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If the attorney general really means It let him tackle the typewriter trust, Reference is made to the machine-not

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the operator. The man with his winter's supply of hard coal in the cellar can contemplate the impending strike of the miners with complacency. But with others it is different.

The Sixteenth street viaduct looms in sight at last. If the railroads mean business they will proceed with the building of the structure without further delay.

Deroulede declares that he loves the French republic. The man who kills the woman for whom he declares he has a consuming love is imbued with the same variety of affection.

A Providence man has been caught with his shoes full of pearls and they were not placed there as an act of penance. The government will look after that part of the performance.

The German kaiser leaves it to be distinctly understood on the occasion of his visit to his grandmother that while he might come to see her occasionally he had no intention of making England his favorite playground or of singing English songs to any alarming extent.

More hungry democrats are lined up at the Nebraska pie counter now than there are stools and there is not even a whole pie to distribute. The populists insist that they be given a show, but the democrats opine that it will be some time before a populist will be "next" at the state house distribution.

The democratic national committee proposes to organize a bureau for the purpose of convincing the people of this country that they are not prosperous. It will probably result about as did the effort of a Nebraska popocratic officeholder when he set out to demonstrate that farming in this state did not pay.

The experiment of Captain Leary, governor of the island of Guam, in attemptbe watched with interest. Heretofore the disease has been considered incurhurry it a little, the patient too often relapses into his former state.

Now that the courts have refused to precedent to the bullding of the Sixthe way of this much-needed improved tem. ment are practically removed. The building of the viaduct should now proceed without further parleying.

Attorney General Smyth has at last filed his brief in the insurance case growing out of the controversy between the governor and auditor over the concidedly a homeopathic dose of law, adwith a view to accomplishing anything.

Leonard H. Imboden, who was found guilty of conducting a wild-cat bank in quire as to the principles of a repub-Kansas City, has just been sentenced to lican form of government, but also a ten years' imprisonment in a Missouri penitentiary. They don't do things that established governmental methods and way in Omaha, however. Here the wild- policies. Equality before the law, integ- notice served upon dealers ought to subcat bank swindlers are given positions of responsibility and trust in the federal administration of justice, are essential the attorney general do his duty. Elecservice in recognition of their high ca- conditions to good government which tion is over and few votes will be lost pacity as eminent financiers.

According to the best information the Boer army at its maximum did not exceed 35,000 men. The press reports from ment. the vicinity of Ladysmith, Kimberley and other places where war operations are active indicate there have already been killed at least 40,000. As there is still a numerous army surrounding these faculty of rapid reincarnation.

country. Although never a prominent figure in the councils of the nation, Gara potential factor in shaping its policies. out the work for its campaign man-

agers. Since his advent to the vice presidency, Mr. Hobart has exhibited admirable traits in the discharge of his official functions and what is most credabove the mere figurehead on the prow of the ship of state.

Personally the late vice president was views on public men and measures love for anything British. sought after by those charged with greater responsibilities and authority.

KEYNOTE OF THE CITY CAMPAIGN.

Municipal ownership of public utilities is to be the keynote of the impending city campaign. This is the demand of the hour in Omaha as it is in the principal population centers of the country. Light, water, heat and power are all essential factors to the growth of modern cities and Omalia must secure these natural utilities at the lowest possible cost in the shortest possible time.

...771,605 0.838 With few exceptions American cities either own their gas plants, their water works or their electric lighting plants. Omaha depends entirely upon private corporations for these public utilities. Any plan that contemplates municipal ownership should be broad enough in its scope ultimately to include all the franchise corporations.

The only question that must be dealt with is how to get possession without paying two prices for the property to be acquired. If Omaha is to issue from \$3,000,000 to \$5,000,000 in bends for the purchase of the water supply system it should not hesitate to issue another million or less for the acquisition of the gas and electric lighting plants. The latter, for example, scarcely represents with the city expires sooner than that with the water company.

The public at large and the taxpayers cheaper electric light and power and a vate consumers. Municipal ownership ship, which has been particularly atis no longer an experiment. With the experience of other cities before us we ought to be able to reach rational conclusions without allowing political contention to blind and mislead us.

