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CARBONDALE.

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FIRST DAY OF WEDDED LIFE.

Michael Burnett and His Wife Encounter Difficulties.

Yesterday morning Michael Burnett Simpson, started down the valley for the purpose of taking unto himself a wife. He met his love at Pittston and proceeded to Wilkes-Barre, where they were married. When they alighted from the 6 o'clock train last even ing Constable Neary served a warrant on Burnett which had been issued at the instance of his sister, Mrs. Michael Snee. The warrant charged him with having attempted to defraud her out of a \$90 board bill. Burnett gave ball for his appearance before Alderman Jones this evening.

But his trouble had only commenced. When he reached Salem avenue he met Mr. Snee, his brother-in-law, who proceeded to pummel him to the extent of \$90 worth. The men were separated before much damage had been done.

Thus far the bride had contented herself by offering sympathy, but at this stage of the game she concluded to become more actively engaged in her "hubby's" defense. She did not engage in the fisticuffs, but went to nolds, of this place. Alderman Jones after a warrant for the arrest of Snee.

Mr. and Mrs. Burnett will go to housekeeping at Simpson at once.

THAT BASE BALL SCHEDULE.

Several Games Arranged for the Carnival at Alumni Park.

Inclement weather has interfered with the base ball carnival proposed for this week at Alumni park. However games have been arranged with the local team as follows: Friday, Archbald; Saturday, Jessup; Monday, Eurekas, of Providence; Tuesday, Honesdale

Good sport is promised and the cranks of old should demonstrate that love of the national game has not en tirely died out in this city. O'Gara, Cleary, of Olyphant, and a second baseman from Bloomsburg will play with the Carbondale team.

YESTERDAY AT FARVIEW.

The Methodist Sunday schools of Carbondale, Jermyn and Honesdale picnicked at Farview yesterday. Forty cars went up from this side and thirty from the other. The attendance was about 1,800. Among the diversions was a base ball game between the "crack' Honesdale team and High school club, of this city, in which the latter won by B score of 5 to 3.

LOCAL AND PERSONAL.

Drs. Burns, Wheeler, Gillis and Harper performed a surgical operation on Mrs. B. Mullady, of South Main street, yesterday. The patient's condition has been serious for some time and it is feared she may not recover.

George Gillis has resigned his posttion with R. S. Lewsley, He has again been placed on the reportorial staff of the Leader. Homer Van Gorder has taken the place made vacant by Mr. Gillis Dr. J. J. Thompson is entertaining

his sister, Miss Anna, of Rockaway,

Olyphant, have been visiting Mr. Wat- Northern Central express train shortly kins' brother, Rev. M. J. Watkins, of after 9 o'clock Sunday morning. The nen were great friends and were on this place Mr. and Mrs. John Connor have been

their way to Elmira to attend church entertaining friends from New York with their wives, each driving one the past two weeks. norse. On their way Collins got into The Delaware, Lackawanna and Western Railroad company closed the the Walsh carriage, while Mrs. Walsh rode with Mrs. Collins,

two crossings (one at the old depot The men drove anead and while crossing the track a short distance below hotel and one near the house of Abram Wrigley) last Tuesday, the new road Southport were struck by the engine of express train No 9, north bound. Both having been opened on Monday. A special train conveying a regiment were terribly injured and died instantof regular army soldiers passed through ly. The ladies were coming down a hill

here, going south, last Monday afterjust behind and witnessed the whole affair. The crossing is a particularly William Bean, advance agent for dangerous one, a whole family by the

