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523,680 623,710 723,710 824,050 923,360	$\begin{array}{cccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$	The legislature being republican a ma- jority of the investigating committee is naturally republican, but the fusionists have been accorded representation both
10	$26, \dots, 24, 715$ $27, \dots, 24, 250$ $28, \dots, 24, 150$ $29, \dots, 24, 250$ $30, \dots, 24, 250$	by the senate and the house. The state auditor, whose office is under the search- light, cannot, therefore, assert that the
1424,040 1524,410 1623,867 Total	30	committee has been packed against him and it is to be hoped the findings, what- ever they may be, will have the approval and disperture of a line when the second

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Sist day of January, 1899. (Seal.) H. I. PLUMB, Notary Public.

The warning against politicians writing letters that may come back to plague them still holds good.

With Lent upon us once more the society girl who bravely renounces ice cream and candy is again the popular try are in a somewhat unsettled condiheroine.

The people of the United States are not the only ones who remember the Maine. The people of Spain could not forget it if they would.

An overcoat thief has been caught plying his profession on the legislative lobby at Lincoln. He evidently knows the best place to get in his work.

From the way the czar is rushing soldiers into Port Arthur and Talien Wan it is evident the disarmament conference cannot be much longer delayed.

Agoncillo boldly says that General Otis is a liar. It will be observed that Agoncillo is several thousand miles distant from the present headquarters of General Otis.

While there is nothing in the law reuiring the state auditor to be able to cast a horoscope, no one should aspire to that position who cannot establish his right to pose as a master of Palm-Istry.

NOW FOR THE INVESTIGATION. fice, it is plain that the investigation, if nexation,

The charges already made are so ex-

plicit and to the point that the committee

DEATH OF PRESIDENT FAURE.

and signatures of all its members.

early date.

It is to be made thorough, must be carried on exclusively by the joint commultiplied.

On the other hand, the legislative comand papers and compel the attendance whatever the consequences to the interas well as to employ stenographic as- velopment of the islands, but what has sistance to reduce the testimony to writ. been done cannot be undone. We have ing. The committee can probe the mat- annexed territory where the degradation times does some very queer things, has ter with the same if not greater thor- of labor has reached the lowest level, oughness as could a grand jury called where people toil under conditions far concerning the horrors of the San Jose

this country. This is, for the present at portation of fresh fruits and plants from The makeup of the committee, moreover, is such in its personnel as should least, irremediable. But let us annex the United States unless accompanied 750 inspire the confidence of the public and no more territory where such conditions by most formal and convincing proofs lacking in that originality said to characterinsure fairness to all parties concerned. exist or are possible.

ARMY BILL IN SENATE.

The bill for the reorganization of the to assimilate the non-assimilative Conarmy has been reported to the senate. goans and the other part of it with the The measure provides for increasing the regular army to 100,000, but authorizes the big crown of a little kingdom is the president, in his discretion, to re-

duce the number of men in companies so committee has been packed against him as to limit the army to 50,000 men. The minority of the senate committee on ever they may be, will have the approval military affairs presented a proposition advertising racket. And the railroad to make the standing army 62,000 for a managers persist in saying their fast period of two years and to enlist natives of the islands in possession of the should have no difficulty in getting down to work and reaching a conclusion at an United States to the number of 35,000. The measure passed by the house and

reported to the senate is understood to for several times the entire outlay for have the approval of the administration and the president and secretary of war M. Felix Faure, president of France, are exceedingly anxious that it should

Now that the city tax levy has been irdied suddenly in Paris last night. Comrevocably fixed and it is known the become law as soon as possible, one ing at a time when there is a good deal urgent reason being their desire to regreatest economy will be imperative durof political perturbation in France and ing the coming year, the heads of the lieve the volunteers in Cuba and the the international relations of the coun-Philippines. But it is very doubtful various departments should remember whether a bill increasing the regular that there are twelve months in the year, change with a column of queries accusing tion, the death of M. Faure may have army to 100,000 can pass the senate of Otherwise there will be the usual comfar-reaching consequences, for while this congress. The opposition to such an plaint that absolutely necessary work The paper is popocratic, of course, and the there are abler statesmen in the reincrease is very strong in that body and cannot be done because all the money is chances are sixteen to one that the "n gone.

