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THURSDAY, APRIL 27, 1899.

It is reported that Tom Reed, the eminent statesman from Maine, will resign his seat in congress and accept a position with a law firm in New York, which guarantees him fifty thousand dollars a year.

From all present indications Nebraska will flourish this year as it has never flourished before. Farmers and business men who had plastered their property with mortgages have either had them removed or have got them in such a condition that they are now on "easy street" and with good crops this year the desert will be made to bloom as the rose, as it were. Good crops make good times and good times make republican victories.—Hastings Tribune.

The rebuttal testimony in Senator Quay trial, which was made principally in cross questioning the prosecuting witnesses put quite a different aspect on the case than what was charged. It showed that instead of Quay conspiring to beat the commonwealth, it was a conspiracy of his political enemies to beat him. The result was that eleven of his peers out of twelve on the first ballot said he was not guilty and the twelfth one was not long in reaching the same conclusion.

The unexpected has happened. Last Friday the state papers announced the appointment of V. J. Stedry, of Broken Bow, as one of the deputy oil inspectors of the state. Gov. Pointer is entitled to the credit of occasionally doing the right thing. Mr. Stedry, for years, has been an efficient worker in the pop ranks, but invariably when he would ask recognition his co-laborers would snub him. It was from a knowledge of this fact that we advised Mr. Stedry several months ago to "hang up his harp". Personally Mr. Stedry is worthy of the position, and we congratulate him on his success, his measly politics notwithstanding.

A Dakota democrat, James A. George, writes to a Deadwood paper apropos of the utterances of Governor Lee and other populocrats, in which he quotes this significant clause from the federal constitution: "Treason against the United States shall consist only in levying war against them or in adhering to their enemies, giving them aid and comfort." He announces therefore his withdrawal from an outfit that is giving aid and comfort to Aguinaldo and his guerrillas and robbers and his "fusion" with the party of the administration. There will be many followers of this frank and outspoken democrat in South Dakota.—State Journal.

The death of Col. Stotsenberg, Sunday, in a battle north of Malolos while leading the advance on the enemy, was a great calamity not only to the Nebraska regiment but to the nation. Since the beginning of active service, Feb 4th, Col. Stotsenberg has shown himself not only a grand soldier but an efficient leader. He had not only overcome the prejudice against him when he was appointed over the regiment, but had, by his loyalty to his men, and bravery, so completely won the confidence and adoration of his men that they would have followed his command into the very jaws of certain death. The same admiration shown by the members of his regiment is felt by every loyal citizen of Nebraska, and his untimely death is most sincerely regretted, as to him is largely due the

good name and honors achieved by our Nebraska boys.
The latest advices from Manila is that the First Nebraska will be retired from the firing line in the Philippines, which will be glad news to all. The First Nebraska boys have been in the front rank in nearly every engagement since the 4th of February and they should be given a rest.

The managers of the Greater American exposition, at Omaha, so far has found but few of the country publishers that feel inclined to give them free advertisement as they did last year. While we are desirous of seeing any legitimate enterprise, let it be located where it may, succeed, we do not feel called upon to give our space white others reap the financial benefit. The news items furnished by the managers to the country publishers doubtless would be a source of information for our readers. So are the advertisements of our local merchants. They do not demand free space to advertise their business nor could we remain long in the newspaper business if they did. The Greater Exposition project is purely a business undertaking for the city of Omaha and its merchants. That being a fact they should not expect the country publishers to advertise it for them without paying liberally for it. It is true if it is successful it will in a slight degree, benefit the state. The same is true of every other local enterprise. Wilson & Drake's success as merchants in Broken Bow is beneficial to Broken Bow and to the state in proportion to the success attained. The same is true of Harry Day & Co., O. P. Perley, W. S. Swan, Geo. Willing, J. C. Bowen, the Racket Store and Snyder Bros. as well as every other business in Broken Bow, yet these men do not ask nor expect the local papers to advertise their business free while they reap the benefit. Our advertising space is for sale to any legitimate business at reasonable rates, but we can not afford, nor will we advertise the Greater Exposition gratis. Our space is first for our local business men, and should they not want to use it all, it is then for sale to outsiders who are willing to pay for it and none others.

The strong arm of opposition against the insurrection in the Philippines by the administration, is an occasion for those whose judgment is warped by their political prejudices to denounce the conflict as an unholy war. From a christian standpoint all wars are unholy, simply because war is the result of unholy acts, sin. But the punishment of violation is not unholy, whether ordinary or extraordinary force is used. There are none that deplore war more than the present chief executive. Every effort was made by him to avoid a conflict with the Spanish government. The same is true with regard to the Filipinos. After the surrender of Manila the American army suffered all kinds of indignities at the hands of Aguinaldo's men rather than to precipitate war with them. Because they were not allowed to rush into Manila to rob, burn and murder the defenseless citizens, who placed themselves under the protection of the American government, Aguinaldo and his army became incensed, and from that date ceased friendly relations with this government. Their effort to pillage the city after its surrender was a disloyal act, and showed it was not freedom they sought but selfish gain. The American soldiers had no alternative. Not only was the nation's honor at stake, but in accepting the surrender she became financially liable for every dollar invested in that city and had she not used every effort at her command to protect it we would have been to blame. Had Aguinaldo been loyal to the cause of freedom from Spanish tyranny he would have felt equally bound with the Americans to protect the interests of those who had yielded to our arms. Instead, he persisted in his opposition to our army. He turned traitor to those who had

conquered his enemies and made it possible for his people to establish a home government, and finally came out in open rebellion and precipitated a conflict of arms with the Americans before the terms of peace with Spain had been made. What were we to do? Surrender to that hoard of heathens and see our flag trail in the dust? Must the flag that had never known defeat and had been sustained by the blood of our fathers be yielded to a traitor and savage fiend?
It would have been cowardice in the extreme, and a plain violation of the laws of God and man. Providence had enabled us to possess the islands and sink the Spanish fleet without the loss of a man. Would He have sanctioned so cowardly an act as to allow those defenseless women and children to be burned and slaughtered after placing them in the hands of the Americans to protect? There are those who concede we were compelled to protect Manila, but insist we had no right to follow the insurgents into the country. To have done otherwise would have prolonged the struggle. There was but one of two things to do; the issue was made; we either had to surrender and evacuate the islands or conquer the enemy. To do this they had to be followed up. We are one who believe that our armies have a divine mission in the Philippines, and that great good to the inhabitants will be the result in future generations. The Inter Ocean says:
"Of the hundreds of thoughtful men in the United States and Europe who write for either American or European periodicals, nearly all discuss with prophetic confidence the colonial policy to be followed by this country. They see promise of a better, richer, and stronger people in the new departure. Men who view the question from the standpoint of a purer civil service, or who look forward to a broader influence of Christianity as a civilizing power, or who hope that good government may do for all the world what it has done for the United States, indorse the policy, and predict splendid results. The only bitter opposition to the policy comes from a small circle of political cynics and government baiters in the United States, and it is due in most instances to partisan shysterism and personal notoriety hunting."

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