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Col. Roosevelt says he is going to take his rough riders to the Paris exposition, bearing the expenses himself.

The sultan says he has been so much impressed with the terrible execution done by the American warships at Manila and Santiago that he has ordered for his own navy similar guns to those used by the victors at these two fights.

Oom Paul Krueger, the president of the Transvaal, has a good wife whose ideas are almost as peculiar as his own.

The mosquito was doubtless created for some wise end, but it is not easy to tell what that end is, unless it is to afford the race a wholesome but painful reminder that life was not intended to be all a picnic.

A glance at some of the figures concerning the great war and peace loans of other nations puts the superior credit of the United States in a clear light.

Sir Thomas Lipton, the great London merchant, has challenged the New York Yacht club to a race for the America's cup.

The young woman who kissed Lieut. Hobson the other day at a Long Beach hotel, in the presence of hundreds of people, explains that she simply wanted to testify to her patriotism.

Just 40 years ago the cable steamer Niagara arrived at Trinity bay, Newfoundland, thus completing the first Atlantic cable and for the first time establishing electrical communication between two continents.

To call a man a phrasemaker is in most cases a strong intimation that he is nothing else, and also that the characterization is usually resented by its subject.

Gen. Merriam's order closing the Klondike region to those adventurers who have not food sufficient to support them through the winter is a wise precaution.

It is doubtful whether the importance of the island of Luzon in the great archipelago of which it forms the chief northern member is yet appreciated by us.

THE QUESTION OF MONEY.

Something That Will Have to Be Settled in Our New Possessions.

An interesting financial problem will soon confront the administration in respect to our foreign dependencies, and that is the harmonizing of their currency with ours.

Lately we have seen at Santiago that the merchants there are unwilling to take our silver dollars except at their bullion value, although they gladly accept our gold and paper money at their face value.

Take Puerto Rico, for instance. When we annex that island the inhabitants come under our laws so far as those laws are applicable to their new condition, while at the same time the Spanish laws that are not in conflict with the constitution of the United States will also remain in force.

From the commercial standpoint the financial situation in Puerto Rico will require a good deal of careful consideration, so that existing conditions may be modified or changed without disturbing business.

In the end the American gold standard and American money must be substituted for the now prevailing currency, which is on the silver basis.

A NEW ISSUE SOUGHT.

Democrats Are Looking About for a Substitute for Free Silver.

Two weeks ago Representative Bailey found himself confronted in the Texas democratic convention by a body of enthusiastic delegates opposing the policy which he advocated and voted for in the house.

A few days after the Texas incident a prominent paper gave an interesting story regarding the efforts of certain democratic leaders to commit the party to territorial expansion.

Occurrences indicate that there was basis in fact for this story. The Texas convention was carried for territorial expansion in spite of the opposition of Mr. Bailey.

These reports and acts are indications that a considerable number of democratic leaders are now actively engaged in devising schemes to make the silver issue one of minor importance two years hence.

The man who thinks he is running for congress against Speaker Reed has explained that he is not for sixteen to one, because free coinage on the basis would mean silver monometallism and a silver basis.

Seven years ago, under the Harrison administration, Puerto Rico had for a brief time the boon of reciprocity. It will enjoy something now better and permanent. It is protection.

PROSPERITY RETURNING.

Wages Have Advanced and More Men Are Finding Employment—Bryantite Howlers.

The American Economist prints returns from 2,229 manufacturing concerns, giving the number of men employed and wages paid, in March, 1895, and also in March, 1898.

Thus it appears that in three years there was a gain of 31 per cent. in the number of men employed and of 9 per cent. in the rate of wages paid.

The war with Spain, which began about a month after the above-mentioned industrial returns were made, did not throw anybody out of work.

In the meanwhile, the irritated and unhappy Bryantites are crying out that there is no prosperity, and no present hope of any, and that the state of affairs could not be much worse than it is.

POLITICAL DRIFT.

The democrats have found an issue at last. "Whatever is, is wrong. If the country seems to want anything, that is a good reason why it shouldn't have it."

Will somebody be kind enough to point out to a curious public what question—what issue—made a rallying cry by the democratic party in the last 38 years, has been approved and adopted by the people?

When the people place in power a republican administration, something important for the advancement of the country is likely to happen.

The exports of American manufactures in June amounted to \$27,000,000, or \$9,000,000 more than the imports, and for the first time in the history of the country there was a balance of trade in manufactures for the whole of the fiscal year in favor of the United States.

Missouri, the home of Bland, the daddy of the silver movement, gave silver a black eye in its state convention the other day. It refused to declare the issue of free silver paramount, and it gave its indorsement to the Chicago platform only in a perfunctory manner.

