THE RIGHT THING.

The question of whether we should an-The question of whether we should an-nex the Philippines Islands is of great importance. Each person must ask nimself what good will they do me. Can I go over there and get a good position at good wages or will they come over here and work for one half what I am getting? Will this benefit me or the corporation? If the corporations take their money over there and invest it in cheap labor and bring their goods over to our country free and sell them at half price, would this be a benefit or an in-Can our laboring men compete with those people who wear very few clothes and eat very little food? Would it be a profit or a detriment to our country to compete with this people? We could not make them pay a duty for if we did it would be imperealism, and if we are going to practice that why not give them back to Spain? They were fighting for the same thing our fore-fathers were and if we taxed them we might have another Boston Tea Party. cannot say that we are annexing them for territory for their population is about 70 to the square mile and our own is only 20. Some will say that we have got them and what will we do with What did we start out to do? Did we start out to annex the Philip-No! We started out to free Cuba. We have done what we started out to do; now let us stop. We do not need to turn these islands back to Spain, but we can turn them over to the people and let them establish their own government. While they are establishing their government let us protect them and see that they get started along the right line.

OWN THE TELEGRAPH

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those of the long-distance telephones of the United States upon such terms as the postmaster-general may prescribe. Sec. 8. That any company, corpora-tion, or person who tran-mits, or aids in transmitting, any telegraph or telephone message in contravention of the exclusive privileges, or aids or is concerned in the receipt, collection or delivery of such telegram or telephone message, shall be fined in any sum not exceeding twenty-gve dollars; and where any person offending against this act is an employee hired to do the act complained of the master or other person hiring or procuring such employee to commit the offense shall be subject to a like penalty.

Sec. 9. That the postmaster-general

may, upon the request in writing of any person or company organized for the purpose of the transmission of telegrams or telephone messages to or from any place out of the United States, make all necessary arrangements for the transmission of such telegrams or telephone messages within the United States and for the connection with that view of the cables or other apparatus of the lines of the United States. And in case of disagreement as to the rate to be paid for such services the matter may be submitted to arbitrators not inter-

ested in a like question.
Sec. 10. That in determining the value of the present telegraph and telephone lines the postmaster-general shall adopt a plan, to be approved by the president of the United States and At-torney-general, by which all speculative or probable after values shall be con-sidered, but be shall, as near as may be, do justice between the owners of the lines and the government by fixing the actual cash value of the property at the time this act takes effect. And the price fixed by the postmaster-general as the value of the property shall be submitted to the precident of the United States and Attorney-general and approved by both of these officials before any part of the sum so designated shall be paid.

Sec. 11. That in case a mortgage or other lien exists against the property of any telegraph or telephone company, it shall be the duty of the telegraph or telephone company within thirty days to state, in writing, to the postmastergeneral fully and actually the names and residences of all persons having an interest in or claims against the property. If any dispute arises between the claimants in regard to their respective rights to specific portions of the money arising from the purchase of the tele graph or telephone lines, the postmastergeneral may require such parties to interplead and establish their respective rights before the money is paid.

Sec. 12. That all messages, either by telegraph or telephone, shall be transmitted in the order in which they are received and without unnecessary delay. In cases of great emergency, however, as imminent danger from fire, floods and like causes, messages asking relief or assistance and the answers thereto shall be entitled to preference.

Sec. 13. That the postmaster-genof messages either by telegraph or tele-phone, which messages shall be gathered up by the person intrusted with that claim that legal tender paper money duty and be immediately transmitted redeemable only in dues to the govern to the party designated, provided the amount required for such transmission accompanies the meanages.

Sec. 14. That any person having official duties connected with the telegraph or telephone office who shall, con trary to his duty, disclose or in any way make known or intercept the conate or any part of the contents of any telegraphic or telephone messages, or message intrusted to the postoffice department for the purpose of transmisand upon convertion thereof shull be imprinceed in the jail of the county where s offense was committed for thirty days. And in all comes of such prosecutions it shall be sufficient to lay the property of the meanage in the United States, without specifying any other addition, or description, and it shall not be occuracy to allege in the inpresation, or on the trial prove, that the message was of any value and it shall be sufficient to allege that the ac-cused was employed by the postoffice epartment at that time without speci-

fying his particular duties.

Her. 13. That every person who

DR. LEUNHARDTS ANTI-PILL CURES CONSTIPATION.

shall forge or willfully and without law-ful authority alter a telegram or tele-phone message, or who shall utter such message, knowing the same to have been forged or willfully and without due authority altered, or who transmits as a message any communication which he knows was not a message, whether he had or had not an intent to defraud, shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and be liable to a fine of twenty-five dollars

the period of thirty days.