It is to be expected that mountebanks will seek to litical into office on the muride nicipal ownership hobby-horse by promises that cannot be fulfilled under existing conditions, but a full and free public discussion will enable the people to vote intelligently and judge between the honest advocate of municipal ownership and the impostor who tries to play a confidence game for his own advancement. In view of the magnitude of the interests involved and the far-reaching effect of every step that is to be taken in the direction of municipal ownership. the time is ripe for unbiased deliberation after considering the question from every point of view.

GENERAL LUDLOW'S VIEWS.

General Ludlow is a very competent witness in regard to conditions in Cuba and particularly the capacity of the Cubans for self-government. From a statement made a few days ago it appears that General Ludlow is of the opinion that even under the most favorable auspices the people of Cuba will ing to cure the case of chronic laziness be in no condition to administer good with which the people are afflicted will government through the popular will or the republican form until at least the younger generation-those who are now able. While a free meal will sometimes of the age of school children-have been thoroughly instructed, not only in the rudiments of knowledge, but in some of its advanced branches. If there is to be a future for Cuba as an independent enjoin the proposed compact between republic it must be, in General Ludthe city and the railroads as a condition low's judgment, based upon the same influence that is the foundation rock of teenth street viaduct, all obstacles in this republic, the common school sys-

It is unquestionable that at present the Cubans as a whole have very little conception of the true principles of selfgovernment. Even the more intelligent among them have crude ideas on the subject, while the illiterate element, which constitutes a majority, may fairly he assumed to know nothing whatever trol of insurance business. It is de- about the real meaning of self-government. Such being the case General Ludministered evidently more because the low is perhaps correct in thinking that patient insisted upon a prescription than | not until the present generation has passed away will the Cubans be fully capable of self-government. They have in selling at cut-rate prices the source not only much new knowledge to ac- of supply will be stopped by way of great deal to unlearn respecting longrity in the public service, the impartial Spanish rulers and which they must trust or pool or combination. learn in order to establish and maintain a proper system of self-govern-

But admitting the defects of the Cubans, the United States cannot find in at any season of the year. Every state started on the apparent assumption that the combat at Doornkop, when the buildts were this an excuse for unduly delaying the and county fair exhibits fine specimens Boers were ignorant of warfare and would whistling rather too loudly around the spot fulfillment of its promise to give those and a variety of kind, yet the big people independence. This government cities can never get hold of the like of should have done, but they haven't. And tion. "No," said Cronje, "I am in the hand various places the Beer must have a must deal with the present generation them. Reports from Hamburg, In., are this is the only foundation for the charge of God, and if I am to be shot I shall be and do the best it can to prepare them to the effect that the warm weather of that the Boers are not fighting fair.

United States, is a cause of profound accept. We cannot expect the highest dearth in the supply. regret and sorrow to the people of this results. American tutelage will doubtless have to be continued for a long

soon as it is possible to do so.

GERMANY AND ENGLAND Although the German emperor and the German press insist that his visit to itable became one of the trusted ad- England is a purely personal or family visers of President McKinley upon the affair and entirely without political siggrave problems with which the admin- nificance, it is quite impossible not to istration has been confronted. In this regard it as having a bearing upon the respect Mr. Hobart's relations to the relations between the two countries and chief executive were exceptional as few designed to show the world the very very well known that there is no real a genial gentleman, approachable at all more than once that he does not like times to all classes. Above all things he his grandmother, Queen Victoria, and was a level-headed man of business there is said to be mutual dislike bewith a quick grasp of conditions and a tween the kaiser and the prince of deep insight into human character, This Wales. Indeed there is no very good quality doubtless was what made his reason to believe that the emperor has as soon as he becomes seriously ill.

