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SHORT-SIGHTED LEADERSHIP.

The extraordinary opinion rendered by the attorney general of Kansas and accepted as legal gospel by the governor of that state pronouncing all the acts of the recent special session of the legislature null and void emphasizes the demand for the fool killer down in the Sunflower state.

In Kansas, as in Nebraska, the republican party has for years suffered from stupid and shortsighted leadership which refuses to profit by the lessons of experience and turns a deaf ear to popular demands for political reform or redress of grievances.

Under every constitution yet framed in this country the chief executive whether president or governor is made the sole judge of the emergency that may prompt the calling of an extra session of the lawmaking body.

It is amazing that Governor Stanley of Kansas should, for the sake of antagonizing the populists, place himself and his party in the equivocal position of deliberately ignoring any law found upon the statute books.

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According to Admiral Walker the assets of the Nicaragua Canal company that the senate is trying to buy for \$5,000,000 consist of a hole in the ground, and that has been filled up.

great degree the cordial relations which now exist. It is certainly a most inopportune time for such legislation when a commission is endeavoring to adjust matters in controversy between Canada and the United States...

GENERAL WOOD'S TESTIMONY.

No American is better authority in regard to the character of the Cuban people and their fitness for self-government than General Wood, military governor of Santiago. He has had a better opportunity than any other of our military officers to study them...

What General Wood said of the Cubans at the dinner given him by the Union League club of New York has made a favorable impression in their behalf. He stated that there is nothing in the character of the Cubans to prevent their full appreciation of both the privileges and responsibilities of liberty...

EDUCATING THE FILIPINOS.

Senator Nelson of Minnesota, in his speech in the senate Friday, said that our duty to the Filipinos "is to breathe into them the life and spirit which will enable them to enjoy and appreciate the government and privileges that are to be given to them."

STATE FAIR RELOCATION.

The manifest disposition upon the part of members of the State Board of Agriculture to relocate the state fair is not in the least surprising to those who have been in position to observe the trend of sentiment.

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DISCRIMINATING AGAINST AMERICANS.

The legislature of British Columbia has just enacted a law which provides for excluding Americans from acquiring mining claims in that province. Protests against this legislation have been made by the legislature of the state of Washington and the Chamber of Commerce of Seattle.

COST OF THE PHILIPPINES.

Edward Atkinson estimates that the administration of the Philippines will cost the United States \$178,000,000 per annum. Representative Swanson of Virginia, a member of the house ways and means committee, puts it at \$200,000,000, while no one who has studied the question has attempted to place it at a lower figure than \$165,000,000.

raise that sum Spain levied an export duty in addition to the outrageous taxes collected from the inhabitants of the islands. That our administration of the Philippines could not produce the amount of revenue that Spain enjoyed is conclusively proved by two facts.

That Nevada solon who is reported to have sold his vote for \$50 in pursuing a very foolish policy in tussling bearing the market. The legislature should investigate and promptly put a stop to it, for if that kind of thing continues it will disorganize the market and may destroy the small margin of profit left in the business.

No Warrant for Hideouts.

Those who are disposed to ridicule the name of Holo should remember that the Filipinos may some day be moved to retaliate upon Paw Paw, Ponkwasset, Walla Walla and Androscoggin.

On an Old Trail.

There is nothing new in the alleged discovery of Nikola Tesla that the germs of disease may be killed by the application of several thousand volts of electricity.

Stock of Money Growing.

The stock of money in circulation in the United States increased \$20,305,722 during the month of November, the aggregate on December 1 being \$1,885,875,504.

One Trust to Jaw.

So the chewing gum consolidation, with a capital stock of \$15,000,000, is being forced into full bloom in the merry, merry springtime.

Big Boom for Shipyards.

This will be a great year in the American shipyards, for in addition to vessels aggregating 400,000 tons building when this month opened contracts are being prepared for many others including two Pacific liners intended to be record breakers.

Blowing Up Good Money.

An itemized statement of the expense of Dr. Gattling's experiment with an eight-inch cable American dynamite among the merchant powers a considerable boom.

Claims for Colon's Debt.

Spain is not to have an undeposited title to the remains of Christopher Columbus, the government at San Domingo having set up a counter claim. The United States consul at San Domingo City says there has recently been erected in a Catholic cathedral in that city a monument or mausoleum in honor and memory of Christopher Columbus.

TROUBLES OF THE RICH.

