near the heart. Fobbs and "Rag Time" jumped on the wounded man, beat him over the head with the butts of their revolvers until he was unconscious and then escaped up the river. Houston lived only few minutes. Houston came here nom Rockford, Ind., where he has a wife and child.

#### Highwaymen on Bikes.

Pittsburg, Aug. 15 .- A novel and fatal hold up is reported from Greensburg. Pa., late last night. As a party of Slavs were returning to their homes after being paid off at the mines at Pleasant Unity, they were met by three men on bicycles who ordered eral fight followed in which one of the Slavs, Andy Kanicha was killed and another, George Netin, so badly cut had, and the highwaymen escaped on were re-elected for the ensuing year. their wheels, going eastward.

Pennsylvania Town Fire Swept. Bloomsburg, Pa., Aug. 13 .- The village of Turbotville was threatened

### THE DECKER REUNION.

### Held at the Old Homestead Near State College August 8.

The Decker family, one of the oldest and most respected families in the county held their reunion at the Decker homestead near State College on August 8. It

was largely attended and proved a most enjoyable affair. It was called to order by the president after which a hymn was sung by the grand children and others. An earnest prayer was then offered by Rev. Leisher, of Boalsburg.

President Ripka asked for voluntary addresses after which Rev. Leisher made an address in which he spoke of the many benefits gained by family re-unions, the friendly relations revived, the old home scenes talked over and many things of to this office. pathos recalled

Maria Stover were present on this occasion; a very unfrequent occurrence after | so many years

The enrollment was as follows:

Frederick Decker and wife; Mrs. Catherine Krape, sister of Frederick, their children, cousins and neighbors; Mrs. Lydia Houser and husband John; Edward, Thomas and Jacob Decker; Mrs. Ellen Resides and children; Westley Decker and wife; Mabel, George, Mary and Jacob Decker; Mrs. Annie Reifsnyder and son, Frederick; Charles Decker and wife; Elizabeth Decker and son, Ray; Susan O'Brien and children; Rev. and Mrs. Oaniel Neidigh; Lydia Neidigh; M) D. Snyder; Annie, Minnie and Mary Krumrine, Catherine Garret, Reuben Glenn, Mary Glenn, Samuel Glenn and wife; Ella, Margaret and Mabel Wasson; Adam Ripka and daughter, Grace; Clara Breon; Harry, Emms and Samuel Ewing, Rebecca Ewing, Miss Fishburn, Thomas Fisburn, William Mucklebattan, Wallace Musser and wife, Mrs. Cyrus Hunter and son, James; Harvey Glenn, Henry Sents and wife, Mrs. Tyson and son Jordon, Andy Lytle and wife, Anna Hallenbaugh, Mrs. Stephenson, Mrs. Fulton and son, James; William Gilliland, and daughters; Margaret Weiland, Nora Fry, Margaret Zimmerman, Etta Weibly, Laura McCain, Rebecca Snyder, Clara Castetter, John Duff and wife, Fred Kromrine and wife, Mrs. Boyer, John Gienn, Mrs. Markle, Rev. Leisher and wife, W. C Patterson and wife, Gideon Weiland, J. Campbell, Jennie and Bodd O'Neil, Aaron Zerby and wife, Mrs. Adeline Fry, Maria Stover, Rebecca Neidigh, H. Yearick and wife, them to hand over their money. A gen- Jonathan Decker, Edward Houser and wife, Effie Daughenbaugh, Mrs. Zettle, Walter Orbison and wife.

the Slavs was robbed of \$33, all they torian. The balance of the old officers

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An appeal has been taken to the United States Supreme court to test the constitutionality of the oleomargarine act, passed by the state legislature May 5, 1899, and upheld by the common pleas and supreme court.

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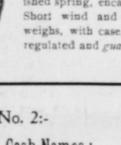
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of real intellectual power. It combines ardor without intemperance, argument without abuse, and fire without fanaticism. No greater political speech has been delivered in this country within the last decade.

## truly says that-

If the Becon resolution had been adopted by the Senate and carried out by the President, either at the time of the ratification of the treaty or at any time afterward, it would have taken the question of imperialism out of politics and left the American people free to deal with their domestic problems

The defeat of this resolution by the casting vote of the Vice-President, and the practical abdication of Congress in leaving the entire management of this most important question to the President, was the beginning of the policy of imperialism. It substituted one vascillating man's judgment or caprice for the will of the American people.

Mr. Bryan touches the most vital point of the discussion in saying that-

Those who would have this nation enter up on a career of empire must consider not only the effect of imperialism on the Filipinos, but they must also calculate its effect upon our own nation. We cannot repudiate the principle of self-government in the Philippines without weakening that principle here.

And he indicates with unerring finger wherein this departure from our basic principle has hurt the Republic. The nation is no longer free to express, as heretofore, "its sympathy." We speak of freedom with bated breath. Not only so, but "if we have an imperial policy we must have a large standing army as its natural and necessary equipment." That is intended by the Republican leaders, say Mr. Bryan, "is not a mere matter of conjecture but a matter of fact."

Concerning the status of the Filipinos Mr. Bryan cites with approval the declaration of the national platform that "they cannot be citizens without endangering our civilization, and cannot be subjects without endangering our form of government." A republic, he declares, can have no subjects. Citing the Republican promise to secure to the Filipinos "the largest measure of self-government consistent with their welfare and our duties," Mr. Bryan cogently asks:

In what respect does the position of the Republican party differ from the position taken by the English Government in 1776? Did not the English Government promise a good government to the colonists? What king ever promised a bad government to his people? Did not the English Government promise that the colonists should have the largest measure of selfgovernment consistent with their welfare and English duties? Did not the Spanish Government promise to give to the Cubans the largest measure of self-government consistent with their welfare and Spanish duties?

