

THE PRESIDENT'S WESTERN TRIP.

McKinley Royally Welcomed by Iowa Citizens.

Large Crowds Turn Out to Greet Him at All the Stations.

The President Makes Several Speeches, Commenting Upon the Good Times With Which the People Are at Present Blessed.

CEDAR FALLS (Ia.), Oct. 16.—The President arose almost with the dawn this morning, and delivered at 6:20 in Iowa Falls the first of his series of addresses in Iowa.

"My fellow citizens: It is a great advantage to meet the people early in the morning. It gives me genuine pleasure to meet and greet the people of Iowa, as I journey through the State to look into the faces and to feel the stimulus of their presence and the encouragement which I always receive as I have mingled with them.

"I believe, my fellow citizens, that this territory came to us in the providence of God. We do not seek it. It is ours with all the responsibilities that belong to it; and as a great, strong, brave nation, we mean to meet them and we mean to carry our education and our civilization there. I am not one of those who would take a laurel from the brow of an American soldier, or a jewel from the crown of American achievements."

At Ackley, Ia., the next stop, Mr. McKinley spoke as follows:

"My fellow citizens: I recall in this presence my former visit to this people, now, I believe, five years ago. I congratulate you upon the improved condition of the country. When I was here last we were in a condition of business depression. Times were hard. Fear had overcome courage. Now, all are changed. We have general prosperity, good crops and fair prices; steady employment and good wages, and we are a happy and contented people. Not only are the people prosperous, but the nation itself is doing well. Our revenues are abundant. Interest has fallen all over. Mortgages have been lifted, and markets are being extended. We are using more of our own products than we ever did before. We are importing fewer products from abroad than we have done in many years and we are sending more of American products abroad than we ever sent before. We are on a gold basis and we mean to stay there. (General cry of "Good.")

"I like the sentiment that stands for your platform here: 'Sustain the nation's flag.' That is what we are doing

in the Philippines to-day, and that is what we will continue to do until we conquer the rebellion against the sovereignty and authority of the United States. We mean to sustain the boys in blue who carry the flag whether in the Philippines or here in Iowa. It represents not tyranny, but liberty and civilization, and stands for hope to humanity."

AT WATERLOO. WATERLOO (Ia.), Oct. 16.—An immense throng had congregated at the station when the Presidential train arrived this morning. The President spoke as follows:

"My fellow-citizens, we have before us a great national problem. We have resting upon us a great national duty, growing out of our war with Spain. When that war commenced there was little or no division of sentiment among the people. Before the declaration of war the Congress of the United States, under the leadership of our distinguished Senator Allison, voted for a national defense fund of \$50,000,000 for the use of the Government at its discretion. It was voted practically without division in each house of Congress. The Senator assured me that it was done with absolute unanimity. When war was declared the resolution was voted for by all parties from all sections of the country, and the bill was passed with provisions for money to carry on the war. So that we started into the war with Spain with all the people and all the representatives of the people standing together. The war came and the war was ended sooner than any similar war in history; ended with a triumph for the cause of humanity. It has been united in the conduct of the war, having been practically united in the conclusions of peace, the question is, Shall we stand together until the job is finished? (General cry of "Yes.")

"We have resting upon us the great responsibilities of government in Porto Rico and in the Philippines. Our flag has been assailed in that distant island on the Pacific, and I ask the people of Iowa whether we will not stand firmly and unitedly until American sovereignty shall be established in every island of the archipelago. We will not take down that flag, representing liberty to the people, representing civilization to those islands. We will not withdraw it, because the territory over which it floats is ours by every tenet of international law, and by the sacred sanction of the Constitution of the United States. We are not there to oppress. We are there to liberate. We are not there to establish an imperial government, but we are there to establish a government of liberty under law and protection of life and property and opportunity to all who dwell thereon."

