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British View of Our Liabilities.

It may very well be that in the case of Cuba the United States will feel bound by her explicit pledges to try the experiment of self-government in that island; but she cannot do this without leaving something in the nature of a resident commission to insure that the last state of Cuba is not worse than the first. And if, after three or four years, it is clear that United States intervention, far from bettering the condition of the Cubans, has brought about a more deplorable state of chaos than ever, then the ideal with which the present war was begun—an ideal made sacred by the blood of United States citizens—will become an imperative command. The case of the Philippines stands somewhat differently. No explicit pledges were given in regard to them. As an incident in a war taken for humane reasons, the United States has made herself de facto responsible for life and property in these islands. This is a grave responsibility, and it certainly will not be discharged by an ignominious flight, just when the responsibility begins to weigh. No amount of moral platitudes upon the obligations of good faith would serve to cover the naked fact that, having taken up the sword in the cause of good government, the United States only succeeds in abolishing what little government did exist to make way for sheer anarchy. We refuse to believe this of any section of the English-speaking family—least of all, of the people who have made the United States what it is today in the comity of nations.—London Outlook.

A NARROW ESCAPE.—Thankful words written by Mrs. Ada E. Hart, of Grotton, S. D. "Was taken with a bad cold which settled on my lungs; cough set in and finally terminated in Consumption. Four doctors gave me up, saying I could live but a short time. I gave myself up to my Saviour, determined if I could not stay with my friends on earth, I would meet my absent ones above. My husband was advised to get Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption, Coughs Colds. I gave it a trial, took in all eight bottles. It has cured me, and thank God I am saved and now a well and healthy woman." Trial bottles free at F. Potts Green's drug store. Regular size 50c and \$1.00. Guaranteed or price refunded.

Democrat Watchman

Bellefonte, Pa., Sept. 2, 1898.

Let Bellefonte be Prepared to Receive the State Millers' Association.

The Pennsylvania State Millers' Association will celebrate its "coming of age" at Bellefonte, Pa., September 27th and 28th next, that having been declared upon by the board of directors on July 28th. A cordial invitation to come to Bellefonte was extended by the Centre county millers last May as there is opportunity to increase the membership in the central and western portions of the State, the directors considered it expedient to accept the invitation. Of course the convention arrangements are not altogether complete yet, but a good strong local committee of millers is at work and from all accounts they are going to show the visitors a royal time. An all afternoon excursion to State College is simply one of the features. The natural attractions of Bellefonte need no puffing; situated in the heart of Pennsylvania's grandest mountain scenery, the locality has long been the Mecca of tourists with appetites for what is delightful in the hills and dales, and valleys and streams. Bellefonte, "the home of Governors," is a famous place and every miller of the State will do himself proud to be with the convention and visit some of the historic shrines here at the beautiful time of the year proposed for the meeting. The program so far may be announced at this time as follows.

Address by Governor Hastings. Address by General Beaver. Paper by E. F. Noble: "The Leiter Corner and its Effect on Pennsylvania Millers." Paper by Thomas R. Burgner: "Competition among Pennsylvania Millers and its Effect." Paper by H. J. Taylor (State Deputy F. O. M. A.): "The Practical Side of Milling; the Men Behind the Guns." Address by President Atherton, State College.

There are several other topics to be treated by men of distinguished ability in their lines which are not, as yet definitely arranged for. In addition to the above there will be customary reports by various officers and committees and the usual informal discussions of current milling subjects. There will probably be several hundred representatives from all parts of the State here to tarry in Bellefonte for a few days. Many of the men will bring their wives or other members of their family and it is highly desirable that as favorable an impression of Bellefonte as is possible shall be carried away by all. It remains for our people to decide whether this practical, hard thinking body of business men are to come here and to be treated with the proverbial indifference that characterizes the town, or whether they are to be treated as similar gatherings in towns where the people are keen enough to see what an advertisement it is to send visitors away favorably impressed with the place.

