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Governor Stephens of Missouri ought to take a day off and read up on the history of the parrot which talked too

The building inspector has condemned another batch of broken-down shantles. But condemning buildings and having them removed are two different things.

The late legislature was very sparing in attaching emergency clauses to the measures it passed. That will give the people three months to study up on the statutory changes they are expected to

If the Farnam street merchants find replace the granite pavement with asment bill.

Just to keep the ball a-rolling the trust makers are said to be now engaged in the role of rolling up a giganroll over the public and patrons with out let or hindrance.

Several bills were passed by the late legislature upon which Governor Poynter might have used the veto with greater propriety than upon those he killed in that way and with considerably better claim to public gratitude.

A St. Louis police judge has decided that under certain conditions a man has a legal right to administer corporal punishment on his wife. If female suffrage ever becomes the vogue in Missouri that police judge will have to abandon hope of official preferment,

Why should scientists make a great fuss over the feat of sending a telegram a few miles without the aid of wires when sensational newspapers are daily publishing columns of special cablegrams all the way from Manila which never touched a wire?

Word comes from up the river that the Missouri is rising and one imaginative correspondent insists that indications point to the highest water known since 1881. There is no urgent necessity, however, for residents of Omaha to get out their flatboats.

Latest mail advices from the First Nebraska would indicate that the regiment is no worse off for the departure of some of the men who came home and told such lurid stories of ill-treatment of the men. Those who remained seem lawless resorts. to think they are faring pretty well.

We suppose that great speech of Altthe Chicago election.

city and county officials takes place Nothing more is needed, because there guards against exploitation and the have ample warning as to time and will ever have to defend itself against duration. By proper use of storm cel- encroachments on the part of the United lars they may be able to protect them. States, so long as that country is distake care of themselves.

So far as Governor Poynter's veto of politics as in all other things.

bloomers under the ban. According to aggression by the United States and we the judgment there is nothing to pre- are very confident that few people in vent women from wearing the mannish this country desire the acquisition of costume if they wish, but public places | Canada, certainly not if it had to be are not compelled to serve women so attired. The English bloomer girl should migrate to the United States, where she past which might have justified this would find a whole army of bicycle country in going to war, but just now riders ready and willing to do battle the governments are endeavoring to set-

WHY THE CHARTER WAS VETUED. THE OMAHA DAILY BEE. amendments:

First-That the present charter has in no way hampered the growth of the and is therefore good enough for Omaba | minion is in all respects better off with- is over in all probability the state will for two years longer.

This is frivolous and senseless. The city has prospered and grown during the past two years not because of its tive demand for municipal expansion were much incensed over the fact that South Omaha which the governor has metal bridge over a branch of the Nile, defeated by his inexcusable veto was but the matter is not without interest alone important enough to justify the as another illustration of what Ameri-

the number of city officials.

creation of an elective street commis- peditiously and as satisfactorily. sioner in nowise adds to the number of The fact is that the Philadelphia firm The only change would be that the com- the completion of the work in less time, ple instead of being appointed. Surely sideration. It is an instance of the

ing warrants.

This is the veriest buncombe. The to get used to such experience. provision denounced as dangerous is already in force in other large cities. It enables city employes and laboring men rants and bonds.

tax burdens.

or recourse?

tic rolling mill combination which is to has trumped up several pretexts for a exploitation has been carefully utilized spiracy to overthrow popular self-government in Omaha.

The present charter, which Governor in production. Poynter tells us is good enough for two Fire and Police Commissioners for have any force after military adminis-Omaha. That section was declared un-tration is at an end and civil governman gang expects to elect a candidate when the military power gives place to for the supreme court this fall pledged civil authority. It is not to be doubted

Herdman commission.

