Democracy's Death Is a Prerequisite to Any Political Reform, Says George Rutherford, the Populist.

Geo. W. Rutherford, one of the pioneers of the Populist party in Marion County, Ill., Bryan's home county, is out against Bryan.

Mr. Rutherford has been a Populist ever since that party was formed and has quite a following in this State, as he is well and favorably known as a man of high integrity. When giving his reasons for not voting for Bryan this year, as he did in 1896, Mr. Rutherford said;

'I severed my connection with the Republican party solely on the question of finance, voting for Peter Cooper in 1876. Since then, till 1896, I uniformly voted, when voting at all, for the presidential candidate of the third party.

"I supported W. J. Bryan four years

"1. He stood for bimetallism at the ratio of 16 to 1, demanding also in the platform 'that the standard silver dollar chould be a full legal tender, equal with gold, for all debts public and private.'

"2. The Democratic party, for the first time since the Civil War, took the affirmative side of the live issues, and we Populists duped ourselves into the belief that Mr. Bryan and his party really meant it for, at least, as many years as five.

"3. That party actually named a can didate for President outside of New York, a political heresy they had not dared to be guilty of but twice in thirty-six

"I cannot support Bryan and Stevencon this year for various reasons, some of which are:

"I. They stand for a 45-cent silver dolhar. By purposely leaving out of their silver plank at Kansas City the legal tender clause, their so-called silver dollar shrinks to its bullion value,

"2. Mr. Bryan said in accepting the Populist nomination: 'It is true that the Populists believe in an irredeemable greenback, while the Democrats believe in a greenback redeemable in coin.

Fom Merrit of Salem says: 'In fishing for Populists you need no bait. Instead throw in the naked hook; they will bite at anything.' Bryan and Tom attended

the same school. "3. Bryan's party relegated to the rear the silver question by 'paramounting' the bogy 'imperialism,' which is a child of Bryan's begetting, he acting as accouchour in securing the one majority for the Spanish-American treaty. Then he took the place of wet nurse, having the child dressed at Kansas City, afterwards carweakling up before the gaze of his auditors, he attempts to justify his liaion by the following self-convicting testi

" 'I believe that we are now in a better position to wage a successful contest against imperialism than we would have been had the treaty been rejected.'

"He, not like St. Paul, would do evil that good to his party might come.

"His actions in urging the members of his party in the Senate to vote for the ratification of that treaty, and his language in justification convicts him beyond doubt, to say the least, of duplicity. That treaty provided for the payment of \$20,000,000 to Spain for the Philippines, the United States agreeing to certain stipulations, the performance of which requires ten years from the date of the ratification of the treaty. A fight had occurred between the American soldiers and the Filininos two days before the treaty was ratified; and that treaty contains the following section: 'The civil rights and political status of the native inhabitants of the territory herein ceded to the United States shall be determined by Congress.

'All of this Mr. Bryan knew, yet he poses as the champion of the ratification that spawned imperialism as well as the champion anti-imperialist.

"4. The Kansas City platform characterizes the Philippine war as 'a war of eriminal aggression.' Mr. Bryan running upon that platform said in substance at Indianapolis: 'If elected President, my first act after inauguration will be to con vene Congress in extraordinary session and give to the Filipinos a stable and independent government.'

'If Mr. Bryan is a friend of the American soldier, as well as a friend to the Filipinos, how can he be consistent in the indorsement of that clause of his platform knowing, as he does, that it can have no other effect than the encouragement of the latter to fight on till after November 6?

"He may be able to reconcile it with his superabundant love for humanity, especially the Democratic portion of it, on the theory that it puts him and them in a better position to wage a successful war against imperialism than if it was

not in the platform. The Democratic party has the bold effrontery to talk about 'the consent of the governed,' when they are the only party in the United States that has been and is guilty of governing people without their consent, and not long since believed In the divine right of one man to own

another "Had it not been for the transfusion of oxidized Populist blood into the veins of the Democratic party in 1896 the 'old reminiscence' would have ceased cheating the undertaker, and a sandstone slab would now be marking the spot of its everlasting home. Its death is prerequisite to any political reform. It is the veritable dog in the manger. It stands to-day as it has always stood, asininely and stubbornly across the pathway of

"The party with which I have been identified for nearly twenty-five years has committed suicide, and I am, metaphor-

## **BOSS CROKER**

in the New York Journal.

