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by one of the soldiers who knocked her down with the butt of his revolver. The little children had fled shrieking from the house and notified the neighbors. When the police arrived, all the soldiers had fled save one. This one lay on the floor in a drunken slumber. Later three more of the assailants were captured.—*Manila Freedom of July 29, 1899.*

"Corporal Danboffer and Private Connel, both of company B, Sixteenth Infantry, started out to civilize the Toledo district. In pursuance of the great work they robbed a house of a native and ravished three native women. One of the victims was an old lady sixty years of age. These two expansionists were convicted of the crime. A soldier named Mc Bennett of the same company who was implicated in the outrages is not yet disposed of.—*Manila Freedom, July 2.*

A New York expansionist full of bad liquor ran amuck near the water front. When a Filipino refused to sell him some liquor, the patriot raised a big disturbance and assaulted the sentry who came to arrest him. The sentry was the best man and turned upon his assailant and gave him a sound thrashing, which was rather hard treatment for so good an administration man.

"W. Daniels, an American dentist, abandoned his wife, ten thousand miles away from home, without a cent, and skipped for unknown parts. The abandoned lady was sent home to her parents in California, a public subscription having been opened for that purpose.—*Manila Freedom August 15.*

Common School Fund

(Continued From Page One.)

Commissioners Russell and Humphrey will show how erroneous were the figures of ex-Commissioner Russell regarding the status of the common school lands on November 20, 1896. The tables are given side by side.

First column of figures—Correct status on November 20, 1896, by calculation.	
Second column of figures—As reported by ex-Commissioner Russell.	
Acres deeded.	369,828.25
Acres leased.	511,606.22
Sale contract.	567,498.55
Lease contract.	560,758.09
Case contract.	226,627.84
Vacant.	1,587,591.52
	722,954.71
	325,391.17

Acquired 2,896,960.25 2,783,257.10

Not one item correct! It is astonishing that these republican commissioners did not know even how many acres of land the state had acquired for the common school fund. The state had, in fact, 23,793.25 acres that these officers apparently knew nothing about. Ex-Commissioner Russell's errors may be shown in this way:

Error in acres deeded.	1,768.07
Error in acres leased.	2,328.54
Error in lease contracts.	350,842.68
Error in acres acquired.	23,793.25

Error in vacant lands 399,573.54

There is no escape from these figures. They may be verified by referring to the biennial reports of the commissioner of public lands and buildings.

During his two terms of office Mr. Wolfe has leased all told 1,381,963.46 acres of common school land; that is to say he has accomplished this in about 44 months. In the six years from December 1, 1890, to November 20, 1896, Messrs. Humphrey and Russell together leased only 928,794.56 acres. It is any wonder "Uncle Jake" has been able to rake up over \$100,000 a year more for the temporary school fund than these republican office-holders were able to do?

WE ARE PROUD OF BRYAN

No Matter What the Provocation May Be He is Always and Everywhere a Gentleman.

As time passes and events transpire, we grow prouder of Bryan. First of all he is a gentleman in the true sense of the word. The republican leadership seems to lack every element that enters into the character of gentlemen. Not one of them can appear before a soldier's reunion, a gathering of farmers, the dedication of a monument or any other public function without exhibiting their low-bred manners. They invariably intrude upon such occasions with their partisan opinions and insult half of their audience. That was the conduct of

of the young man seeking a future, I should say: 'he is up against it.' He may get a start, or what looks like one, but I don't care what he is—clerk, messenger, bookkeeper, anything you please—there is no ladder on which he can climb. Hundreds of letters come to me every day telling me just these things, and hundreds of letters come, too, from young men telling me that they can't get employment. Where are all the little business places that used to be the feature of New York, and of all this country, too, not many years ago? Where are all the little grocery stores and the other stores where whole families had an interest in the business and every member of the family, as soon as he or she was able, was employed? They have all been destroyed and destroyed by the trusts. If the issues of this campaign were thoroughly understood Bryan would get 90 per cent of the votes in the United States, because 10 per cent are now running the 90 per cent and getting their hearts' blood.

FRATERNAL INSURANCE

Internal Revenue Commissioner and Old Companies Undertake to Tax Them Out of Existence.

It is a mighty good thing that a presidential election comes around once in a while and that the people of the United States still have a right to vote. If they did not the mass of the people would soon be paupers and slaves. Not long since the old line insurance companies who have piled up millions by their excessive rates, evolved a plan of getting rid of the fraternal insurance companies which were proving dangerous rivals. They found a willing co-worker in the commissioner of internal revenue, G. W. Wilson, an appointee of President McKinley. If his published decision had been enforced it would have ended the fraternal insurance company in the United States.

Stark has been doing some very effective work on behalf of the fraternal, an account of which is contained in a letter to Chairman Edmisten, which is printed below.