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"My fellow-citizens: The people are thinking about just one thing now in this country. The thoughts of the citizens of the United States have not for a third of a century been centered upon the Government and its future more than at this very hour. They rallied to the support of the Government when it went to war. They have stood and did stand by the Government until the treaty of peace was made. That treaty of peace, ratified by the Senate of the United States, approved by a vote of Congress, gave to the United States and that is to maintain and establish the authority of the United States in those islands. He could not do less and perform his duty, and our prayers are not only going out to the boys in the trenches, but more men and more means and more sinews of war will follow the boys at the front."

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Our stores open this evening at 7:30 o'clock for Great Special Sales. The Japanese Tea Garden will be open all day.

To-Night at 7:30, Men's Suits, \$6.85, \$8.85, Men's Overcoats, Boys' Clothing.

A RARE OPPORTUNITY. The story about this clothing sale is short. A large wholesale house, in winding up its business, saved its best lines to be sold out last. We waited until there was a chance to buy some of the very best lines in the entire stock, and then bought liberally. It is THESE GOODS that we are to offer Tuesday night, and we wish to emphasize these facts:

As to Quality: This is all fresh, new clothing, never before offered at retail, and in good 1899 styles. Any lines that we did not consider desirable in style and quality we did not buy.

As to Prices: The regular prices of the clothing in this sale would average about one-half more than the prices we ask. Thus, \$8.85 suits are \$12.50 kinds; \$10.85 suits are \$15 kinds, etc. The difference between the regular prices and our sale prices represent the money to be saved by attending this sale, for, as we have said before, there is nothing the matter with the clothing itself.

Men's overcoats, \$8.45 and \$13.85. Men's suits, \$6.85, \$8.85 and \$10.85. Boys' knee trouser suits, \$2.48. For full descriptions see "Store News."

To-Night at 7:30, Handsome Fedora Hats for Men \$1.25

Lot 1—We shall offer some light pearl colored felt hats, with pearl silk band and binding. Price until now has been \$2.50. We shall also offer men's brown and black Fedora felt hats, with broad silk band and bindings. Your choice of any of the above hats at SALE PRICE, \$1.25

Young Men's Institute Band This Evening at 7:30. PROGRAM. 1. March, "G. A. R."...Esberger 2. Overture, "War Songs"...McCosh 3. Concerta mazurka, "Dolore"... 4. Selection, "The Crackerjack"...Mackie 5. Gavotte, "Peacock Stride"...Kline 6. Serenade, "Our Silver Jubilee"... 7. Song, "Because"...Laurendau 8. Waltz, "Love's Awakening"... 9. March, "Wein Bleibt Wein"...Kroger 10. Galop, "Hell Up-to-Date"...Fassett

To-Night at 7:30, 1,500 yards of New Flannelettes 4c yard

These flannelettes will cost you much less than if you bought in case lots from the mills. On this item we shall undersell the factory. The patterns are new and of a quality that won't last long at 4c yard. Flannelettes suitable for night gowns, skirts and warm Winter underclothes. To-Night's Sale Price, 4c yd.

To-Night at 7:30, WOOL SERGES 25c yd In Dress Goods Dept.

We shall offer about 10 good staple colors in our new serge at 25c yard; suitable for dresses, waists and school suits. Careful housekeepers will find it economical to invest in this dress goods item. 25c yard.

To-Night at 7:30, BANQUET LAMP GLOBES, 32c and 50c

Lot I—A full-size 8-inch banquet globe, with pretty floral decorations and shaded colored tops. These globes are worth a great deal more than to-night's price of 32c. Lot II—Banquet globe, 10-inch size, which is large enough to use on your piano or any very tall lamps. These globes are nicely decorated. Sale price, 50c.

To-Night at 7:30, "Silver Shirts," Hosiery, Men's Linen Handkerchiefs, Neckwear, Collars and Cuffs, Underwear.

