

BRYAN'S ARGUMENTS TORN INTO TATTERS

THE FALLACY OF THEM COMPLETELY EXPOSED.

President McKinley Not to Make Any Campaign Speeches—Contest for Control of Congress Close—Theatrical Men for McKinley—Hanna Challenged to a Joint Debate.

From the New York Sun.

New York, Sept. 23.—At Camp McKinley last night Charles A. Gardner, of the New York bar, answered one by one Mr. Bryan's arguments against the right of the United States to acquire and hold foreign territory as we are holding the Philippines. He showed that our title, which Bryan calls defective, is good by succession of discovery, by conquest, by purchase and by treaty; four recognized international services of acquisition, each sanctioned by our courts. No one contends that we "purchase the people," as Bryan puts it, or that they are "fixtures that pass with the soil." The sovereignty was lawfully transferred to us and by the treaty, international law, and the decision of our Supreme court, the Philippines now owe us allegiance. The right to govern follows the right to hold, as our Supreme court has decided, and congress holds this power. The form of the government, the court says, is in the discretion of congress although Mr. Bryan says we can establish no form at all without the consent of the governed. Alaska and the Indian Territory are and long have been ruled direct from Washington, although Mr. Bryan announces that to rule the Philippines thus is a violent abuse of the Constitution.

Bryan's contention that the United States have no power to maintain a colony to be ruled at their pleasure, or to enlarge the territorial limits of the nation, except by the admission of new states, rests for its authority solely on a declaration made as one step of the argument in Judge Taney's Dred Scott decision, which pronounced the Missouri compromise unconstitutional and Dred Scott a slave. The decision has never been judicially reiterated. It is either law or not law. If it is law the thirteenth, fourteenth and fifteenth amendments of the Constitution are not law, negro slavery can be maintained in all our territories and the negro has no rights which the white man is bound to respect. But the decision is not law and the declaration touching colonies is not law, and is historically inaccurate and futile.

Another Fallacy.

That "the Constitution follows the act" is a fallacy exposed in the Supreme court decisions touching the power of congress to create "all the political powers of the nation." The "inalienable rights" not guaranteed to the Philippines by our Constitution are secured to them by the unwritten laws of our civilization; by public opinion, "Colonial" rights, which any government of the Philippines without their consent is tyranny, would have applied to the Southern states that needed in 1861.

"If the Philippines to be a citizen or a subject," Bryan asks, "the Constitution answers that he is not a citizen and cannot be until congress specifically provides for it." "A republic can have no subjects!" exclaims Mr. Bryan. But he doesn't know. Every citizen of the United States is a subject. He owes it supreme allegiance as a citizen. So says the Supreme court. If citizens are subjects certainly the Philippines may be; and they are.

Mr. Gardner finally riddled the Democratic platform of independence for the Philippines with a series of pointed questions which would make us responsible for the misdoings of ten million semi-barbarous Tagals and Malays without power to interfere and would pledge us to defend them while they offended other nations at will. Mr. Gardner went on:

Wrong at Every Point.

The Democratic party is all wrong. It is wrong on acquisition, wrong on government, wrong on the operation of the constitution, wrong on the declaration of independence, wrong on the right of the United States to send soldiers, on immigration, on tariff, on fundamental and incontestable wrong on every expansion issue it contends for. In the background of the entire campaign are the figures of Jefferson and Jackson and Polk and Pierce—Democrats all, and uncompromising expansionists—who laid down the policy on the leaders of today for abandoning the party policy that added more territory than any other to the Democratic name; and they warn the Democrats that, as in the past, political death has overtaken every party that got in front of American expansion, so now the Democratic party which its head quibblers and avowed leaders will go down to destruction, if it persists in opposing the inevitable, inexorable territorial growth and expansion of 75,000,000 enlightened sovereigns.

MR. HANNA CHALLENGED.

Mr. Edmiston makes his desire known in a long communication which contains a list of thirty-four questions for Mr. Hanna to answer in public debate. Mr. Edmiston calls attention to the challenge of Mr. Hanna to W. J. Bryan, which was declined, and continues: "Now that you and myself are holding as we do similar positions as political representatives and campaign managers, I have, after due consideration, fully determined that it should be proper and right that I should challenge

STEWART KLAYS BRYAN. Says He Is a Demagogue of the First Water.

By Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press.