Insult to Suggest that We Abandon the Peoples Rescued from Bondage.

(From the New York Journal.) Every man, in my opinion, should express himself clearly on the great ques tion of the day. That question is national expansion, which has been the mainspring of this nation and the policy of the Democracy since the nation's birth. The views which follow are mine personally, and I write them as a private individual:

I believe in expansion: I believe in holding whatever possessions we have gained by annexation, purchase, or war. This policy is not only patriotic, but it is the only safe one to pursue. Any other policy would show weakness on the part of the United States and invite foreign complications. This must be avoid-

ed, hence our policy must be vigorous. Every patriotic American, and every Democrat in particular, should favor expansion.

Jefferson was an expansionist, otherwise he would not have favored the acquisition of Louisiana, with its foreign population, which in Jefferson's time was quite as remote as the Philippines. this age of steam and electricity, distance is no argument against expansion. We spend millions annually for missionary work in foreign countries. Now we have a chance to spend this money in our own possessions, and make the people of our new lands good, law-abiding citizens, who in time will be loyal to our Constitution and our flag. Take England, for example. The people of this little isle come pretty near owning the universe. Are not our people as intelligent, as powerful and as patriotic as the English people? The United States is the only country on earth superior to the English. Why not illustrate to the world that we are fully able to cope with greater problems than we have had occasion to in the past, and in the future dominate

any emergency? We have a population of eighty millions of people; the country teems with young men full of life, hope and ambi-tion. Why not give these young men a chance to develop our newly acquired possessions, and build up a country rivaling in grandeur and patriotism our own United States?

I say by all means hold on to all that rightfully belongs to us.

If the great country west of the Rocky Mountains was filled with wild Indians at the present moment, how long would it take us to suppress them and make them respect our laws and our Constitution? The same thing applies to the Philippines and any other country that may fall into our hands by the province

It is an insult to the American people and to our flag even to suggest that we abandon the peoples we have released from bondage, or, what would be more disgraceful, that we should offer to sell

them to the highest bidder. Such a proposition places the American eople in the same category with the Chinese, who have neither patriotism nor t foreign policy, and are in consequence utilized as a doormat by the powers of the world.

This is too great a question to be considered as a mere matter of dollars and cents. Our people want their rights protected; they will not figure on the cost. Bring it down to local government-in the case of street cleaning—the cry is, "We want clean streets," regardless of They demand them as their the cost. right. Just so with our possessions the people want the properties acquired by war protected. They will pay for a standing army, a powerful navy, and the protection of our flag the world over regardless of any monetary consideration. They have proved their willingness to sacrifice their blood for the honor of their country and their flag! and when the question is brought to an issue they will arise as one man and demand expansion as a citizen's sacred right!

RICHARD CROKER. New York, Jan. 6, 1899.

#### POPULIST.

(Continued from first column.)

ically speaking, a political orphan. As an American citizen I claim the right to do my own thinking and to cast my ballot for the right as I conceive it to be. I am not in accord with the Republican party on the finance question. In thinking that other people are mistaken I have on all questions thought that I, too, be-

ing human, was liable to err. "I have never claimed that the kind of money which should be coined and used by the people of the United States is specified in the 'Bill of Rights,' but is question of expediency. The gold standard has been adopted and is on trial. If it proves to be the best for us, well and good. If not, our only appeal is to the people. I consider that question settled for the time being.

"It therefore becomes me, as an Amerlean citizen, to put my vote where I think, all things considered, it will do the most good. I shall therefore support the party of emancipation and progress.

Who dare say that the inhabitants of Hawaii and the territory ceded by Spain to the United States are not on the high road to education and civilization, and even now enjoying a greater degree of freedom than they ever dreamed of while under the domination of Spanish rule and that of Queen Lilioukalani?

"President McKinley's administration has received no word of commendation from the Democratic party for its exalted statesmanship in our critical complication with China. For that, if for nothing more, he deserves the everlasting (Continued at bottom of second column.) gratitude of all true Americans."