But the German emperor is keenly alive to the interests and welfare of his country and events have convinced him that these can be subserved by strengthening friendly relations with England. There is said to be a secret under standing between the two countries which probably has reference to their interests in China and in South Africa. but whatever it may be there is no doubt that it has brought Germany and England closer together than they have ever before been. The arrangement in regard to Samoa is evidence of this and it is emphasized by Emperor William's visit. One of the most intelligent of the London correspondents says that the cordial relations established between England and America have powerfully influenced the German emperor. That was the turning point in his own policy, declares the correspondent. He had made a mistake respecting America and was convinced that it was a serious error, detrimental to German trade, when he witnessed the signs of an era of good feeling in the Anglo Saxon world. The German emperor has perceived with keen intelligence the advantage of laying stress upon his own rights and privileges as a good Anglo-Saxon. He is ready to join England and America in that community of comone-fourth of a million and its contract | mercial interests and sympathies which is the joint heritage of the three great industrial and maritime states in the modern world." This is certainly plausin particular are as much interested in lible and it is a fact that Germany has recently been manifesting a more greater diffusion of street lighting as friendly spirit toward America as well they are in increasing the number of fire as England. The German government hydrants and reduction of hydrant ren. has for some time given the United tal and lowering of water rates to pri- States no reason to doubt its friend-

tested in respect to American interests in China. It is no less important to England than it is to Germany that the two powers should be on friendly terms and should stand together for the protection and promotion of their mutual interests Great Britain will have nothing to fear from the continental powers so long as she can count upon the powerful support of Germany. She need fear no combinations to promote designs menacing to her interests while the favor of Germany is with her. At the same time Germany's security will be increased by an understanding with Great Britain. The good relations between the two countries are favorable to the preservation of European peace, for acting together in behalf of peace their influence would be irresistible. From every point of view, therefore, the Anglo-German friendship is a good thing for those nations and for the rest of the world and certainly the American people can re-

gard it with entire satisfaction. The Ohio idea of requiring candidates to file sworn statements of election ex penses, which was grafted upon the Nebraska statutes last winter, is pronounced a dead letter in the Buckeye state and its repeal is predicted during the coming winter. In Ohio, as in Nebraska, only the successful candidates heed the law because they fear that the opposition might bring suit to oust them. Defeated candidates pay little or no attention to it. In the preliminary democratic gubernatorial fight in Ohio Colonel Kilbourne was a candidate, but he refused to file any statement and no one cared enough to prosecute him, McLean did file a statement because be did not want his nomination questioned, but McLean has filed no statement of expenses during the recent campaign. at. In Ohio candidates for governor are limited to \$650 in their expenditures. Mc-Lean spent \$500, according to his filed statement, to get the nomination. He therefore could legally spend only \$150 would probably be nearer the correct

The drug trust has entered its decree in Omaha and notice is given to dealers in patent nostrums that if they persist penalty. If this is not a combination in restraint of trade there never was of Nebraska statutes, A copy of the ject the author to severe penalties. Let

With vast apple orchards only a few miles away. Omaha has never been able

DEATH OF VICE PRESIDENT HOBART. for self-government, affording them the present month has done great in-The announcement of the death of such guidance and direction as it prop- jury to the surplus crop, so that there Garret A. Hobart, vice president of the erly may and as they are disposed to may be expected to be a still greater

The medicine men who drafted the time and occasions may arise when anti-quack law will have to try again. ret A. Hobart has for many years been Cuba is independent calling for our in- The next time they may be expected to terposition in order to prevent civil affix a penalty clause for violation of As a member of the republican national strife and a reign of anarchy. Still we, the law. Without reference to any revictory for his party and in mapping of our plain and imperative duty to let courage quacks it may be remarked the Cubans have self-government as that the doctors are entitled to credit for persistent defense of the medical profession against the operation of cureall fakirs that seek to infest every community.

For ten years West Siders have advocated a boulevard connecting the north and south extremes of the city at a point not far from Fortieth street. Another plan was to condemn property down town to enable the city to make a previous vice presidents had ever risen friendly nature of these relations. It is level thoroughfare of Twenty-fourth street from north to south. One or both affection between Emperor William and these improvements are needed and his English relatives. He has indicated ought to be pushed to completion within the coming year.