# BETTER WITHOUT AN ARMY.

The new head of the Canadian mili-Omaha en last St. Jackson's day, which | says that the Dominion has no army-Senator Allen so kindly inserted in the that is, the military force cannot be Congressional Record, so that it might properly called an army. The Canadian be distributed free at the expense of the people are to be congratulated that such prehension on this score, because the government, is the key to the result of is the case and the government will do Philippines may not offer the opportuniit has is sufficient as a nucleus and it is for. When the shooting match between the no great burden on the taxpayers. people who live in the vicinity should is not the remotest danger that Canada selves. The birds can be relied on to posed to maintain friendly relations, so that all the force Canada requires is sufficient to preserve internal order.

There are Canadians who fancy that the county commissioner bill is con- the American people are eager to get cerned every one knows his action is possession of their country and these based entirely on political grounds for urge the creation of a large army, one fear a change from the present system such having recently declared that a of electing commissioners might work force of at least 200,000 men should be against the governor's fusion friends. raised for guarding the border. There Yet at the same time we believe a man's are Americans who believe that Canada word ought to be as good as his bond in should and ultimately will become a part of the United States. But we be lieve the more thoughtful people of the English courts have officially placed | Dominion are not apprehensive of any fought for. We have had disputes and difficulties with the Dominion in the

out an army.

AMERICAN ENTERPRISE Probably few newspaper readers gave defective charter, but in spite of it. It any attention to the dispatch from is because of its growth and the impera- London stating that British contractors that charter amendments have been a firm of Philadelphia bridge builders framed. The proposed annexation of had been awarded the contract for a can enterprise is doing in competition Second-Governor Poynter declares with that of Europe. A London newsthat the revised charter would increase paper charges that the British manufacturers lost the contract through the This is not only frivolous but untrue, animosity and prejudice of the Egypexcept so far as it restores the mem- tian war office and calls for an inbership of the council to the same num- vestigation. It is also alleged that ber as it was before the present charter there was collusion between the buyers was enacted. That part of the vetoed and the builders. Of course, this is charter was moreover inserted at the absurd, for it is entirely unreasonable request of the fusion members of the to suppose that in such a matter Ameri-Douglas delegation, presumed to rep- can manufacturers would be favored at resent politically the people by whom the expense of English if the latter Governor Poynter was elected. The could do the work as cheaply, as ex-

city officials. Omaha has always had was able not only to underbid the Brita street commissioner and has one now. Ish bridge builders, but to guarantee missioner would be elected by the peo- which it appears is an important conthe people's independent governor can- superiority of American energy and ennot be honestly opposed to trusting the terprise, which are steadily making people with the choice of their own headway in the world's markets against all competition. The British manu-Third-Governor Poynter declares the facturers must be prepared for other amended charter would increase to a disappointments in competing with the dangerous degree the power of city offi- manufacturers of this country. Their cials inasmuch as it authorized the sub- day of supremacy is passing. It is a stitution of low rate certificates of in- little hard on them to lose a valuable debtedness for high rate interest-bear- home contract, for which good British money will be paid, but they will have

EXPLOITING THE PHILIPPINES. The proclamation of the Philippine working in the streets to be paid in cash | commission says: "Honor, justice and instead of in warrants they are now friendship forbid the use of the Philipobliged to hawk about or trade out. If pine people or the islands they inhabit it is dangerous to confer the power on as an object or means of exploitation." city officials to issue these certificates. This recognition of a possible conseit is no less dangerous to continue them | quence of American occupation of the with their present power to issue war- Philippines may be intended as well for the consideration of our own people as Fourth-Governor Poynter asserts for that of the people to whom it is that the vetoed charter would increase addressed, for the commissioners who were sent to Manila cannot be unaware This may be a debatable question, of the fact that the expansion sentiment The Bee has shown by comparison that here has been to a very large extent cannot be controverted that instead of created and fostered by the belief that an increase of taxes there would have the Philippines will be a great field for been a substantial saying. But if the exploitation. Most of the advocates of governor's tender conscience revolted at our taking and holding possession of the themselves blocked in their efforts to the idea of a possible increase of the archipelago have urged that great opburdens of taxation resting on Omaha portunities would be found there for phalt let them blame Governor Poyn-citizens, why was his conscience par-nearly all sorts of enterprises. Mining, ter's veto of the city charter amend- alyzed when he approved the bill agricultural development, railroad that enables the Board of Education to building, it has been said, would give levy almost unlimited taxes upon profitable investment to American cap-Omaha property owners without redress ital and calls for a large amount of it. Everything tending to show the possi-As a matter of fact Governor Poynter | bilities of the Philippines as a field for veto which he knows to be unwarranted in the interest of the expansion policy. states in the Philippines nave showed that while concealing his real reason, which The latest contribution to this is the re- the boys who went west to grow up with the is still more reprehensible. The true port of the representative of the Agrireason for this veto is nothing more cultural department who was sent to can hold their own now with the veterans nor less than a part of a political con- investigate the productions of the islands and who states that he found them capable of an enormous increase