Aurora, Neb., Sept. 11, 1900.—Hon. J. H. Edmisten, Lincoln, Neb.—In response to your telephone communication regarding a company in the State of Nebraska, I have been doing some very effective work on behalf of the fraternal, an account of which is contained in a letter to Chairman Edmisten, which is printed below.

Touching the other matters permit me further to say that I am not now and never was the attorney for the Nebraska Mutual Life Insurance company at Stromsburg, Neb. I never was its director, only relation with that association is that of policyholder. Mr. A. W. Little, secretary of the company, wrote to me on the 11th of August, 1900, and called at the Stromsburg office and demanded that the company forthwith pay the sum of \$2 internal revenue tax on each policy issued since July 1, 1898; and requested that I take the matter up with the commissioner of internal revenue at Washington for the reason that if that holding was adhered to, the company must close.

It is not for the soldier to determine whether the command that takes him to his death is a just one or not. It is the duty of the soldier to obey, but it is for the people who control things, shape policies and determine destiny; it is for the people to say what orders shall be given to soldiers. There is where the responsibility lies.

There are two ways to make men willing to fight for their country. First, let them know that the country will be grateful to them for their services; second, make your country so good that every man will die for it if necessary.

In this connection The Independent cannot refrain from calling the attention of the few men in this state who were once populists, but who are now supporting for president an ex-banker who lives in the worst governed and most corrupt city in the United States, who has seen the ballot made a mockery of and the money taxed out of the people stolen by the millions and has never once raised his voice or written one line in condemnation, to the difference in the character of the man they are now supporting and this man Bryan, whom the regular populist party has made its nominee for president. How men can let their partisan prejudices so lead them astray is another of those things that no true patriot can ever comprehend.

Croker's Little Speech

Croker made a speech the other day. It was not very long, but hundreds of thousands of copies of it have been printed and circulated as a campaign document. It was as follows.

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48 cents as their claim in the start was something over \$4,000. The final order makes it less than 25 per cent of that sum.

Touching the relation of fraternal beneficiary association with this matter meaning thereby, orders that furnish insurance with a lodge system and ritualism, permit me to further state that on November 16, 1899, Commissioner Wilson made a decision in the matter of the Bankers' Life association of Des Moines, Ia., known as Treasury Decision No. 21779.

It appears that the Bankers' Life had placed on their policies internal revenue tax stamps to the amount of \$8 cents per hundred, for the amount named in the policy beginning in 1898; that the amount was substantially \$16,000 a year and this large expense induced the directors of that association to ask for a repayment to them, they claiming to be exempt from war revenue law. These facts were obtained by conversation with the officers at Des Moines, but opinion does not give them. In that opinion the commissioner stated that the paragraph in schedule A relating to life insurance makes four classes:

First—Fraternal associations or orders.

Second—Beneficiary associations or orders.

Third—Farmers' purely local corporate companies or associations.

Fourth—Employees' relief associations operating on the lodge system or local co-operation plan with the understanding that they must be such an organization as are conducted solely by the members thereof for the exclusive benefit of their members and not for profit. The opinion then holds that the company is not within the exemption. After disposing of that the commissioner says: "Presuming that a company, within one class specifically set forth, it then has to have a further test applied to it as to whether or not it is conducted for profit."

It is clear that he now refers to one of the classes specifically set forth which takes in fraternal associations or orders that issue policies of insurance. He then proceeds to state that such companies as make assessments based upon fixed premiums to be collected at regular intervals, without regard to whether or not a loss actually occurs, are companies that are, in the opinion of this office, prima facie conducted for profit.

That is a square adjudication of fraternal associations having the lodge system and ritualism, requiring a stated sum to be paid as an assessment every month without reference to whether a loss actually occurs or not, are associations conducted for profit and outside exemption.

The newspapers gave great publicity to the matter and the well informed fraternal insurance men immediately saw the effect of the decision. The national fraternal congress happened to be in session at Boston, Mass. They sent a telegram to Commissioner Wilson in regard to the matter and he thereupon decided, by telegram, replying that fraternal companies would not be taxed. Since that time Collector Houtz has written a letter to the postmaster at St. Louis, in which he states that the Modern Woodmen are exempt.

I have been a member of the Woodmen for nearly fourteen years, and know that it has funds for promotion and extension which is usually paid to deputy counsels and for "Hustler Buttons" and the publication of a valued newspaper called the "Woodman."

In the decision handed down by Commissioner Wilson he abandons his oral judgment that the Nebraska Mutual Life association was conducted for profit and holds in effect that the company is not a beneficiary association and hence not within exemption. Perhaps one of the reasons that led him to this conclusion is the fact that in the State vs. Neelds, reported in the 90 Illinois report, at page 166, it was decided in effect that money paid out for services for promotion and extension was compensation and not profit. So that much was done for the Woodmen.

