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REPUBLICAN NOMINATIONS.

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COLONEL STONE'S PLATFORM

It will be my purpose when elected to and good will of these who have opposed the as well as these who have given me their support. I shall be the governor of the whole reople of the state. Abuse have undoubtedly grown up in the legis lature which are neither the fault of one party nor the other, but rather the growth of custom. Unrecessary investigations have been authorized by commit-tees, resulting in unnecessary expense to the state. It will be my care and purpose to correct these and other evils in so far as I have the power. It will be my purpose while governor of Pennsylvania. as it has been my purpose in the public positions that I have held, with God's help, to discharge my whole duty. The people are greater than the parties to which they belong. I am only jealous of their favor. I shall only attempt to win their approval and my experience has taught me that that can best be done by honest, modest, daily discharge of public duty.

The real war poet is still missing. There are many excellent adaptations of old songs to new circumstances, but the genuine ballad has not yet appeared. Have the American people lost the gift of heroic poesy?

Asleep at Their Post

For sleeping on post, two members Dougherty and the newspapers over of the New Jersey infantry have been before a volunteer court-martial at clusively that no private soldier or offi-Sandy Hook, the deliberations of which have fust been promulgated, as an active and critical newspaper One was a sergeant of the guard at the big gun left at Fort Hancock. He | festly antagonistic. The duty of a solwas found guilty of sleeping in a tent and he was sentenced to be reduced to the ranks and to be confined at hard labor for three months; a light sentence, as in the regular army the penalty is \$10 fine and six months at hard labor in time of peace, while during war it is much more severe.

The second offender was a corporal and he was acquitted of the charge. The gravity of these offences was greater than mere sleeping on post for the offenders were officers of the guard to whom the sentinels reported and the defence of New York cary was in their hands, as they were in charge of the costly fortifications at Sandy Hook. It was their duty if the approach of the enemy was reported to them to see that the electric currents were turned on to fire the submarine mines; that the rapid-fire guns were manned and the big cannon in the gun-lifts were trained on the foe. All this was shown in the disapproval of the report for acquittal sent back by the communding general. Both men were volunteers, yet the penalty for such gross negligence should be severe enough to be a significant warning to all others in whom such a solemn trust may be confided

To the civilian the few moments' sleep snatched by a weary soldier while on duty may seem a small matter, but the responsibility thus ignored is, from a military point of view, second to almost no other breach of diselptine.

General Miles evidently believes in the good old doctrine of one thing at a time.

Germany and the United States.

In government circles at Washington not the slightest credence is placed in the rumors emanating from London and probably originating on the Berlin Bourse that the German emperer is contemplating active intervention in the Philippines. The kalser is well aware that such interference as he is said to have in view would involve this country and Germany in an immediate and terrible war. To oppose the debarkation of our troops at Manila would practically transfer the theater of action from Spain to Germany. If Admiral Dietrichs should interfere in this manner Admiral Dewey would not hesitate for a moment to attack the German squadron with or without instructions from Washington. If war and conquest are to be carried on under the semblance of international law, Germany's alleged opposition to our proceedings in the Philippines such men. But this is not a war which would stand alone in the history of the demands negation of political ambimodern world without precedent, or tion or principles. No one doubts that even tradition to justify it. The os- we could end the war with Spain very tensible reason put forth why readily without the help of William Germany wishes to oppose our Jennings Bryan and his silverite warlanding is the safeguarding of German riors. It would be appropriate, thereinterests in the Island. Such a pre- fore, if "Colonel" Bryan should be per-

text if acted upon would be a holow mockery. We have dispatched a large number of troops to the island to ensure that very object, not alone to Germany, but to foreigners of every nationality. The American flag does not cover an inch of freebooter's ter-