Lot 1—Pure Irish linen handkerchiefs for men. Something that we have never heard of before in Sacramento at any such price. They are just the right size and have hemstitched borders. Sale Price, 10c

Lot 2—You have heard of the well-known "Silver shirts for men." They have white linen bosoms and are made with all the latest improvements. We have secured quite a lot of these Silver shirts for this sale. We shall also add to the lot, in order that there may be enough for everybody, some 300 white shirts from our own stock—goods which have been selling until now at \$1.25. Nothing the matter with any of these shirts. It is only the price that is asked. Sale Price, 79c

Lot 3—Men's heavy tan color shirts and drawers, closely knit and with heavy fleeced back. Regular Winter weight and garments that sell for 50c. Either shirts or drawers, 33c.

Lot 4—Men's heavy cotton working shirts, in pleasing patterns. Good, strong material and made with yoke and turn-down collar. All the usual sizes. 25c.

Lot 5—Men's medium weight cotton socks, dark brown color and made seamless. Also a few black socks. Sale price, 5c.

Lot 6—Some 278 dozen men's white collars. There are all sorts of shapes, standing and turn down, including some of the best sellers. These are all good linen collars and not inferior qualities. Sale Price, 5c

Lot 7—White linen cuffs, square points and made to sell at 33c a pair. Sizes 10 to 11 1/2. The best cuff offering of the year. Sale price, 10c.

Lot 8—Handsone purple scarfs, in plain corded silks, also in a great assortment of fancy colors and plaids. None of these scarfs were made to sell for less than 50c. Sale Price, 25c

To-Night at 7:30, Real Linen Hand-Made Torchon

We place in this sale about one thousand yards of the choicest hand-made linen torchon lace, ranging in width from 1 to 3 inches. The original prices were from 17 1/2 to \$1 per yard. Suitable as a trimming for the finest fabrics, such as are used in the making of infants', children's and women's wear. \$1 yard grade goes for 50c. 75c yard grade goes for 37 1/2c. 50c yard grade goes for 25c. Less than 50c grades will be priced less one-third.

To-Night at 7:30, Birch Tables, 59c. Bamboo Tabourettes, 28c.

Lot 1—These pretty center tables are made from birch wood and finished in the natural wood. They are 15 inches square, with shelf below and fancy turned legs. Solid, substantial tables at 59c.

Lot 2—Artistic tabourettes made from selected mottled bamboo; eighteen inches high, with 8-inch tops covered with matting. Sale price, 28c.

To-Night at 7:30, Cake Plates, Pitchers and Enameled Cooking Pots.

Lot 1—Decorated cake plates in fancy shape and design with colored shaded borders and delicate floral decorations in center; size 8 1/2 inches. SALE PRICE, 12c

Lot 2—We have a special lot of Japanese creamers. They are nicely decorated and come in several designs at 5c.

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To-Night at 7:30, Women's Wrappers, the \$2.50 Kind, \$1.25

Fleece Back Flannelette, with Flounce, Skirt and Combination Yokes. About two weeks ago we offered the same quality wrappers at \$1.25. Notwithstanding that our tables seemed to be loaded down with them the entire lot was sold in 30 minutes. Here is the second installment from our Eastern manufacturer in a slightly different design, and, if anything, a prettier style and trimming. Made especially to our order and equal in every respect to wrappers sold here, and elsewhere, at \$2.50. Many people came too late for our last sale, but this will be another opportunity to do just as well.

To-Night at 7:30, Crosse & Blackwell's Olive Oil, in Pint Bottles, at 34c.

To such as are not familiar with the Crosse & Blackwell olive oil we wish to say that it has an enviable reputation which extends from continent to continent. This oil we shall sell, not by the case, but by bottle only at 34c.

To-Night at 7:30, Large White Goatskin Rugs at \$1.67.

These rugs have long, silky hair; are 36x72 inches, a size suitable to place in parlors, halls, or in the sleeping chamber by the bedside. They will not only add cheer to the room but comfort during the colder months.

To-Night at 7:30, Large Linen Center Pieces Stamped for Embroidery.