public than he was the late president is not likely to yield, as now indicated. It had a faculty for dealing with political is possible that some sort of compromise crises and managing factional conflicts will be effected, but the chances seem to superior to perhaps any of his conbe strongly against this. The repubtemporaries. He was essentially a pollicans of the senate are not unanimous Itician and while not a man of broad in favor of the proposed increase. learning or any very distinguished If the bill fails in the senate it is qualifications, he achieved a high meashighly probable that a special session of ure of popularity and influence. the Fifty-sixth congress will be called M. Faure was chosen president of very soon after the present congress France in 1895, succeeding Casimir ends. The president undoubtedly is very Perier, who had resigned the office. He

desirous to avoid this, but he regards had held a ministerial position and been the proposed legislation as of such great a member of the Chamber of Deputies. importance that if it should fail in this winning no particular distinction in congress he would doubtless feel it to be either place. He was very successful in an imperative duty to call the next conbusiness-that of tanner-and had gress in special session without delay. amassed wealth, but probably no one had ever thought of him as a possible chief DELAY IS DANGEROUS magistrate of France before the resig-

The census of 1900 is scarcely a year nation of Perier. Elevated to that pooff. The present legislature must pro- and has been done in direct violation of sition, however, he soon showed that he

pugnant to the policy of the United instance the only evidence was circum-Conceding to Governor Poynter only States, they simply took the matter into stantial and far from conclusive, but the best motives in appointing a com- their own hands and have added thea- that has nothing to do with the case, mission of state officers to investigate sands of contract laborers, drawn If the woman had confessed the crime. South Carolina dispensary system that was into the charges of corruption in the in- chiefly from China, to the number that if instead of one man she had killed a adopted as an amendment to the constitusurance department of the auditor's of- were in the islands at the time of an- hundred cold-bloodedly, there is a law tion at the last election, is not a popular

to punish and its enforcement would This labor will remain there. It is have subserved the ends of justice withnot at all probable that any legislation out this mob taking matters in its own and that it became a law surreptitiously and that is an it were. lature have named. Even if the gov- turb or interfere with it. Very likely the woman's life on suspicion pales and an anomaly that perhaps no other state has ernor's commission, which consists of there is now an ample supply in the is- fades into insignificance compared to the ever had. It appears that the simple three state officers, should bend all its lands to meet the demands of the sugar methods employed. Whatever might energies to the work. It would nec- planters for years and to keep the price have been the guilt of the mother it was voted on and, while the amendment essarily be handicapped by want of an- of labor at the lowest point, so that the could not attach to three little children. was adopted, the legislature elected at the thority and the dangers of the investiga. Idea of Hawaii offering any opportunity and by firing the house so as to prevent same time is overwhelmingly against tion degenerating into a farce would be for American labor, as was urged by the escape and then leaving the mob made a measure and will refuse to prescribe any annexationists, must be given up. What willful attempt to murder them in the the senate committee on immigration most horrible manner. The thought of mittee has been fully empowered to con- proposes shall be done is proper, because the whole disgraceful transaction is may be necessary to carry out the objects duct the investigation in a businesslike | it is consistent with American policy. A sickening and disgusting and if the local of a constitutional amendment, but if that manner, having been delegated authority stop must be put to the importation of authorities will not do it the governor of body takes a contrary view as to what its by the legislature to send for persons contract labor into the Hawailan islands. Indiana should spare no effort and expense to hunt down the dangerous outof witnesses and production of evidence, ests of the sugar planters or to the de- laws who tried to perpetrate this crime.

truly not what it might be.

the new train service.

DEE LINES.

According to Judge Charles E. Smith of Custer City, S. D., now in Omaha, the measure and will never be enforced. The judge says that the people simply overlooked it, in the excitement of other lesues, The matter, however, presents proposition as to whether the state should or should not have a dispensary system penalty for the violation of the law. Of course, it is supposed to be the duty of a legislature to enact such measures duty in the premises is, there is no power compel it to think or act differently and in this case that attitude will, apparently, render the dispensary system a nullity in South Dakota unless some future legislature shall decide to carry out its provisions. Prince Leopold of Belgium, who some-

Those pessimists who bewail the fact that just issued a tremendous royal decree Nebraska has no recognized poet to embalm its beauties in verse should now revise their worse than ever did the negro slaves of scale. The decree prohibits the im- judgment, for a bard has appeared on the scene and he is no less a personage than Editor Leedom of the Osmond Republican It is true his first production is rather that they are absolutely scaleless. Poor ize the bard who is born and not made, but Leopold! Between sitting up one part at the same time it contains a degree of of the night with the benevolent plan pathos that promises better things in the future. Here it is:

How dear to our heart is cash on subscrip-San Jose scale the pleasure of wearing When the generous subscriber presents it to

But the man who don't pay we refrain

from description For perhaps, genue reader, that man may be The fast trains will now come off until you.