# DEMOCRAT.

MANY

Bryan's Pretensions Dissected Warmly Supported Expansion No Thoughtful and Responsible Gen. Anderson on the Character "God Has Expanded Us," Says Will Destroy Gold Standard at Man Can Hesitate.

> Fearfully Rends the Dangerous Platform and Program of the Bryan-Demo-Popocracy.

The word "Democrat" with us has covered all shades of opinion among responsible people, and has meant, generally, of all non-Filipinos in Manila and to burn opposition to negro rule and social equal- the city itself, it has been supplied by

which we have been subjected in our critical time in Manila, and in regard to struggles to regain our rights and to re- the wild statements of Senators Pettiestablish white supremacy. We have been, politically, under virtual munication:

martial law; and means and methods have been resorted to and made familiar could justify.

At last white dominion is being effectually established in the South, and we will have the ways of peace and free

The present phase of the negro problem is convincing the North, and the whole part of the city. I had them torn down world, of the folly and direfulness of the effort to place the negro above or on an equality with the white. Sufficient knew his signature. Moreover, soldiers amends can never be made for the insult of my command arrested two Filipino amends can never be made for the insult and harm done to brothers of a common stock and household. But those who committed it are dead and dying; and a new race and a new era of Americanism is upon us. Forgetting and forgiving are the order of the day.

We of the South have reached our level of citizenship. Absolute unity is no longer necessary to avert a dire danger. We can participate in public questions, and share in government for the common good.

Moreover, with our minds and muscles and manhood, we have in spite of dan-gers, in every department of human effort and industry in our land, brought forth wonderful resources and achieved wonderful results. For agricultural, mineral, manufactur-

ing and commercial advantages and promise, our section stands as the favared land of the world; and our domestic and social standards and ideals are of the best and highest.

With our history in the past and latest present, from our immediate standpoint, and with our bright outlook, what we want most is peace and stability in our public affairs. And this is the want of our whole country.

Uncertainty in our standards of value, duplicity in our obligations, want of character in our public men, and mere strife for party supremacy and spoils in our elections, must, each and all, point the way to general confusion and ruin. Under such conditions our best hopes and promises may come to nothing. That's the lesson of history.

As between the present administration and a possible Bryan administration, can hardly see how a thoughtful and responsible man can besitate. Those of us have but one old idea, that of opposition to Republicanism, and they go for Bry an. On the other hand, men of business and enterprise, responsible and thought ful, are almost unanimous against him.

To me, Mr. McKinley represents, large ly, stability in general management, and improving financial conditions and sound principles. He is trying to do his duty Under his administration our country has encountered problems and difficulties of immense importance. The Spanish war was against his will. Both parties rushed into it and he could not withstand them. But in that our country, under the guidance of himself and his cabinet. organized a great army, and, by the favor of heaven, achieved a speedy and overwhelming triumph over a great empire, to the admiration of the world. We were at once approved as a great power among nations. Cuban and Filipino entanglements are unhappy consequences. They can be settled only by experiment

The Chinese difficulties have been managed with temperance and wisdom and general credit.

Our financial matters are progressing done will settle the currency question. As things are, it is plain wisdom to let well enough alone. Our case calls for temperance.

As to imperialism, that is nothing but a party cry. We have ten thousand times more to fear from the despotism of par ty leaders and the demoralizing means and methods of Tammany and the minor clubs throughout the country, and politcal machinery generally, than from the enlargement or expansion or exertion of the anti-imperialists of Indiana said they the strong arm of our government following and protecting the enterprise of

In Mr. Bryan I can only recognize the champion of change, the leader of the outs against the ins, the mouthplece of fault-finders, the head center of malcontents, the mirror and kodak of every phase of politics and fanaticism, an India rubber man, and an infant phenomenon. In his last canvass he spent six months in scattering heresies and kindling social

malice and all uncharitableness. I regard him as a very apostle of con He has covered up free silver with which he was identified, because it did-not seem to take. What else he has reserved in his pandora's box-no one

antagonisms, and feeding envy, hatred,

I am no Republican. I claim my right to think for myself, and own my responsibility to vote for the best interests of the commonwealth. And I think the safety of our country depends on every man claiming that right and owning that responsibility. JOHN S. WILLIAMS. Richmond, Va., Aug. 20, 1900.

