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The St. James Gazette is so riled up over Morgan's capture of the British steamship lines that it says that every one of the English ships bought ought to be treated by the British government as pirates on the high sea.

The house has at last given up its imperialistic ideas concerning Porto Rico. A favorable report has been made on the bill to allow Porto Rico to have a delegate like any other territory and there seems to be no doubt that it will pass.

It is announced that there are big incomes for lawyers in the future in the contest concerning what stock company shall secure a monopoly on the air for the purposes of wireless telegraphy.

The first result of the strike of 145,000 men in the anthracite coal region was that the trust raised the price of coal $1.00 a ton. Any one is at liberty to make any remark that suggests itself to him concerning the situation.

Senator Gorman and all of the republican leaders are firmly convinced that the democrats made a fearful mistake when they attacked the administration policy in the Philippines. Gorman was never known to seriously differ with the republican leaders.

The Chicago Tribune says that Roosevelt is not a socialist or monopolist and therefore he will make no general war on the trusts. From which it would seem that the Tribune believes that any man opposed to all trusts is a socialist and anarchist.

The Independent extends congratulations to Edward Rosewater and E. W. Simeral for the very able manner in which they presented the railroad tax question to the state board. It is evident they have been close readers of The Independent for a number of months.

The readers of this paper will remember what it said about the punishment of the Cuban postal thieves when the crime was first made known. Like many other predictions of The Independent, it is being literally fulfilled. Hanna has attended to that matter. The Chicago Record-Herald says: "The president's extraordinary order is a blot on his administration."

Since the reports of the barbarities committed in the Philippines have reached Europe there is more opposition than ever to the transfer of the Danish West India islands to this country. The people of Denmark and Sweden look with horror upon the proposition to turn over their fellow citizens to a country which has adopted the methods of the old Spanish inquisition.

A republic is the best form of government as long as the citizenship is honest and fairly intelligent. But when the citizens become so blinded by partisanship that if a member of the opposition should declare that twice two were four, they would declare that it was a pop campaign lie, it is doubtful whether it is. Partisan insanity often goes so far as to make government by such people a very doubtful thing.

The republican dailies have come to the conclusion that the meat trust is a great philanthropic institution. They declare upon the evidence furnished by the attorneys of the trust that the packers have been selling meat for the last three months at less than cost. As far as The Independent is concerned it would give about as much credence to the evidence of a trust lawyer as it would to that produced by the torture of the water cure.

The advance of imperialism is as follows: First, a war of conquest; second, denunciation of the rights of man as set forth in the Declaration of Independence; third, the overthrow of the constitution by a supreme court decision; fourth, the adoption of the methods of torture used by the old Spanish inquisition. The startled people, viewing these things, seem disposed to call a halt. If they do not, who can tell what the next step may be.

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The Red Cross society of Spain has presented to Aguinaldo a gold medal which bears this inscription: "To Senor Don Emilo Aguinaldo, president of the Philippine republic, for his humane treatment of Spanish prisoners of war."

A dramatic critic writing of the success of Ben Hur in London, says that "Gen. Lew Wallace is a very devout man." He should have heard the "devout" language that Lew Wallace occasionally uses when something riles him, before he attempted that write-up.

Railroad development in Africa has been rapid in the past few years and seems but a beginning of a great system which must contribute to the rapid development, civilization and enlightenment of the Dark continent. Railroads already extend north from Cape Colony about 1,500 miles and south from Cairo about 1,200 miles, thus making 2,700 miles of the "Cape to Cairo" railroad complete, while the intermediate distance is about 3,000 miles.

The Independent is not the local organ of any county, and for that reason takes no part in "bringing out" candidates for the various state offices. Its columns, however, are always open for a reasonable amount of correspondence and newspaper comment on the various populist and democratic aspirants. But it fears that it must break the rule just once, and inquire: "Why not nominate J. H. McIntosh of Omaha for attorney general?" His magnificent fight in the Omaha tax case shows the kind of stuff he's made of.

We have had about everything else that usually accompanies armies of conquest except one, and now we are to have that. They are about to create a Dreyfus affair and Major Gardener is to be the Dreyfus. If the military have their way they will send him to a devil's island sure enough. The trial of Major Gardener by the men whom he has accused is a farce on the very face of it. Many of the eastern papers have seen the iniquity of such a proceeding and are demanding that if he is to be tried at all for making a report as a civil governor to his superior, who was also a civil officer not connected with the army, then it should take place before a civil court.

