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POPULATION OF SUMPTER 4,500

LOCAL "Boxers" have apparently given up all hope of keeping out the "foreigners," have become discouraged and are about to migrate to some section that offers no attraction to any other human

THEY have been a long time coming, but those ten street lamps, which will be lighted tonight for the first time, will do good service next fall and winter when the nights will be dark and damp and the town thronged with all kinds of people.

YESTERDAY morning the New York World sprung this sensation, "A plot to assasinate President McKinley has been trustrated. It was concocted by a group of Spanish and Cuban conspirators who had headquarters in New York. One of the plotters weakened and sent a warning letter to the members of the republican national committee. Detectives are now guarding the president."

THE report that the German minister to China had been murdered is probably true. In addressing the first naval division prior to its departure for China Monday, Emperor William said: "Yours is the first division of armored ships which I send abroad. Remember, you will have to fight a cunning foe, provided with modern weapons, to avenge the German blood which has flowed. But spare the women and children. I shall not rest until China is subdued and all the bloody deeds are avenged. You will light together with the troops of various nationalities. See that you maintain good comradeship with them.'

A PRESS dispatch from San Francisco, dated vesterday, says that the steamer St. Paul had just arrived from St. Michels, Alaska, with the news that martial law had been proclaimed at Cape Nome. The necessity for martial law arose out of the jumping of mining claims and other acts of lawlessness. The St. Paul also reports a great many cases of smallpox and typhoid fever at Cape Nome. Among the passengers from Cape Nome there were some who returned disappointed. These report about 10,000 men there, many of whom are unable to find employ- E. A. CLEM & CO. ment. They say many will return by the next steamer.

REPORTS from the hills continue to be of the most encouraging nature. There 146 THIRD ST. are more people out prospecting this season than there has been during the past F. A. E. STARR. ten years and what is better still, many of them are experienced prospectors, apparently a scarce article in these parts during past years. Good finds are being made every day, both in new discoveries and old workings. Dividend BAKER & BAKER paying properties are preparing for deep sinking and increased production, while many mines will have mils built in the next few months. Taken Dunphey-Bryan Building all in all, eastern Oregon's future was never before tinted with so roseate a hue-and Sumpter is the Nature made L. T. BROCK, M. D., center of these gold fields.

THE democratic convention was the same old chestnut—a lot of transparently mock enthusiasm. But W. D. Oldham, G

who nominated Bryan, evoked some of the genuine stuff. His speech is a better one than that delivered by Garfield in placing Sherman's name before the convention, which resulted in his own nomination for the presidency. In fact, Oldham's effort ranks along with that of Colonel Ingersol's famous "armed warrior, plumed Knight" speech at Cincinati in nominating Blaine. Speaking of the condition of the democratic party four years ago he said:

"Torn asunder by dissentions within, and disaster without, our party faced a gloomy and foreboding future which seemed to augur its dissolution. The problem then was to select a standard bearer bold enough to cover the rear of a retreat, and save the party from destruction, it not from defeat. While discord, with her flaming torch, confused the counsels there from out the Sunset Realm a champion came and bade defiance to the oncoming host. With the strength of youth, the wisdom of age, with knightly mein and matchless speech, he towered above his peers and all who saw him then with one accord did hail him 'Chief' and gave our party's banner to his hand. Slowly despair gave way to hope; confidence took the place where timorous fear had been, the broken and shattered columns formed again, and behind his ensign came six million five hundred thousand valaint men to that unequal fight. And the story of how well he fought and how tearlessly he fell, and how dear the enemy's victory was bought has all gone out into history now. Back from his 'First Battle' he came, a baffied but unconquered hero of the Rights of Man. Reliable plans, specifications and estimates turnished Conscious of the rectitude of his purpose and cheered by the belief 'that no issue is ever settled until it is settled right,' he cheerfully acquiesced in the result of that campaign, and girded his loins for the next great contest between the Dollar and the Man."

The nomination of Stevenson is difficult to account for, on any other ground than that his name means opposition to Clevelandism, which all good democrats

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