#### SOLDIER.

of Our Filipino Allies.

Views of the Tammany Leader-"An John S. Williams, a Virginia Democrat, Theodore Sandico Issued the Proclamation Ordering the Extermination of All Foreigners and Filipinos Started Fires.

> Were any confirmation needed that the Aguinaldo party intended the massacre Outsiders can never know the Gen. Thomas M. Anderson (retired). He losses, humiliations and outrages to was in command of the troops at that grew and Allen he says in a signed com-

> "Sir-In the report of Senator Spooner's speech in relation to the suppression of the Philippine insurrection, it appears which only the exigency of our situation that Senator Pettigrew denied that Theodore Sandico issued a proclamation ordering the extermination of all inhabitants of Manila-men, women and children-except Filipino families. I was then in command of the district south of the Pasig river, and found the proclamation posted in conspicuous places in my and one translated. They were signed by Sandico.

"I had received letters from him and men in women's clothes setting fire to the houses in the city. They were brought to me and I had them turned over to the provost marshal general.

"Senator Allen also asserted that Senor Torres came into the city under a flag of truce to ask for a suspension of hostilities. As I know that Torres was within our lines when the fighting began it is not apparent how he came in, when it seems almost impossible for him to have gotten out. On the 5th of February white flags were hung out from every Filipino house in Manila, and the few Filipinos who centured into the streets carried little white flags as an evidence of submission. Senator Allen's reliable informant seems to have forgotten to mention this circumstance in saying that he saw Torres going to headquarters under a flag of truce. Torres naturally inferred, without consultation, that Aguinaldo would like a suspension of hostilities, for in front of our first division alone the insurgents had lost in one day 700 killed and drowned,

400 prisoners and seven cannon. "I send this communication to correct. so far as my testimony is relevant, a very

"THOMAS M. ANDERSON."

# **EX-CONFEDERATE.**

Thos. H. Baker on Moral Support in Modern Warfare.

who still cherish old sectional animosities Aguinaldo Would Have Been a Peaceful Citizen but for the Encouragement Given Ham by Sentimental Traitors.

> I do not believe that the Southern border States would have seceded from the Union in 1861 but for the aid and comfort given them by the Copperheads of little strip of Atlantic colonies, "Beware the North. When one distinguished ora- of foreign entanglements." tor declared that the Union army would have to march over the dead bodies of 40,000 Indiana Democrats before they reached the South, the magnificent utterance electrified Tennessee with hope.

Thousands of men hesitated upon the brink of the awful abyss. They loved the Union and hated the Abolitionists The Union was a "theory" entwined with beautiful and patriotic sentiments. Slavery was a "condition" in which was invested the hard earnings of a lifetime. At the supreme crisis came the promise of Northern Democrats that they would not let us be hurt; their bitter denunciawithout panic or trouble. Time and ex-perience will cure them. Free banking tions of the Republican party. The South made the leap.

During the war we saw Indiana regiments and brigades march through the State of Kentucky. "Tramp," "Tramp," "Tramp," they passed through Tenne see, Georgia and South Carolina. We never did learn how the poor fellows got over those 40,000 dead bodies of their Democratic friends and neighbors. We were fully persuaded they killed and made a corduroy road of them, because would.

Our next hope after we got mixed up together was that England and France yould help us for commercial reasons Vallandigham, Stevenson and a thousand other Copperheads like the good brethren who held up Joshua's arms, held ours up by encouraging us to hold out a little longer, by denouncing the war a "failure" and keeping us posted as to the movements of our enemies.

This is all ancient history, but I, an old Confederate, can see very readily how the anti-imperialist league can materially aid Aguinaldo and his crowd. Every old soldier, North and South, understands the force of moral support. Our war would not have lasted three months but for Northern Democratic encouragement, and I believe Aguinaldo would have been as peaceful a citizen as Gomez but for the encouragement he has received from the sentimental traitors of the Anti-Imperial League.

THOMAS H. BAKER. United States Marshal Western District Memphis, Tenn., Aug. 27, 1900.

