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TEN PAGES. SCRANTON, SEPTEMBER 15, 1900. REPUBLICAN NOMINATIONS.

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Legislature. First District-THOMAS J. REYNOLDS. Second District-JOHN SCHEUER, JR.

Third District-EDWARD JAMES, JR. Fourth District-A. PHILBIN.

End of the African War. RECENT DESPATCHES from South Africa indicate that the Boer war is virtually at an end.

The South African war, which recently, on account of the Chinese crisis, has to a certain extent been obscured in press reports, has upon the whole been interesting.

The contest has demonstrated that small bodies of comparatively unorganized troops armed with modern implements of war and introduced in advantageous positions can inflict terrible punishment upon invading hosts.

The fact that Li Hung Chang desires an American armed escort whenever he travels in China is apt to arouse suspicion as to his ability to carry out his promise to keep order in the flowery kingdom.

Fool Hypnotism. A YOUNG MAN in Richmond, Va., has been seized with a desire to shine as a hypnotist.

It was all on account of a little vengeance the other evening when a young man of frail physique was the subject.

The indiscriminate use of the hypnotic influence should be restrained by law. People are had enough and weak enough when managed by their own impulses.

Nearing the Pole. INTELLIGENCE of the safe return of the latest Polar expedition under direction of the Duke of Abruzzi is included among the important topics of the day.

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who cures boys of cigarette smoking and the drink habit is using his powers to some good effect, but as a rule the amateur hypnotist simply makes fools of his subjects and with no other purpose than to show them up in a ridiculous light before the public gaze.

Mr. Bryan's penchant for quoting from Lincoln seems a strange disregard for the feelings of the old-time Democrats.

The Real Contention.

W OULD NOT our adversaries have sent Dewey's fleet to Manila to capture and destroy the Spanish sea power there, or dispatching it there, would they have withdrawn it after the destruction of the Spanish fleet; and if the latter, whither would they have directed it to sail? Where could it have gone? What part in the Orient was open to it? Do our adversaries condemn the expedition under the command of General Merritt to strengthen Dewey in the distant ocean and assist in our triumph over Spain, with which nation we were at war? Was it not our highest duty to strike Spain at every vulnerable point that the war might be successfully concluded at the earliest practical moment?

And was it not our duty to protect the lives and property of those who came within our control by the fortunes of war? Could we have come away at any time between May 1, 1898, and the conclusion of peace without a stain upon our good name? Could we have come away without dishonor at any time after the ratification of the peace treaty by the senate of the United States?

There has been no time since the destruction of the enemy's fleet when we could or should have left the Philippine archipelago. After the treaty of peace was ratified no power but congress could surrender our sovereignty or alienate a foot of the territory thus acquired.

There seems to be no disposition on the part of Democracy this year to solicit the service of "Colon" Harvey in a return engagement.

Loan Associations. THE DISASTER that has overtaken another building and loan association, says the Pittsburgh Times, will have the unfortunate tendency to cast a doubt over the trustworthiness of the institutions generally.

The managers of these associations must confine themselves to the business of loaning money on the ample security of good mortgages if they expect to be successful.

The laborers of the political forecast man are liable to be more arduous the next few weeks than those of the weather prophet.

Vertical Penmanship. WE HAVE received from D. C. Heath & Co. an interesting pamphlet in defense of the vertical system of writing.

Our opinion is not likely to have any influence upon the battle now waging among excitable pedagogues for and against simplified penmanship; but the test of every day experience fully sustains those who prefer the vertical to the old-fashioned Spencerian slant kind of writing.

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not farther than Dr. Hansen by method quite unlike the latter's system to throw no new light on polar exploration, but the announcement that accurate observations have been pushed to a point nineteen miles nearer what we call the north pole than has hitherto been reached will thrill human imagination the world over.

Two hundred and seven more miles remain to be traversed before the mystic spot is reached which Henry Hudson started for three centuries ago. In that period human ingenuity and daring have penetrated about three hundred miles farther than he was able to go.

"Neither in the Philippines nor elsewhere will the cause of human liberty look for its champion to a party whose only hope of obtaining power lies in the suppression of human rights and in an organized conspiracy to nullify the guarantees with which the constitution endeavors to surround the citizen.