According to the strict proprieties, of the railroads want to work another free ourse, the business element in this poem would prevent it from taking rank with the highest classics, but it must not be forgottrains do not pay, when they know en that even Shakespeare did not neglect very well that the free newspaper adthe business side of his poetry and the duty to follow that policy is just as invertising worked through them could cumbent on the editor as it is on the poet not have been bought at regular rates But however that may be those who want a poet laureate for Nebraska will do well to keep an eve on the budding genlus of Editor Leedom.

The editor of the Culbertson Era evi-

dently has little sympathy for the calamity howler and in descanting on his sphere of uselessness says: We have under our table a Nebraska ex-

the "money lender" of being guilty of al kinds of meanness in the answers th dender" holds a mortgage on that fellow's printing plant.

This is rather severe, but however the ruth may be, it is an indisputable fact that it is the nere-do-well and the man who has As surely as present policies are persisted his own folly to blame for his misfortunes n, more federal taxes must be imposed. We who is always most severe in criticisms of annot blink that fact. More borrowing fate and the injustice of man. would only put over for a day and not avert

The Wayne Republican has just com pleted its first year and shows every indication of prosperity. The reason is not far to seek. It is an excellent local paper, Aguinaldo has claimed in a speech that his newsy, enterprising and identified with the orces killed 2,300 Americans in the recent interests of its town and county. It does fighting at Manila. When the Filipinos not complain of a lack of patronage because reach the election stage of political developt is worthy of it and gets it. If other pament, what a magnificent campaign liar pers which complain of injustice would follow the example of Editor Cunningham and give their towns papers with all of the local news the cause of these complaints would "As might be expected," runs a Manila be apt to disappear in short order. dispatch, "there has been some looting in

Some enterprising Yankee has invented a

WESTERN SENTIMENT.

Interpretation.

Chicago Post

CONDITION OF THE FILIPINOS.

Light on the Question of Their Ca- Exploiting Ambitions Projects for pacity for Self-Government. There is an abundance of reliable Ameri-

Lord Beresford, the champion of an "open can testimony available confirming the contention of opponents of invertalism that door" policy for the Orient, comes to the the natives of the Philippine islands are at United States at an opportune moment for least the equals of the Cubans in their ca-pacity for self-government, and should receive like treatment. No less an authority inferests is giving impens to every project

than Admiral Dewey so stated in a dispatch that promises to open up new markets for to Secretary Long last June. "These people American products, while the growth of (the Filipinos)," says the admiral, "are friendliness between Great Britain and oursuperior and more intelligent and better selves paves the way for a kindly reception spacifiated to govern themselves than the in our chambers of commerce of any proposi Indians of Cuba, and I am familiar with the tion concerning trade that the distinguished Englishman desires to make. character of both races."

It is the dream of this practical statesman Admiral Dewey's conclusions are sup-ported by another emilient authority, Prof. Germany and Japan united in the support Dean C. Worcester of Ann Arbor University, of a free trade policy for China. If left to who lived on the islands several years, and themselves Russia and France and Germany whose writings concerning them are the best are certain to extend their spheres of excluobtainable source of information. Prof. sive influence in China, to the great detri-Worcester is a member of the Philipping ment of Americans and English interests, ommission recently appointed by the presi- Hence it is the far-reaching scheme of Lord lent. Prof. Worcester was asked by a Beresford to forestall such a policy by enlistfriend at Cornell for an expression of his ing the active co-operation of the three comopinion as to the capacity of the Filipinos mercial countries that favor open trade, and for self-government. From his reply, which to induce the Germans, who have more or has been published, dated Ann Arbor, Mich., Jess of a community of interests with these three, to share in the movement. December 10, we quote the following:

"To make a statement as to future pos-So far as it is possible for the United States to encourage Beresford's proposition sibilities is merely to express an opinion, and so far as I can see the only basis for without being involved in militarism, there such an opinion is to be found in the seems little question that it should be done. character of the civilized native and in We have covenanted with Spain to mainthe actual showing which he has made tain an open door in the Philippines, and we under the adverse environment which has are now more than ever before concerned in seeing the rich markets of China thrown

"The Filipino has developed many ad- open to all the nations of the world on equal mirable traits. He is peaceable and cheer- conditions. The only kind of expansion ful; his self-restraint is remarkable; his which should have charms for us is the confamily is well ordered; in some instances, at quest of the world's markets, in a free and any rate, he shows executive ability of no open competition. mean order when called upon to attend to

POINTED REMARKS.

Chicago Record: "What did little Jim do with the quarter he got for having his tooth pulled?" "He spent it all on comic valentines to "It is my own belief that no intra-tropical people offers brighter hope for the future than do the Philippine natives, and if send the dentist. trouble arises in our dealings with them

Indianapolis Journal: "My ancestors came over in the Mayflower," said the icy young

"Indeed"" responded her equally frigid friend. "None of my people have ever to my knowledge, traveled otherwise than first-class." herent and objectionable peculiarities of friend.

Edwin Wildman, vice consul at Manila, in Detroit Journal: "How did you manage to pass such crude coins?" they asked him. "Oh, people want moncy so bad!" replied the counterfeiter, acutely, if not grammatically.

went away, what do you think! "Well-what?"

"She left a note for the new girl telling her I was mighty shaky on the use of 'shall' end 'will.'

oxy senator.

able to talk business with such a mob?

Chicago Tribune: "Hello, pard!" ex-laimed the plumber. "Cold. ain't it?" "Sir!" said the physician. "Come, doc." reisoland the plumber. "Dan't et's feel to proud to speak to each other. I notice that you and I are always busiest at the same time, and while you're at work ipstairs I'm generally practicin' in the inservent ". asement,

Washington Sizr: "Aw say, now! How an the mere izneritance of a thousand dol-ars be enough to render him independent on the state. "It is enough to pay the expenses of his livorce suit. Now, can you see?"

Indianapolis Journal:

"Take up the white man's burden-" And the noble savage strode To the nearest bar that came in sight. And got him there a load.

ONE DAY IN THE TRENCHES.

Atlantic Monthly We lay among the rifle pits, above our low

Chicago News: "When my typewriter girl

Philadelphia North American: "Of course, am against Filipino annexation," Baid the

"But why?" "But why?" "Why, man alive, they've got 200 dialects, and how is a statesman ever going to be and how is a statesman ever a mah?"

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A Common Burden.

heads streaming Bullets, like sleet, with now and then,

fiber that abounds throughout the islands. is pleturesque, and has a jaunty, attractive style, which their straight forms and exposed shoulders carry off well. The fiber s often woven as finely as silk, and some

of the drawn work of the Filipino lace makers is most exquisite and expensive. I have seen single handkerchiefs which could not be purchased under \$300. The Filipinos love jewelry, and some of the crude set-

tings contain magnificent pearls, found along the shores of the Islands. The women, as a class, are attractive-many are really pretty, While eschewing shocs, gloves and hats, they often wear dresses

thus far surrounded him.

nore important towns.

their character.'

ives:

the administration of local affairs in the

believe there is far more likelihood that it

will be the result of our own maladminis-

tration than that it will come from in-

letter to Leslie's Weekly, says of the na-

clothing is clean-two tremendous strides

toward civilization. The men do clever

work in wood, silver and brass. Their old

war knives are highly embellished. Their

pottery is often picturesque, and the cloth-

ing of the women, made of the indigenous

"The Filipino is artistic and his

of the finest texture, beautifully embroidered, and made with a flowing train. Both sexes love music, and the Filipino music is not the wild banging of tom-toms and he heating of cymbals and drums; nor is t the squeak of the two-stringed violin and the pounding of sticks attune, as with the Chinese and Japanese; but it has melody and air, for the Tagal plays all the instru ments of the European, and outplays him on many. Aguinaldo's band of sixty pleces

is one of the finest on the island. "The native is in evidence everywhere He is your servant, your day laborer, your blacksmith, carpenter, farmer, stone cutter

cook and, in fact, represents to the Philipshirt that is said to be all the rage with a pines what the coolie class does to China, MISSION OF BERESFORD.