Chicago, Sept. 23.—Senator William M. Stewart, of Nevada, who supported Bryan four years ago, in a speech before the Commercial McKinley club, at 176 Market street, yesterday, gave the Democratic presidential candidate a merciless flaying. He said for such aid and comfort as Bryan was giving the rebels in the Philippines, there was a provision in the constitution making it treason and providing punishment. He said every soldier wearing the uniform of the United States who fell by the bullet of an insurgent, was shot at the instigation of Mr. Bryan and his advocates in this country. He referred to Mr. Bryan as a demagogue of the first water, and urged every American who loved the flag and liberty to stand by law and order and vote for a continuance of prosperity by supporting William McKinley.

GOVERNED WITHOUT CONSENT.

Descendants of Indian Tribes Seek Recognition by the Court.

New York, Sept. 23.—Descendants of four Indian tribes, the Montauks and Shinnecocks of Long Island, the Narragansetts of Rhode Island and the Mohegans of Connecticut, appeared at the Fifth Avenue hotel yesterday before the senate sub-committee on Indian affairs. The Montauk and Shinnecock Indians have a joint claim to 1,000 acres of land at Montauk Point, The Narragansetts demand a piece of land eighteen miles square, half a mile back from Narragansett Pier. The Mohegans say they should have the reservation four miles from Montville, Conn., and also sixteen acres of land in the city of Norwich. They have been fighting for these claims for years with little success. The courts have held successively that being subjects and not citizens of the United States they have no standing in court, and that congress alone can deal with their claims. Congress at last ordered the sub-committee of the Indian affairs committee of the senate to listen to their grievances.

CONTEST FOR NEXT HOUSE.

It Will Probably Be a Close One, but Republicans Can Win.

Washington, Sept. 23.—Chairman Bailewick and Vice Chairman Hull, of the Republican congressional campaign committee, were here yesterday consulting with Representative Lousdenlager, in charge of the headquarters here. Mr. Bailewick acknowledged that the contest for control of the next house would be a close one and the result would depend upon the work done by the Republicans between now and the day of election. "The committee," he said, "was devoting its energies to overcoming the apathy of the Republicans, and he thought they would succeed in electing a majority of the representatives."

ENDLESS CHAIN OF PRAYER.

Temperance Women Who Claim It Is Out of Place.

New York, Sept. 23.—The endless chain of prayer for the defeat of McKinley has no advocates among the temperance women of New York. At a meeting of the Women's Christian Temperance union last week the endless chain movement was talked over and all spoke earnestly against it as not only being out of place, but also harmful to the temperance cause. "If the Nyack union had voted in favor of the endless chain of prayer for the defeat of President McKinley," said one of the members, "I would have left the organization at once. We have no right to bring politics into the union."

WILL HOLD MEETING.

They Will Hold Daily Meeting on Broadway in Theater District.

New York, Sept. 23.—The McKinley and Roosevelt Theatrical Prosperity League has been organized to conduct a campaign among the actors throughout the United States against Bryanism. J. J. Spiles is president, George W. Kane, vice-president and treasurer, and Albert Mellon, secretary. Headquarters will be opened on Broadway, between Thirty-fourth and Forty-second streets, and it is the intention to hold noonday and evening meetings.

MCKINLEY NOT TO SPEAK.

Canton, Ohio, Sept. 23.—Senator Hanna on leaving Canton yesterday emphatically denied the Chicago report that he came to prevail upon the president to take a more active part in the campaign by going west to make a few political speeches. "Such a thing was not talked of," he said, "in fact, it was not even thought of."

WANT BIGGER ODDS.

New York, Sept. 23.—It turns out that the bet of \$1,000 to \$500 on McKinley, reported to have been made in Wall street on Friday between Henry W. Cooper and J. J. Juday, was not made. Both men somehow had the idea that they were taking the McKinley end, and it was not until it came to putting up the stakes that the mistake came out.

BRYAN IN AN AUTOMOBILE.

Lincoln, Neb., Sept. 23.—Mr. Bryan introduced a decided novelty in campaigning yesterday by making a trip through Lancaster, his home county, in an automobile and speaking on the way.

Stops the Cough and works off the Cold.

Laxative Bromo-Quinine Tablets cure a cold in one day. No Cure, No Pay. Price 25 cents.

SHENANDOAH EXPECTS AN OUTBREAK

By Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press.

Instead of locking them up at Freedom, the accused were driven thirty miles over the mountain to Wilkes-Barre, where they arrived at daylight this morning. This was done in order to prevent the possibility of the men being taken from the local lock-up by a crowd, which was still waiting to see what disposition was to be made of the deputies. There is no occasion for any feeling against deputies in this region, where they are accused of crime or not. The three men were released on bail after their arrival at Wilkes-Barre.

Troops at McAdoo.