There seems to be a lurking sus-

scion on the continent of Europe that

Germany will not let slip the oppor-

tunity to seize the Philippines by fair

means or foul. She was the first

the temptation to seize them is thought

to be irresistible. But Germany is

not dealing with China. The United

States, with its wealth, its resources,

its men and its money, is behind the

hero of Manila. What he has con-

quered we shall keep with all the

strength we possess until the time

eign policy. In saying so, we have no

intention of casting the semblance of

a slur on the German people, the Ger-

man army or the German navy. In

their degree they are a mighty people

backed by a mighty host of warriors

on sea and land. No one understands

his great army and navy are neces-

at the cost of so much blood and

as resourceful in men and infinitely

more so in wealth than they are them-

selves. There is not the slightest feat

'nited States, a war of pure aggres-

The United States is the home of

the most progressive and patriotic ele-

ments of our common national life in

religion and literature. They are all

Americans without forgetting the

land and stock from which they have

sprung. There are thousands of young

men and young women in the German

empire looking forward to a domestic

nome in this country. The Germans

are not a colonizing people. They

already established rather than to

foregather where it has to be initiated

and built up. At the same time it is

natural that the Emperor William

should desire to see the possessions

which he has added to the empire

colonized by his own subjects. Diplo-

macy is not one of the lost arts, that

two such great and friendly nations

should be involved in a war without

the slightest premonition to the peo-

ple of both, beyond the vague and

indefinite rumors of a few irresponsible

foreign gossips. The thing is impos-

The war department has done wisely

in revoking the credentials of Sergeant

Mahon of the Ninth regiment as the

Times. The dispute which recently

rose between Mr. Mahon, Colone

the Ninth's canteen demonstrated con-

cer ought to serve at the same time

reporter, the two functions being mani-

dier is not to find fault nor to pose as

A Misfit Colonel.

When William Jennings Bryan raised

scarcely credible that he realized what

he was about. No sooner had the ad-

ministration accepted his services and

the services of his followers as a unit

in the military organization of the

United States than "Colonel" Bryan-

let the world into the secret of the role

he was about to play. The governor of

Nebraska gave him and his regiment

a benediction, calling them the first

"silver" regiment raised in the coun-

try, thus publicly proclaiming these

men political emissaries. Mr. Bryan

was not responsible, of course, for the

governor's speech, however near and

agreeable the words were to his policy

and to his sentiments. But he is ac-

countable for that which he himself

sald later on. "Colonel" Bryan has

taken the opportunity to deliver him-

self of the essence of one of his peri-

patetic political lectures. He is op-

posed, he says, to the annexation of

Hawaii. Mr. Bryan as a politician is

Hy undertook to serve and felt at lib-

erty to criticize it? He would have

been informed that, although his opin-

ions were his own, they must find

utterance not as an admiral of the

navy, but as a politician; not on the

This is the danger which the raising

and organization of volunteer regi-

ments by ambitious political leaders

involves. They can never forget they

are politicians first and soldiers a long

way behind. They keep an eye to the

chance of winning a wavering constit-

uency rather than help in the winning

of battles. There are, of course, volun-

teers capable of becoming so wholly

absorbed in their military duties that

every other consideration either of

business or politics is ignored. The

civil war brought forth multitudes of

quarter deck, but on the stump.

a martyr but to obey.

prefer to flock where industry i

mmerce, art, manufacture, in law,

omes for the readjustment of our for-

General Aguinaldo evidently considrs that his people have as good a right to enjoy life, liberty and the purpower to grab a part of China and suit of happiness as any other race, and it will be hard to argue against the domination of the Philippines is of such vast importance in the delimitation of the Celestial empire that

mitted to consummate his military

areer in the state in which it took

mature development. He is obviously

not the kind of man to be entrusted

with the custody of human lives on

fields of activity where weapons and

military experience rather than lung

lower are required to accomplish vic-

Wise Census Improvements.

If the senate committee on the census can have its way the twelfth decennial enumeration will be restricted to inquiries relating to population, mortality and products of industry will go into four instead of twenty five volumes, and, unlike the last census, the volumes of which have not been completed yet, will be in type within two years after the enumeration is taken. This contemplated modification of the programme would involve economy in time, economy to money and a very great saving for the patience of the people.

better than the Emperor William that There is such a thing as overdoing a census. In 1792 the census of the sary to the stability of his throne and nation occupied 52 printed pages and the rolldarity of his empire from the cost \$44,377. Not until 1850 did the attacks, not of the Americans, but of cost exceed \$1,000,000. In that year his neighbors. The German people there were 1859 printed pages, and a have not built up this great army and bill of expense amounting to \$1,329,027 maintained this system of militarism The increase since has been in this order, 1860, 2316 pages, cost \$1,922,272 treasure to dissipate it in colonial ex-1870, 3268 pages, cost \$3,336,511; 1880, pansion where that involves a war 19.013 pages, cost \$5,862,750; 1890, 26,094 with a country which is at any rate pages, cost \$11,546.662. The earlier censuses were confined to an enumeration of the population, but lately the govrnment drag net has been thrown out of Germany ricking a war with the to cast every conceivable kind of statistical fish, reaching a climax in the notoriously bungled Eleventh census, the twenty-five volumes of which some millions of Germans or citizens constitute a veritable graveyard of of Germanedescent. They form one of

nisguided energy. The senators who are in charge of the bill providing for the taking of the twelfth census have decided that it is time to put a check upon the tendency toward census inflation. But lest the professional statisticians should want for employment they have arranged for the collection under government jurisdiction of special statistics supplementary to the regular census work, these to be compiled more eisurely and without particular reference to a fixed date of publication. In other words, they have made the start toward a regular and continuous census, which is what this country most certainly needs.

