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COMMERCIAL CONCESSIONS BY CHINA.

The edict of the Chinese government opening a new port on the Yangtze Klang is important from a commercial point of view and also in showing the disposition of the imperial authorities to make further concessions in the interest of the world's trade.

One of the conditions in the protocol agreed upon by the powers is that existing commercial arrangements with China shall be broadened so as to encourage trade and facilitate commercial relations.

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often neglect to exercise the franchise because of the trouble entailed. While voting should not be made too easy, neither should it be made burdensome.

A SATISFIED PEOPLE. The inhabitants of the island of Negros, according to the report of General Smith, military governor, are highly favorable toward the United States.

Of course whatever plan of government for the Philippines shall ultimately be adopted must be of general application, but as it will undoubtedly admit the people to as much participation in the government as they are capable of there should be no serious difficulty in persuading the inhabitants of Negros, who have had so satisfactory an experience under American control, to accept it.

The apprehension expressed by General Smith suggests the gravity of the problem of framing a scheme of government for the Philippines, with its heterogeneous population, only a very small part of which is capable of participating in government.

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The twentieth-century Omaha will be so far ahead of the present Omaha before the century is half reeled off that old Father Time himself will have trouble to identify it.

lippines lesson, at least, has been well learned already. Few even of the imperialists see any obstacle to hauling down our flag in Cuba.

The Boer relinvasion of Cape Colony means a certain sympathetic uprising of the Dutch citizens of the colony, and that in turn means more treason trials and increase of bad feeling between the races.

Have you tried the new "process butter?" According to the testimony before the senate committee on agriculture the captioned manufacturer of oleomargarine defined "process butter" to be oleomargarine "washed with sulphuric acid" to remove "rancidity."

What the seasoned congressman joyfully recognizes as "great" turns up during the current session of the federal legislature in the guise of a stalwart river and harbor bill which carries an appropriation of \$60,000,000.

The sales of American horses and mules abroad have been greater in 1900 than in any other year in the country's history, and the end of the year is not bringing any "let-up" in the movement.

Ignored Lessons of History. Springfield (Mass.) Republican. In his essay on Oliver Cromwell Governor Roosevelt points out that excessive severity by a victorious party toward a prostrate foe never hastens the end of hostilities.

Church Music. New and Striking Phases of This Old Bone of Contention. Philadelphia Press. Church choirs and singers have been a bone of contention in the church militant ever since music became a part of divine worship.

Why It Should Be Based on the Ratio of Votes Cast. Chicago Times Herald. There are now three schemes for the reapportionment of representatives in congress on the basis of the last census before the house.

GREAT YEAR FOR TRADE. Record-Breaking Exhibit of American Products. St. Louis Globe-Democrat. The last year of the century will break all records in the extent of America's trade with the outside world.

While there may be justification for some of the charges brought against the musical efforts of the protestant churches, yet there is no question as to the dignity of a man discussing a phase of religious worship as a "free lunch demonstration" or "vocal acrobatics" or "musical handspirings."

A CONSISTENT COURSE.

One of the reasons advanced for opposing Edward Rosewater's candidacy for senator is the fact that his paper, The Bee, has in years gone by bolted some of the party nominations.

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The power of attraction of the prize ring is fully understood. Here is "Terry" McGovern, for example, who is reported to have made \$112,000 during the last year by 132 minutes of actual work in the ring.

Robert Dick Douglas, a grandson of the late Senator Stephen Arnold Douglas of Illinois, has been appointed by Governor Russell to the office of attorney general of North Carolina.

John Kendrick Bangs lives at Yonkers, N. Y., his home being a handsome villa on North Broadway, surrounded by a garden. His literary commands a glorious view of the palisades and a long reach of the shining Hudson.

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POPULATION AND VOTES. Total Population, Total Votes. North Carolina, 1,321,592, 292,541; Mississippi, 1,561,372, 45,113; Louisiana, 1,281,927, 28,794; South Carolina, 1,340,812, 55,812.

LIFE IN THE PHILIPPINES.

Etiekings of Conditions as They Appear to Men on the Spot. Lieutenant Colonel James Parker, one of the officers stationed in southern Luzon, supervises a district containing 50,000 natives.

"It is our great superiority that brings secretly a great delight to the Filipino when allowed to call himself an American, and makes him so anxious to learn our language, adopt our customs, buy our goods, wear our clothing."

The boys are all our friends. They play with the soldiers and talk to them. There is no use for Spanish here any longer. Only those who received an unusual education can talk and read Spanish.

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There is all probability the next president of the Maine senate. He is acting attorney of the firm of which Senator Hale is senior member, was judge advocate under Governor Powers and is a son of the late Vice President Hamlin.

The death of Colonel John S. Williams of Lafayette, Ind., leaves only two men living who were on the democratic ticket in Indiana when Thomas A. Hendricks was elected governor after the memorable campaign of 1872.

The late Prof. Thomas Davidson of Scotland was a magnetic and grand old man, and once in an interview with the pope, the conversation having been carried on in several tongues, the latter remarked, "You must be an Italian."

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facilities than this country possesses. The growth of the country in the matter of supplying its own needs and in providing for the needs of the rest of the world has been wonderful in the past quarter of a century.

Nebraska has been in the union for a third of a century and had a territorial government for thirteen years prior to its admission. It was in the storm center when the doctrine of popular sovereignty was first introduced and joined the sisterhood on the same terms as did Kansas.

But how far this is from being true appears in the Cuddeby case. Apologists for its legislators cannot even say that they never thought of kidnaping in this enlightened age, and particularly in their own state, for they did think of it and passed a law which is ridiculously abortive.

There is certainly an ideal field for carrying on the kidnaping industry. It would not be as all surprising as it might seem. In the north of the state, there is a state of broad plateau and rarefied atmosphere, as a modern Eldorado, a land where the extorting of ransom is made easy, and there is no punishment to fit the crime.

Washington Star: "How stable that fellow's jokes are," said the man at the show. "Yes," said the manager, apologetically, "but consider how much he has to do."

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Washington Star: "There are too many rich men in politics," exclaimed the man with emphasis. "But you're wrong," replied the other. "Well," answered Senator Sorghum, "that isn't all. I know a man who has a political party. He has done all we regular politicians. We have done all we can to make 'em spend their money."

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