It is true that honor, justice and years more, contains the provision that friendship forbid the exploitation of the the governor shall appoint a Board of Philippines, but will such a declaration constitutional and void by the supreme ment is instituted? So long as the court. In conformity with this decision former continues there is every reason the revised charter bill repealed the to believe that no exploitation of the dead clause and substituted for it an Philippine people or islands will be express provision vesting the appoint- permitted. The requirements in this ment of the Board of Fire and Police regard of "honor, justice and friend-Commissioners in the mayor and counship" will be respected. But we cancil. It is an open secret that the Herd- not feel sure that this will be the case thereby put Governor Poynter in posi- to appoint to civil positions in the tion to reinstate the odious and lawless Philippines men of capacity and integrity. His sincere desire to promote This is the true inwardness of the gov- the welfare and advancement of the ernor's veto, and this is why Moise, people of the islands is unquestionable. Fanning, Herdman and the rest of the But unless he is prepared to utterly hold-up gang have clamored so loudly ignore the demands of politicians and charter amendments. That also ex- judgment, it will be hardly possible for plains Governor Poynter's veto of the him to avoid appointing some men who supreme court commission bill at the will not be averse to exploitation, but behest of the same gang, whose chief rather disposed to promote it. The subsistence has been blackmail levied danger in respect to the future governupon keepers of gambling houses and ment of the Philippines is that it may be administered by men whose honor and whose sense of duty will not be beyoud temptation; that it will fall into the hands of pollticians who will be disthus become the projectors or the instruments of schemes of exploitation.

Perhaps there is no necessity for apwisely not to create an army. The force ties that the expansionists are looking We do not believe they will. It will be well, however, to have safemost effective of these will be found in appointing to civil positions only men of the highest character.

> Reports from winter wheat raising districts indicate a very low average for the crop, Nebraska being set down by seriously damaged. There is considerable difference of opinion as to how great the damage is. According to reports furnished The Bee from time to advent of warm, growing weather can definitely determine this point. Nebraska, however, is not a great winter wheat state, the bulk of that cereal raised here being spring. The total wheat yield is likely to be cut down more by the backward spring delaying seeding than by any damage sustained by the winter wheat. There is every reason to believe the 1890 crop will for been such a legalization of incorporated this reason fail behind the exceptional total of 1898. The result will be an increased acreage of corn and other crops of late planting. In no state in the union can a more diversified line of

friendly relations through a commist braska and few equal it in this respect. Governor Poynter gives these read slon, which is likely to be accomplished. The Nebraska farmer will not, theresons for vetoing the Omaha charter But at all events we shall remain at fore, worry seriously because the prospeace with our northern neighbors so pect for wheat is not overly bright at long as they desire peace and respect this season of the year, when the opporthe relations which should subsist be tunity remains to turn his attention have a bandsome surplus of wheat to

> It is universally conceded there is no better criterion of business conditions than postoffice receipts. A study of those receipts in Nebraska is most encouragoffices in the state send their accumulated funds to the Omaha office and all sections of the state, it cannot be truthfully asserted that local and temporary conditions are responsible for lished. the exhibit. It simply represents every day business following the rising tide country is blessed.