Political Valtures. Washington Post. Out in Nebraska they don't wait for the death of an official. They go after his job

Problem of the War. Detroit Free Press The Filipines are still on the run. The

get those fellows to stand still long enough to be whipped.

Brushing Obstructions Aside. Globe-Democrat. It takes more than a typhoon to stop the American army in Luzon. While waiting for the dry season our soldiers have killed time by putting through an arduous campaign.

Shipping Coal to Japan. From the way Japan is buying American

the moving force of "sea power." No Volunteer States Wanted. Now Panama, one of the states of the United States of Colombo, has applied to

stated in Washington that the application

no people that come to us of their own free will. We prefer to buy or conquer.

A Bluffer and a Poet. Brooklyn Eagle. Aguinaldo is a bluffer, but he can write octry. His remarks about scattering ashes over their mother country to hide her beauties from the view of envious strangers are worthy of Swinburne. When we catch him we may be able to find a place for him in the patent office, or in some other government department where the muse abides.

BRAVE MEN IN PERIL.

Heroic Conduct of the Sailors of the Steamship Patria.

Washington Post. The story of the conduct of those German sailors on the steamship Patria makes a noble chapter in the chronicle of heroism. t is not for us to contrast it with the hideous incident of the Bourgogne. History will attend to that. These Germans did hat Americans and under similar conditions. Obscure, unknown, mere integers in an equation of high ourage and devotion, they did simply what of blood and race and inspiring tradition reward or celebration. The chances are they never thought of such a thing. The product of the sea kings of old; fearless, composed, t knowing that no laurels were or could be the name Rellly, Company. panic. saved. Discipline, courage, self-abnegation, unquestioning heroism dominated. Coward ice, cruelty, brutality were not in evidence. The civilized world will applaud these German sailors. The fatherland cannot be prouder of them than we are.

DISCOURTEOUS ROERS.

Play Real Mean Tricks on the Guileless Briton. Philadelphia Times

It really is too bad of the Boers to treat the British so discourteously. An English military man is such a guileless person that he should command especial consideration. A small detachment is sent off into a mountain defile, far from the main body, and when the enemy ie so impolite as to get around in its rear and cut it off, everybody in England is shocked at the burgher du-

The bad manners of the Boers are illustrated also in General Joubert's conduct before Ladysmith, where he allowed a British army and never warned them off till they 14,000 men. found themselves attacked upon both flauks. Still worse, he is now firing shot and shell into the British lines, a proceeding which London regards as clearly contrary to the laws of war. The Boers ought not to shoot they ought only to stand still and be shot

The worst discourtesy of all of which the

Boers have been guilty was to obstruct the railway track leading out from Estcourt to the region which they occupy. The con- an English friend: fiding British sent out a train on this line the other day. It was an armored train and more during the campaign. It goes the soldiers in it were expected to shoot, not without saying that he spent fully to be shot at. We may judge of their sur-\$20,000 in the campaign and \$100,000 prise and disgust when the train ran off the track and they were compelled to defend themselves from the enemy. This is most discourteous conduct on the part of the Boers and shows how little appreciation they have of the amenities of civilized life. Some of the men who went out on the train did not get back. Instead of allowing them free passage, the rude Boers have actually held them as prisoners of war. And division of confederates lost at Gettysburg among them was a young man of one of the one. The action is clearly in violation as a civilian, though there appears to be no began. Heth's division of Lee's army at has fallen into the hands of an enemy so wounded in twenty-five minutes. ignorant of the laws of war as not to allow an armored train to pass without hindrance lutely to pardon burglars or footpads, though gives his friends at home great uneasiness. he has on more than one occasion extended

the Cubans were not taught by their by his making an example of the drug the Boers has scandalized the officere and murder. The governor holds that homicides is a good rule in warfare to start with the crimination in the matter of elemency. assumption that the enemy is at least as to get a sufficient supply of good apples smart as you are. The British campaign has army is said to be a fatalist. In the raid run away as soon as they saw a redcoat in where he was seated, a field cornet sug-

ECHOES OF OUR WAR.