Oriental Trade.

Detroit Free Priss.

Considering the severity and length of the recent below zero cold spell, the comparatively small amount of actual suffering entailed by it among the Omaha poor is certainly a cause of grat-Ification.

If the eighteen major generals in command of President Zelaya's 1,000 soldiers should make a mistake and find the rebels they are hunting there may yet be some serious destruction of ammunition.

Some bills introduced in the legislature appear as harmless as the old hat which reposes on the sidewalk on All Fools Day. Like the hat, however, the man who kicks it is liable to find a brick under cover.

Until the Sampson-Schley controversy is definitely settled a serious effort the fact, as stated by the committee, should be made to induce the magazines that the sugar planters-the persons not to raise the issue whether Dewey or who promoted annexation-have been Otis deserves the credit of a victory over freely importing contract laborers since Aguinaldo.

The crisis in the Lichty-Cornell un- ing the fact that this resolution provides broglio has reached the acute stage and for the exclusion of Chinese, declaring if somebody does not negotiate a that "there shall be no further immigraprotocol the result may be fraught with tion of Chinese into the Hawaijan serious consequences to somebody be- islands, except upon such conditions as are now or may hereafter be allowed by sides the little "snide" insurance comthe laws of the United States." For a panies.

year or two preceding annexation there The attempt of the Missouri legislature was comparatively little contract labor to decrease its clerical force is a piece of imported into Hawaii, the promoters of parsimony that should not be tolerated. annexation there understanding that At last accounts the Missouri state sensuch importation on a large scale would ate of thirty-four members was struggling along with only 134 clerks and, of as soon as annexation was an accomcourse, further reduction is out of the plished fact the planters begun reinquestion. forcing the already large body of con-

tract laborers and this is still going on. The California woman who, although The report of the senate immigration an inveterate smoker and rum drinker, committee says: "Since the passage of died at the age of 109, is another warning of the hideous ravages of these twin has been a decided impetus given to the evils. A temperate life in this case would unquestionably have insured a islands by the sugar plantation owngreen old age if not a close second to ers. The committee is informed that Methuselah. each vessel from Asiatic countries is in-

Nebraska City is asking the legislature to reimburse it \$5,000 for expenses and and unless some restrictive measure is losses incurred in maintaining a smallpox quarantine. If Nebraska City is entitled to indemnity Omaha should put in a claim not only with the legislature, tirely plain regulation of this governbut also with Nebraska City for allowing a few germs to escape through its trocha to this city.

The German agrarian ingenuity has at producing sugar that will compete in the courts to usurp this power through the American market with the home prodlast discovered a plan to solve the question of a scarcity of farm labor and as expected, for of course these planters by the court of last resort. a result a nig petition has gone to the would protect their interests and they Reichstag asking that a bill be passed compelling all members of the laboring told the American commissioners to The mob that surrounded the house class to reside continuously in the neighborhood where born until at least 20 years of age. As the Germans are and to the further development of the it, fully believing that she and her chilgenerally reputed to have an excellent islands. They therefore asked that dren were in it at the time, is another one share of common sense and understand they be allowed to continue to obtain of those painful and deplorable manisomething of the principles of liberty, it labor as they had been doing under the festations of lawlessness which is a is to be feared that the finish of this in- sanction of Hawaiian municipal legis- shame, a disgrace and a lasting reproach genious measure will be witnessed about lation and when informed that this not only to the community where it oc- est general of all the foreign powers on advocate annexation or colonization for the 2x6's evinced no disposition to kick at the the time it comes up for consideration. could not be permitted because re- curs, but to the whole country. In this earth.

while there has been no little political commotion and unrest during his incumbency, he kept the country at peace and maintained its dignity, unless it be thought that this was somewhat impaired in the Fashoda affair. In the Dreyfus matter M. Faure was on the side of the army and

was equal to the demands upon him and

Omaha disposed to oppose consolidation against a revision of the case, s the liquor element, which has been doubtless prompted entirely by political enjoying the advantage of a \$500 liconsiderations. He was a sincere friend cense fee that would have to be inof peace, though quite as devoted as creased to \$1,000 on the extension of the French statesmen generally to the policy orporate limits of Omaha. But this of maintaining the military and naval increase of the license fee in South strength of France. His death will be Omaha is bound to come anyway with sincerely mourned by his countrymen. the census of 1900, which cannot fail to