We see by our amiable popocratic contemporary that the slot machine gambling devices have just been taken out of South Omaha. Everybody was under the Impression that when County Attorney Shields notified his gambler told them he would give them no fur- inhabitants in the immediate future. ther warning that he meant what he said. From the fact that the slot machines have been operating in South Omaha unmolested all this time, it is plain that County Attorney Shields' warnings were accompanied by a tip that they need not be heeded.

The German-built torpedo boat purchased just before the outbreak of the war has all the symptoms of being a every time its nose is poked outside the on the deck of some big steamer. American-built vessels of this class, even to the smallest, did constant blockade duty off Cuba during the war and kept at sea for weeks at a time. If the Somers is a fair sample of German naval architecture the German navy would cut a sorry figure in actual war.

The versatile street railway magnate, Tom L. Johnson, suggests that the time is coming when the people will have free use of street cars owned and operated by municipalities the same as they now have free use of the streets themselves. Millionaire Johnson may have a far reaching and prophetic vision but for the present the man who boards a street car will do well to fortify himself with a little small change against the assaults of the farecollector.

# Rival Promoters of Pence.

The anarchists have arranged to meet at The Hague while the czar's peace conference s in session. Pleasant for the representatives of the various powers! But no doubt they will have the proper police protection.

#### Pass Up the Diplomas. Globe-Democrat.

volunteers of the tran country are of the old original stock. They in telling war stories.

# Senator Hour's Feeble Critics.

Senator Hoar has again given some sage opinions on the Philippine question. The efforts of sundry newspapers to reply to him and confuse him usually amount to nothing more than mean abuse. As arguments they are pitiable. This does not reflect on the smartness of the editors so much as it reflects the fact that Mr. Hoar is right and the editors wrong.

#### Grievance of Klondikers. Chicago Tribus

Americans in the Klondike are still ob jecting to the harsh terms imposed upon them by the Canadian government. They demand, and with justice on their side, the reduction of the royalty from 5 to 2 pe cent, the abolition of the alternate claim system and other reforms. The American to reverse the home rule decision and that President McKinley intends Utlanders in the Klondike ought to send a message of condolence to the Uitlanders in the Transvaal.

#### Poor Judgment. Buffalo Express.

If, as is supposed, it was really Mr Bryan who vetoed the bill of the Nebraska legislature commending the Nebraska troops in the Philippines, the former presidential and successfully for the defeat of the to select officials entirely upon his own candidate has given another exhibition of poor taste and poor judgment. The policy of the government may be a legitimate object for attack, but not over the shoulders of the soldiers who bravely offer their lives in performing soldiers' duty.

# Corenns Ahend of All.

New York Evening Post "The hermit kingdom" Corea has always been called, and Americans have been won to pride themselves on the immense superfority of our civilization. But there is geld's before the Jacksonian club at tary establishment. General Hutton, posed to make the most out of it and passage in the last report from our consul general in Corea which proves that in one important particular the government of that remote little nation is far ahead of ours. After making some suggestions for the bene fit of travelers as to providing thems we with passports, the consul general says: "Travelers are subject to no tax in Corea. and personal luggage is not dutiable at the

customs. Luggage of Americans is seldom even examined."

# Damage to Winter Wheat.

Reports from the winter wheat sections crop by reason of the undue severity of the long winter season. In southern Nemates a loss of not less than 60 per cent. the experts as one of the states most yet the proportion of winter-killed wheat Nebraska estimate would mean a deficiency of "Uncle Tom's Cabin." of about 60,000,000 bushels in the country's time the best opinion is that only the forthcoming wheat crop as compared with that of last year.