Crandall & Randall's "Uncle Tom's name of Elanchard having been killed Cabin" show, was in town last Saturat the same spot by the same train day, billing the show to appear here in about a year ago. the Sisk opera house on Tuesday even-Collins was 55 years old and had been

ing, Aug. 23. employed by the railroad company 18 During the storm Tuesday afternoon years; his wife and three children surlightning struck the blacksmith shop of A. E. Bedell. The bolt entered the vive. wife and two children are left. oof and, passing down on the anvil The bogus priest who last week passwhere Mr. Bedell and two other men ed a forged check on an Elmira firm,

were working, entered the floor at their feet, without injuring them. will be remembered that Father Enfeet, without injuring them. The death of Mrs. J. F. Wilbur, at right, of Bernice, was arrested at Sayre the home of her daughter in Hopbot- on suspicion of being the swindler by tom, Saturday last, brings to our notice an over-zealous officer, and another the fact that she was once a resident genuine pricst was arrested later at of this place, the Rev. J. F. Wilbur Elmira. (her husband) being pastor of the The soldiers' and Sailors' encamp-

Methodist Episcopal church here some ment will open at Athens the 23rd of this month and the commander and Rev. and Mrs. George Smith, of those having it in charge have spared Kutztown, Pa., have been spending a no pains in making every preparation week in town. Owing to the sudden possible tending toward the comfort and enjoyment of the old soldiers and illness of their two-year-old daughter, who accompanied them, they left for their families. Men of prominence their home Tuesday morning. Mrs. Smith was formerly Miss Mame Reyhave been engaged to speak each day and also at the camp fires which will be kindled during the evenings. There M. J. Watkins and family are will be ballon ascensions, parachute occupying the Reynolds cottage at Lake Sheridan this week. drops, moving and living pictures, grand display of fire works, bicycle Red Jacket lodge, I. O. O. F., has races, flag drills, military drills, guard extended a cordial invitation to Paumounts, dress parades, reviews, sham ona Rebekah lodge to join them at battles, artillery practice and in fact one continuous round of attractions for Today is Grangers' day, and the day the entire four days. It will undoubt-

iouseboats going down stream. Sher-

F. M. Higgins, until August 1st the

ecoprietor of the Towanda-Canton

dage route, has become representative

of the Prudential insurance company

in Towanda and along the Bernice

JERMYN AND MAYFIELD.

The marriage of Miss Mary Shields.

wanda and Dushore.

Walsh was 34 years old and his

above all others when you can meet edly be the greatest encampment ever about five thousand of your country held in this section of the country. cousins and aunts at Lake Carey. Red The illegal fishermen are busy just at lemonade, peanuts and watermelon will present building eel racks in the river vanish there like a cake of ice under n defiance of the game laws. A large Cuban sun, and the girl that don't one has just been completed a short have a fellow, and a new pink dress distance below towr. The operators of trimmed with nice white lace, will not these concerns besides violating the think life is worth living. game laws are guilty of obstructing a public highway, a wing dam being dungerous to small boats or even large

iff Fell will undoubtedly pay a visit to Our Enterprising Borough Hose Comhese gentry. Miss Julia Powell is home from

News.

Paul S. Millspaugh, division passenger agent of the Lehigh Valley was in Towarda Monday making arrange-The growth of Taylor during the past wo or three years has been encouragments with the firemen for a special ing. During this time three new inrain and rates to the convention at dustries have located here. Business Wellsboro next month. men of Scranton wishing to locate their Dr. B. Rush Jackson, of Johnstown homes so as to avoid the noise and N. Y., accompanied by his daughter, bustle of city will find Taylor a most Mrs. Dean, is visiting friends in To-

delightful locality. There are a large number of handsome residences in erection and some more are to follow. The picnic held by the Taylor Hose company No. 1 at Weber's park on Tuesday evening was well patronized. The boys, headed by the Taylor Silver

branch, and entered upon his new dutcornet band, paraded the principal es this morning. streets during the afternoon. John P. Thomas is a candidate for delegate from the Third ward to the Third legislative convention.

David T. Jones, of the First ward, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James Shields, of Third street, and Mr. George announces his candidacy for delegate to the Third legislative district conven-E. Merritt took place in St. James Episcopal church yesterday morning at 9 o'clock. Many friends of the happy Mrs. Nicholas Eagan, of Hyde Park,

was the guest of her parents, Mr. and couple were present. The chancel was Mrs. Thomas Pendergast, of Depot nicely decorated with cut flowers and street, yesterday. potted plants. The bride, who was Sergeant John H. Thomas, of Com-

unattended, wore a pretty dress of pany C. Ninth regiment, who has been brown satin rhodame. After the cereon a furlough with his parents in

DRAMATIC CAREER OF **GENERAL AGUINALDO**

THE LEADER OF THE PHILIP-PINE INSURGENTS.