Senator Mason declares that every corrupt devise ever employed in South Carolina to cheat the negro out of his vote has been employed by the republicans in Illinois in the election of delegates to the late state convention. He says he will issue a circular and give all the details of the bribery and force that were used. The republicans always pose as political saints in the house and senate and try to express the inexpressible horror they entertain for any interference with a free ballot. But everybody knows they never practice the political religion that they profess. They stuff ballot boxes, they buy elections, they subvert the will of the people of the north just as effectually as do the southerners the votes of the blacks of the south. They bought the two last presidential elections with clean cash and afterward bragged about it.

The Army and Navy Journal says: "General Smith's orders in the province of Samar and General Bell's in the province of Batangas were submitted to Major General Chaffee. He approved them and submitted copies of them to the war department at Washington, where not a word was said against them or against the operations conducted in accordance with them until it was discovered that it had been necessary to use harsher means than syringes loaded with cologne water to put down the insurrection." That is exactly what The Independent has said about the matter. Any one acquainted with the routine of the army knew that nothing could be done in the Philippines without the knowledge and authority of the commander-in-chief, the president, and his secretary of war. It looks now as if the administration was trying to plead the baby act.

The populists have never ceased to advocate a fractional paper currency. The eastern mullet heads who derided them and sneered at their proposition have just found out that it is a very association of business men has been formed to secure such legislation and under their auspices a bill has been introduced in congress containing the proposition. The mullet heads are very slow of comprehension, but several things have happened lately to show that they are making some progress.

It may occasion some surprise to Lincoln people when they read what our Washington correspondent, Mr. Bride, has to say in reference to Judge Tibbets and the way the judge slopped over regarding Burkett and the public building appropriation. But those who are conversant with the judge's record as referee in the Standard Oil suit will agree that Mr. Bride is an exceedingly far-sighted man and has sized up the judge about right. The judge has symptoms of republicanism—no doubt about that.

The Independent is in receipt of a long letter from Mr. Geo. B. Bolt, St. Louis, Mo., further commenting on the question of money circulation, postal savings banks, bank deposits, etc. We regret that lack of space will not permit publication with suitable editorial comment. Mr. Bolt holds to the idea that money circulates only at the moment it passes from the buyer to the seller; that money saved results in a contraction of the circulation; and he advocates postal savings banks wherein depositors get no interest and the government simply hoards it; also advocates the issue of $16,000,000 a week of government paper money to replace the contraction caused by 16,000,000 heads of families each saving a dollar a week.

A gentleman came to the editor of The Independent the other day while traveling on a train and introduced himself in the following words: "You don't know me, but I know you. I am a banker and until recently a genuine, fully developed mullet head. But when I saw the Fowler bill recommended for passage by the republicans in the house, I came to the conclusion that the money magnates of the east cared no more for the small banker than they did for the small producer or manufacturer. If that bill passes, nine-tenths of the bankers of the west will be out of business in less than five years. Those fellows in New York are nothing but hogs. They want it all and want it quick." Then he said he wanted some information and this editor handed over to him what he had lying around loose.

Cromwell's campaign in Ireland was short and "thorough." In less than nine months he "pacified" the island and according to the upholders of such methods, in the Philippines it was humane because it was soon ended. But the truth is that although two and a half centuries have passed, the war is not over yet. Several counties in Ireland were placed under military rule only a few weeks ago and the war still goes on. In the eyes of the defenders of torture, Cromwell's campaign in Ireland was a success, but in the eyes of statesmen and historians, it was the greatest failure of Cromwell's whole career. His most ardent partisans look upon it as one of the blackest spots in English history. While a man lives in whose veins the Irish blood flows, Cromwell will be cursed. But Cromwell's methods were not as severe as those adopted in the Philippines.