CONTRACT LABOR IN HAWAIL The committee on immigration of the

town bringing it within the provision of the law making \$1,000 the minimum United States senate has reported a bill license fee. With this difference elimito extend the anti-contract labor law nated consolidation would be more to and the Chinese exclusion acts to Hathe advantage than to the disadvantage wall. The necessity for this appears in of South Omaha liquor dealers. By

making the union take effect in 1900 ust previous to the census enumeration all objections and opposition to the annexation proposition from this source the passage by congress of the joint ould doubtless be avoided. resolution of annexation, notwithstand-The question of consolidating Omaha

and South Omaha is one so vital to the interests of both communities that the commercial organizations and public bodies of both should take it up at once. The time to act is at hand and action cannot safely be deferred.

onerous responsibilities that would go

Outside of the office-seekers and spoils

hunters the only class of people in South

disclose a population in that flourishing

with the union of the two cities.

The senate has passed the bill to admit Osborne Deignan to the naval academy at Annapolis. As he had passed the regulation age limit for admission a special bill was necessary. be certain to prejudice their scheme, But As one of the Merrimac heroes he is en titled to some recognition and in offering him an opportunity to advance in his calling which places his future in his own hands congress does better than tendering a gold medal and a vote of thanks. A chance to rise is the best the joint resolution of annexation there | thing any good American boy can have

and those who know the young man importation of contract laborers into the have every confidence in his ability and disposition to improve the opportunity,

The question whether the police board creasing the list of contract laborers or the district court judges are to constitute the licensing body must be deteradopted the number must shortly be still mined authoritatively if the court denies further augmented." Thus it is shown the commission the power plainly vested that the Hawaiian sugar planters are by law exclusively in it to grant or reacting in palpable violation of an en- fuse liquor license applications. Either the law has up to this time been misread ment and placing themselves in a post- by everybody who has served on the potion that for years to come will give lice commission since its establishment them the cheapest labor in the world in twelve years ago or the attempt of the use of mandamus and injunction is enuct. This however was to have been tirely unwarranted and will be so held

Hawali that the importation of cheap of a woman at Bethlehem, Ind., suslabor was essential to their interests pected of killing her husband, and fired

This does not refer to the Filiping rders. vide for the consolidation of Omaha and roops, but to the Americans. One of the in-South Omaha if consolidation is to take idents which made the Filipinos our foes was place within the present decade. After the fear of General Merritt that the Filipinos 1900 there will be no incentive for would loot if he allowed them to share any Omaha to assume the debts and other of the glory of capturing Manila.

Imperialism and Taxes.

Springfield Republican.

the necessity that confronts "expansion."

Aguinaldo will be.

Equal to the Home Grown.

Minneapolls Times.

Horse of Another Color.

Buffalo Express.

the outskirts, but it has not been general

America's Third Admiral. Chicago Chronici

There have been but two admirals in the United States navy. The office was created in 1865 and was first held by David Farragut; said to be cheap at that to those who care more for money than the method of getting on his death in 1870 David D. Porter was appointed as his successor. On Porter's

leath the office was abolished. Dewey will be the third American admiral and the most gracious part of the bill for his benefit is that he will not be retired for age like other army and naval officers. At his death the office will again cease to exist.

> Spolling for a Fight. leage

Along with the white man's burdon the ness in securing new industries is too ap marguis of Salisbury manifests an unparent to need comment, and the already mistakable intention to take up the hustling and enterprising town of Hastings erritory on the east African coast now by France under a lease can add very materially to its importance laimed and prosperity in this way, but to do so they from Italy, Indeed, his lordship evifently considers the French a "sullen, silent who are to be crowded into a corpeople." her and kept there. The Fashoda incident they secure everything in sight. has been followed by the Newfoundland fisherles business, the Soudan college difficulty

and the Red sea coaling station dispute, and in each case France has "knuckled under." The "pin pricks," however, continue, though t is not France but Great Britain which is doing the pricking. It is impossible to escape the conclusion that England means to fasten a quarrel on the French republic, though what object is to be attained passes comprehension. It may be set down as certain, however, that the quarrel will arise if

the provocation be continued long enough. No nation ever went hunting for trouble without getting it. France will not forever submit to having her nose pulled. There will be war if Sallsbury seeks it, and he apparently does seek it.