Ensign Walter Rockwell Gherardi is a chip of the old block. For the third time in three years the Navy department has officially recorded his bravery in the saving of life. The first was when three sailors were swept overboard from the battleship Maine in a tremendous gale off Hatteras on February 6, 1897, and Gherardi, then a naval cadet, volunteered to take a boat to their The boat was destroyed five minutes committee, he was active in organizing should go forward in the performance cent trial under the law passed to dis- after it was launched and the cadet and his crew were rescued with lifelines.

> uniform and rescued a drowning sallor. Porto Rico, has reported to the Navy department Ensign Gherardi's latest feat. In water were saved, and after providing them with shelter Gherardi led his little party of rescuers to the relief of the crew of the pieces on the beach a few hundred yards from the Concepcion. The Vasco threw out a lifeline, but it fell short of the shore. The rescuing party formed a line, by joinsupreme military problem of the war is to ing hands, which extended out into the sur! with Gherardi in the lead. By this expedient, which was the only possible one in the circumstances, Gherardi caught the lifeline list, officers and men, is 5,592. and brought it ashore, and by means of it the crew were saved. Captain Almy of the Fifth cavalry, who voluntarily reported these rescues to the commandant of the

naval station at San Juan, says: "That so many lives were saved from the is undoubtedly due to Ensign Gherardi's efficient leadership and his Beroic efforts." coal it looks as though there might be some Mr. Gherardi is a son of Rear Admiral Banwarm times in the Pacific, Emerson defined croft Gherardi, who was retired in 1894 coal as "a portable climate." It is also after a gallant career in the navy.

A New York genius bearing the peaceful name of William Whitney Christmas, believing that war is altogether too refined for the times, has invented a death-dealing shell which will be handed over to purthese United States for annexation. It is veyors of leaden civilization for a satisfactory price. Mr. Christmas thinks that will not be granted. Of course not. We want bering a hole in the enemy does not fully meet the needs of the hour, therefore he has contrived a shell with four huge knives When the shell leaves the gun the knife blades open and are rotated by the force of discharge, so that when it reaches the loathsome enemy it will cut through 'em as smoothly as a butcher's cleaver. carving the enemies of progress into convenient slices it is presumed they can be handled without much trouble and materially expedite the work of the burial corps.

> luncheon given the other day in Seattle to the returned First Washington volunteers who have just got back from Manila, one f beribboned swords. One of these was casualty list. a Spanish staff officer's and the other i Filiping's. These Governor Rogers pre sented to the general in the name of the Washington regiment.

One does not have to go very far to prove truth of the reports of churches in Luzon. Dispatches from San China to the recent request of the United Francisco say the pawnshops of that city their instincts, what the imperative appeal are packed with clerical vestments and other relics of churches in Manila and adjacent commanded. They had no expectation of towns, which were brought back by the returning volunteers. They were sold at ridiculously low prices, but now command fancy European capitals. Previous dispatches have figures. Among the relics are solid silver dutiful and calm, they did without calcula- chalices, fragments of gold chalices and a throughout diplomatic circles in the Amerition what conquerors, crusaders and great miniature cardinal's hat taken from an can move and in the replies which are likechieftains have gladly died to do, and did altar. Scratched on the rim of the hat is ly to be elicited by the American inquiry. weaved for them, and that, if they perished, | Minnesota regiment. Besides these there only the recording angel would keep their are two sections of a golden estensorium. names, and that only judgment day would the last gospel of St. John, inscribed in honor them. On the Bourgogne 550 out of Latin on a thin plate of solid silver; a for the preservation of the integrity of the 714 passengers were lost. All the children, bishop's miter, inscribed on which is "From Chinese empire, or at least against its disall the weak and helpless, were trodden the People of Malata and Pasay to Our Beunder foot and butchered in the shameful loved Bishop;" a pure gold rosary, valued a mistake, and it would have been a great On the Patria the passengers were at \$25; a deacon's vestment of white slik, diplomatic mistake on the part of the United ornamented with golden braid; red velve! States to have asked for such an assurance. cape, bordered with a deep fringe of heavy Such a request would have been a more golden lace; three bases of monstrances of marked interference by this government in pure gold, a white silk stole and a set of European and eastern affairs than anyblack vestments.

sold to a dealer named Benguiat by James an attempt to dictate their policy in regard Barre of the Twentieth Kansas regiment. The name of the man who disposed of the cern the United States. The only interest property is written on a sheet of paper, to- this country has in China is the preservagether with the remark, "Captured from the tion and extension of American trade. It is insurgents by James Barre while the Twen- not concerned in maintaining the solidarity tieth Kansas regiment was engaged in an attack on Calumpit." At other places silver church candlesticks.

resary beads, censers and scores of scapulas

PERSONAL AND OTHERWISE.