# CLERGYMAN.

Bishop C. H. Fowler.

A Powerful Sermon on Expansion and He Is Not Begging or Votes of Those the Duties of the Hour, Preached by the Noted Methodist Divine.

All men now begin to recognize the providential character of Abraham Lincoln. We see him as one of God's

History repeats itself. One generation stones the prophets, and the next, their children, build them monuments. Only a few souls have the intuition to recognize a living prophet. These prophets neither dress nor act like the old prophets; that would be mere charlatanism. Every prophet must be fitted into his own time, suit his own environment. One comes as a pilgrim, like Abraham; another as a bired man and herdsman, like Jacob; another as a leader and lawgiver, like Moses. Another as a warrior, like Joshua; another as an executioner, like Elijah; another as a scholar, like Paul; each man fitting his own age.

To find a prophet, we must not take the grave clothes of the dead seers, and run through the mart, trying to find some man whom they will fit. We must so read events as to recognize the man who fits and fills his time. He must be in league with events. Napoleon on St. Helena said: "At Waterloo events desert-ed me." He dropped out of the nick of time. The prophet must be a history maker. To find our prophet, we must find the trend of events; then we can easily find the hand that is making the bend in the stream of history.

This hand we find in the White House. President McKinley may not fit the clothes of the old prophets, but he is fitting the trend of events in this age. He so stands in the midst of the world's forces that he reaches results in civilization. He is bending the streams of history in the right direction. Sink down into the undercurrent, down below the party strife on the surface, down into the great stream that sweeps on through the sea of the centuries bearing the races up to higher latitudes and levels, and catch the moral forces that are evolving the world's destiny, and you will find that this statement is not politics, but religion-God's religion, that moves always on in one direction.

The three greatest missionary events of the Christian era since the crucifixion of Jesus are: First, the conversion of St. Paul. This opened the door to the Gentiles; this was our chance. Second, the firing on Fort Sumter. This made the Saxon race fit for evangelical uses. Third. the blowing up of the Maine. This unified the nation and sent us out about

our work. It melted the American elements in the one. The son of Gen. Grant and the nephew of Gen. Lee marched side by side under one flag and against a common en

These Saxons are said to be bad neighbors. We have some dark spots in our history. The Saxon sometimes has made a bad record. Yet it must also be said that we have never enslaved a race, without leaving it freer than it was before we enslaved it. For the ages through and the world around, there can be found no such liberties anywhere else as are found under the Stars and Stripes.

The blowing up of the Maine was an eye-opener to us, and soon to all the world. Our great Washington twe should never speak his name but to honor it), our great Washington said to us, as a It was the height of wisdom. It suited our infancy like a bib. He pinned this bib upon us and said, "Keep in the middle of the lot, or the boys on the next lot will throw mud on your bib." So we kept in the middle of the lot, and grew till we outgrew the lot. We grew from three millions to seventy-five millions. The bib was too small for us. It looked like a cotton patch on the breast of our uni-We had more beefsteaks and silk dresses, more spelling books and New Testaments, to the thousand people, than could be found anywhere else in the world.

We were as much under obligations to help the poorer and more ignorant races St. Paul was to go "far hence to the Gentiles"; but we stuck to our Atlantic waters, coasted by our shores, we held on to our little big contented, expecting to stay always in our western waters.

But one day the Spanish touched off a magazine under us. Then the jig was up. Come what might, we must fight to the finish. We went up into the air, and came down everywhere-to stay.

This sent us out about our providential job; this made missionaries of us. We are in Manila. We are ready to help China.

God has expanded us; we can't help it. You might as well try to catch yonder eagle perched on a crag of the mountains, pluming his pinions to wrestle with the whirlwind, and then try to crowd him back into the little eggshell out of which he has broken, as to try to throttle this American race and crowd it back into the thirteen original colonies. Some of the old gentlemen on that old soil of some of those old thirteen colonies, who have never left it, may think it would be a good thing for our great continent-em bracing people to come back home. But

It is impossible. God has expanded us. Long years ago, back in the forties, Thomas H. Benton, United States Senator from Missouri, standing in his place in the Senate, pleading for a Pacific railroad, pointed toward the setting sun and cried: "See there, gentlemen, there is

the East!" To-day we catch up our papers and (Continued at bottom of sixth column.)