WESTERN TROOPS.

Courage and Dash Displayed in the Battles Around Manila. New York Herald,

In the intensely interesting details of the week's fighting about Manila cabled to the Herald by one of the fighters, who was Spain to surrender the Philippines, and it badly wounded, there is one strong underlying note which dominates the whole storythat is, the absolute courage and dash of our western troops,

These were amateur soldiers-just a lot of prairie boys full of adventure and bored with their monotonous life at home. The writer had earned his spurs in the Turco-Grecian war for an English paper, but is an amateur in American journalism. Watch how graphically the words describe the wild western case with which the Washington, Nebraska, Idaho, Montana, Wyoming, Dakota and Utah regiments overcame difficulties "The Nebraska men made their way over

the bridge, crouching in pairs, amid the hissing and pattering of bullets." "The Colorado volunteers rushed block-ouses Nos. 4 and 6 and the village beyond." 'The Washington troops swam the estuary inder fire." "The Wyoming troops waded the stream

and marched into the open under heavy fire as if on parade." "Up the hill the artillery and infantry

scrambled, digging with their hands and feet. Nothing could stand before them. It was magnificent!"

And so it was! These first details of fighting in the tropics by our raw western boys further toward establishing the vast fighting power of our blessed country-the reserve force to be drawn from any and every section of the nation-than the grand-

certain class just now in New York and it the negro to the south; only, as you study may not be amiss for the convivial Nehis character and take note of his works braskan while hunting for the diversion of in artistic, intellectual, commercial and a little game of draw in Gotham to keep musical lines, you are compelled to admit his eves open for it. It consists of a false that possibilities exist in his make-up that cuff and sleeve that has attached to it a fine do not in other native races. It is connetallic clamp which catches a cord and is tinually dinned into your ears that the drawn with a cord across the body to the

Filipino is hopelessly lazy. I am willing other hand, where the card needed in an to admit that he is lazy, but not hopelessly. emergency is deposited without danger of This is a climate of lazy conditions." detection. The shirt sells for \$100 and

"My prejudices in favor of the Filipinos." writes Chaplain McKinnon of the First California volunteers, "were when I came here about as strong as any man's could be, but The business men of Hastings are agitat now 1 have come to the conclusion that the ing the question of establishing a commer Spanlards treated them about right. In this cial club or board of trade as a means of opinion I am not alone, as I think there are securing factories and other enterprises for but few officers in the army who think the town. Experience has proved two things otherwise. I have been all over the country in this regard. The case with which a and find no poverty anywhere. For Indians, board of trade may be organized in a town I think them remarkably well instructed

and the difficulty experienced in getting i The one who cannot read and write is an to work to a practical purpose. Its usefulexception. There are public schools supported by the government all over the country.

The American, the first daily paper published in the English language at Manila. must quit "agitating." form the organization found it impossible to secure a sufficient and when they get it go to work along prac force of typesetters understanding the tical lines and keep everlastingly at it until English language and had to fall back on the natives, who did not understand the lingo. The result of the experiment illus-Peace Commissioner Reid's Mistaken

trates the remarkable aptitude of the natives. "The experiment was made," says the American, "and with success from the very beginning. And now all the composi-The address of Whitelaw Reid, late peace tion in this paper is set up by natives

ommissioner of the United States, at the They are very quick to learn and when they Marquette club banquet bristled with interesting statements which fairly challenge once understand a thing they never forget it. Most of the compositors are learning English comment. It was intended to be highly comby constantly having English copy before plimentary to the patriotism and penetrathem, and, although not one of them could tion and hopeful spirit of the great west, speak a word of our language when they which Mr. Reid could not help comparing with the narrow and obstructive attitude of commenced setting type on the American. they now understand whatever we have ocimportant elements in the east. But a carecasion to say to them in the performance of ful perusal of the address discloses the fact that in one vital respect Mr. Reid misintertheir work. With the proper school system preted the western sentiment. * * * once introduced, frequent intercourse with The west has not reproached the commission for Americans and Europeans and the eradication of the superstition which is so promi-"bringing home more property than some people wanted." but not because it either nent a factor in them, they will advance in expected or desired that the war should education very rapidly."