By a reorganization of its proprietary nterests the Wilkes-Barre News-Dealer has passed under the immediate management and control of Wesley E. Woodruff as editor and John J. Maloney as business manager. Both are able, conscientious and experienced newspaper men, who will have the enthe confidence of the community in their efforts to upbuild a once-valuable but lately sadly deteriorated property. The Tribune extends its best wishes and predicts success. war correspondent of the Wilkes-Barre

> The tent-makers are busy. We are industrial occupations in full swing. St. Paul was a tent-maker and so were many of his brethren.

A French surgeon states that jealousy can be cured just the same as any other disease. He would probably apply the knife to the rival in order to effect a cure.

Courage and endurance are the foundation requisites of good soldiership. a regiment in Nebraska it seems The Cuban insurgents in the main have both. They can acquire discipline here-

> Admiral Cervera telegraphs that he has provisions enough for the fleet D. Appleton and company, until autumn. Foolish admiral, He Fellx Gras' new romance, "The Ter until autumn. Foolish admiral. He had better lay up treasures in heaven.

Germany is not half as anxious to try conclusions with Uncle Sam as the news fakers are to have her,

The society editor will soon begin his

weary labor of copying the summer resort hotel records.

When Populists wrangle, sane politicians will come by their own.

The Banner Year of Yankee Trade

free to entertain this or any other opinion he pleases, but as the colonel TP HREE striking facts regarding our of a regiment his duties are to keep foreign commerce are shown by the figures of the bureau of sta still and obey orders. His opinions on how these orders are to be executed exports for the month of May must be strictly subordinated to a They are: First, that the exports of the higher executive authority. What eleven months ending May 31 are larger than those of any complete fiscal year in the history of the country; second, that should be thought of Admiral Sampson if, on the eve of his sailing for Cuban the exports for eleven months are more waters, he had assembled his men and in double the amount of imports for given them to understand that, althat time; third, the expertation of manufactures in greater than ever before, despite the fact that the amportation of though he obeyed the orders as they were given to him and would do so in manufactures ir cantime had been greatly future, he disagreed with the policy of the administration which he voluntur-

The total exportation of the eleven months ending with May 21 amounts to \$1,15,485.618, thus making it apparent that the expertations for the full fiscal year will average more than \$100,000,000 per month, a thing heretofore unknown, while imports for the year will be, with a single exception, less than in any year duce 1879. The exports for the year will be greater per capita than at any time-duce 1881 and the imports less per capita. May exportations are phenomenui, being \$110,253,296 against a monthly average of less than \$67,900,000 in May from 1800 to 1808. For the eleven months the exports exceed those of the corresponding months of last year by \$157,085,096 and the imports fall \$115,950,810 below

those of last year. The balance of trade to our favor in the fiscal year which ends with this mouth is likely to be more than double that of any preceding year. For the oleven months just ended it is \$571,889,657 and for the full year seems likely to excccd \$500,000,000, while the largest balance, in our favor prior to this time was that of 1807, \$288,262.144, the next highest being that of 1881 which was \$219.712.715. Since 1873 the balance of trade has been constantly in our favor except in 1875, 1883, 1885 and 1883, while prior to just time the balance was almost constantly against

graed in our favor no year has shown a turned in our favor no year has shown a balance haif as large as will the fiscal year 1895, the annual average during that time being but about one-fifth that which will be shown by the year just ending.

The following tables show the amount exportations last month, compared with the corresponding month of each year since 1800, also the total for eleven nonths of each year since 1809; Exports from the United States during to month of May for each year from 100

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1892	*******			963,359,51
1891	*******			826,886,07
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ON THE THRESHOLD.

From the Philadelphia Press, June 15. Five years ago, when President Har-rison urged the annexation of Hawali, it was an isolated get, needed for the de-fense of our own coast and the protection of our position on the Pacific, but it was nothing more. No man knew the future and no man imagined it. Five years have used. Today, when the house votes to ace again at Henolulu the flag which could never have been removed from there, the Hawaiian Islands are no longer a solitary outpost, they are the center of new island possessions, the beginning of a new supremacy and a new position on the Pacific. We take them because they are the threshold of the opening door in a new national career.