SOMETHING ABOUT THE ORIGIN AND RISE OF THE MAN WHO HAS CAUSED SPAIN AND MAY YET CAUSE US A LOT OF TROU-BLE.

From tht Times-Herald.

In all but blood Aguinaldo is Spanish bred. He is, but for his love of free-

dom, a product of Spanish training, Spanish education, Spanish government. But for the Malay ferocity in his veins he is the child of Castille and Aragon. Spain really ought not repudiate him as bitterly as she does

Aguinaldo is not a Malay of the peninsula. His father was a native chief of the Philippines-an Orang Malayu, that is, a Malay with a literature, a religion, a culture of his own. In this

way he was distinguished from the Orang Beuna, the Malay of the soil, and the Orang-laut, the Malay of the sea. The chief had ambitions for his son. He gave him at a tender age to the Spanish priests of Luzon, with the injunction to educate him as best they knew. These men were only too glad to take the boy. They were Spanlards and he a Malay. The Spanish population of the Philippines was as a shadow of a nipa palm by the shade of a mountain cliff when faced by the 6,000,000 or more Malay and Negritos of the island. Aguinaldo trained as Spain would train all true sons, foster or otherwise, would return to his people an apostle of the cause of Spain. His influence, the priests argued, would be tremendous, and must necessarily be exerted for the government which so beneficently educated him*out of aboriginal savagery

into that of culture and religion. TURNS INTO A SOLDIER.

So the lad (this being sixteen years ago) attended the local schools in and about Manila and then was sent to Madrid to qualify for the priesthood. There he learned many pious things, texts from old Latin books, the composition of the shell of religion, the difference between a saint and a captain general, and the ecclesiastical right of Spain to conquer all aboriginals by the sign of the cross and the "ping" of a Mauser,

This education was not without its value to him. He learned to differntiate. He was an Orang Malayu, with warm blood, a heart, an inner consciousness. In many little things and some great ones he was not as refined as we love to pride ourselves on being. A Malay is not an American nor an Englishman. He is, if the wise may be believed, an offshoot of the Mongolian; he has a racial history nearly 2,000 years old, he has conquered and been conquered, taken blood and given blood. Aguinaldo was and is of his kind. He surprised the ancient theological doctors of Madrid two years after his arrival there by declaring that he would not become a priest. He would become a soldier, and, oppose him as they did, his determination could not be altered. They took the novitate's gown from off his muscular frame and drafted him into one of the native regiments of Luzon. He was a subaltern in his native land, dominated by Spanish captains and field officers.

DISTRUSTS WHITE PEOPLE. It is not necessary to write that the

medicine which for ages she had given his people. In our civilization we do not approve of this, but Aguinaldo is not the graduate of an American college, nor the child of anything but a Malay father and Spanish institutions. He walks in his own light.

HIS BRAVING OF AUGUSTIN. Basillio Augustin Davila was the po-litical governor of the Philippine Is-lands at that time. Rivera was captain general. Augustin offered \$20,000 for the head of Aguinaldo. The answer he received to this tender was a note from the rabal tender was a note from the rebel leader himself: "I need the sum you offer very much

and will deliver the head myself." Augustin, who is pomposity itself, laughed. Ten days laten he met Aguin-

aldo. He paid him \$20,000, but did not receive his head. The time of the meeting was a stormy

night-a typhoon raging. Augustin sat in his palace engaged on a report of the condition of the island. A priest passed the sentinels at the entrance to the palace and undisturbed entered Augustin's room. He stopped just back of that official's chair with the words: "Peace be with you, my son." When Augustin, surprised, had turned his head the priest's mantle was dropped, and there stood Aguinaldo, in his hand a 20-inch bolo, the terrible knife of the Malay.