It is reported that Mayor Jones of Toledo will be petitioned to move to Cleveland and run for mayor there in 1901. Hiram Maxim first turned his attention

to gunmaking in a very small way so late force to march between two divisions of his as 1884, yet today his firm employs over Senator Thomas Staples Martin, who

> give a valuable collection of books on state history to the University of Virginia. Inasmuch as Admiral Schley will retire on account of age in February, 1901, his European powers may have the United extend over a period of fifteen months.

> made a raid, and everybody said I was given in a form that will show they mean wrong. Now the queen's government are what they say. preparing another raid, and everybody says In this view of the case the request was

> ceives a sample every time an article named policy regarding the maintenance of the infor Dewey is put on the market, whether it tegrity of the Chinese empire, it is likely be a cravat, a collar, a hat, a cigar, a to have distinct influence in that direction brand of whisky or anything else. He has The four European nations that are trying adorned his room with these samples, and it to obtain or extend territorial possessions s probably the most remarkably decorated in China are Russia, Great Britain, Gerroom in America.

more men in thirty minutes of fighting than has no intention of interfering with best families, regarding whom there is some the British have lost-killed, wounded and American trade. Great Britain is the origidoubt whether he was there as a soldier or captured-in South Africa, since the war nator of the open-door policy and of the doubt that he put up'a good fight. That he Gettysburg lost 2,700 men in killed and Governor Stanley of Kansas refuses abso

We cannot tell whether the duplicity of executive elemency to men convicted of men in the field as much as it has the are often committed in moments of anger, London newspapers, but they do appear to but argues that burglars and highwaymen be of a wonderfully confiding disposition. It always act deliberately, hence his dis-Commandant Cronje of the Transvaal

hit just as soon in one place as in another."

Review of the Losses Sustained by the American Army.

Boston Transcript. We are just beginning to learn the real extent of our losses in the war with Spain and its sequel, the hostilities against the Philippine insurgents. The knowledge is important, as it corrects exaggerated estimates formed by many persons who read about our soldiers "dying like sheep" letters written by correspondents who had never seen either campaigns or hospitals before. Tables in the report of the adju-Several months later, while Cherardi was tant general of the army dealing with the attached to the Texas, then at the Brooklyn mortality between May 1, 1898, and June 3, navy yard, he plunged overboard dressed in 1899, show that the losses were only such as might have been expected in tropical Captain A. S. Snow, commandant of the campaigns and in a military force the larger United States naval station at San Juan, part of which was not long enough in service to learn how to take care of itself.

The killed in action in the time covered the cyclone of August 8, 1899, the schooner by the report numbered twenty-three officers Concepcion, loaded with 150 emigrants from of the regular army and seventeen officers Santo Domingo, and the steamer Vasco of volunteers; 265 enlisted men of the regudragged their anchors and went ashore in the lars and 188 of the volunteers, making a harbor of Mayaguez. Ensign Gherardi and total of forty officers and 453 enlisted men J. J. Jiminez, a civil engineer, ran down With these in figuring out losses in battle the beach to render assistance. The storm should be grouped those who died of wounds, was at its height and the wind was terrific, seven officers and 114 enlisted men of the Gherardi plunged into the water with his regulars and three officers and seventyclothes on and saved, with the assistance seven enlisted men of the volunteers. Putof Jiminez, such members of the crew and ting these two classes together it will be passengers of the Concepcion as the waves seen that the total of the casualties chargebrought within reach. All but five or six able to the battlefield was fifty officers and people who did not dare to jump into the 644 enlisted men in the fourteen months with which the tables deal.