These show white Irish linen squares are 31x31 inches in size and have 2 1/4-inch hemstitched borders. The linen is of a texture intended for embroidery work. We have stamped these in three of the most favored designs—California violets, California peppers and California poppies. SALE PRICE, 39c

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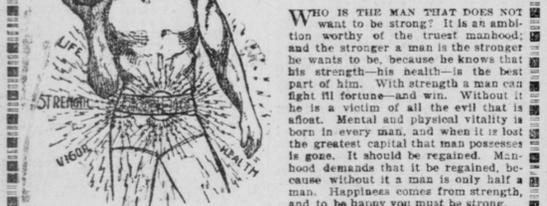
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J. H. Sawyer et ux. to Whitaker & Ray—207 acres in section 34, township 5 north, range 6 east.

John Elliott et ux. to abatement of homestead—Lot 25x392 feet in section 17, township 6 north, range 5 east. Same to Herman Schoech—Same as above.

G. W. Bailey et al., by Commissioner, to C. L. White—Northwest quarter of section 21, township 7 north, range 6 east; 8000.

W. F. Platt and C. J. Richards to Mary H. Platt—40 acres in section 13, township 7 north, range 6 east.

J. H. Rowe to Lee Fun—West half of lot 21, Elk Grove.

Timothy Foley to James Donnelly—Lots 5 and 6, block 93, Folsom.

Land Patents Signed. Governor Gage yesterday signed land patents as follows: School—C. W. Clark, 640 acres in Tulare County; H. A. Logan, 240 acres in Mendocino; C. W. Clark, 640 acres in Mono; also, 1,520 acres in Ventura; A. Hart, 640 acres in Santa Barbara; Isabel McGallir, 320 acres in Santa Barbara; C. W. Clark, 1,240 acres in Santa Barbara; R. H. Ehat, 40 acres in Kern; M. Eteneagin, 480 acres in Fresno; H. C. Oakley, 320 acres in San Bernardino; F. A. Hyde, 290 acres in San Benito; D. McKee, 160 acres in Kern; also 80 acres in Tulare, also 80 acres in Fresno; William Coburn, 640 acres in Tulare; T. Mace, 640 acres in Amador; C. W. Clark, 920 acres in Ventura; also 640 acres in Fresno, also 160 acres in Coluume, also 560 acres in Kern; also 640 acres in Santa Barbara; T. Lawler, 320 acres in San Bernardino; E. A. Benson, 560 acres in Alpine; J.

Ross, 160 acres in Modoc; L. E. Green, 200 acres in Santa Barbara; S. Roberts, 319 acres in Mono; J. D. Ackerman, 640 acres in Tulare; G. E. Bates and E. O. Miller, 1,085 acres in Fresno.

Commissioner of Deeds. Governor Gage yesterday appointed William H. Bird to be a Commissioner of Deeds for California, to reside at Salt Lake City, Utah.

Riley's Joke on Halford. J. Whitcomb Riley did his first literary work in the early seventies, for the Indianapolis "Journal," under an assumed name. The first pay he ever received for a poem was a suit of clothes from the late George Harding of the Indianapolis "Herald." About 1876 Riley went East and was welcomed by Holmes, Whittier and Longfellow. The New England newspapers made much of his visit, and when he returned he was a hero.

"I can remember," said an old "Journal" man the other day, "when Riley, with his smooth, boyish face, slender figure, clad in sacerdotal garb, used to come around the office and sit on my desk and dash off nonsense verses in the same copper-plate, microscopic handwriting that he uses to-day. 'Lige Halford, now a Major in the United States army and President Harrison's private Secretary, was the editor, and it used to be Riley's delight to submit some of his most meaningless jingles to Halford for the editorial page. The Major, who never had the slightest sense of humor, spent many a weary hour trying to comprehend them.

"You'd better draw a diagram to go with this," he would say. Then a shout of laughter from the boys would show him that there was a joke loose somewhere, and he would retire into his office to avoid it."—Philadelphia Saturday Evening Post.

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"I shall reward you, of course. How much do you think you ought to have?"

"Nothing whatever, sir. I am glad to restore your property."

"But you expect something?"

"No, sir."