Let Bellefonte waken up and do what she is capable of doing. Who can tell, but one of the coming visitors might be the means of landing a great industry here some day if, perchance, anything is done to make him remember that there is such a place as Bellefonte after he has left it. The following is the local committee of arrangements: C. T. Gerberich, J. L. Montgomery, Harry Gerberich, Curtis Wagner, Bellefonte; Fred Bortoff, Joseph Ard, Pine Grove Mills; Wm. Allison, Spring Mills; James I. Thompson, Lemont, and Henry Brockerhoff, Bellefonte, secretary of the committee.

It is not for these committeemen to arrange for everything outside of the regular business of this organization. It is for our citizens to make some united effort to show the millers that Bellefonte appreciates the honor of having entertained their convention. HE CHOKED HIS BULL DOG TO DEATH. Michael Hasel, of Spring Creek, only recently got some ugly wounds on his right wrist and left thumb closed up. They are places where his vicious young bull dog attacked him a few days ago. The dog had gotten into the habit of laying in the cellar and Mike decided he would try and break up the habit by chaining it.

After being tied up a few days he left it go again and it made a bee line for the cellar. Mike then went down and catching it by the collar attempted to lead it to the kennel again, but the dog evidently knew that it was to be tied up and tried to wriggle loose. In struggling for its freedom it choked itself a little and then got mad and flew at its master in a vicious manner. It first closed on Mike's wrist, but a well directed kick in the ribs made the dog open his jaws sufficiently for the man to get loose. Then, quick as a flash, the dog grabbed Mike's left thumb and its jaws seemed to lock. No kicking or pounding would knock them open and as every struggle was tearing deeper and more painful wounds the suffering man was compelled to kill the dog with his naked hands. With the blood streaming from his left wrist he grabbed the dog by the throat and choked it to death.

Even after life had gone from the vicious young brute its jaws had to be pried open before Mike could get his hand released. —Subscribe for the WATCHMAN.

A Grand Jury that Wanted the Earth.

Owing to the crowded condition of our news columns last week it was impossible to publish the report of the grand jury along with the very complete doings in the court that appeared in the WATCHMAN. Ordinarily the report is not a matter of much interest, but this last one is so full of wants that we append it just to show you how much those grand jurors would like to have.

The grand inquest of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania inquiring for the county and all matters relating to the same do respectfully report: That we acted upon twenty-four bills of indictment and one presentment and sixteen were found true bills, and eight were ignored. We beg further to report that we have visited and inspected the county buildings and our observations prompt the following suggestions. While we heartily approve of the nice improvement made to the ceiling and walls of the court room, we beg to suggest that it would be in harmony to place comfortable modern chairs where the old box seats have so long served.

We further call special attention to the jury rooms, which for long sittings are uncomfortably small and close, here modern chairs would be very desirable. That these rooms by all means should be provided with water closets. We still further urge, that whatever means are used to improve the vaults, where so many valuable records are on file, that strict inquiry should be made, to place beyond a shadow of doubt the fact, that they are fire proof. We feel that too many valuable interests are at stake to trust this to guess work.

We recommend that the steps in front of the court house should be repaired to conform with the rest of the building. We respectfully tender our thanks to the Honorable John G. Love, president judge, and to the district attorney for their courtesy and assistance rendered us during our deliberations. J. A. AKENS, foreman.

One of the early wants of this jury was capably supplied by the commissioners. When the members of the jury got into their room they found it hotter than a Dutch-oven and straightway petitioned the commissioners for an electric fan to keep them cool. The commissioners didn't feel like going to the expense of supplying such an extravagant wish, so they bought twenty-three big palm leaf fans and sent them in to the jurors with the curt information that each man would be expected to supply his own motor power, if he would have wind to keep him cool.

THE EEL AND THE BOY.—They say that red hair is the most contrary that grows on the human head and that probably accounts for the fact that the little clump of red that still sprouts out from the constant growing shiny scalp of the writer remained red after the frightful sight that was witnessed from our office window, last Wednesday morning.