"I have brought the head of Aguin-aldo," said the rebel, thumbing the edge of his blade, "and I claim the reward. Hasten, else I shall have to expedite matters."

Augustin had no alternative. pened his desk and from it took \$20,000 in gold, which he gave to Aguinaldo, The latter in turn handed him a receipt, counted the money, walked back-ward to the door and bolted. A pistol bullet from the enraged Augustin cut the hair over a temple, but he escaped unscathed.

A short time after this daring feat Captain General Polavieja, about as wise a man as Augustin is, offered Aguinaldo and Alexandro \$200,000 each if they would leave Luzon forever. Each was to have a free pardon, also, for past offenses. The two accepted the offer, only to learn after they received the money that they were to be assassinated the following night at a festa. The next night came, but the two men engaged to kill the insurgents were found dead in their beds with knives driven through their hearts, and attached to the handle of each was a bit of paper bearing the inscription: "Beware of the Malay's vengeance. Polavieja resigned and returned to Spain and, Rivera going as well, Au-gustin became the captain general of the islands. He made no headway in the effort to subdue Aguinaldo. The revolt of the natives was growing every day, when the victory of Dewey forever ended Spanish power at Manila and made it possible for the insurgents to once more be rulers of their own land

Many reasons exist for thinking that England was anxious that the Philippines should pass from Spanish control even before Dewey came. When Aguinaldo first revolted his followers were without arms. He subsequently armed a portion of them from the bodies of the Spanish soldiery whom they overcame with the bolo. But myster-jous vessels came out of the sea bearing other arms and ammunition, and these were surreptitiously delivered to the insurgents without anyone discovering whence they came. English commercial interests have always been suspected of having provided these supplies, but Spain has never been able to DECLARATION OF PRINCIPLES.

In Washington, whatever be the outcome of the advantage this country now has at Manila, there is a most kindly feeling for Aguinaldo



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That's the question everybody is asking nowadays---for most people take a trip of some kind. It's to these that this story is written. We've things here that they'll need to take with them---and we've the things to put them in. The items advertised are at a third less than you'll pay for them in other stores---a fact which we positively guarantee.

m Special Sale of Trunks.

We've more Trunks for you to choose from here than in all the other stores in the city. Fact ! And we're selling a pile of 'em. Here is a Trunk chance that you can't afford to miss :

Canvas covered-extra strong and serviceable quality; cleated slats, iron bound and solid sheet irou bottom; two trays; all finely finished.

28 inch	\$4.45	30 inch,	\$4.70
32 inch	\$4.95	34 inch,	\$5.40

Special Sale of Satchels.

Same story applies to Satchels as to Trunks-only a new lot of them came in yesterday, which this story mostly concerns.

They're of imitation alligator, very pretty finish, lined with fancy colored canvas, heavy pockets on sides; trimmings and fastenings are of solid brass.

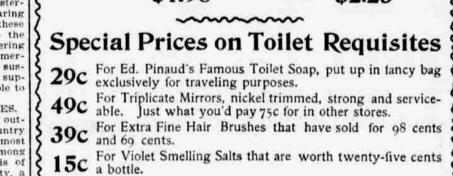


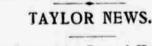
18 inch, \$1.09

The same as the above, only leather lined, and extra finely finished:

14 inch. \$1.48 16 inch, \$1.69 18 inch, \$1.98

Then there are about twenty-five DRESS SUIT CASES. olive color, with solid brass trimmings, extra strong, to go at 22 inch, \$1.98 24 inch, \$2.25





picnic on Sept. 1.

thirty-five years ago.

Rev.

pany Picnic a Success-Personal Washington for her summer vacation.

Mrs. H. A. Purple and son and Miss May Bronnell are spending the week at Crystal lake and Dundaff. Melvin Tappan is sojourning at the terday.

Lake House. An informal dance is being arranged

for Friday evening at Burke's hall. Captain George L. Kilborn, customs officer, of Brooklyn, N. Y., is being entertained by Mr. and Mrs. C. F. Rose, of Spring street.