Sec. 16. That whenever in the opinion of the postmaster general the public good requires the construction of a new telegraph or telephone line, he may upon take the necessary steps to have forget him.' the same, after due notice, shall be let to the lowest bidder. He shall make all needful rules and regulations for the successful operation of the systems, and is authorized to employ the necessary operators, clerks and employees to carry this law into effect. He shall make a de tailed statement of receipts and expenditures for the preceding year to each session of congress, together with any suggestions and recommendations to secure greater efficiency in the service and promote the convenience, happiness and prosperity of the people.

Sec. 17. That the sum of fifty mil-

lion dollars, or so much thereof as may be necessary, is hereby appropriated, out of any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated, for the purpose of constructing new telegraph and telephone lines, pay of operators and employees, and to carry this law into effect. Sec. 18. That all employees of the telegraph and telephone companies af-

lected by this act may remain in the service of the United States upon the same terms and conditions as under the companies, and at not less than the present rate of wages or salary. This not shall take effect in thirty days after its passage by congress and approval by the president

WHAT IS SOCIALISM?

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er party in the neld called the socialist party. They advocate theories that are antagonistic to the popular party. They denounce the populist party and fight it. A man cannot be an honest man and belong to two parties at once which are antagonistic to each other. A man can't be a populist and a socialist at one and the same time and there is no use trying. "No man can serve two masters; for either he will hate the one and love the other; or else he will hold to one and despise the other.' So readeth the scriptures.

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NO SENSE IN IT.

The Way to Convert a Man is to Teach Him the Truth From the Beginning.

The editor of the Nebraska Independent speaking of the silk-ribbed paper money, not based on coin, redeemable in government dues and full legal tender, advocated as the ideal money, by the late Wm, P. St. John of New York City, says he does not expeet td live to see this kind of money, yet it may come sooner than any of us expect. The editor of the Independent expects a free silver victory soon. He may be correct in his opinion that free silver will come before the money of intelligence and the money advocated by St. John, but we doubt it The facts is you cannot convert a man to free silver until you convert him to flat money. We hear democrats of "If free silver all sorts saying: right you fellows (meaning anti-metal. lic basis advocates) are right, but they don't say that we are right and while they vote the democratic ticket on the silver isue, it would take very little argument from the leading men of the party to get them to vote the demo-eratic ticket without any free silver in it. You can take a man who has not studied the money question and argue with him until doomsday in favor of free silver and the specie basis and if he gets no other light on the subject be will never understand what money is, and will never be an intelligent convert to free silver. But it is very easy matter to convince men that money needs no intrinsic value and need not be redeemed in gold or eral may provide boxes for the reception | silver, and when he is thus enlightened he makes a fairly good friend of free allver, though he will always claim that legal tender paper money ment would be much more sensible than gold or silver, and "really be tween me and you there is no sense making money out of such inconvenient and costly materials as gold and silver,"-Missouri World.

A GOLD BUG LIAR.

W. E. Curtis of the Chicago Record Hua Won the Belt by Unanimous Consent.

There is no meaner, sneaking, cowardly liar in the pay of the Mark Hanon crowd than W. E. Curtis who writes for the Chicago Record. His lying b made more effective by the fact that the Record proclaims itself an inde pendent paper. A few days ago the following appeared in that paper over

Col. Wuliama Jennings Beyon did not leave very pleasant recollection with the Third Nebraska, the regimen he comunded. It is coroposed of a fine set of men, and they have the pro-tiest camp in the muth, which has been decented and embellished with artistic skill under the direction of Lieut, Col. Vifquain, who has been promotest to liryan's place. The men-speak very freely and not very respect-fully about their former calmei. Laxi-Sunday morning as I stepped out an vanuah I found a corporal's guard from the Third Nebruska on prurust duty. In answer to my inquiries they said they came from Lincoln, said

"How is that?" I inquired. "When Bryan went into the army he was only playing politics. He came down here to pose, and when he found that nobody was looking at him he was disappointed. He wasn't any bigger than anybody else in the camp. He was only one of twenty colonels, and imprisonment in the county jail for and nobody pays any attention to the period of thirty days. for him politically and so he resigned. He promised to see that we were mustered out as soon as he got to Washington, but it looks as if he forgot it, make a finding to that effect and there- and at the next election the boys will

the same constructed. In all cases plans and specifications shall be prepared al's guard was taken from soldiers who under his direction for the proposed line, lived in Lincoln is exceedingly slim and the contract for the construction of and the whole thing bears the imprint of falsehood on the face of it. The grand reception given Bryan when he returned to the regiment, the scores of letters received here in which the soldiers seem to idolize Bryan-all together show that W. E. Curtis is a most unmitigated liar.