As usual that morning the bed of Spring creek was fairly filled with kids of all sizes. The water was low and clear and the youngsters were having all kinds of sport catching suckers. There were good kids and bad kids in the water and kids who seemed to know by intuition that when a fisherman can't do anything else he can swear. And they swore until the water had a peculiarly blue tinge, as it rippled limply toward Milesburg. Every now and then an unusually vicious outburst would float up from the water and invariably our "rubberin" would be repaid by the sight of some luckless youngster flat on his gable end in the water. Aside from the discomfort of having his clothes wet and the shock to the major portion of his anatomy he knew it would be impossible to lie out of it when he would get home and that it would be a 10 to 1 shot that his daddy would lick him into the bargain.

Well, this kind of thing wore on until about 10 o'clock, when one of those kids scared an eel out from the stone wall right opposite our window. It was the biggest, wickedest looking eel we have ever seen in Spring creek. It must have been four feet long, slightly thinner than an ordinary stove pipe, and its devilish looking little red eyes popped out just above the corners of a great wide mouth that looked large enough to swallow any kid in the stream. At least that is the way the kids must have viewed it, for you can't imagine how that terror stricken crowd scrambled for the shore. The eel must have seen that he had them going for he first stood right square up on his head and cracked his tail in the air with a report that sounded like a 13-inch gun, then he settled out on the water again and stood directly on his tail. With his head lifted high in air, those little red eyes rolling, and his mouth spread like the laugh of a German variety performer, he fairly quivered from stem to stern, as he let out the most unearthly rattling sound, that seemed a strange mixture of a donkey's bray and a dog's bark.

Thus introduced to that mob of kids the eel struck straight for a tow headed youngster who had been swearing all the time and whose frantic efforts to get to shore were causing great amusement for the crowds that had gathered on the bridge and along the water street walk. The moment the boy realized that he was the object of the eel's attack he let out a howl that could have been heard all over the lower end of town and bent every energy toward escape. Try as he would he only tumbled over the slippery stones, and just as he was taking a head long plunge for shore, the eel grabbed him by the seat of the pants and, like a flash, was in mid stream with him. It swam about as if in sport for a few seconds and the boy had become paralyzed with fear. The eel seemed to realize his perfectly helpless condition and then and there that awful looking fish gave a lesson which, we know, will have its moral effect on coming generations of Bellefonte boys.

Rolling that tow headed youngster, who had sworn so constantly and wantonly, along its slimy body until he rested right over its head the eel swished his fat tail in a circle and every swish would land squarely on the bit of pink skin that had been laid bare where the eel first grabbed the boy. This whaling lasted for a few seconds then the eel rolled itself up in a coil with the boy in the centre and with the rapidity of lightning it straightened out again and the thoroughly tamed never to swear again little tow headed boy flew out from the uncaring eel, as if shot from a catapult, and landed on the bank of the stream.

How Soldiers Size Up.

The Yankee is a much bigger man than the Spaniard, and that is an important advantage for the American in this war. With all his pride of race the haughty Don is a little fellow. In stature he is least among the Europeans, averaging only 5 1/2 inches over 5 feet. The soldier who fights under the stars and stripes averages 5 feet 7 1/2 in his stocking feet, he weighs ten pounds more than the Spaniard, and his chest girth is nearly two inches greater. These are points that count.

Of course size is not everything in a soldier. Never in history has it counted for so little as it does to-day, inasmuch as modern warfare is conducted chiefly by machinery, battles are fought at long ranges and hand to hand encounters are rare. The Japanese are shorter than the Spaniards, yet there are no fiercer fighters. The American Indians, on the other hand, are superior in stature to the Yankees. But, other things being equal, the bigger man has an advantage. The Yankee is the tallest of civilized men. In Europe only the Norwegian approaches him nearly in this respect, and the Englishman is a full inch shorter.

