

estimated at from 6,000 to 10,000. Colonel Bryan was accompanied to Marion by C. C. Philbrick, a member of the state committee; ex-Congressman Lentz and W. L. Finley, chairman of the democratic central committee. Colonel Bryan indorsed Clarke again for senator, even more strongly than in his speech at Versailles last night and in the statement which he gave out after a conference with prominent democrats at Columbus today. His praise of Mayor Johnson of Cleveland as the democratic standard-bearer in Ohio was most eloquent and received with marked demonstration. Colonel Bryan also discussed at length the trusts, the tariff, imperialism, currency and other national issues. Immediately after the meeting Mr. Bryan left for New York. He announced that he would be in Ohio again next month to make a number of speeches in support of the democratic ticket.

According to advices from Bogota, Colombia, it appears that the congress there is discussing a bill authorizing the president of Colombia to negotiate a new Panama canal treaty with the United States, but the opposition is doing its utmost to prevent congress approving this measure. It is stated that Colombia is very anxious to know what action this government will take in the canal matter, but the government at Washington is not yet ready to divulge its line of action.

The 70,000 Japanese in the Hawaiian islands are being organized in one body with Consul Saito as president of the society, for the purpose of bettering the conditions of the Japanese population if possible. It is said that one of the chief objects will be the settlement of labor difficulties involving Japanese employes. It is proposed to establish hospitals for the Japanese and schools for the children and to counteract as much as possible the tendency of some portions of the Japanese population to lead lives of idleness and ignorance.

On the anniversary of his accession which he celebrated on Tuesday, September 1, the sultan of Turkey made a speech to the chiefs of churches who had gathered at the palace. In this speech he attempted to justify recent actions of his reign and declared that he desires the welfare of all his subjects.

It was announced from Manila on September 3 that the executive council for the Moro province has been organized in accordance with the bill recently enacted by the Philippine commission, providing for the government of the Moros. This council is composed of a governor, secretary, treasurer, engineer and superintendent of schools. The province will now be within the jurisdiction of the Philippine courts and constabulary, Moro laws being recognized when not in direct conflict with American laws.

On the same day it was also reported that the Moros are again showing signs of unrest and that upon the request of General Leonard Wood, an additional battery has been sent from Manila to strengthen the forces under his command in the Moro province. The constabulary in Jolo has also been in conflict with a band of "insurrectionists" in the province of Cavite and twenty of the insurgents were killed during the engagement.

Paraffine Bullets.

A cablegram to the New York American, under date of Paris, August 1, says: A revolution is taking place in duelling in Paris. A number of eminent experts have proposed a special kind of revolver, which, instead of being loaded with metallic projectiles, is

charged with paraffine balls, which are just solid enough not to penetrate the skin. A number of trials have already taken place.

The revolver duel thus becomes like a sword duel, with all its imposing ceremonial, such as stepping up to the line, loading and the order to fire. The adversary is not to be hit on the left side, and this gives occasion to very clever maneuvering.

Those who have made use of the new method of duelling are quite satisfied at the superiority of the new method over the old one. One thing is certain, that there is no danger of killing your opponent by mistake.

Have a Hornets' Nest.

Washington, D. C., Aug. 7.—Assistant Postmaster General Wynne recently decided that the receipts of the Rock Mountain (N. C.) postoffice had increased sufficiently to warrant its advance into the presidential class, and consequently Postmaster George Washington Robbin was notified that he would be continued in service at \$2,100 a year, and was asked to send in to the department the names of four persons to be appointed to the newly created subordinate positions under him.

When his letter of recommendation was received it read in part as follows: "I, George Washington Robbin, postmaster at Rock Mountain, N. C., recommend the following persons for appointment under me:

"As assistant postmaster, Stella Lincoln Robbin.

"As stamper, Alexander Archilles Robbin.

"As assistant stamper, George Washington Robbin, jr.

"As clerk, John A. Logan Robbin."

When Superintendent Waters of the salary and allowance division had recovered from his astonishment over the suggestion with regard to the future of the Robbin family, he wrote across the face of the letter:

"When the Robbins nest again. Birds or hogs?" and sent the papers to Mr. Wynne. The first assistant read the letter from George Washington Robbin, sr., with its cheerful remarks concerning the Robbin family, then he looked out of the window for a while.

Then he perpetrated the following below Mr. Waters' indorsement: "We will call a halt on Robbin of this place in old N. C.,

As we have already elsewhere in the festive P. O. D.

This Robbin has the right, no doubt, to fix his family,

But to fix them all in the same old nest is too much H. O. G.

N. B.—See section 9, civil service regulations. R. J. WYNNE.

Robbin, sr., was notified that only one member of his family could be appointed.

Neatness of Dumb Brutes.

Henri Choupin, a French naturalist, draws attention to the fact that animals as a rule are wonderfully neat and far excel human beings in this respect. It has taken men, he says, several centuries to learn the virtues of neatness and cleanliness, whereas animals have apparently always possessed them. At any rate, they were certainly the first to use soap, sponges and tooth brushes.

"From time immemorial," he continues, "animals have cleansed themselves, using their tongues as brushes, their saliva as soap, their tails as towels and dusters and their claws as combs. Moreover, many of them take a cold bath whenever they have an opportunity; indeed, the apes go as far as to boycott those among them who do not take proper care of their bodies. Another singular fact about the apes is that those among them who have handsome beards never plunge recklessly into a river or pond,

but delicately sprinkle them with water. Buffon had a chimpanzee who always rinsed his mouth before drinking and I have heard of a female orang-outang who was an adept in the use of a toothpick. A fly after it is decapitated generally spends some seconds in brushing its neck and shoulders with its legs, but even the most zealous advocate of cleanliness will hardly claim that its object in doing so is that it may present a suitable post-mortem appearance."—Chicago Chronicle.

Reproof from the Heathen.

Mme. Li, the wife of the Chinese ambassador, thinks that we are a great people, with certain restrictions. She has already attended fashionable dinners enough to note that "in China we are more modest," though she is sufficiently diplomatic to make no ill-natured comment on the state of public opinion which justifies feminine apparel on such occasions. After all Mme. Li's opinions prove nothing more than a mere point of view, a question of custom. We are sending missionaries to China to bring the heathen to a realization of the purity of our religion, and the heathen looks pityingly at our bare arms and exposed chests and wonders why modesty begins at the waist line. This is a very interesting world, made up of all kinds of missionaries.—Chicago Post.

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