There is no true answer to these ques. | ars a month.

sword. The plan "unreservedly indorsed" by Mr. Bryan for settling the Philippine question is given in this pledge :

If elected I shall convene Congress in extrardinary session as soon as I am inaugurated Beginning at the beginning, Mr. Bryan and recommend an immediate declaration of the nation's purpose, first, to establish a stable form of government in the Philippine Islands, just as we are now establishing a stable form of government in the island of Cuba: second, to give independence to the Filipinos, just as we have promised to give independence to the Cubans; third, to protect the Filipinos from outside interference while they work out theif festiny, just as we have protected the republics of Central and South America, and are by the Monroe doctrine pledged to protect Cuba.

> This is the logical conclusion of an unanswerable argument. It embodies the Democratic policy for settling in an bonorable, practical, American way 'THE paramount issue" of the Presidential campaign.

An urgent demand for ships to carry troops, coal and provisions to the Orient has sent up freights on the Pacific coast from thirty-five shillings (the highest previous bid of the present season) to forty-five shillings per ton for the carriage of wheat in sailing vessels to Liverpool. A corresponding increase in rates is bound to manifest itself on all lines of ocean transportation. Warfare is costly, but the direct expenditures of belligerent Governments represent only a small fraction of the waste of war. By far the larger part of the cost comes out of the pockets of the people in other forms than war taxes-in the increased cost of the necessaries of life, the de . struction of property and loss of trade.

WHEN McKinley became president, the United States was at peace with all the world. How is it now? We have two wars on our hands, and a call for a hundred thousand American troops in Asia. The national debt has been increased, taxation heavier than ever before, and Scrante our young men are being slaughtered thousands of miles from home, in pursuit of the will-o'-the-wisp of imperialism. All to gratify Mark Hanna and the trusts that consort with them.

SENATOR HOAR will have to hold joint debates with himself while stumping Massachusetts. The democrats will confront him at every stage of his canvass with extracts from his speech in the senate attacking the Philippine policy of the administration.

Widow's Pension.

Mrs. Julia A Hoffman, of Beech Creek, has been granted a pension of eight dol-

otal destruction by fire of day afternoon. The blaze started in a barn in the lower end of the town, and swept up the street, taking every building in its path until it reached the Bitler lumber yard, which was also destroyed with its thousands of feet of sawed lumber. The total number of buildings destroyed is reported as 43, the list comprising four stores, 30 dwelling houses and nine barns.

Disastrous Fire in Hanover, Pa. Hanover, Pa., Aug. 13 .- Sixteen buildings were destroyed by fire here yesterday, the loss being estimated at from \$40,000 to \$50,000, partly insured The heaviest losses are the HotelObald, the J. C. Tanger Hardware company's warehouse and Shriver's livery stable. The other structures destroyed were dwellings, stables and warehouses. Thirteen horses were rogsted alive in Shriver's stable and it is rumored that a man named frescher was burned to death in the Hotel Obald.

Policeman Shot Quelling a Row. Scranton, Pa., Aug. 15 .- While quelling a row at an Italian saloon in Dunmore last night, Policeman James Golden was shot twice through the body by Tony Long and will probably die. After the first shot which it is supposed missed fire the policeman made a dash for Long and dealt him a blow across the face with his baton and closed with him. Before he could disarm his prisoner, the other two shots laid him low and Long escaped. He is still at large.

Works Destroyed by a Tornado. Pittsburg, Aug. 13 .- Word has just been received here that at New Kensington, Pa., yesterday almost the entire plant of the Pittsburg Reduction company's aluminum works was destroyed by a tornado.

### PENNSLYVANIA NEWS CONDENSED.

A. Woozley has been appointed th class postmaster at Hope Church. fourth The Ellangowen colliery, at Shenan-doah, which has been idle two months, has resumed operations.

The Columbia and Montour Telephone company has opened their line between Bloomsburg and Miliville.

Sleeping on the track at the West Scranton yard, Daniel Glynn was struck by a train and instantly killed.

Francis M. Feekley, of York, aged 24 years, was overcome with the heat in Harrisburg and died soon after.

Horace A. Clute, aged 61 years, for-merly manager of the Western Union telegraph office in Harrisburg, is dead. Mrs. Mary Bannis, aged 70, while cross-ing the Pennsylvania railroad tracks at Lochiel, was struck by an express train and instantly killed.

Dennis Leiby's barn at Lewistown, was struck by lightning and, together with all its contents, consisting of all the season's harvest, was destroyed, entailing a loss of \$120

of \$4,500. Charles Wierdien, aged 18 years, whose parents live at 344 Fifteenth street, New-ark, N. J., fell under a freight train at Bailey's Station, on the Pennsylvania railroad, and was killed.

The Lancaster County G. A. R. asso-ciation held a meeting at which a reso-lution was passed endorsing the recom-mendation of Commander-in-Chief Shaw to change Decoration Day from May 20 to the last Sunday in the month.

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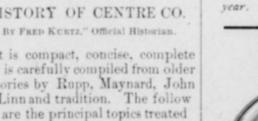
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