Craze for Trusts. During the month of March the trustbreeding laws of the state of New Jersey reated not fewer than 250 incorporated ncerns with a capitalization of \$1,500,000 900. These loose and easy-going laws have been prolific of schemes of enormous overvaluations of stock. Never before has there wind and water as there has been at Trenton during the last winter. The record for the month of March has been made at the rate of \$50,000,000 a day. It is the greatest trust craze on record. What will the har vest be when the time comes for letting the all differences and strengthen crops be profitably raised than in Ne- out the wind and water?

#### COME IN AND BE SAVED.

Minneapolis Times; With the tenor of the proclamation (to the Filipines), taken as a and sent American soldiers skurrying for whole, there is little to find fault unless it | their guns on the night of February 4? The be that the promise of self-government is answer is not likely to occupy as much almost too forcibly linked with demand for space in history as the epening gun at Lex-continued recognition of United States ington or Bunker Hill or Sumter, but at "No. Just the dollar mark of present city since its cuactment two years ago tween neighboring peoples. The Do profitably elsewhere. When the scare continued recognition of United States ington or Bunker Hill or Sunter, but at sovereignty. The third paragraph, though this moment it has local as well as national success. somewhat verbose-we may as well acknowl. interest. Dispatches which announced the edge that the whole thing is rather wordy- battle gave to the Nebraska regiment the aims to give our alien wards an idea of credit of having met and repulsed the first what the great honest heart of the republic attack of the Filipinos, but omitted the then yearns to confer upon them. St. Paul Globe: Whatever the "sovereign"

rights of the United States may be in the Philippines to which the commission refers ing. All of the third and fourth class we are all agreed on recognizing "the international rights and obligations" which the Spanish war brought with it. These may these show that during the last quarter that far-off land, but they will not prevent Nebraska postoffice receipts have been such departure at the earliest practical moalmost 25 per cent greater than in any ment. We have as little right to stay there similar period. Coming as they do from as we have to stay in Cuba, beyond the time when the closest approach to a peaceful and civilized system of government of which the people are capable can be estab-

Globe-Democrat: The civil authority which the president is empowered to set up of prosperity with which the entire would have been in operation by this time if Aguinaldo's insane attack on the Americans had not taken place. No promises Filipines. The only power which can establish a permanent authority is congress. and congress will not take up the task until eight or ten months hence, at the earliest. One point, however, can be stated with absolute definiteness. The ultimate status of the Philippines will be very friends to stop violating the law and largely determined by the conduct of their Chicago Times-Herald: It is declarations

like this which have a significance in our own country rather than rhetorical sweetmeats such as the "felicity and perfection of the Philippine people," "the cultivation of letters, science and the liberal and practical arts" and "those nobler ideals which constitute the higher civilization of mankind." Perhaps the Filipinos who have been fed fine piece of junk. It breaks down with all the agitation of the anti-expansion- are among the applicants for pensions. harbor and is to be brought to this side hair's breadth. It proposes to keep what it two which were under fire were the Second anties of civil liberty.

tered in national history. It seems to say pensions are asked is malaria. peremptorily that the government will per- The pension office officials say the rush for n the far east, with all the possibilities of nternational complication in the future fundamentally at variance with American institutions as heretofore understood. largely repudiates the Monroe doctrine, under which this country has in the past applications which have been made. logically forbidden European interference in affairs of the western hemisphere. It opens up a new vista of participation in world politics, the ultimate results of which may not yet be clearly foreseen. Thoughtful Americans will hope that in this new departure, necessitating a heavy outlay of money in the shape of a "colonial budget." as well as the maintenance of a large army in the Philippines, there is no surrender of American principle likely to react disastrously upon this country or to belie our record as a liberty-loving and libertygranting nation.

#### PERSONAL AND OTHERWISE.

not expected to be so imposing as the one last year.