The heaviest losses we sustained were in the hospitals, for under deaths from dissteamer Vasco, which was beating herself to ease are recorded fifty-one officers and 1,524 enlisted men of the regulars, and 114 officers and 3,820 enlisted men of the volunteers. Practically eight deaths occurred from disease for every one chargeable to the battlefield. Deaths from all other causes numbered four officers and 178 enlisted men in the regulars and seven officers and 223 men in the volunteers. The total of the death

The localities in which casualties occurred are also corrective of some popular impressions. Of the casualties of the battlefield less than one-half, 320 officers and men, occurred in the brief Cuban campaign, in which | certainly not over 15,000 troops were ever man whispered, touching her blushing under fire at one time. In the Philippines the killed in action and mortally wounded in bringing her hand against his check with schooner Concepcion and the steamer Vasco under fire at one time. In the Philippines the four months covered by the table numbered 348 out of a force averaging nearly twice as many men as General Shafter had with him at Santiago. This fact proves pretty conclusively that the insurgents cannot have been anywhere near as effective soldiers as the Spanish troops we encountered in Cuba. Nor does the climate of the Philippines appear to have been as trying to our men as that of Cuba, for the total deaths from disease were 333 in the Philippines and 862 in Cuba.

The totals were, moreover, completely thrown into the shade by the deaths in the army in the United States from disease, 906 regulars and 2,923 volunteers of all ranks perishing, an aggregate of 3,829. Chickamauga and Montauk are, of course, largely accountable for this. After making all allowances for the effect of foreign service as seen at the latter camp, this large mortality is probably not much more than was to b expected of an army summoned hastily from civil life into great encampments and called upon to adjust itself, with almost no period When General Miles was present at the of probation, to the requirements of military service.

Probably not in the history of the world has a war fraught with such momentous of the decorations at his table was a pair consequences been attained with so small a

NOTABLE DIPLOMATIC MOVE. Proposed Combine to Maintain the Open Door in China. Indianapolie Journal.

plies of the European nations interested in States for a formal agreement to preserve the open door in the east are not expected for some time yet, as the exchange of communications on the subject is not taking place in Washington, but at the various stated that keen interest is manifested -, Twelfth The scope of the inquiry seems to have been misunderstood in some quarters. It has been stated that it was intended to obtain from European nations a declaration in writing memberment by European powers. That is thing it has ever done and would probably These articles, with one exception, were have been construed by European powers as to a matter which does not directly conof the Chinese empire. It does not own nor desire any territory in China, and has no particular interest in preventing European powers from acquiring possessions there, provided they do not close the door against American trade. All the United States desires is to maintain the open door for trade, and this is the point to which its recent inquiry was directed. It did not seek to dictate the policy of European nations toward China nor to make any new departure in international relations. All it asked was a definite statement in writing of assurances which have already been given from time to time informally by Great Britain, Russia and Germany that whatever their running for re-election in Virginia, is to policy in China might be now or in the future they had no intention of interfering with American trade. With the plans of territorial acquieition in China that the prospective cruise to South Africa cannot States has nothing to do, but it has a right to assume that the verbal statements made Not long ago Cecil Rhodes remarked to from time to time that the way for Ameri-"Three years ago I can trade in China shall be kept open be

a fine stroke of diplomacy, and, while it It is said that Admiral Dewey's son re- does not commit the United States to any many and France. Russia has repeatedly The Richmond Times recalls that Pickett's declared that she is in favor of the open door, commercially speaking, and especially phrace itself. Germany is courting closer relations with both Great Britain and the

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FOURTEEN MONTHS OF FIGHTING. United States. If these three countries unite in giving the United States definite assurances that the open door shall be enaintained it will be the best possible guaranty for the progress and development of the country. France is the only European nation that is likely to decline to give the desired assurance, and her declination will leave her outside of an agreement between four other nations quite strong enough commercially and every other way to maintain it. Neither of the European nations could properly ask from the others such a statement as the United States has asked for, but this country could do it with perfect propriety and without any danger of misconstruction. It shows that frank and ctraightforward methods are sometimes the

SMILING TRIFLES.

best diplomacy.