result in giving us any "property." Th PERSONAL AND OTHERWISE. west appreciated the necessity of compelling

A milk trust is talked of in Milwaukee. does not criticise the commissioners for do What, Milwaukee forsaking Milwaukee ing their duty. But it does not advocate Perish the thought. holding all that mere force has given us;

It is proposed in Denver to establish a it does not treat the question of Philipping public park in that city as a memorial to annexation as a commercial one. not have the government "wait till" it "has the late Rev. Myron W. Reed. J. Eads How, a young millionaire of St examined" the far eastern archipelago and

"found that it has no use for it." Use and Louis, is leading a life of voluntary poverty profitableness are not the controlling conin that city, trying by example to better the siderations at all. Justice and the pledge condition of the laboring classes. of this government to the world are. The

People of the west who imagined they war was not undertaken for purposes of termopolized the blizzard belt have to read ritorial aggrandizement, and the congress blizzard operations down east to realize how and people which proclaimed the right of far they are from the real blizzard belt. Cuba to self-government will not deny the J. Frank Wheaton, a member of the pres same right to the Philippines. ent legislature in Minnesota, is the first Mr. Reid does not want Cuba, Porto Rico

colored man who ever sat in that body. He or the Phillippines to become parts of "the was elected by a constituency of 9,000 vot-United States." He says that "we want no ers, only fifty of whom are colored men. Porto Ricans or Cubans to be sending sen-The National Druggist conveys a timely ators and representatives to Washington to warning when it delares that chemically help govern the American union, any more than we want Kanakas or Tagalos or Visayas pure water is "a dangerous protoplasmic son." 'The royal road to safety is to do or Malays." He repudiates the "crazy exas Chicago does-boll it and apply externally. tension" of the doctrine of government by

General Otis, the commander of our forces in the Philippines, is said to be a man of laconic speech, who rarely utters more than one short sentence at a time, but who man ages to make that sentence epigrammatic The west believes in giving the Philippines | and full of meaning.

Grave diggers in a Wisconsin town threater to strike for more pay. They find it hard work to pick a hole in the frozen ground government there and protect the islands and insist that \$1.50 a day is about right est essay on war ever written by the great- from foreign aggression. But it does not At last accounts prospective occupants of Talse.

by the vicious scream TIPE Of shells that made us hold our breath, Of shells that made us hold our breath, till each had burst and blasted
 Its ghastly circle, hid in smoke—here, there —and while it lasted,
 That murderous fume and fusillade, our hearts were in our throats:
 For hell let loose about us raged, and in those muddy moats
 The rain that fell was shot and shell, the solab it made was red.

splash it made was red. And all about the long redoubt was gar-risoned with dead.

Upon my right a veteran in rasping whis-

pers swore; Upon my left an Irish lad breathed Ave Marys o'er, And 1? Well, well, I won't aver my lips And 1

And 1? Well, well, I won't aver my lips no murmur made;
A pratyser, long, silent, half forgot, stirred them; but something stayed
The sacred words; I locked my lips, "No, no, ah, no?" I thought;
"Not so l'll pray, let come what may!" I held my heart and lips
And, nerved afresh, I gripped my rifle stock-when-something clips
Smartly my temple (that long lock conceals the bullet's mark).
And, sharply stinging, with ears loud ringing. I dropped into the dark.

When I awoke the sultry smoke was gone,

and o'er me. Faint as a cloud against the air, a sweet face tenderly. A mother-woman's face, was bending, in

the evening beam-That touched her good gray hair to gold-

with eyes that made me seem. 'Mid all the fever's burning, wholly safe-since they were there. Well-oddly, sir-in that dim peace, I let since they were there. I-oddly, sir-in that dim peace, I let my lips breathe prayer. Well-

This is the Time.

At this season of the year there is not much to be said about clothing except to call attention to the prices at which we are selling the remainder of the winter goods.

We are not looking for profit so much as for room for spring goods. We don't want to pack up and store any of this season's stock. It is yours at about cost now. But don't let yourself forget that this is all new stock and made for this season. Our guarantee goes with every garment of it.



consent to these dependencies and would treat them as mere "property" of the United States. The west cordially indorses the negative part of his proposition, but it is not ready to subscribe to the positive part.

recisely the same status as has been accorded to Cuba. It believes that we are bound to establish an orderly and stable

sake of gain.