TERRIFIC STORMS.

Enormous Damage by a Hurricane in New York State—Lightning Strikes a Trolley Car Near Pittsburg, Killing a Passenger.

Syracuse, N. Y., Aug. 25.—A hurricane in this city Wednesday noon did thousands of dollars' worth of damage. The roofs of four factories were blown off.

The street car service was delayed for a considerable length of time because of debris falling on the track.

Utica, N. Y., Aug. 25.—As the result of a furious storm which swept over the region north of Utica yesterday over \$300,000 worth of damage was done to property.

The Adirondack & Black River division of the Rome, Watertown & Ogdensburg railroad suffered severely from the cloudburst.

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THE PYTHIAN CONCLAVE.

Investigation of Charges Against Officers of the Supreme Lodge Begins—Drills for Prizes.

Indianapolis, Aug. 25.—The supreme lodge, Knights of Pythias, went into executive session at 9 o'clock Wednesday morning and adjourned at 12 o'clock.

Supreme Chancellor Colgrove appointed John H. Alexander, of Virginia, and William B. Gale, of Massachusetts, supreme tribunes. These appointments are for six years.

At Camp Colgrove the prize drills began. In class A the three companies that drilled were No. 9, of Kalamazoo, Mich.; Yellow Cross, No. 85, of Alliance, O.; and No. 28, Ottawa, Ill.

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WHY HE IMPROVED.

There Was Just a Faint Suspicion of Self-Interest in His Complaint.

It isn't every man in Uncle Sam's pay who feels his responsibility as does an old Irishman who is a treasury messenger.

There was a general laugh at the earnestness of the old man's complaint, and somebody said he deserved an increase of salary for his devotion to the interests of the country.

Touching Kindness. The bronzed soldier looked at the package addressed to him with moistened eyes.

No man should have stomach ache after he reaches an age of discretion. But as a rule, the older a man is, the less acute he is in eating.

Three hundred years ago any man absent from church on Sunday was fined a shilling. What a war revenue that would produce today.—Chicago Daily News.

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A boy never appreciates a meal when he sits out until he is paying his own board on a meal ticket.—Atchison Globe.

LETTER PERFECT.

An Ambitious Young Soldier Who Thought He Was Born to Command.

Elmer Campbell was the greenest and most ambitious raw recruit in Col. Hartigan's regiment of Tigers.

He pleaded with the colonel so long that the latter finally told him if he would secure a book on tactics and master it he should have the first chance to show what he could do when there was a vacancy among the officers.

Forward, column, right (or left, as the case may be), march.

That was the form of the orders in the book. Campbell learned these by heart, parentheses and all.

One day the colonel called the men out for drill and told Campbell he could try his hand at giving orders if he wished.

"Wished," and immediately took the position opposite the head of his column, which the book had told him was the proper thing to do.

The column prepared to turn right as that word was uttered, but when "left as the case may be" reached the ears of the men they stood stock still.

Campebell is still a private, and is content to hide his light under a bushel.—Chicago Journal.

SHE KNEW HIM.

Mr. Blumber's Wife Was Not Afraid of His Going to the Front and Being Killed.

Blumber thought he would test his wife's affection by telling her that he was going to the front.

"My dear," he said, as he looked over the paper at her, "in the event of war it becomes the duty of every patriotic citizen to take up arms for his country."

"I suppose so," said Mrs. Blumber, calmly. "Mr. Blumber felt a little irritated."

"Do you know what that means?" he somewhat sharply inquired.

"I think I do," said Mrs. Blumber. "It means hardships, and deadly dangers, and perhaps death."

"It means sleeping in the open fields and in malarious swamps."

"Yes," said Mrs. Blumber. "It means long forced marches, and wild forays, and desperate charges, and ambushes, and—and other things."

"Yes," said Mrs. Blumber. "It means hospitals, and stretchers, and amputations."

"Yes," said Mrs. Blumber. "It means fatal fevers and ghastly chills."

"Yes," said Mrs. Blumber. "It means—say, Mrs. Blumber, have you any heart? Do you mean to sit there and hear me tell about these frightful contingencies without expressing the least regret?"

"Do you want me to go to war and get killed? Do you want me to be exposed to a thousand mishaps by field and flood? What do you mean, anyway?"

"Mrs. Blumber went on with her fancy work."

"Don't get excited, Joseph," she calmly remarked, "there isn't going to be any draft."

Cause and Effect. Nickelby—All last week Ernest was shaking for the drinks.

Squeezes—All this week he has been drinking for the shakes.—N. Y. Journal.



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