# **BRYAN**

First Opportunity.

Who Believe Gold tandard Essential to Welfare of This Country.

They say I am begging for votes. Not at all. I never asked a man to vote for me. In fact, I have told some people to vote against me. That is more than most candidates do. I have said that if there was anybody who believed in the maintenance of the gold standard until foreign nations came to us and graciously permitted us to abandon it, I said that if anybody should believe that the gold standard was absoluteby essential to the welfare of this country, he ought not to vote for me at all. I do not want any man to vote for me and then object to my doing what I expect to do if you elect me, and if I can prevent the maintenance of the gold standard you can rely upon my doing it the very first possible opportunity given me.

WILLIAM JENNINGS BRYAN. Philadelphia, Sept. 23, 1896.

## DEARBOY" LETTERS-NO. 5

My Dear Boy-You ask why the Demerats insist that imperialism and militarism are the "paramount issues of this

campaign." The reason, my son, is very plain. Our Democratic friends are pushing these things to the front because there isn't anything else for them to talk about this year. All the rest of their powder has been burnt once and won't even fizzle this year. Their platform denounces the Dingley tariff hill, but they do not wish to meet us before the people on that The hard times under the Wilson bill and the present prosperity under our protective tariff furnish an object lesson which makes it uphill business to argue

free trade this year. Their platform also denounces the gold standard legislation and demands free oinage of silver at the ratio of 16 to 1. But that powder was burnt four years ago and events have shown the falsity of

their predictions. They are like the boy who when besten playing marbles says, "Let's play some-thing else." Beaten on tariff and the money question, they want to play "militarism" awhile. Their lack of any other issue is responsible for the conjuring up

of the spectre of "imperialism But while they are not talking about free trade or free silver, the people are not going to forget that they are the free trade and free silver party. And, as Mr. Lincoin used to say, that reminds

me of a little story. One of our excellent missionaries and his good wife went to an island in Polynesia about fifty years ago. They stayed there sixteen years and their work was wonderfully successful. They found a tribe of savages. They left a tribe of civilized, Christian people, industrious and temperate, "clothed and in their

right minds.' The incident which illustrates my point occurred during the first year of their residence on the island. A chief clothed in sunshine and nothing else called on the missionaries. They treated him poli cly. but as he left the house the missionary followed him and said: "Chief, we are glad to see you and want you to come again, but in my country men wear clothes and my wife is not accustomed to see men without clothing. The next time you come to see us, won't you please put on a little clothing, one or two gar-

ments at least?" The chief promised compliance. A few days after, he entered the missioneries' nome with a satisfied smile on his face, saving. "Me all right now."

He had on a shirt collar and a pair of

My son, Mr. Bryan and his friends are badly deceived if they think that their "imperialism" collar and "militarism" socks will hide the free trade and free silver nakedness of the Democratic party from the gaze of the American By the way, speaking of "militarism."

I advise you always to watch with suspicion any man or any party that is afraid of the United States army. Our army is a volunteer army of as gallant men as the sun ever shone upon, They are our defenders and the protectors of our persons and property. Hard-working, uncomplaining, brave and faithful, they follow the flag through summer's sun and winter's storms, through tropical jungles and the dangers of fever and of battle for you and me and for their country's sake. If a man is a good, lawabiding citizen he has no reason to be afraid of an American soldier.

I was one, my father was one, my grandfather was one, and my greatgrandfather was one, and I feel like taking off my hat to every soldier I meet. And whenever I find a man who is afraid of the "tyranny" of our gallant little army, I feel like asking him what he has been doing. It is a small army for so great a nation, and the introduction of "militarism" in this campaign shows that our Democrdatic friends are hard up for an issue.

YOUR FATHER.

#### CLERGYMAN.

(Continued from fifth column.)

look through the Golden Gate for the East, the far East. The ages are rolled together at our feet.

We are standing by the cradle of China; she is asking us for deliverance, She has caught the vision of a Northern Bear "that walks like a man," and she is asking America to save her.

CHARLES H. FOWLER, D. D.

Buffalo, N. Y.