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REPUBLICAN NOMINATIONS.

National. President—WILLIAM M. KINLEY. Vice-President—THEODORE ROOSEVELT. State. Congressmen at Large—GALFASHA A. GROW, ROBERT H. FORTMORER, Auditor General—E. B. HANDELBERGER.

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Legislative. First District—THOMAS J. REYNOLDS, Second District—JOHN SCHUBERT, JR., Third District—EDWARD JAMES, JR., Fourth District—P. A. PHILBIN.

If the Populists had accepted "militarism" is not an attempt to fetter the government in the Philippines and in China and an encouragement to disorder, what is it?

In a Glass House. Not being caused by monopolists or plutocrats, or held down by political bosses, the Times is free to voice its opinions on immigration, trusts, labor unions or any other matter that particularly affects the laboring people.

IT MAY BE much given to "voting its opinion," but previous little good its voice does to the honest workman in search of employment through the establishment in our valley of new shops, mills and factories.

With all of his alleged faults, it must be admitted that Mr. Brockway, late of the Elmira reformatory, realized that he was not superintending a Sunday school picnic.

A Miserable Confession. NO MATTER what opposition may exist in the ranks of the Democracy to free silver, the platform on which William Jennings Bryan is a candidate for the presidency distinctly declares:

"We reaffirm and endorse the principles of the National Democratic platform adopted at Chicago in 1896, and we reiterate the demand of that platform for an American financial system made by the American people for themselves, which shall restore and maintain a bimetallic price level and, as part of such system, the immediate restoration of the free and unlimited coinage of silver and gold at the present legal ratio of 16 to 1, without waiting for the aid or consent of any other nation."

The Scranton Times, whose editor helped to adopt this plank, says it does not mean anything, that the party if successful will repudiate it, that it was adopted merely as a sop to Mr. Bryan, who would not have been a candidate had it been omitted.

What assurance can he offer that this is true? Where are his guarantees? Does self-confessed bad faith in the making of a platform recommend to credence anything which the makers of it may say?

We repeat our question of yesterday: When before in the history of American politics did a great political party go before the people soliciting their suffrage from the expediency stated basis that one of its main platform declarations, the only one which involved any discussion or excited any public interest at the time of its adoption, does not mean what it says and was not intended to have any meaning at all?

Our fearful friends of the opposition may still hope, Canada also may have an anti-imperialist party.

Militarism and Pensions. FROM A PUBLISHED synopsis of the forthcoming report of the commissioner of pensions on July 1, a year ago, when the number of names on the roll was 591,519 there has been an increase of 5,019 pensions.

On July 1, 1900, the number of claims pending was 437,101, against 473,289 on July 1, 1899. During the year 46,645 names were added to the rolls and 4,699 restored. Of these on the rolls July 1, 1899, 43,234 were dropped because of death, 969 by remarriage of pensions, and 6,616 for other causes.

During the past six years 260,737 names were dropped from the rolls, 193,614 because of deaths. The number dropped this year because of death is 14,200 less than estimated.

In the current discussion of political topics "militarism" is assailed because of its cost and pensions are pointed out as the most expensive and burdensome of the legacies of war.

That they are expensive in the aggregate is undeniable, but that they are burdensome is not established. No citizen is conscious of any increase of taxes because of the pensions growing out of the war with Spain.

Compared with the pension list arising from the Civil war the pensions originating within the past two years are so small as to be imperceptible from the standpoint of the ordinary citizen and the new names entered do not approximate the lapses of the old.

This, of course, would warrant the solicitation of war for the fun of the thing nor excuse irregularities in the disbursement of pension funds, but it does away with any possible merit in the Democratic argument. For even the opponents of "militarism" admit the justice of pensioning the injured surviving soldiers or the dependents of soldiers killed while in active and loyal service.

In the same breath that they attack the idea of the United States having a trained regular army adequate to its needs they condemn the administration for not having fallen out with England because of the Boers and take to themselves the credit for having forced the country into the war with Spain, at the cost of which they are now grumbling. In other words, they are simply finding fault for partisan effect.

Speaking of the New York Journal's article concerning the cost of the war department this year, an ad prominently re-echoed by the local mouthpiece of Bryanism, the Chicago Times-Herald remarks: "More than half of the \$114,229,055.35 appropriated for the current fiscal year can be charged to the unprovoked and unnecessary conflict in the Philippines, where the insurgents are encouraged and kept in the field by the politicians and party who are yelling 'Imperialism' and 'Militarism' at home."