Loie Fuller, the dancer, spends several hours daily in a dark room to rest her eyes, which have been injured and possibly her in her serpentine dance. Like John Sherman James G. Blaine, Lord

Brougham and Garibaldi all had opportunties to read their own obituaries in the newspapers. Blaine had only one such chance, out Brougham had two and the Italian revo lutionist fully a dozen. New York has organized a Chinese base

ball club, and there should now be no reason why the base ball suits and the bases should not be kept scrupulously clean. More than this, the players will undoubtedly know how to "soak" the ball.

great deal, has now little time for books, to occupy territory in the Pacific and had his only reading being a few magazines no such logical purpose as that which has and a vast number of newspapers. He cares led to the war we are waging in the Phillittle for out-of-door sports, but finds re- ippines. laxation in whist and in traveling.

The effect of the trusts on business, as a cary and inseparable issue of the Spanish business leader shrewdly points out, is much war. We are just cleaning up the floor after as if a new and higher tariff were being im- the fight, and although this proves to be posed on the country. There is bustle and serious business-much more serious than quickened effort all along the line to get we fancied-it is the unavoidable duty of

The family of William Penn has not died wrong from the first. It was not necessary out, one of his descendants by the closest that we should have taken interest there oliateral branch being S. Cameron Harriot Neither the commercial relations of the of New York, member of the United States Islands nor their strategic possibilities in ommission to the Paris exposition, who is vited our attention, and nothing that has the great-great-nephew of the first flowed out of the tripartite protectorate in Pennsylvanian.

is now a civil engineer, living in Lyon, Miss. tried to exercise a form of local govern-He first saw service with the Russians in ment not satisfactory to the consular adhe Crimea, and at Schastopol received the ministration, which is less a representation Iron Cross for signal bravery. In the war of their respective governments than a mer of the rebellion he was a confederate, fought cantile agency for a few shipping firms that in twenty-seven battles and fifty-seven trade there. The people have chosen skirmishes, was wounded sixty-seven times and five times was reported dead.

In a letter home one of the Kansas boys war have come to bombard the towns of n Manila says that when General Miller the coast to imperil the peace of great na was organizing his expedition to Hoilo he asked General Otis to assign the Twentieth Kansas to his command, giving as a reason hat the men had been under his command n San Francisco, that he knew them and had confidence in them, and believed they We do not understand that from this matter would stand their ground in any fight. seed them here.'

A contributor to the Brunswick (Me.) Telegraph says that one morning, seventyin the west indicate serious damage to the five years ago, he was hunting for pigeons, which were then very plentiful on the unimportant incidents of our new policy, are Brunswick plains. Hearing a distant voice, yet freighted with great lessons. braska the State Board of Agriculture esti- as of a man preaching, he was moving in profit by them in good spirit and let the that direction when he came upon four There is an exaggeration in this, no doubt; students concealed behind some bushes, while a fifth at some distance was practising this year is certain to be largely in excess his part for a coming exhibition. The orator of similar losses during several seasons was Calvin E. Stowe, afterward the well past. A not less of even one-half of the known professor, and husband of the author 000, why, we can use the \$3,000,000 to good

# ECHOES OF THE WAR.

Who fired the shot that roused Manila name of the sentry who started the ball on weight for ago. its mission of death. Freedom, an American publication at Manila, under date of February 16, gives the following particulars of the opening: "For several nights an inits mission of death. Freedom, an Amerisurgent lieutenant had given some trouble near outpost No. 2 by attempting to post this sentinel within the Nebraska lines. On Saturday night he advanced with a few a lady, blame you!

Chicago Tribune: The Bystander-What are you taking off your hat for?

The Man at the 'Phone-I'm taking to a lady, blame you! men, disregarding the challenge of the sentinel and attempted to carry out his purpose. Private Graysor of Company D, after properly challenging the advancing party, who paid no attention, fired, killing the lieutenant and one private; the insurgents returned the fire and retreated. These were the first shots, and then for a time the firing ceased. But within three minutes after these shots had rung out, the whole possible presidential candidate."

Washington Star: "Is he doing anything in politics?" asked the chatty friend. "Absolutely nothing," answered the man who reads newspapers all day long. "Why, he can't even get himself mentioned as a possible presidential candidate." Nebraska regiment was under arms, and the companies moving at double time to their assigned positions."