In the senate the other day McLaurin of Mississippi read some extracts from republican papers that did not indorse the Philippine program of the administration and when he came to the Springfield Republican, Senator Gallinger of New Hampshire denounced that paper and said it was not republican at all, because it had been criticising the republican party. But Mr. Gallinger and all the other republicans continue to call the Dave-Hill-Grover-Cleveland-Whitney outfit democrats, and they have not only criticised the national platform of their own party, but some of them have been voting the republican ticket for six years. According to Gallinger and other republican leaders, a man can be a democrat while he denounces his party platform and votes the republican ticket, but he can't be a republican if he differs from the administration on one point.

Whitelaw Reid went deep into the clothes question at a banquet given to him in New York where the Anglomaniacs assembled to flatter him and indirectly to pay homage to King Edward. Reid put his mighty intellect to work on the question of breeches—knee breeches, long breeches, or no breeches at all. He was on the verge of collapse as he viewed the sartorial complications that threatened this republic. He has, however, found something, after vast research, among the musty tombs of the past. He says that Buchanan wore knee breeches and a sword at the court of St. James and shortly afterwards the people elected him president. From that he takes courage. Whitelaw Reid will adopt the prescribed court uniform and wear a sword. Does he dream that the people will rush to the polls to elect him, the said Whitelaw Reid, to the presidency when they find that out?

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to buy election they shall not be interfered with. The trusts buy indemnity from the great republican leaders exactly in the same way that the divekeepers and gamblers of New York city buy it of the police. The republican campaign managers live and grow rich, just in the same way that so many police superintendents have in New York, and they are just as vile, immoral and degraded.

A large part of the republican daily press has already fully identified itself with the torture chamber and the killing of women and children. The order of General Smith, which they defend, to kill all over 10 and leave the country a howling wilderness, meant as well the death of all the children under ten. They would simply be left to die of starvation, piteously calling for their fathers and mothers who would never return. The horror of this thing is enough to turn a man's hair gray. And republican editors defend and excuse it! To what awful depths has imperialism driven that party in three short years?

The strangest thing that ever happened in this world is to have the worst methods of the Spanish inquisition defended on the floor of the United States senate, but that has actually occurred several times during the last two weeks. The past masters in torture in the dark ages, by long experience, invented those that would produce the most agony without the victims losing consciousness. Among them was slow dropping of water, drop by drop, on the victims head and the now famous "water cure." That these methods were adopted in the Philippines has been proven beyond contradiction and republican United States senators have defended them.

Always bear in mind that all the stories of torture that come from the Philippines are told by officers and soldiers of the army themselves. There is no outside testimony. The brave and gallant American soldier and officer has revolted at these things and born testimony against them. The republicans who denounced an official report of the director of the mint as a political document got up by the pops, will take no notice of the source of the evidence establishing the fact that all the horrors of the old Spanish inquisition have been revived in the Philippines. That is not to be expected. They prefer "to believe a lie and be damned" rather than accept the truth and be saved.

The folly of allowing personal spite to affect the acts of a public official was never so clearly shown as when the state board of equalization refused to consider the arguments of Edward Rosewater and his attorney, Mr. Simeral. The question of taxing public service corporation franchises is a growing one. Each year the people are learning something. Some political party must give the people what they demand, and as a purely political move, Mr. Rosewater's plan would have given the republican party a new lease of life. But it was Rosewater's plan—that was enough. If he had advocated a reduction in the assessment, the board might have raised it some just for spite. Being freer of corporation entanglements, the populist party is best fitted for carrying to a successful determination this question of just taxation. It is bound to win on that proposition alone, if no other. Rosewater was wise enough to see the proper move to make, but his party associates have hydrophobia of the rose-colored variety.

Some of the mean, bitter, partisan republicans are still going around and with a malicious sneer on their face remark: "Bryan enlisted, but before he got a start toward Cuba he stopped and then he resigned." Colonel Bryan was under the orders of William McKinley, commander-in-chief of the army and navy. If Colonel Bryan did not go to Cuba it was the fault of William McKinley and not that of Bryan. If there was anything wrong about Bryan not going to Cuba, the fault was that of the republican president who refused to issue the order and of no one else. So these miserable creatures are in fact sneering at McKinley. When peace was declared, Mr. Bryan resigned. It was a noble and brave act. He did not enlist to fight Cubans or Filipinos, but the Spanish. When Spain sued for peace and it was granted, there was no duty left for a volunteer officer or enlisted man to perform. The First Nebraska, South Dakota and other regiments were held by force in the service long after the term of their enlistment expired.

