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THE STRIKE SITUATION.

There is some coal being mined in the anthracite region, but nearly all the miners are now involved in the strike and the leaders have not abated their efforts to induce others to join.

The most promising fact in the situation is the movement for holding a convention of the miners to consider the wage proposition of the operators and other matters connected with the strike.

It cannot be confidently predicted that anything practical will result from this, but the fact that action has been taken by local lodges in this direction indicates that a part of the miners are disposed to adopt a conciliatory course and while these are doubtless a minority their influence may be important.

That the pretentious fears for the future of the Porto Rico displayed by Bryanite orators are entirely without foothold among the people of that island is the gist of every reliable report that comes from that direction.

When it comes to levying forced tribute on officeholders the Douglas county fusion machine is entitled to the prize.

With reference to that auditorium fund nest egg, every one hereabouts will subscribe to the doctrine of expansion.

Even popocrats admit that Governor Roosevelt's tour of Nebraska is a great success. It must come hard for them to do so, however.

The message of Emperor William to the emperor of China is not couched in the usual diplomatic phrases, but it is to the point, just the same.

Roosevelt will carry the news back to the Empire state that the Nebraska prairies are alive with republicans and that patriotism here overshadows politics every time.

Bryan has started out to prove to the Wisconsin dairymen that they are not doing so well as they were four years ago. The market quotations are sadly at variance with his assertions.

would threaten a collapse from which it would take the country years to emerge. Leading manufacturers throughout the country express the opinion that a republican victory in November will be followed by industrial and commercial activity greater than the country has ever known.

These are considerations which should command the thoughtful attention of every citizen. Imperialism is a false and empty cry, made to divert attention from the real purposes of the Bryanite party, chief among which is the overthrow of the gold standard.

Senator Hoar says that if Mr. Bryan should be elected the one most powerful force in his counsel at the south will be Tillman, as in New York it will be Richard Croker.

Our nation is that one among all the nations of the earth which holds in its hands the fate of the coming years.

The fact that Mr. Bryan would have to select such men for his counselors may well command the serious consideration of conservative citizens.

The increase in the census population of South Omaha raising it above the 25,000 mark will without doubt eventually lift the city into another classification for purposes of municipal government.

The Democratic Honest Money League of Maryland is not alarmed by the cry of imperialism. It regards the danger of a panic in the event of the success of the free silver party, as a vastly more serious matter to the American people than the question of Philippine policy.

As a matter of fact there is no necessity for immediate reorganization because the statutes are not self-operative and nothing is to be lost by a few months' delay.

The supreme court of Michigan has handed down an opinion declaring unconstitutional the sugar bounty law passed by the legislature three years ago offering inducements by which several beet sugar factories were secured for the state.

Another negro burned at the stake just to show that the black man has no rights which the white man needs to respect in the southern states, where democracy has not only disfranchised the negroes, but deprived them of civil and legal rights as well.

Roosevelt's Personality

"Strenuous" is the word that describes Roosevelt better than any other. The energy of the man is nothing less than explosive. The words come from his mouth as with the force of dynamite.

Roosevelt Sentiments

A peaceful and commercial civilization is always in danger of suffering the loss of the virile, fighting qualities without which no nation, however cultured, however refined, however rich and prosperous, can ever amount to anything.

The worst offense that can be committed against the republic is the offense of the public man who betrays his trust; but second only comes the offense of the man who tries to persuade others that an honest and efficient public man is dishonest or unworthy.

Every man who wishes well to his country is in honor bound to take an active part in public life. If he does his duty and takes that active part he will be occasionally to make mistakes and to be guilty of shortcomings.

Yet another thing to be remembered by the man who wishes to make his influence felt for good in our politics is that he must act purely as an American.

The prime thing that every man who takes an interest in politics should remember is that he must act and not merely criticize the actions of others.

The people that do harm in the end are not the wrongdoers whom all execrate; they are the men who do not do quite as much wrong, but who are applauded instead of being execrated.

The man who plays golf all the afternoon often does more work than if he sawed half a cord of wood in the shed at home, but he does not think so.

Russia agrees with us that China should punish her own offenders. That is the right theory. Some of our police justices have suspended sentence on bad boys when their parents consented to spank them in view of the court.

hearing from Vermont and Maine, but Aguinaldo is determined to wait for the performance in the big tent.

Mr. Bryan says that he places the man above the dollar. So he proposes to make the dollar as cheap as it would be had for the cheapest sort of a man to get below it.

French engineers are challenging their American brethren to match the rapidity with which the underground road from Vincennes to the Bois de Boulogne has been built.

According to the general land office figures the new insular possessions of the United States have added 97,000,000 acres to the area of the republic and of this area a considerable proportion may be purchased in due time from the United States or acquired under the federal homestead law.

Sidney Grundy is one of the most productive of dramatic authors. In one year he has been known to produce five plays.

The Nevered Press of Boone, Ia., announces the publication of an edition de luxe of the Fitzgerald collection, even when the price is \$2.00.

The Postoffice department reports that during the last fiscal year over 32,000,000 postoffice orders were issued in this country.

The will of the late Dr. Jacob M. De Costa of Philadelphia contains bequests of \$2,000 each to the Pennsylvania hospital, the Children's hospital in Philadelphia, the College of Physicians and the University of Pennsylvania.

Another thing that must not be forgotten by the man desirous of doing good political work is the need of the rougher, manlier virtues, and above all the virtue of personal courage, physical as well as moral.

The foe of order harm quite as much by example as by what they actually accomplish. So it is with the equally dangerous criminals of the wealthy classes.

Think of the Tea parties. The man who plays golf all the afternoon often does more work than if he sawed half a cord of wood in the shed at home, but he does not think so.

country voting against the republican ticket. The German-Americans are among the most prosperous people in the United States. They send a great deal of money to the mother country to their relatives and induce them to come to the states.

Chicago Post: "I have here," said the contributor, "a few turning thoughts. 'Take 'em away! Take 'em away!' cried the editor excitedly. 'The building is insured.'"

Pittsburg Chronicle: "I have a collection of complimentary high school diplomas made into a book," said Mr. Northside to a 'bookbinder'.

Chicago Tribune: "There is a story," the doctor said, "of a man who was fined for not being clean. The case went against him and the court gave judgment for \$20. His lawyer told him he would have to pay it as he was an unmarried man. He burst out and in a few hours came back with a wife and in a few hours came back with a child and in a few hours came back with a family. He got off free."

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Three Cardinal Virtues in the Optical Business. We attribute the success of our optical department to three things.

Browning, King & Co., R. S. Wilcox, Manager. Omaha's Only Exclusive Clothiers for Men and Boys. Vestwo is a reversible fancy vest, double breasted on one side, single on the reverse, with a different pattern on either side, each in pleasant contrast to the other.