Dispatches from Washington announce the opening of a spirited attack on the national pension roll by soldiers who served in the war with Spain. The assault comes from all sides and is by far the most aggressive yet experienced by the force besieged.

Most conspicuous on the firing line is the Thirty-fourth Michigan, which achieved more notoriety than glory at Aguadores bridge.

Stock?

"As nearly as I can make out," replied Gwilliams, "common stock is what it is before it's run over by the cars, and preferred stock is the kind it is when the injured owner sends his bill to the company." on the sea side of Santiago. The number of pension applications so far received from this regiment is 380, or over one-fourth of the enlisted strength of the regiment. second place belongs to the District of Columbia regiment, which has in 350 applications. Then follow the Thirty-third Michigan, the Eighth Ohio, the "President's Own," as it is called, and the Second Massachusetts upon grandiloquent Spanish proclamations The number of pension applications from the may take to the confection, though it is Second Massachusetts, which is the fifth on decidedly rich for their Intelligence, but the list, is 317. Seventeen officers of the the one point of supreme importance is that, staff of the District of Columbia regiment ists the administration has not budged a Of all the regiments mentioned the only has got under the usual American guar- Massachusetts and the Thirty-fourth Michigan. The Second Massachusetts had a num-

St. Louis Republic: This authoritative ber killed and wounded, and the Thirtyannouncement of the administration's policy fourth Michigan had four men killed at brings the United States face to face with Aguadores bridge, and probably a dozen one of the gravest problems yet encoun- wounded. The principal cause upon which

manently hold and occupy these possessions pensions by those who served in the Spanish war is very remarkable, in view of the fact that, up to 1882, there were a number of definitely accepted. It involves the fram- regiments which had served all through the ing and inauguration of a colonial policy civil war which did not have, all told, 100 applications. It is the belief at the pension office that the pension attorneys are largely responsible for the large number of pension

Traders following the flag in the Philippines are prompt to recognize and reward the gallant work of the soldiers. One of the American brewers doing a land-office Father Fitzgerald was marching, toobusiness on the Escolta, Manila, announces in the Daily Freedom his desire to slake the thirst and soothe the nerves of the fighters with copious mugs of beer. With impressive patriotic words he declares that the boys who have "received their baptism of fire have gone through the toils, privations and horrors of a bloody war in a strange land and have proved themselves heroes and men And unto their souls a holy calm; to the very backbone," deserve the plaudits and the schooners of a grateful nation. Accordingly he has shipped to the front and There will probably be some kind of a now why the natives scooted for timber The soldier saw, thro' the crimson mist, May day celebration at Manila but it ta and made themselves mighty scarce. Ordinarily the American soldier, with sixty rounds in his belt, is a dangerous person; with several rounds under his belt in addithe gift "is a boon which we and all who ruined by rays of colored lights flashed on are acquainted with the excellence of the beverage named are sure will be thoroughly appreciated by the boys who have borne By many a Mauser shot was torn; appreciated by the boys who have borne the 'sturm and drang' of the past fortnight.'

# LET SAMOA ALONE.

Possibility of Going Into Too Many Petty Squabbles. Philadelphia Times.

The conditions existing in the Samoan islands are of little importance except in so far as they touch the alliance which ex-And our hearts to the Captain of the Cross! ercises a protectorate there. Our presence in Samoa rests upon the idea that we should Senator Hanna, although he used to read be in the swim with other nations who seek Our control of those islands is a neces

shead of its exactions and anticipate its the nation and we accept it as such. But our policy with reference to Samoa has been which we are a factor has issued except to Major Lamar Fontaine, the author of show the folly of our entering into it. What 'All's Quiet Along the Potomac Tonight," has happened? Some people there have king not approved by the voice of the three consuls, and the consuls have fallen out with ever-extending results, until ships of tions over a trifle and to add another inci-

dent of illustration to the methods of civ ilization working in an uncivilized nation It is no credit to our country to be thus entangled for such utterly fruitless returns war or really serious international complica "That settles it," said General Otis, "I tions are likely to arise; but the menace of such serious dangers is brought warningly t notice, and the feelings of a Christian an boastfully civilized people outraged by the shelling of defenseless viliages, which, it Samoans hereafter alone.