Glory and rewards have become very cheap in this Spanish war and the war on the Filipinos. Everybody knows of Funston and his services as a scout for which he won a star in the regular army, but who knows about Patrick Collis, who recently died? At the age of 24 as colonel of the 114th Pennsylvania, he did such gallant deeds at Fredericksburg that congress voted him a medal. At Chancellorsville he took and held the breastworks defended by Trimble's division of confederates, and was recommended by his commander for a commission of brigadier general, but he did not get it. At Spottsylvania his services were so conspicuous that he won the unstinted praise of Grant and through Grant's influence was made a brigadier. At Petersburg, April 2, 1865, he led the 114th Pennsylvania and the 61st Massachusetts in person, retaking the works the 9th corps had lost after storming them, and for this he was breveted major general at Grant's request. He would have been a great hero if the smallest of these services had been rendered in the Spanish war.

Eight members of the house from the south voted against the appropriation of $200,000 for the sufferers of Martinique. They did it on constitutional grounds. No doubt that their views are correct, for by what reasoning can it be claimed that money collected by taxation can be expended for the benefit of the people of another nation? They were overconscientious. What is the use of bothering any man's conscience about whether anything is unconstitutional or not? If it is not, it won't take the supreme court long to put it there. Wars of conquest and colonial government are not constitutional, much more unconstitutional than voting the money taxed out of American citizens to foreigners. But that did not trouble the supreme court the slightest. They "construed" it into the constitution and so the thing went. Anything else, from taxation without representation to the crowning of a king, can be served up in the same way. There is no use talking about the constitution in this country. Anything is constitutional as long as we have a partisan supreme court that never makes a decision against the party in power.

The editor of the Chicago Tribune is greatly troubled. He fears that the experiment of self-government in Cuba may be a failure and that fear forced him to demand that we wait a series of years before we declare what we are going to do with the Philippines. He is off on the same old track which republicans took when the imperialism madness first struck them. The idea that it is the duty or desting of this nation to go around the world setting up "good government" over other races and peoples, is a wilder idea than any long whiskered old pop ever entertained, or was ever accused of entertaining. But then the whole claim is simply hypocrisy. That was only announced to fool the mullet heads and it has answered its purpose very well. What they are after is gold and glory, rich pickings for the carpetbag commissions, and a stringing out of the office-holding list and the creation of a large office-holding class. In England the powerful families find thousand of places for their members in the offices of the colonial possessions and their judges and governors get enormous salaries, many of them running up to $20,000 and $50,000 a year. That is what these "destiny" and "duty" fellows have in mind.

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AFTER ROOT'S SCALP

A Propensity Develops to Make the Secretary of War a Scape Goat of the Administration

The Independent takes things easy these days and lets the other fellows do the worrying. They are doing lots of it, too. The last thing that has cropped out at Washington is to pass a resolution demanding Root's resignation. In regard to this, the Washington correspondent of the Springfield Republican, and he is one of the most conservative and careful of the whole lot of special correspondents there, has quite a lengthy article. Among other things he says:

"Within a few days an effort will be made in the house of representatives to subject the war department to severe criticism for its failure to answer the inquiry recently made concerning the time when the 'howling wilderness' order became known to Secretary Root. The talk about demanding Root's resignation, instead of subsiding, as was predicted, is growing stronger every day, and the belief that the republicans would like very well to drive him out as a scapegoat has been strengthened by several recent occurrences. The tone of Lodge's speech, the general lack of disposition on the part of the republicans to apologize for Root, and even certain hints dropped by the president himself, are responsible for the renewed activity of the rumors concerning his withdrawal. Representative Conry expects to offer a vigorous speech within the next few days concerning the failure of Root to respond to the inquiries made. The drift of the debate in the senate indicates that the democrats feel that Secretary Root is really the strategic point for attack. If he can be driven out and a new man substituted, the old policy of concealment will probably break down.

"Those who are earnestly interested in the Philippine question believe that, should complete publicity be obtained, there would be an appalling flood of revelations concerning the atrocities of our soldiers. Naturally, the democrats feel that this information would furnish them with plenty of campaign material, and they are, therefore, correspondingly anxious to see Root withdraw from the cabinet."

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