The power to possess and which anyone else has may have is not satisfying even to the multi-millionaire, who bids but to sign his name to a check and call the treasures of the world at his command.

Money the Only American Article Welcomed in Hawaii.

There is one of our new territorial acquisitions to which American citizens will feel no temptation to emigrate. It is Hawaii, there seems to be no opening for professional requirements and abilities, or for skilled, or even unskilled, labor.

NO EMIGRANTS NEEDED.

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PERSONAL AND OTHERWISE.

"Rebel" Agutinaldo's voice does not burden the cable American days and nights, but his fancies are in good repair.

Li Hung Chang is troubled with swollen legs. What he needs is a senatorial contest to pull them to their normal condition.

A marked scarcity of \$1,000 legislative bills is the most notable feature of some of the bills in Montana. Two \$500 bills are just as smooth, artistic and fetching.

Sarah Bernhardt says: "The Americans behave in the theater as in church. They are generous of applause and quick to catch a point. I adore them. Oh, you old darling! Coming over soon, eh?"

Patronize home industry. When a woman sees a man for breach of promise, putting the diamond in the ring, she is in a mood to appreciate what a cold, heartless world this is. Her opinion of the jury would set a house afire.

The kidnaping of a Chicago bride is classed as a remarkable feat. Two of them, Old Germain, who displayed remarkable tact for corraling dollars at the exposition, is now on a reservation near Wichita, Kan., and is said to be losing his mind. He lost his grip ten years ago.

The beggars of San Francisco, like other capitalists, have organized a trust, known as the "Moochers' club." A satisfactory division of territory and receipts is made every day, and a lawyer has been employed to defend them against the tyranny of the police.

Paymaster General Thaddeus H. Stanton is steadily shaking off the grip, a fact that will cause rejoicing among the countless friends of that popular army officer. General Stanton is about to retire from service, having reached the age limit, and will go into private life with the rare credit and satisfaction of having, during the Cuban war, disbursed army supplies against which no officer or private filed a complaint or uttered a kick.

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BLASTS FROM RAM'S HORN.

The covetous man sows his own thistles. Envy drops poison into all our pleasures. Strength is exhibited in the steady pull more than in the jerk.

An interrogation point makes a poor pillow for a troubled heart. The worldly church administers a killing remedy to the dying world.

No man can ever be right until he acknowledges he has been wrong. Some public prayers are constrained because private prayer is restrained.

The devil has to pry the business man's door open, but that of the idler is a standing invitation to him.

DOMESTIC PLEASANTRIES.

Indianapolis Journal: "I am told that he is her fifth husband." "Say, it must be awful to a man to feel that his wife looks on him as a mere habit."

Chicago Record: "How do you know they are not a legal couple?" "Because his air of proprietorship is already beginning to wear off."

Detroit Free Press: "Oh, mamma, I'm miserable. I know that I'm not fully in Harold's confidence. Did papa ever keep anything from you, mamma?" "Nothing—that is, nothing but money."

Cleveland Leader: "Does your wife ever get you up to bust for burials at night?" "No. She tried it once, but I made her go ahead and hold her own. She has never heard anybody wondering around downstairs since."

Somerville Journal: The average maiden would rather marry a poet than a brewer. The average widow would rather marry a brewer than a poet.

Cincinnati Enquirer: "O, that I should have married a funny man!" she wailed. "What is the matter, dear?" asked her most intimate friend. "He came home and told me he had a sure way to keep jolly from madding at the top, and when I asked him how he said to turn it upside down."

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SPRING'S A-COMIN'.

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Through the soft an' balmy air Birds 'll be a wingin', Scootin' all our earthly care With their jolly singin', Woods 'll fairly dance with glee, Fields be rime with melody, As they hop from tree to tree, Voices just a ringin'.

So in life: the snows may fall, Snows of care an' sorrow, Clouds above us, like a pall, May our pleasures harrow, But the spring 'll come again, Though today be dark with pain, We will sing a glad refrain On the sunny morning.

If the clouds are swainin' low, Fillin' you with sadness, If your cares seem drivin' you, Mighty close to madness, Just as winter yields to spring, So your troubles will take wing, And your heart again will sing Merry songs o' gladness.

If your life's a wintry waste, By the care-frost riven, If you never get a taste Of the joys of livin', At the dawn of comin' spring, Birds of joy will set you wing, Flowers will around you cling, Makin' earth a heaven.

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