# There Are Others

If the Cubans prefer their rolls to \$3,060, purpose ourselves.

Hard facts for women who wash. No work you do is so unhealthful as your work over a washtub. This hard, perspiring work in the midst of soiled clothes and tainted steam will make trouble for you. The less of it you do, the

Willions Pearline

better. Wash with Pearline, and there's little or none of it. Nothing but rinsing the clothes, after soaking and boiling them. Consider your health.

Detroit Journal: It has been suggested that spring is being queezed by her fool

BREEZY LINES.

Just the dollar mark of present

Indianapolis Journal: "You think you have good soldiers!" exclaimed the Filiping scornfully. "Why, I can beat any one of them in a 100-yard dash and give them

Detroit Journal: "To be perfectly exact, are the Philippines east or west?"
"Well, we shan't know for sure, I suppose, until they've voted once."

Cleveland Plain Dealer: "Say, there's a quiet volcano back on one of the Philippine islands where the natives bake eggs in the hot ashes of the crater."

'How many eggs?" "Oh, a crate-or two."

Chicago Tribune; "Speaking of railway securities," said Sfilint, "what do you un-terstand by 'common' and 'preferred' itoek?"

#### CHAPLAIN FITZGERALD.

John J. Rooney in Catholic World, . Father Fitzgerald! long live his name, His hero deed and his soldier fame!

Not least is he, in brave renown, With the men who captured Caney town-Not least, the his steps were on mercy bent. As he marched with his gallant regiment—

As a valiant Captain of the Cross Down thro' the brush, with stroke on The Twenty-second regulars broke-

Out on the sunken road they sped With the starry flag well on ahead; For they knew there was work enough Where the forts of Caney blocked the way. But little they thought would come so soon The Mauser's whizz and the shrapner's

croon! Sudden around, like a wintry gale

Fell a hissing shower of leaden hall, It seemed to fall from the skies and the breezeIt seemed to spring from the earth and

It leaped out here and it leaped out there, Its message of blood ran everywhere! But onward, with never a halt or rest, And, there, where the bullets whistled and Marching and working there in the van As a soldier priest and a soldier man! Out of the zone of fire he bore Many a comrade, wounded sore-From the foremost line of the flerce attack To the mango tree he bore them back!

Unto their wounds he gave a balm, To the ears that were closing forever there He breathed a word of comfort and prayer. Alfred Belt, the London vival of the tendered a barrel of beer as a free gift to the brow, blood-wet from the strife, each company. It is easy to understand He poured the blessed waters of life;

And the shades of death were swept away In the joy of the dawn of the Coming Day! ion, he is simply invincible. Freedom says Thus, thro' the thick of the fight, he Nor ever an errand of mercy shirked.

But on he forged where the good flag went With the men of the fighting regiment-

On, till the bugle charge was heard, Till gallant Lawton gave the word-Till the banner of Spain came, riddled, From the forts in front of Caney town! Cheers for their valor and tears for our

\*On board United States army transport "On board United States army transport Grant, enroute to Manila, Feb. 6, 1899.—Your favor of December I was duly received. I have taken some trouble to ascertain the name of the gentleman to whom you refer. I have made diligent inquiries among the men of the command, and as near as I can find out it refers to Chuplain Fitzgerald, who was on duty during the campaign in front of Santiago with the Twenty-second United States infantry. Very respectfully. front of Santiago with the Twenty-second United States infantry, Very respectfully, H. W. LAWTON, Major General United States Volunteers, "A more brave deed was never seen on a battlefield,"—Major Keck, Seventy-first New York,

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