Democratic leaders evidently dare not risk an inquiry as to the opinion of Grover Cleveland on Bryanism this year.

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there is a majority of only one. An instance occurred at the last election in the Eleventh ward of Utica, N. Y. There was a majority of one vote. These were the figures-433-432.

"I would to God that the truth of this whole Philippine situation could be known to every one in America as I know it. If the real history, unpermeated by the mists of this insurrection, and the influences, local and external, that now encourage the enemy, as well as the actual possibilities of these islands and peoples and their relations to this great East, could be understood at home, we would hear no more talk of unjust 'shooting government' into the Philippines, or of hauling down our flag in the Philippines. If the so-called anti-imperialists would honestly ascertain the truth on the ground and not in distant America, they would believe, to the honest man and misinformed, would be convinced of the error of their statements and conclusions and of the unfortunate effect of their publications here. If I am shot by a Filipino bullet, it might as well come from one of my own men, because I know from observations confirmed by captured prisoners that the continuance of fighting is chiefly due to reports that are sent out from America."

IF BRYAN IS ELECTED.

From the Philadelphia Press.

1. The house will be Democratic, if Bryan is elected. In thirty years no president has been elected without a house of the same political complexion, save when Hayes was chosen in 1876.

2. The senate will be silver Democratic and Populist, if Bryan is elected. In no way can any one, as we have repeatedly shown, reckon on a majority in the senate, unless he has a Populist-Democratic majority in the senate out of the doubtful states, and through Silver Republicans silver will be two votes stronger in the senate than Bryan's party, Bryan will have the senate.

3. If elected, Bryan has pledged himself to call an extra session, Nov. 7, 1900. Therefore, every business interest in the country will face a Populist-Democratic majority, house and senate in extra session. Business will stop until the session is over. What will this work be if Bryan is elected?

4. The Philippines will be surrendered, endangering our position in the East, but this is only a "straw man" if the government is established by the United States, whether the Philippines want it or not. The country will have all the evils of "settling" and none of the advantages of such a settlement.

5. The gold standard law will be repealed and free silver coinage ordered. Both parties and platforms are pledged to this, and so to Mr. Bryan. Mr. Bryan's party stand toward free silver exactly where President McKinley and his party stood toward protection four years ago. Whatever issue may be conspicuous in 1901, if Bryan is elected, as protection did in 1897, when McKinley was elected.

6. The gold standard law is not directly repealed. Holding president, probably Mr. Altgeld, has only to do two things-order silver paid out where gold is not required by law and order the gold bonds to be bought at the market standard, and both he could legally do-to being in the silver basis, if Bryan is elected.

7. In his Toledo speech Mr. Bryan attacked the bank and planted himself on the Populist platform, favoring the substitution of the national bank currency by greenbacks. "The final question, at this time," said Mr. Bryan at Toledo, "is a paper money, is whether the bank or the government shall issue it." With protection, senate and house favoring a government issue, an irredeemable paper currency would be added to unimpaired silver coinage, if Bryan is elected.

8. Both parties demand a free trade tariff. This would be passed, if Bryan is elected, exactly a protective tariff was passed in 1897.

9. No free trade tariff can give sufficient revenue. Without the deficit 1890 to 1897. An income tax would be indispensable to meet expenses, if Bryan is elected.

10. An income tax requires a remodeling of the Supreme court. The court next year will have one member 74 years of age, two members 69 and 66, and one 62. Either President Bryan's appointments will remodel the court or a statute can add two members, reversing the income tax decision. Holding president, senate and house, any change can be made in the Supreme court, if Bryan is elected.

11. Pledged by both platforms not to use the army to suppress dissent, in the latter strifes certain to follow the panic, depression and disaster these things would bring, our great cities and their peace, order, property and property would be where Chicago would have been if Cleveland and Olney had not acted in 1893. Moreover, the Supreme court, as it would be changed if Bryan is elected, would reverse its first decision.