Consolation.

Ethel—He doesn't seem to take our engagement a bit seriously. Grace—Jack always was reckless. But never mind, dear; he probably will later on.

Yellowstone Park and Omaha Exposition.

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For detailed itineraries and full information apply to ticket agents, tourist agent, 1196 Broadway, New York, or address Geo. W. Boyd, assistant general passenger agent, Broad street station, Philadelphia. 43-29-5t.

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Eight-Day Personally-Conducted Tour via Pennsylvania Railroad.

The Pennsylvania railroad company has arranged for a special eight-day personally-conducted tour to the Trans-Mississippi and International exposition at Omaha on October 1st, allowing four full days at the exposition. Round trip tickets, including transportation and Pullman berth in each direction, meals in dining cars going and returning, hotel accommodations and meals at Omaha, and admissions to the fair and carriage drive and hotel accommodations at Chicago, will be sold at rate of \$91 from Williamsport and Harrisburg; \$80 from Pittsburg; and proportionate rates from other points.

The party will be accompanied by a tourist agent and a chaperon, and will travel in special Pullman sleeping cars. For the benefit of those who desire to remain longer in Omaha, tickets will be made good to return on regular trains until November 15th, transportation returning, with the reduction of \$15 from above rates from all points.

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The Pennsylvania railroad company has arranged for two five-day personally-conducted tours from Buffalo, Erie, Pittsburg and principal intermediate points, to Gettysburg and Washington, on October 17th and November 7th. Round-trip tickets, including transportation, Pullman berth in each direction, hotel accommodations at Washington, and all necessary expenses—will be \$21.50 from Williamsport; \$23.00 from Pittsburg and Altoona, and proportionate rates from other points.

Tickets will be good to return on regular trains until October 27th and November 17th, but without Pullman accommodations. Descriptive itineraries and full information can be obtained from ticket agents. E. S. Harrar, division ticket agent, Williamsport; Thos. E. Watt, agent western district, Pittsburg; or George W. Boyd, assistant general passenger agent, Philadelphia. 43-34-7t.

Thirty-Second National Encampment of G. A. R. at Cincinnati, O.

Reduced Rates via Pennsylvania Railroad.

For the thirty-second national encampment of G. A. R. to be at Cincinnati, O., September 5th to 10th, 1898, the Pennsylvania railroad company will sell excursion tickets at rate of single fare for the round trip. These tickets will be sold on September 3rd, 4th and 5th, and will be good to leave Cincinnati returning not earlier than September 6th nor later than September 13th, except that by depositing ticket with joint agent at Cincinnati on September 5th, 6th, 7th, 8th or 9th, and on payment of twenty-five cents, return limit may be extended so that passengers may remain at Cincinnati until October 2nd. 43-32-2t.

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Young Croesus Redeems Himself.

It is an agreeable duty to acknowledge the patriotism and bravery of those rich and so-called aristocratic young men who are to be found in nearly all the regiments of the volunteer army. We do not, of course, refer to those sons of their fathers who have obtained staff appointments through social or political influence. Such men deserve no credit and it is to be noted that they have achieved little honor during the progress of the war. The very fact that they sought to enter the army with rank which they had not earned shows that they were actuated not by patriotism, but by a desire for the cheap glory which may attach to a pair of shoulder straps, secured through patriotism.

But there are hundreds, and perhaps thousands of society men, young fellows with rich fathers, clubmen, leaders of the german, who enlisted as privates, and who are privates still, unless they have achieved promotion through their own merits. These men, whether they fought with Shafter at Santiago, or whether they were retained in the great volunteer camps, have done their duty bravely and uncomplainingly. They have accommodated themselves to the rough fare, they have slept in mud holes, they have performed the necessary but unpleasant duties inseparable from military life with a spirit which shows that they did not enlist for exhibition purposes, but because they wished to serve their country in its hour of need.

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