

# Saint Mary's Beacon.

## EXPOSITION LETTER.

[From Our Regular Correspondent.]  
PARIS, FRANCE, Aug. 6, 1900.

The average temperature in Paris at this time of the year is 69 or 70 Fahr. For the last fifteen days, it has ranged from 84 to 98. That explains a great many things besides an all-prevailing irritability, stagnation, and depression. The fact that ice is four cents a pound instead of two, for one thing, that nearly all Parisian horses are going about with conical straw hats on their now foolish-looking heads, for another; that Paris is emptying fast of Americans as well as everyone else, and that the daily attendance at the Exposition has fallen to under 150,000, while the price of admission is only six and seven cents, instead of, as originally, twenty. There is nothing abnormal in the drop in the price of tickets. The same thing happened in 1889, yet the tickets afterwards went up to the normal ten and twelve cents. The fall in tickets gives the impression that the Exposition is being neglected. Perhaps it is during the hot wave. Anyway, there is now a discussion in the French papers as to artificially stimulating the consumption of tickets by giving special fetes and charging five or even more tickets for seeing them. The public, however, has hitherto shown itself so shy of the entertainments at the Exposition that it is very doubtful if the government will do any such thing. In providing the exposition, they have provided the best and most attractive entertainment possible for all tastes but the lowest; and it is probably not sorry to find that popular education has made such far-reaching progress of recent years that mere mountebank shows, and blaring bands and flaming gas-jets no longer draw and debauch the multitude.

After all, 150,000 people make a good-sized crowd, so that the Exposition is not deserted yet. It is a pity that out of the number, so few, not more than 5,000 or 6,000, pay a visit to the annex at Vincennes. Unfortunately, Vincennes is not as accessible as the other parts of the Exposition, or, if it is easy of access, the visitor as a rule has very hazy ideas of how to get there.

We are waiting with some curiosity here for the ultimate issue of Deputy Gerville-Besche's proposal for a society to promote a Franco-American alliance. I doubt if such a proposition can ever come to anything beyond the most sensational of ontentes. Politically, there is no chance of it, if only for the reason that America does not contract foreign alliances, and even as to a social entente with fruitful results of any sort, it is still very doubtful. Look at the fate of all attempts to patch up an English-French entente cordiale. They invariably start well, with flowery speeches and banquets, but that is the end of them, and the feeling between the two peoples remains exactly what it was a hundred years ago.

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Upon this issue the contest will be waged. Differences of opinion in regard to the details of policies affecting our internal government can and will be tolerated. But we call upon all who stand with us upon the paramount issue to take active part in organizing the forces which will combat imperialism and militarism.

ORGANIZE AND CONTRIBUTE.

To this end we frankly say to all those who will labor with us in this contest that our main reliance for success must be upon the active support of the individual voter and the perfect organization that must be made in each voting precinct in the State. We call upon all patriotic Marylanders who side with us in this great struggle for constitutional government to contribute cheerfully according to their means to the support of our organization in their respective precincts. The members of the State Central Committee for each county and legislative district of Baltimore city, the local committees in the city of Baltimore, together with others whom we shall select, are authorized and requested to organize clubs in each precinct and invite all to join who oppose imperialism and despotism. When you have so organized report to the chairman of the State Central Committee the names of the officers of your association, with their addresses, and, as far as practicable, the names and postoffice addresses of the members. Let this be done in every voting pre-

press and perhaps ennoble the young, but it is not monuments and medallions that assure peace and constitute international amity, but money and armed strength.

It was my intention before closing to draw attention to the fine American exhibit in the Fine Arts section, but it would take long to do it justice and for the time must ask permission to postpone doing so. One art or mechanical item, however, may be of interest. The French as a rule are original but they could not forego borrowing or striking a thing as the Ferris Wheel, which was a conspicuous part of the Exposition at Chicago. In the Paris wheel over 800 tons of metal have been used. The axle weighs 35 tons and is 195 feet from the ground. The diameter of the wheel is exactly 310 feet and at the lowest point the passenger boxes are 10 feet above the ground. The total weight of wheel alone with its empty boxes exclusive of the axle and its supports, is over 640 tons, and the supporting shaft weighs 390 tons. Each box has a capacity for 30 people, and there are 40 boxes attached to the wheel. Supposing that each person weighs 140 pounds, the total weight upon the foundations is 1,140 tons. It is a remarkable structure, a wonderful exhibit and a masterly piece of engineering work. But this wheel, like the rolling sidewalk and many other show things with no better reason d'être at the Exposition will not pay. I do not believe that one-tenth as many people have ridden or will ride on the Paris wheel as rode at Chicago. The French think twice before they spend a franc. We, in America, do not, more's the pity.

### TO MARYLAND DEMOCRATS.

Chairman Murray Vandiver of the Democratic State Central Committee, has issued a vigorous address and appeal to the Democrats of Maryland to organize for the coming campaign. Organization is the secret of political success, and no one knows it better than Mr. Vandiver, and he proposes to continue his good work along that line by effecting a thorough organization for this campaign. His address in part follows:

"To the Democrats of Maryland: Nominations of candidates for the office of President and Vice-President of the United States have been made by the two great political parties, and it therefore becomes necessary for the Democrats, and all others who will join with us in the coming campaign, to organize for the contest, which is probably more important and will be more far-reaching in its results than any campaign since 1860.

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inct in Maryland. Organize at once and organize by electing active and energetic officers.

### LOOK AFTER REGISTRATION.

Your first work in the counties will be to look after the revision of the registration lists and to see to it that every man who is entitled to vote is registered, and that every name improperly on the list shall be stricken off, in order that there shall be accorded an actual and bonafide opportunity for a full, free and fair expression of the voice of the people.

### PROVIDE FOR MEETINGS.

The next duty to be performed after registration is to provide for frequent meetings throughout the various counties and the City of Baltimore. The meetings should be organized in a systematic manner so that public speakers may be assigned to address and enlighten the people. The committee will at the earliest opportunity make announcement of the meetings to be held, and will trust to the activity and patriotism of the Democrats in the localities where the meetings are to be held to make all necessary provisions to insure their success.

You must see to it that on election day the ballot of every voter is cast, properly recorded and counted, who holds with us:

That the Constitution follows the flag;

That Congress has no power beyond the Constitution to legislate;

That imperialism will lead to despotism;

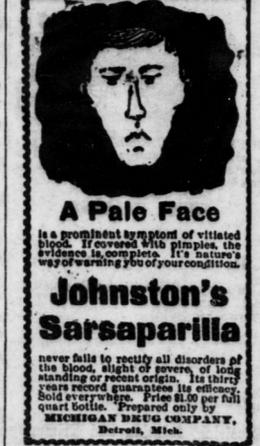
That taxes must be uniform in every section of our country;

That laws shall be enacted to restrict, prevent or curtail the absorbing powers of trusts and illegal combinations.

And that tax laws shall be passed which will prevent any combination from levying undue tribute from the toiling masses.

To all those who favor the Republic of the Fathers we confidently appeal for their active support. If they will co-operate with us, then there will be no more question as to the result in Maryland in 1900 than there was as to the position she would assume in 1776, when her citizens stood united in favor of the Republic and against the Empire."

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