McAdoo, from which town more marching of strikers has taken place than from all other towns in the region combined, was full of strangers today, drawn there by the rumors that troops would arrive at that place. It was learned today from an authoritative source that a request has been made to Governor Stone to send a battalion to McAdoo, which is the nearest point in Schuylkill county to Hazleton, which is in Luzerne county. The request was granted, but some sort of a misunderstanding arose and the order was countermanded.

SITUATION AT WILKES-BARRE.

Wilkes-Barre, Sept. 23.—Tomorrow's developments at the mines in this region will be awaited with a great deal of interest and not a little apprehension. The operators will neither deny or affirm the report that they intend to start up some of the mines tomorrow. It is the general opinion that if they make the attempt there is likely to be trouble. At United Mine Workers' headquarters they do not believe that the companies will attempt to start work. In the first place the officers of the United Mine Workers say there will be no men to operate the mines unless they are brought from outside places, something which is not likely to happen, and in the second place the employees never on an strike are so firm that it will be impossible for the operators to break their ranks at this early stage of their game.

CONFERENCE OF OPERATORS.

Held on Saturday in Wilkes-Barre. Statement Issued.

Wilkes-Barre, Sept. 23.—An important conference of operators was held in the office of the Lehigh Valley company here yesterday morning. The operators remained in session for over two hours. They agreed that the conditions warrant no change in their arrangements for conducting the strike; that under the circumstances the position of the operators is satisfactory, and that they should not concede anything to the union. In a statement the operators say: "Mr. Mitchell's demands simply mean a recognition of the union and a withdrawal of his weapons and ready to fall down. He states him in the face, and the strikers are beginning to realize the true situation of affairs. If it is enough out all over the strike, the men want to return to work. The claims of Mr. Mitchell and other leaders of the United Mine Workers that no negotiations would be committed while they were in charge of the strike has been nullified by the action of the men at Shenandoah. The leaders are unable to control the situation."

BITUMINOUS COAL ACTIVE.

Movement to Supply the Eastern Market Takes Definite Form.

Philadelphia, Sept. 23.—Paul E. Carter, of West Virginia, who represents large soft coal interests, is here to take advantage of the present dearth of anthracite coal. He said there would be a conference of the coal men here on Monday at which action would be taken toward supply consumers and dealers with their product in the absence of hard coal. Ex-Gov. Hastings States Things Are Satisfactory in His Region. By Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press. Altoona, Sept. 23.—Retailers of hard coal have raised the price here 60 cents a ton as a result of the strike. The supply is running short. This telegram has been received from Boyd, Sticksley & Co. in response to several orders. "All orders are subject to indefinite delay and will be filled only at current prices."

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CRITICIZES THE GOVERNOR.

Mr. Mitchell Does Not Think That Troops Are Necessary.

Hazleton, Sept. 23.—President Mitchell, of the United Mine Workers of America, last night issued a statement giving his views on the calling out of

FATHER DUCEY'S TALK

He Believes That Strikers Are in the Right—Result of His Investigations in Coal Regions.

New York, Sept. 23.—The Rev. Thomas J. Ducey, after a week spent in the Pennsylvania coal regions, told the congregation of St. Leo's church today of his experiences. The talk was given at the regular sermon. Father Ducey began by saying: "I returned to New York with a positive determination to stand by the people. I think that in ninety-nine out of a hundred cases the position is right and my experience of the past the miners being drunkards and dis-the things we read about the miners I know to be false from my own observation. I did not sit in a hotel and draw there by the rumors that troops would arrive at that place. It was learned today from an authoritative source that a request has been made to Governor Stone to send a battalion to McAdoo, which is the nearest point in Schuylkill county to Hazleton, which is in Luzerne county. The request was granted, but some sort of a misunderstanding arose and the order was countermanded."

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BIRDSEYE SUMMARY OF THE SITUATION IN THE LEHIGH AND SCHUYLKILL REGIONS

HAZLETON, PA., Sept. 23.—The number of men employed in the Hazleton and Schuylkill regions Saturday was 43,595 and the number of men idle 21,502. A number of the collieries of the Philadelphia and Reading in the vicinity of Shenandoah shut down Saturday at the request of the sheriff, but the officials of the company say work will be resumed at these places tomorrow morning under military protection.

Table with columns: Name of Colliery, Name of Operator, No. of men employed when colliery working fully, No. of men idle. Lists various collieries like West Brookside, Lincoln, Good Spring, etc., and their respective operators and employee counts.

STRIKE NOTES.

Workers at Trevorton last night it was resolved to remain away from work until the strike is declared. John Fahy, district president of the United Mine Workers, went to Hazleton this morning on a call from President Mitchell. Hazleton, Sept. 23.—The wholesale merchants here are not doing much business. The coal men here are not doing much business. The coal men here are not doing much business. The coal men here are not doing much business.