Mrs. A. S. Lewsley is visiting her sister, Mrs. W. H. Crocker, of Green Ridge

Dr. D. L. Bailey fished last night at Windsor,

Today is the day of the Crescent's excursion to Jefferson park. "A Boy Wanted" will be at the opera house tonight.

FACTORYVILLE.

The Delaware, Lackawanna and Western railroad has instructed its trainmen, when they call out the name of a station hereafter, to add, "and don't forget your parcels."

Tomorrow the majority of our inhabitants will take in the grangers' picnic at Lake Carey.

Charles Hunt took his Sunday school class over to the Susquehanna river for a day's outing, last Tuesday. They Vorn's hall. camped out on the river bank in tents Tuesday night and Wednesday the day was spent principally in fishing. Wednesday evening the return trip was made, and the entire trip was enjoyed very much, and every member of the class feels very grateful for having

such a generous teacher. A class of the Baptist Sunday school picnicked in Gardner's grove on Tues-

Mrs. George Snyder, of Nicholson, was visiting relatives here yesterday.

Miss Catheryn Stark is at her former home, near East Lemon, for a few days. Mr. Hallie Reynolds, while adjusting a circular saw last Monday, accident-

ally injured his sand but fortunately did not lose any of his fingers.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Watkins, of



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this place, left to rejoin his regiment at Camp Thomas, Chickamauga, yes-Taylor Castle No. 267, Knights of the

Golden Eagle, will meet this evening in Reese's hall. Misses Annie Tidd and Lydie Speer

re sojourning at Lake Winola. Mrs. B. F. Taylor, who has been on a visit from Maryland with her sister, Mrs. W. J. Richards, of this place, has returned. She will stop for a short stay with relatives in Binghamton. Mrs. M. J. Lloyd, of Priceburg, is vis-

iting her mother, Mrs. Robert Llewelyn, of Union street. Mr. George Harris, of Hyde Park, was a Taylor visitor yesterday.

Miss Ethel Browning, of Nicholson visiting relatives in this place.

John Sage, of the First ward, is ; candidate for delegate to the Third egislative district convention. Miss Ethel Musleman, of Ransom, is the guest of Miss Grace Lowry, of

North Taylor. Thomas Gannon, of Jermyn, was a business visitor in this place yesterday.

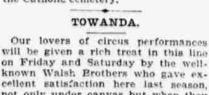
Lackawanna Valley council, No. 81 Junior Order United American Mechanics, will meet this evening in Van The Misses Bertha and Gertrude

Reese are rusticating at Lake Winola for the past few days. Mrs. Jenkin Harris, of Scranton, was

the guest of friends in this place on Tuesday. Elmer T. Daniels, marriage license lerk of Scranton, and Owen Watkins left Monday for a ten days' vacation at Atlantic city.

Oliver M. Williams is slowly recovering from his recent sickness

The funeral of the late Dennis O'Len ahan, whose death occurred on Tuesday, took place from his late home in the Archbald yesterday afternoon. The Griffin post, Grand Army of the Republic, attended in a body. A requiem mass was celebrated in the Hyde Park Catholic church. Burial was made in the Catholic cemetery.



not only under canvas but when they gave a play by a minstrel organization last winter, this new year they have many new features in acrobatic, trapeze, horse riding and numerous other amusing feats. The company also are especially mentioned as having the best clown performers on the road. The show is clean and up to date in every part and always has an A1 manage ment. Their price is 10 cents to the main performance which is given afternoon and evening, and wherever Walsh Brothers' circus visits they are assured of a large crowd, and of giving general satisfaction, which is the rea-

son for their return date with us. The Eclat orchestra furnished music for a picnic at Dushore, Tuesday. The picnic and dance on the parachini schoool grounds was largely attended Monday evening. Music was furnished by the Germania band and Eclat orchestra. Grand jury meets next Monday.

Prof. Hartline has just returned from Patrick Collins and Jacob Walsh. both residents of Fassett, this county, were struck and instantly killed by a ties.

mony the young couple drove to the bride's home, where a sumptuous lunch was served. Only immediate friends and relatives were present.