These are the pledges and logical results, if Bryan is elected. We commend them to every man who values the honor and prosperity of his country or his own children to enjoy a honest living. They mean ruin for the whole land and for every man's job.

HIGH-WATER CIRCULATION PER CAPITA.

From the Chicago Times-Herald.

and incidentally remarks that on Sept. 1 last it was \$30.85.

Mr. McKinley had no many other things to say in his letter that he could not pause to elaborate on the fact that this per capita, based upon an overestimated population of 75,000,000, marks the high water record of the money in circulation in the United States. We will supply a little table that will afford interesting reading for Mr. Bryan and the other prophets of evil who four years ago predicted a shrinkage in circulation if the gold standard prevailed.

Money in Circulation, Per Capita.

Table with columns: Year, Money in Circulation, Per Capita. Rows: 1870, 1875, 1880, 1885, 1890, 1895, 1900.

CURIOUS AGE CARD. Let any person under 45 years of age indicate all the columns in which his age is found. Add together the numbers at the head of these columns and the sum will be his age.

Table with columns: Age, A, B, C, D, E, F. Rows: 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 35, 36, 37, 38, 39, 40, 41, 42, 43, 44, 45.

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A gentleman from Brooklyn, employed by a great publishing house, had suffered for three years from dyspepsia and had it so badly that the doctor said his was a confirmed case.

He had not eaten a good dinner for three years before a passage over the Styx. He had died for years until his wife said he had nearly come down to drinking dead and eating rose leaves. Now it happened that one day he had a dinner invitation which he really wanted to accept and he was induced to make trial of Ripans Tablets, because he had seen their wonderful effect advertised so much.

He began three days in advance, taking one after each meal, then he went to the dinner and allowed himself full swing; but took two Tablets afterward. Next morning he found himself all right and very soon a lady neighbor was heard to ask his wife: "What have you been doing to your husband lately? He is looking fine!" He had not eaten a good dinner for three years before that night, but now his friendly relations with turkey he cultivates pie and, in fact, has a tendency to sample everything there is going.

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Tribune's Educational Contest

The Tribune is going to give scholarships and other special rewards to the ten persons who will be most successful and attain the highest number of points in its Educational Contest.

In addition to the ten special rewards, and in order to compensate those who may enter upon this work and not be successful in obtaining one of these, The Tribune will give to every one who succeeds in obtaining subscribers under the terms of this contest ten (10) per cent. of all the money from subscriptions they may succeed in winning for it.

Special Rewards. 1. Scholarship in Wyoming Seminary (4 years) including tuition and board. \$1,000.

2. Scholarship in Bloomsburg State Normal School (3 years) including tuition and board. 600.

3. Solmer 5-B Piano, including stool and seat on exhibition at J. W. Goetzky's, 214 Washington Avenue. 450.

4. Course in Piano Instruction at Scranton Conservatory of Music. 75.

5. Columbia Bicycle, Claisen's 1900 model on exhibition at Central Bookery, 214 Wyoming Avenue. 75.

6. Scholarship in Scranton Business College, commercial course. 60.

7. Scholarship in Scranton Business College, shorthand course. 60.

8. Solid Gold Watch, lady's or gentleman's (on exhibition at Eugene Schlimpke, 417 Lackawanna Avenue). 20.

9. Tele-Photo Cycle Pico B. Cameron, 455 (on exhibition at the Griffin Art company, 229 Wyoming Avenue). 40.

10. Lady's Solid Gold Watch, or Gentleman's Solid Silver Watch (on exhibition at Eugene Schlimpke, 417 Lackawanna Avenue). 20.

Each contestant failing to secure one of these special rewards will be given ten (10) per cent. of all the money he or she turns in.

The contest will close promptly at 8 o'clock Saturday evening, September 29, 1900.

FINLEY'S Steamer Rugs AND Golf Suitings.

Our Fall line of the above have just been received, and your inspection of the same is cordially invited.

We are showing some handsome designs in qualities ranging from \$4.50 to \$15. Pa'd Back Golf Suitings. 54 and 60 inches wide, a beautiful assortment of new colorings, including many novelties not shown heretofore. We are making a special display of these this week. 510-512 LACKAWANNA AVENUE.