ORGANIZING. Populist reorganization has begun n Omaha. The Peter Cooper club organized a week ago with J. B. Jones, state grain inspector, as president, and Mr. Moriarity as secretary. The charter remains open till Monday night, December 26. The club proposes to open and maintain spacious headquarters, with reading and smoking par-lors attached, where friends will always be "at home."

THE TRUE DOCTRINE. We believe this government should take charge of, build, own and operate the proposed Nicaraugua canal. It will take a few hundred millions but the income from tolls will be immense and will last for all time. Don't turn it over to a lot of adventurers like the U. P. R. R. was. Had the government built that road, and sold the land for twenty miles on either side at \$5.00 an acre it would have had the road clear today of all cost.-Crete Dem-

FREE PAPER ASKED.

American Newspapers Fighting the Paper Trust.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 20 .- The American Newspaper Publishers Association has presented to the Anglo-American joint high commissioners a carefully prepared argument in favor of free paper and free pulp.

This is the beginning of a fight on the International Paper trust.

Minnespolls Elevator Burned.

MINNEAPOLIS, Minn., Dec. 29 .-ioss of \$100,000 was caused last night by the burning of elevator I, together fection, brought on by the exposure to with its contents of 60,000 bushels of wheat. The property belonged to Wheeler, Carter & Co. The loss is covered by insurance.

Admiral Sampson III.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 29 .- Admiral W T. Sampson is confined to his room with a slight attack of the grip. His physicians think he will be recovered

Stuck His Head in the Stove. CHICAGO, Dec. 29.-Louis Slick of 1904 North Marshfield avenue, chose a unique and horrible method to end his life. He lifted a lid from the stove and held his head against the glowing coals until he was burned so severely that he was rendered unconscious. He was found a few minutes later by his wife, and eight hours later he died without regaining consciousness.

NEW YORK, Dec. 29.-Andrew Aller Bonner, the eldest son of Robert Bon ner, proprietor of the New York Ledger, died yesterday of pneumonis in this city.

SENATOR MORRILL IS DEAD.

Patriarch of the Senate.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 29.-Justin S. Morrill, the senior United States senator from Vermont, died at 1:30 o'clock this morning, in the 89th year of his age, after an illness of less than a

All Franchises Revoked.

SAN JUAN, Dec. 22 .- General Guy V. Aenry, the American military commander here, has ordered the revocation of all the concessions and franchises heretofore granted by the Spanish authorities, supplementing the order of the war department on the granting of a new franchise. The general's order is under reconsidera-tion on account of the legal questions raised.

Captain Tobin a Suisida

KNONVILLE, Tenn., Dec. 29. - Captain ohn M. Tobia, until recently quartermaster of the First brigade of the division at Camp Poland, committed suicide yesterday by firing a pistol ball into his mouth. The bullet passed through his spinal column, killing him instantly. He has been murose since bis discharge.

Death of Father Adain.

CRAWATONIE, Kam., Doc. 10.-Pather adair died at the home of his son, G. & Adair, near this city, yesterday afternoon. Father Adair was a venerable and memorable figure. He was one of the pioneers of this part of Kansas. He was related to John Brown by marriage.

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Not One Gone Over.

Editor Independent:

By virtue of good republican prosperity, with wheat at 46 cents per bushel I am enabled to enclose you a dollar to apply on subscription. I'read that on account of the stay at-home cora-pickers we suffered a partial defeat at the cause judging from the result at Bancroit, as forty cora pickers who are silverites did not come to the polis on election day, while nearly all the gold bugs did. I presume that the principal reason for their staying at home was that there was no eathusiasm manifested during the camthusinesm manifested during the cam-paign at this point while speakers were sent to all the surrounding towns, none were sent here. Neither did we get any campaign literature. Silver voters took it for granted that there was no danger of defeat. Many of us fool farmers have to be enthused all the time, while others have to work all the time notwithstanding the plutocratic prosperity we hear so much about. There is not a single populist in this section that has gone over to the enemy. Had they anticipated the dire result of their not going out to the party a diferent state of al-fairs would now exist. When the next peaeral election occurs you may look for better results. Respectfully submitted, L. R. FLETCHER.