Mrs. Hemilright, of Second street, returned last evening from Ocean Grove. The incandescent lights were turned on last evening. One boiler having been gotten in operation. It will be some time yet before the arc lights will be in operation. The Delaware and Hudson colliery

was idle yesterday on account of the annual excursion to Farview of the Methodist Episcopal Sunday school. Mrs. Eugene Smith, whose husband, Sergeant Smith, is away with the Thirteenth regiment, is seriously ill.

ARCHBALD.

On Monday next St. Thomas' congre gation will hold their annual excursion o Farview. Elaborate preparations have been made for a celebration of the day. There will be many forms of amusement and many things of inter-

st to make the occasion one of delight. A first class cateror has been engaged and it will be possible to get a good meal at a reasonable sum. The annual excursions of St. Thomas' congregation have always been enjoyable and this will be fully up to the standard.

BLOOMSBURG NORMAL SCHOOL.

When the students return to the Normal school in September, says the Bloomsburg Daily, they will be greatly surprised at the many changes that are being wrought in different parts of the building. The manual training

Department they will find moved into three large rooms now being prepared ground floor of the Model n the school building. The first room will be occupied by the benches, the second by the machinery and the third will be used as a store room for stock. A contract for a new boiler house has just been let. The bollers are to be removed from the basement of Institute

Hall and placed in a new building to e erected on Penn street, just outside of the Athletic field. The plan also includes an addition of a new block at each end of the

building, one on the west to be used for the Model School, and one on the east for the Music Department. The entire front of the building is to be changed in appearance. Instead of the old belfry, there will be a handsome tower.

The wedding of Miss Stamp, teacher of music, and Prof. Sutliff, who returns to his old position in the Department of Mathematics after two years' ab sence, will take place on Wednesday

of this week at Stouchsburg, Pa. Miss Merte E. Beese, who was at the head of the Music Department, was recently married to Dr. West of Chicago. Her place has been filled by the election of Miss Rubina Ravi, although Miss Ravi is a native of Italy, she has been living for many years in this country, and received her college edu-

ation and also her musical education in this country. An improvement which will be highly appreciated by the students is the widening of the entrance to the Auditorium, which will greatly facilitate the passing in and out of that

a study of the terminal moraine in Columbia, Luzerne and Sullivan coun-

ife of Spanish soldiers and officers in the Philippines has been but little different from what it was in Florida two centuries ago or in Mexico. Dead women cannot speak, tortured children become dumb, the lash of thieving, rascally taxgatherers breeds silence but cannot extinguish thought. Malay independence in the Philippines has been a dream with the Orang Malavu for generations. Aguinaldo, serving quietly as a minor officer in the Spanish ranks, had his dreams. His superiors were plunderers of their own govern-The Malay paid the taxes, the ment. resident officials stole one-third of these and two-thirds were sent to Madrid.

How could Aguinaldo respect the governors? The clergy received tithes from the Malay, but the church and the altar were for the Spaniard.

Aguinaldo, aboriginal and partially ivilized man, was not blind. He is rom all accounts a man of taciturn, undemonstrative disposition, not given to outward manifestations of joy or gium. prrow, extremely courteous to all men kind to women, children and animals He is slow and deliberate of speech, never elated or depressed, impassive, and, save in times such as these, indolent. Processes of thought were and are slow with him. He is not trustful of the white races and has no reason to be, something students of him and his people are apt to overlook. Russia, England, Germany, Spain, have given the races of Asia little cause to belleve in a Christian's God or a Christian's word. Of modern civilized nations the United States is the one,alone, which has never broken faith with the Asiatic nations nor plundered for conquest's sake.