When we challenge the imperialist to name one instance in which trade has been promoted by conquest, he shifts his ground with an ease that shows his arguments are loose as his morals. Confronted with the stern facts of history, he abandons the sort of contention that his policy will promote trade, or, in plainer language, that there is money in it, and assumes upon them, the imperialist is quite ready, and indeed rather eager, to civilize them in that effective method.

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the widow and the orphan by going to their financial relief when death affirmed its claim upon the breadwinner. These associations have always been upheld by public opinion and sustained by the courts and to my mind it is the duty of every man, when he finds that he is charged with some special duty to go to great lengths to protect and conserve them. I am glad in a humble way that I have been of some service in that direction.

With expression of high personal esteem, I am very truly yours,

W. L. STARK.

Down on McKinley

Coshocton, O., Sept. 10.—The Muskingum conference of the Methodist Protestant Church today adopted this resolution:

"We condemn the present administration, which, in the face of full power to prevent it, has allowed the liquor traffic to extend its withering curse over the insular possessions and dependencies of our government, which thus lends itself to the destruction of the helpless millions it has pledged its honor to protect.

"We condemn the president of the United States for his nullification of the anti-liquor law and submit that such action is subversive of the forms of our government, dangerous to the liberties of the people and without precedent in the history of our country. We affirm, also, that in his personal habits and his official acts he has betrayed the interests of temperance and rendered himself unworthy of the support of Christian men."

Fully two-thirds of the ministers present have heretofore been republicans.

No Need of It.

Now the fusionists say they always knew Mrs. Lease was dishonest. They are a little late in making the confession—Bixby.

The populists never engage in works of supererogation. Bixby and his paper denounced her for years in such vituperative terms, there was no need of the populists lending a hand at it, and since the praise of the Journal is to damn anyone and ruin their character and standing in any community, the populists see no need now of saying anything further on the subject.

There is more catarrh in this section of the country than all other diseases put together, and until the last few years was supposed to be incurable. For a great many years doctors pronounced it a local disease, and prescribed local remedies, and by constantly failing to cure with local treatment, pronounced it incurable. Science has proven catarrh to be a constitutional disease, and therefore, requires constitutional treatment. Hall's Catarrh Cure, manufactured by F. J. Cheney & Co., Toledo, O., is the only constitutional cure on the market. It is taken internally in doses from 10 drops to a teaspoonful. It acts directly on the blood and mucous surfaces of the system. They offer one hundred dollars for any case it fails to cure. Send for circulars and testimonials. Address, F. J. CHENEY & CO., Toledo, O. Sold by Druggists, 75c. Hall's Family Pills are the best.

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HON. ROBERT S. OBERFELDER.

Hon. Robert S. Oberfelder, democratic presidential elector, a widely known and popular member of the Nebraska fish commission, was born in New York city, December 8, 1855. He was educated in the public schools of the American metropolis, came west to Council Bluffs, Ia., at the age of nineteen and entered the employ of a large mercantile institution. During the winter of 1876 when the Black Hills excitement was at its fever heat, he located at Sidney and engaged in the general outfitting business. He is a member of Oberfelder & Co., the largest business house in Sidney. He

was elected mayor of Sidney in 1891 and served with credit to himself and the town. In October, 1895, he was appointed by Governor Holcomb as a member of the state board of fish commissioners, and is now the president of that body. He is extensively engaged in ranching and stock-raising, and owns one of the best improved irrigated farms on the Lodgepole creek near the village of Lodgepole. He is also president of the Sidney Stone company, whose inexhaustible quarries are located near the city of his residence. Mr. Oberfelder is a democrat of state reputation; a personal friend to nearly every public man in the state and a gentleman of culture and refinement.

Justice is never advanced by crime. Civilization has never been promoted by barbaric conquest or bloodshed. People cannot be improved by denying them the opportunity to acquire from experience the true lessons of self-government. There is but one way to qualify a nation for self-government, and that is to impose upon its people the duty of government—forcing them to suffer without relief the consequences of riot or extravagance—allowing them to enjoy un molested the fruits of industry and order.

When the imperialist is shown that his schemes for promotion of trade and of civilization are both futile and unsound, he is neither discomfited nor abashed.

With undisturbed assurance and unabated vehemence he proceeds to tell us that if we withdraw from the Philippines we will imperial the prospects of an alliance between England and this country. I am not alarmed by this threat.

It is quite true that the English press and a certain portion of the English people are unremitting in their efforts to persuade this country to adopt what is called a vigorous foreign policy.

England's anxiety that we should hold the Philippines is not caused by love of us, but by her own self-interest.—*Bourke Cockran.*

There is one thing that can happen to the American flag worse than to be hauled down and its message changed.—*Rev. Henry Van Dyke.*

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