In five years all has changed. Our exports of manufactures were then \$15,000,000 a year. Today they are \$200,000,000. We were still fighting for our home market, for our iron and steel. We have invaded with our goods every market in the world. The Isthmus canal was proposed as a national luxury. None so blind but sees today it is a national necessity. Four battleships, two not then launched. coined on ample ravy of the line. All non-know teday than thrice this number s inadequate to the growing needs of a reat nation. The Hawaiian Islands were hen presenting the rash and astonishing iew of our flag flying 2,160 miles from ur shores. It flies in triumph now 6,000 illes away at Manila. Honolulu then vas to be our solitary coaling station in he North Pacific. Today we bridge the world's broadest ocean with a chain of ations, the Hawaiian Islands, the Caro ines, the Ladrenes, and the island empire the Philippines. Annexation theremed to anticipate a distant future Poday it is demanded without delay, in the country is to keep step with an adancing and enlarging present.

Events have cutstripped congress. The ation's needs have outrun the nation's gislature. The vote of the house today ut registers an accomplished fact. For month Honolulu has been used as a saling station. Unless it is our term ry this is a gross infraction of the new al rights of a weak and defenseless na-on. Fortunately, the vote of the house oday will register and legalize what has dready been done, and if further delay omes the flar must be raised at Hono tilu by executive order. No other courses now possible. With today's vote the nation enters on a new career. Our coal-ng stations must stretch across the Paeffe. Our navy must be equal to the needs of a first-class power. A canal across the Isthmus must unite the two ceans. A commercial marine must bring is near the world's markets. Into them e must enter with manufactured procts as well as raw materials. The island equisitions of the war are but the la dinning of a new career. The historic ion's footsteps on the threshold of ew destiny.

LITERARY NOTES.

Richard Harding Davis' first two War articles for Scribner's Magazine appear in the July number. They are "The First Shot of the War" and "The First Bomardment" (Matauzas), with snap shot of life on the flagship New York—Ensign floore, who fred the first shot to kill, "cleared for action," etc. Mr. Davis will write of the war for no other magazine. The Phancial Management of a War y Professor Henry U. Adams, is the tle of a timely reprint from the au-tor's "Public Debt," which is issued by

ror," is said to picture the adventures c an "Aristocrat" in the French revolu on. Some characters reappear who will e recognized by the many readers of M Gras' successful "Reds of the Midi-"The Terror" will be published imme The new book on "The Art of Taxlermy" about to be published by D. Ap-deton & Co. is by the well known author ty, John Rowley, the head of this de partment in the American Museum of

Satural History. A great many persons are framing the supplements printed in Leslie's Weekly from week to week, and hanging them up as characteristic war pictures of the times. The double-page portrait of Rear Admiral Sampson in last week's Leslie's was fine, but it is excelled by this week ouble-page supplement, picturing the streptd and gailant Commodore Schley s he stood on his flagship Messachuits, during the hombardment of Sanrated art as we have seen lately.

MUGWUMP DISTRUST.

From the New York Sun. The underlying cause of opposition to ational expansion is not the pretended evotion to our principles of government and desire to preserve them, but actually deep-scated distrust of them. "When we have shown that we can protect the rights of men within our own borders, say the opponents, "and that we can govern great cities like New York. Fhil-adelphia and Chicago, it will be time to consider whether we can wisely having to become our subjects and accept our rule, or our fellow citizens and to take part in governing us. That feeling of distrust of popular government is at the real root of all this opposition to national extension wherever it exists. It proceeds on the assumption that we have nothing in our political institutions worth extending. It is that the American people are incapable of self-government. have expanded our territory strendy un-til it is of nearly five times the area with which this republic began, and have milt up the great and rich power Amerca now is, carrying along with our acquisitions and our corquests invariable and incomparable improvement and unequalled progress, yet these poor creatures declare that we are unfit for national growth because we are incapable of governing! The extension of the American system means the extension of liberty and self-government and the advancement of civilization wherever it caches, yet they defame our institution steal the rights of others!

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CORRECT.

From a Letter in the Sun. A nation that blows up a friendly batleship, attempts to poison the wells of our camp at Tampa, shoots a surgeon nutilates the bodies of the dead and res on a funeral will and ought to be wiped off the face of the earth.

MALD MILLER. Mand Miller in the summer's heat,

Raked the meadow thick with wheat, The Judge rode slowly down the lane, Smoothing his horse's chestnut mane.

With wheat at a dollar per," said he,

This maid is about the size for me.

Then he smiled at her and she blused at And over the meadow fence he clim. Will you marry me, sweet maid?" he And she told him yes, and they were wed. Atas for maiden, plas for Judge.

for old designer and wheat-field drudge.

Lord, pity them both and pity us all, For Mand didn't own the wheat at all. And the Judge remarked when he learned the cheat:

"Don't talk to me about dollar wheat!"

-San Francisco Argonaut.

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