BEGINNING OF THE REVOLT. All this Aguinaldo knew ten years ago. He knew it when in 1896, then 24 cars of age, he organized in the native troops of the Philippine Islands the revolt against Spain. His associate in this was Lieutenant Alexandro, brother Malay. Most characteristic was the way in which they announced their secession from the flag of Spain. Americans shudder over the details, but they are no more terrible than Captain Jack's destruction of Canby or the fall of Custer. Both of these last tragedles

were legitimate outgrowths of brutality and oppression on the part of the dominant race. Aguinaldo's regiment one bright

morning shot down on the parade ground every Spanish officer in command, save a few insignificant lieuants. Then the robels hid in the savannas-swamps and trackless prai-ries. Aguinaldo established a headquarters, organized 4,000 or 5,000 natives into regiments, planned raids on rich settlements, and inaugurated for Spanish residents a reign of terror, He had seen the ears of his own people cut off by Christian Spaniards; in turn, he chopped off Spanish heads. He had seen the priests bless Spanish murderers (in soldier garb), and he assassinated the priests. He gave to Spain the

NERVE AND BRAIN TREATMENT BEFORE or by mail. AFTER

those familiar with Luzon. He is of a race capable of frightful ferocity, a race which, when stirred to excitement, runs "amuk," a people fond of gambling, of head hunting. The race is predestined to be dominated by the English-speaking people of England and America, but until that time comes, until the baleful influence of the Latin races is fully removed, it is well to remember the words of this man spoke last June at Cavite:

"I am of and for my people. This land, the water upon it, the sky above the forest and all within, the mountain and that upon it, is ours. We do not ask the men from afar (Spain) to come to us. We are content with ourselves."

FLEMISH WINS A VICTORY.

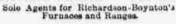
End of a Long Struggle for the Recognition of the Language in Bel-

By the national census of 1890 in Belgium there were a that time 2,744,-271 inhabitants speaking the Flemish language, and that language only There were 2,485,072 inhabitants of Belgium who spoke only the French language. There were 700,997 inhabitants who spoke both French and Flemish, 2.206 inhabitants who spoke German only, 58,580 inhabitants who spoke French and German, 7,028 inhabitants who spoke Flemish and German. 36, 185 who spoke Flemish, French and German, and 4,972 who did not speak any of the three. The last were presumably foreigners, though the number of foreigners in Belgium has never been large, despite the country's close proximity to England, France and Germany and its close business relations with the first. The Flemish inhabitants of Belgium, who, while not numbering so many as all the other inhabitants combined, are the largest element of the population, have for a number of years been protesting against what they consider the discrimination against them in the acceptance of French as the official lan guage of Belgium. The royal family of Belguim is French; the capital, Brussels, is a city where French is generally spoken, and nearly all the public business of the country has been conducted in that language, without such recognition of Flemish as those who speak it think it is entitled to. There has, in consequence, been a long agitation for the recognition of Flemish, an agitation carried on under difficulties, for until a few years ago, Belgium had a limited suffrage and the Flemish inhabitants of the country, most numerous in the rural districts, have been generally outvoted by the Frenchspeaking residents of the large citles. The Flemish people possess many of the dogged characteristics which have been marked in their neighbors, the Dutch, and when, a few years ago, the suffrage was extended in Belgium, they deemed their opportunity for recognition to be at hand.

Recently, as a result of this long controversy, Flemings have at last forced the Belgian senate, reorganized under the amended national constitution of 1893, to give equal rights to their language. When the Belgian kingdom was created, many people predicted that France would ultimately annex Belgium. The increase of Teutonic prestige, coupled with the great annual increase of the Flemish popula-W m. G. Clarke, 326 Penn Ave., Scranton, Pat tion, has pushed the French element



240 Adams Ave., Opp. Court Houss, PRACTICAL TINNERS and PLUMBERS





and the French language from their former position. It is now proposed not to substitute Flemish for French as the official language of Belgium, but to accord Flemish a larger recognition

in court proceedings and in public announcements, publishing the latter in both languages. The Flemish inhabitants have been helped in their agitation by the fact that the city of Antwerp has still an extensive Flemish population and five newspapers published in that language. There are, in all Belgium, eighty newspapers pub-lished in the Flemish language and about twice as many published in French.



I. D. CRAWFORD,

Proprietor.