Baueroft, Neb.

RIOS SURRENDERS ILOILO.

Spanish Commander of the Visays Quits His Position.

Spanish commander in the Visayas, streets were done away with. Our has telegraphed to the government trucks will take upless room and move from Roilo, capital of the island of much faster than an ordinary team, Panay, under date of December 24, as and they are under such perfect confollows:

"Am preparing to embark on the and limb than with horses. steamer Leo XIII. for Zambounga, and naval commanders, the mayor and

Though the dispatch is ambiguous, two hours at the outside." it is assumed here that the surrender An attempt is to be made to absorb

TWO SISTERS DROWNED.

Samle and Katle Bradley Perish at a Creek Crossing Near Fulton, Mo.

FULTON, Mo., Dec. 29.-Mamie and drivers are to become motormen. Latie Bradley, aged 15 and 17 years, were thrown from the horse they were PLANNED WAR ON ANARCHISTS riding into a crossing of Stinson creek. six miles south of this city, yesterday afternoon, and both were drowned. The brother of the young ladies passed the same crossing shortly afterward, and, seeing the riding skirt in the water, got off his horse to pull it out, and was horrified to find the body of his sister. The other sister was not found till late in the evening, a considerable distance from the place where she was drowned.

DEWEY IS SENIOR ADMIRAL.

Retirement of Admiral Bunce Advances the National Hero.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 29.—Admiral Dewey is now the senior officer of the American navy, having reached that position without congressional action, through the retirement, Sunday last, of Admiral Bunce. He will continue to hold that distinction until the 26th of December, next year, when he will go upon the retired list, unless Congress excepts him from the operation of the law, and, after making him admiral of the navy, provides that he may hold that office in active service without age limitation.

six Ducis Instead of One.

BUDAPEST, Dec. 25.-The quarrel beween Baron Banffy, the Hungarian premier, and M. Horanszky, member of the lower chamber of the Hungarian diet, is likely to have further ourious developments. M. Horanusky and his seconds, having heard that the seconds of Baron Banffy have been animadverting upon the conduct of M. Horanssky, have sent challenges to both. Baron Banffy's seconds are Baron Fejavary, minister of national defense, and M. Gajasi of the chamber of deputies. As such has received three shallenges, there are six duels being arranged.

Holden Man Shoots His Wife.

HOLDEN, Mo., Dea 29 -0. IL Shauer, a farmer residing near this place, shot and fatally wounded his wife yesterday morning at a o'clock. Jualousy is supposed to be the cause. Mrs. Shauver has always borns a good reputation and Shaqver himself is a hard working man, its is still at large in the woods of Bon's creek, and Patronize the Nebraska storge posse of armed men are to

New York Trucks to Be Driven by Compressed Air.

BIG ANTI-EQUINE TRUST.

All Drayage Companies to Be Combined and Drivers to He Gradually Transferred to Motormen - A Promoter's Talk About His Hopes.

NEW YORK, Dec. 29 .- The New York Auto-Truck company, with a capital of \$1,000,000, has been incorporated. With this capital it is proposed to place "auto-trucks," operated by compressed air, in the streets of the city.

At present the only persons whose names are made public in connection with this scheme are James H. Hoad-ley and Henry F. Knight. Mr. Hoadey is president of the Compressed Air Power company. Mr. Hoadley and Mr. Knight combined their interests in compressed air motors some years ago, late election. I presume that was the and William C. Whitney became interested in their company. Their motors have recently been adopted by the Metropolitan Traction company for use on the Twenty-eight and Twentyninth street cross-town lines, and will soon be in operation. Joseph Leiter recently acquired a controlling interest in the foreign rights of the Hoadley-Knight patents. Mr. Leiter says it is merely a matter of time when all great cities will be compelled to adopt some form of motor in place of horses.

Mr. Hoadley declined to state whether the capitalists back of the New York Auto-Truck company were Mr. Leiter and Mr. Whitney, or to tell who they were.

