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GEN. MILES' REPORT

Mr. Vance Inquires if it is Not Time That This Senseless War Should End— Titus Out-Titused

Editor Independent: General Miles' report of conditions in the Philippines ought to forever brand Mr. Mc-Kinley's and Mr. Roosevelt's administrations, the republican party, and the hypocritical political, commercial and religious press that has sustained them in their policy as infamous beyond all parallel in human history.

If all the cruelty of African slavery and the slave-trade of the Spanish inquisition, of Weyler in Cuba, and the British in South Africa, were blotted together on the page of history it would be but as a fly speck in comparison with the horrors of the United States "benevolent assimilation" of the Philippine islands, if what the general of the army reports is true. And no man can doubt it.

There is not a law of God or man, a precept of morality or a sentiment of humanity but what has been ruthlessly and systematically violated. Take the murder of Vincente Luna, after being rendered insensible by torture. dragged into his house and burned to death. The crowding of six hundred people into one house in the province of Batangas where many of them underwent the fate of the British in the Black Hole in Calcutta during the mutiny in India. The selling of cheap and damaged food to the reconcentradoes at an enormous profit by United States army officers. The whipping to death of Filipinos for refusal to betray others into the hands of the enemy. The cold-blooded slaughter of prisoners. The beating, torturing, robbing, maining and insulting of priests whose peaceful calling has exempted them from insult and injury

among all civilized nations. The ravishing of women and young girls. The wholesale burning and looting of towns. The laying waste of whole provinces.

General Miles' report shows conclusively why 150,000 copies of the Declaration of Independence translated into the language of the Filipinos were ordered burned by the press censor at Manila. That this war is being carried on against a Christian people, and that we are making use of Mohammedan and Pagan cannibals as allies in carrying it on, ought to convince decent people of its character. Our army is being brutalized and ruined. Six hundred American soldiers building roads in the Philippines-our American soldiers making roads for Macabebes and Nigritos. Is it any wonder, under such conditions, that they drink and go mad and commit crimes that would shame the blackest fiends in hell?

Talk of hell! Dante in his wildest dreams, Calvin in his gloomiest imaginings, have never conjured up a literal brimstone hell to equal that which the United States government is carrying on, wide open with the lid off under a republican administration in the Philippines! What with our hell-roaring, burn, kill and ravish generals in the field; our mercenary and imperialized government at Washington, and an equally mercenary religious pulpit and press upholding the government's policy throughout the country, the United States has suffered more in its good name and in its national character for love of fair dealing, liberty, and humanity than in all its previous history. Tilly was not one whit more cruel at Magdeburg. Nor yet Titus at Jerusalem.

We have outdone the unspeakable Turk in his Armenian butcheries, and to make our deeds more infamous have done it all in the name of civilization, Christianity and benevolence.

I will not speak of the cost of this war in dollars and cents. Its real cost is in national honor, morals and public health. We are taking our pay in Asiatic cholera, the bubonic plague, and in loathsome and incurable veneral diseases; in a corrupt, brutalized and degraded army; and in a government incapable of telling the truth. For two years the government has been assuring the people that the war in the Philippines was over and that the administration was only devising means of establishing a freand stable government in the islands. And yet within the last week we have the story through the Associated press of the killing of two hundred Filipinos in the island of Luzon with the usual absence of casualties on our side. In the name of God and humanity is it not time that this senseless, cruel and profitless war should end? ALEX H. VANCE.

Milford, Neb.

CLEVELAND OR OLNEY

The New York Sun Quotes Harper's Weekly on This Mooted Point

For the benefit of Independent readers who are not readers of the New York Sun, Harper's Weekly and that class of gold-bug publications, we reproduce an editorial from the Weekly discussing the comparative availability of Cleveland and Olney. The manifest injustice to Mr. Bryan-boldly suggesting that his choice of a democratic candidate would be determined by his probable chances of securing a cabinet position-is quite in keeping with plutocratic democracy, which cannot conceive that any one could rise above sordid selfishness. Weekly falls into the same error that many other eastern papers do regarding the strength of the people's party. Because of fusion, election returns do not show how many thousand populists cast their votes for Bryan and Stevenson, and what the Weekly calls the populist strength is simply the vote of the bolting midroaders. Let democracy nominate Mr. Cleveland and see whether the populist party "has practically ceased to exist." Harper's Weekly says:

"Mr. Bryan seems to be personally unfriendly to Mr. Cleveland, and he has repeatedly intimated to his Commoner that he would resist to the utmost the renomination of the expresident. Perhaps he foresees also that he could not hope for any recognition on the part of Mr. Cleveland, should the latter be re-elected president, whereas it is by no means improbable that Mr. Olney would invite him to become a member of the cabinet

"After all, however, Mr. Bryan's wishes are not of very much importance, because it is no longer probable that his followers will constitute a third of the next democratic national convention, and because, in no event, would he be able to bolt and accept

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a populist nomination, since the populist party has practically ceased to exist, having shrunk in ten years from upward of a million to about twenty thousand votes. Mr. Bryan and his friends will have to support the democratic nominee, whoever he is, unless they repudiate the duty about which they had so much to say in 1896 and 1900—namely, the duty of submitting to the choice of the party's representatives.

"We may, then, for the sake of argument, disregard Mr Bryan's personal preference, as the convention will be likely to do, and confine ourselves, as the convention will confine itself, to the question of availability. From this point of view Mr. Olney is scarcely satisfactory. He would not have the faintest chance of carrying his native state. He might possibly win Rhode Island, but we could have no assurance that he would gain Connecticut, whereas we know that Mr. Cleveland has repeatedly carried the last-named state. He would be much less likely than Mr. Cleveland to capture New Jersey, because local pride would greatly assist his former chief. There is no reason to suppose that he would run better in New York than would Cleveland, because the latter has twice carried that state against the wishes of Tammany Hall and in 1904 he could count upon the cordial support of that organization. Either of the two candidates named would no doubt sweep all of the southern states, with the possible exceptions of Maryland and West Virginia. As regards the pivotal states of the middle and far west, however, it must be owned that Mr. Cleveland would have the immense advantage of being well known to the voters. Indeed, he is probably better known to the mass of the electorate than is any other citizen of the United States. Mr. Olney is, by comparison, a stranger. In tens of thousands of constituencies it would be needful for stump-speakers to explain who he is. That is a handicap which the democratic party in a desperate crisis of its fortunes can hardly afford.

"The crucial question is, however, what democrat is able not only to carry New York, but also Connecticut, New Jersey, Indiana and Illinois, inasmuch as the electoral votes of at least all of those states will probably be indispensable. Now, there is only one democrat alive who has ever carried those five states, and that man is Grover Cleveland. Mr. Bryan did not carry one of them. It is, we admit. conceivable that Mr. Olney, with Mr. Bryan's active assistance, might secure in those five states some votes that would be withheld from his former chief; but, on the other hand, Mr. Cleveland, through the influence of his robust personality and the eclat of his previous triumphs, would seem more likely to attract votes

from the republican party.

"It is, perhaps, just as well that Mr. Olney's candidacy should have been seriously mooted at this time, for we cannot begin too early to canvass his qualifications and those of his competitors, in view of the tremendous importance of the next campaign to the democratic party and to the country."

TOOK TOO MUCH

The railroad magnates saw that there was lots of money in the immense water power at Minneapolis and they said to themselves, "The people who live there shall not have that money. We will take all the profits of the great water power ourselves. It was an easy thing for them to do. They just raised the rates on flour to three and a half times what it was for wheat and that did the business. But it seems that they overdid it. That left no profit to the men who ran the largest flouring plant in the world, producing 50,000 barrels of flour every week and these men shut down the mills and quit, because to grind wheat, although they did it by water power, was to grind at a loss. Then the railroads graciously promised a reduction so that the millers could grind wheat without loss and they started up their mills again. The reduction has not yet been made.

What the railroads did to the millers, they can do to anybody else. Every sort of business is at their mercy. In this case they made a mistake and took more than the traffic would bear, so they had to modify their greed. When they only take just what the traffic will bear they get along swimmingly. The men pay it, make no protest and continue to 'vote 'er straight." But the railroads grow more greedy as the years pass by. They make closer estimates on what the traffic will bear and then collect every cent of it. It is very seldom that they make rates so as to stop business altogether, yet that happens more frequently all the time. It may be that after a while these men who are paying will find out. that if the government owned the roads they would only have to pay the actual cost of carriage. It takes them such a long time to find it out that the only conclusion one can come to concerning it is that they are very

Anyone who saw the Adam Fore-paugh and Sells Brothers Shows last year might well have imagined that the limit in size and quality of the best had been reached, and it was so frequently stated by the press. What could then be said about these shows this year? They are even larger and immensely better, and just how they will go about improving it for next year it is impossible to guess. If they are not at the limit now they certainly must be very close to it. They will exhibit here on May 15.