Republican League of Clubs. THE ANNUAL convention of the Pennsylvania league of Republican clubs will be held in Philadelphia on Monday and Tuesday, Sept. 17 and 18. On the evening of Sept. 17 a mass meeting will be held in the Academy of Music which will be addressed by Colonel Roosevelt, Senator Depew and Representative Doolittle.

On the evening of Sept. 18 the Philadelphia clubs will give a banquet to the delegates at Belmont Mansion. The convention will take action on three proposed amendments, one providing for biennial instead of annual conventions, one abolishing the levying of assessments on clubs and one providing that the league shall not endorse any candidate for office who is not regularly nominated by a Republican convention.

Princess Troubetsky, formerly Amelia Rivers, the authoress, is again suffering from nervous prostration brought on by her last novel. People who have kept track of the literary efforts of the princess will not be surprised.

The Alaska boundary and the indemnity due the United States from the Sultan of Turkey are subjects that appear to have passed entirely out of the minds of most of the heavy editorial writers.

A good many political and other agitators these days seem to be unable to draw the line between free speech and reasonable yawn.

The Seventy-first regiment controversy, which has been revived in New York, bids fair to become as warm as the affair at San Juan Hill.

The messenger boy who found President Kruger is about due for a magazine article.

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Balance Sheet Contrasting National Conditions Under Democratic and Under Republican Administration.

The last Democratic administration wrought disaster and distress. McKinley, Protection and the Gold Standard voted and built up on the rolls of the nation. Will he exchange prosperity for need? Surely not, if he reads the record of the last four years in comparison with the condition of the country at the end of the Cleveland regime. It is a startling contrast, and the lesson which it teaches is one, that most appeal to every citizen who prefers certain prosperity to probable adversity.

Table with 4 columns: Item, 1898-99, 1899-1900, Increase, 1900-99. Includes Area P. R. territory, Pop. 1898, Business failures, Nonferrous metal products, Exports manufacturers, Exports of coal, Imports, Gross exports, Railroad employees, Railroad earnings, Railroad fares, Railroad mail, Wholesale and retail trade, Railroad receipts, Railroad investments, Railroad operating expenses, Railroad operating income, Railroad operating expenses, Railroad operating income, Railroad operating expenses, Railroad operating income, Railroad operating expenses, Railroad operating income.

The Pennsylvania league this year should recognize these truths and avoid itself of the opportunity to widen and enlarge.

In spite of the efforts of yellow Democratic organs to convince the people that a deadly feud exists among the Republican leaders, it is noticed that Governor Roosevelt, Senator Hanna and their associates continue to speak as they pass by.

New Orleans is in danger of another disturbance over the settlement of the question as to who killed Robert Charles, the negro desperado. The reward of \$600 offered for the disposal of Charles is claimed by two men, and



YOU LONG, MILITARY CHIEF OF THE BOXERS.

must be considered independent, but that we did not want them. The consequences of this policy was that weak government there involved us in foreign complications. We were finally compelled to take the islands, and even just before annexation we had some trouble with Japan over the question of immigration. If we were going to hold ourselves responsible in foreign affairs for the acts of Hawaiian officials, it was only reasonable for us to have something to say about their selection. It is safe to say that these islands will give us no more trouble. The people after this experience will hardly wish the Philippine islands to be placed in the same position."

Here is General Greaves's first guess as to this year's vote:

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A literary man, used to the niceties of expression and fond also of the pleasures of the table, in speaking of

says: "I couldn't recommend this remedy as heartily as I do if I didn't believe in it. I am not much of a medicine taker. I am opposed to medicine on principle. There ought to be no need of medicine—just as there ought to be no poverty—but there is. If people lived right they would be well. Sunshine, air, exercise, fun, good food—plenty and not too much—are the best medicines, the natural ones; but men are tied to their desks, and women to their home cares, and both are tied to fashion. Civilized existence is artificial and needs artificial remedies. I recommend Ripans Tabules—and take them myself. I know they are both harmless and effective. (I know what they are made of.) They are the best remedy I know anything about for headaches, or indigestion, or biliousness, or any sort of sluggishness in the system. And they are in the hands of the handiest possible shape to carry in the pocket."