"We have built auto-trucks," he said, and used them at our works in Massachusetts. We can haul a load of eight tons twenty-five miles without replenishing the air. It is easier for our trucks to move eight tons than for three horses to haul six tons in an ordinary street. On wet asphalt horses are almost helpless, and with the substitution of asphalt for paying stones the horse must go.
"From a sanitary standpoint and in

the matter of cleanliness it would make a great difference in the city if MADRID, Dec. 29 .- General Rios, the the 150,000 or 160,000 horses in its trol that there is less danger to life

"Electricity cannot be used for island of Mindanao, having yesterday trucks designed to carry heavy loads, (December 23) formally surrendered owing to the weight of the storage Hollo, in the presence of the military batteries that would be required. It does very well for cabs and light dethe foreign consuls. Have charged the livery wagons, but trucking is another German consul with the protection of matter. If we had had our trucks in Spanish interests. Shall arrive at the city when that last snow storm fell Manilla by the end of the month." we could have removed it in seventy-

city and to gradually replace horse drays with auto-trucks, without antagonizing the present owners. The plan proposed is similar to that followed in organizing trusts. Separate interests are to be purchased and truck

Terms of the Agreement Said to Have Been Adopted in Rome.

Rome, Dec. 29. - A correspondent has secured from a delegate the result of the anti-Anarchist conference recently held here. The proceedings had previously been kept secret.

First-An international bureau of police for the surveillance of Anarchists is to be established at Berlin, consisting of nine members-German, Austrian, French, English, Italian, Russian, Swiss, Belgian and Dutch. This bureau will correspond direct with all the police of Europe, and will be represented in each country by special agents. All the states represented will contribute equally to the maintenance of the bureau.

Second-European governments are to negotiate for extradition treaties governing Anarchists. Anarchists are defined as all those who make a public profession of the Anarchist faith, who are found in possession of Anarchist publications, bombs and letters of an Anarchistic character, and all members of Anarchist societies. A person convicted of an Anarchist

crime will be punished according to the law of the country where the crime was committed Anarchist journals are to be placed under censure, their circulation interdicted, their editors, printers and distributers proceeded against as Anarchists. All proceedings against Anarchista are to be conducted in secret.

These decisions were accepted by the delegates from Germany, Austria, Russia, Italy, Turkey, Spain, Portugal, Sweden, Denmark, Montenegro, Servia and Roumania, but England, France, Switzerland, Belgium, Holland, Luxembourg and Gresca rejected them.

It is probable that the ultimate result of the conference will be the catablishment of an international police

Stanley at Work on His Message. WIGHTTA, Kan., Dec. 29 .- Governorelect Stanley is busily engaged this week in preparing his measage to the lagislature. A few politicians are coming in, but they are given little atten-

Rollela at the Barricade Stage. LINA, Dec. 10. - Dispatches from Bofivin say La Pas recombios a vast encampment of armed men. Barricades have been erected in all the thoroughfures and great onthusiasm prevalls among the insurgents.

Washington for Change of System. NEW YORK, Dec. 29 .- Three of the nembers of the commission of Porto Ricans, on its way to see President McKinley and members of Congress, are still in the city, and will remain here until next week, when they will proceed to Washington.

The commissioners have been sent to Washington in an effort to put an end to the administrative, financial and educational conditions as they exist in

the island of Porto Rico to-day.

Senor Hostos, in speaking of their mission, said; "Porto Rico asks to be accepted by the United States as & brother, not as a servant. We ask for home rule and public schools. We do not expect everything at once, but want to start right and only ask that we be made a territory, the same as the territories that have grown to be states. We do not want to be started as a colony, which must forever remain outside the nation. We were a colony of Spain and the best we could be was second-class Spaniards. We do not wish to be second-class Americana. We want to be first-class Americans. We want to become a part of the American people.

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A 82,000,000 Steel Order.

CHICAGO, Dec. 29. -One-half the targest foreign orders for finished steel ever sent to this country has been offered the Illinois Steel company of this city. The order amounts to \$2,000,000, and is for water pipes to be used by the Australian government. The Carnegie company of Pitteburg will supply half the amount. The

Mrs. Ewing Must Stay in Jail.

MARYVILLE, Mo., Dec. 29.-Judge Cyrus A. Anthony of the Nodaway county circuit court decided that he cannot hear the arguments for and against the retention of Mrs. George Ewing, charged with having murdered her sister. This means that Mrs. Ewing must remain in the county jail until after her trial, which will probably occur at the February term.

In the Air. Bob-Jones was killed while skylark-Herb-Where was he?

Bob-Up in a balloon.

2,200 Miles in an Open Boat. SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 29 -Captain MeDonald of the burned bark C. D. Bryant, accompanied by his wife and shildren, arrived here yesterday on Bryant, which was bound from Puget Sound for Africa, with a load of lumber, burned at sea on November 5, and the survivors traveled 2, 300 miles in an open boat, when they reached one of the Hawaiian group.

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