Somerville Journal: The unselfish man is generally liked, but he seldom acquires a six-figure bank account.

Chicago Post: "Is he a good shot?"
"Good! Why, he can't shoot any better
than a policeman."

Indianapolis Journal: Indianapolis Journal: "Noggs has in-ented something to beat the picture-

'A revolving shirt bosom with a photograph aperture on each panel.

Washington Star: "Do you mean to tell me that you would accept an office that you didn't get by a fair vote?"
"Certainly not," answered Senator Sor-"Certainly not," answered Senator Sorghum. "If I didn't get it by a fair vote, I'd never know it. I'd have a lot of people hired to do all the practical work and keep the horrible truth from me."

Indianapolis Journal: "What makes you so crazy to go to the Philippines, David? There is plenty of civilizing to be done right here in America."
"I know it, Sarah, but the authorities won't let us do it with a gun."

Chicago Tribune: "That man in the winder," said Tuffold Knutt, "is makin' cigars an' puttin' 'em in a box marked 'genuine Havana. How can they be reg'lar Havana when they're made here?"

"The Havanny flavor can be imported all right," responded Mosely Wraggs, "if that feller's a Cubian an' hain't washed his hands sence he come to this country."

Chicago Tribune: "This," the bold young

a ringing slap, "Is the sounding brass!! Indianapolis Journal: "We are having slow work civilizing the Filipinos."
"Yes; may be they'd like us better if
they heard about Kentucky politics."

Chicago News: "What's the matter down in Kentucky, anyway?" "Each party is afraid the other party will get a fair count," Detroit Free Press: "What is a philoso-

"A philosopher is a man who can pre-tend to have a light heart when he has an empty pocketbook." Somerville Journal: Every girl has a faint hope that she may have her own car-riage some day but a baby carriage is the nearest that most girls get to it.

Brooklyn Life: Mable-Would you marry man who had been refused' Dolly-if he were rich and the refusing and been by the insurance companies.

THE WIDOW AT WINDSOR.

Rudyard Kinling

Rudyard Kipling.

'Ave you 'eard of the Widow at Windsor With a hairy gold crown on 'er 'ead?'
She's 'as ships on the foam—she 'as millions at 'ome,
An' she pays us poor beggars in red.

(Ow, poor beggars in red!)
There's 'er nick on the cavairy 'orses,
There's 'er mark on the medical stores
An' 'er troopers you'll find with a fair wind be'ind.

hat takes us to various wars, (Poor beggars!-barbarous wars!) Then 'ere's to the Widow at Windsor An' 'ere's to the stores and the guns And men an' the 'orses that makes u the forces
O' Missis Victorier's sons.
(Poor beggars!—Victorier's sons!)

Walk wide o' the Widow at Windsor, For 'alf o' creation she owns; For 'alf o' creation she owns; We 'ave bought 'er the same with the sword and the flame,

salted it down with our bones beggars-it's blue with ou hands off o' the sons of the Widow, Hands off o' the goods in 'er shop, For the kings must come down an' the emperor's frown When the Widow at Windsor says

When the Widow at "Stort" (Poor beggars—we're sent to stay Then 'ere's to the Lodge o' the Widow, From the Pole to the Tropic To the Lodge that we tile with the rank an' the file,
An' opens in forms with the guns!
(Poor beggars! — it's always them

We 'ave 'eard o' the Widow at Windsor, It's safest to let 'or alone; 'or 'er sentries we stand by the sea an' the land,

Wherever the bugles are blown (Poor beggars - an' don't we get blown') Take 'old o' the wings o' the morning, An' flop 'round the earth till you're

But you won't get away from the tune that they play
To the bloomin' old rag over'ead.
(Poor beggars!—it's 'ot over'ead.)
Then 'ere's to the sons o' the Widow,
W'erever, 'owever they roam.
'Ere's all they desire, an' if they re-

A speedy return to their 'ome oor beggars!—they'll never

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