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SENATOR ROSS, of Vermont, is a man of punctual habits. When offered the appointment to succeed Senator Morrill, he said he would allow himself half an hour to think it over.

THE Oceanic, which was recently launched at Belfast, is the largest and heaviest ship ever made. She is 705 1/2 feet long against the Great Eastern's 691 feet.

SENATOR WILSON, of the Minnesota Legislature, has introduced a bill which, if it becomes a law, will practically effect the pardoning of the Younger brothers, who robbed the bank of Northfield and killed a number of people in 1876.

THE countess of Castellane, daughter of the late Jay Gould, has just moved into the palace in the avenue of the Bois de Boulogne, which has been in course of construction for several years.

GOLD is not the only valuable discovery made in the new northwest. What are called "natural soap and paint mines" have been discovered in British Columbia.

THE prince of Wales will benefit to the extent of \$1,250,000 under the will of Baron Ferdinand Rothschild. A bequest to that amount is left in the will to Mr. Alfred Rothschild, Baron Ferdinand's cousin, who already is a multimillionaire.

ONE of the most interesting and novel effects in the new drama at the Princess is the demonstration of mechanically produced hypnotism by means of the revolving crystal globe that gives its name to the piece.

A TRAVELER recently returned from the Ladrone, reports the existence of some strange things in the islands. "There is a fruit," says he, "the odor of which is so extremely offensive, that the average person who smells it can not be persuaded to taste it."

A MAN who has recently been under treatment at the Maine general hospital has lost his thumb from an injury that at first seemed very trivial. He was sharpening a pencil, drawing the knife toward him, when the blade slipped and inflicted a hardly noticeable cut on his thumb.

THERE are half a dozen Felix Faures holding responsible positions in France, and this fact sometimes results in confusion, owing to the fact that the president's name is the same. A barrister of that name now uses the numerals IV in his signature.

WHY THEY LOVE SILVER.

Bryanites See in Free Coinage the Only Way to Swindle Their Creditors.

The democratic members of the house committee on coinage, which has reported, with a recommendation that it pass, the Hill bill for the maintenance of the gold standard and the modification of the present system, have submitted a minority report, in which they denounce that measure vehemently.

The democratic members of the committee do more than attack the Hill bill. They give notice that they are going to offer a substitute. That substitute will make both the gold and silver dollars standards of value, and authorize the free coinage of silver at the ratio of sixteen to one.

The charge is made that the supporters of the gold standard are "hostile" to the silver dollars. That is manifestly untrue. The half million standard silver dollars which have been coined since 1878 have had the purchasing power of gold dollars all that time.

The free silverites assert constantly that they are the only friends of silver. They do not explain, however, that that alleged friendship is due exclusively to their belief that it is only through the medium of depreciated silver money that creditors can be swindled and dishonest debtors enabled to retain the property of others without paying for it.

A FIRM STANDARD.

The republican majority of the house committee on coinage has presented a unanimous report in favor of the Hill currency bill. The intention of this bill may be best expressed in the language of the report itself, which says:

"The purpose of this bill is to set at rest all questions as to the existing legal and equitable right to the coinage of silver and to remove all doubt in relation thereto; to protect and strengthen the credit of the United States and the honor of its citizens; to insure the permanent equality and value in the hands of the people of every dollar of the United States and of every kind of our currency of the same denomination; to hold in free and unhampered circulation all kinds of our present currency, and to provide an adequate amount of circulating medium of stable value to transact the business of the country."

This purpose is evidently in harmony with the long-continued policy and with the declarations of the republican party. That party would favor a bimetallic standard if it were the world's standard, but as the world's standard is persistently gold the republican party would have the gold standard recognized by the law of the country, and all kinds of currency made conformable thereto.

"A double bimetallic standard is impracticable—impossible. A bimetallic currency is practicable and desirable, and is promoted, strengthened and fortified by this bill. We adopt gold as the standard because it is the most stable in value and hence the most just and safe standard by which to measure other values. We promote the convenience of the people by providing an adequate supply of both silver and gold in our currency, but we can only do it with justice to them by protecting them from the possible depreciation of silver in their hands, and hence we throw about silver such safeguards, by limiting its coinage and providing for its exchange, as will maintain its parity with our gold and paper currency."

The present senate is a bar to currency legislation. But this unanimous republican report indicates that the party is not afraid of the currency question, and that its confidence is based upon an adherence to the sound principles that have guided financiers the world over.—Troy Times.

The Springfield Democrat fears that we are "on the threshold of a huge system of militarism," and all because of a standing army of 100,000 men. Why, it is hardly enough to police this country in a proper way, to say nothing of duties we owe the people on the new islands.—Cincinnati Commercial Tribune.

ALREADY EXPANDED.

Early Indications of the Benefits Resulting from the Acquisition of the Philippines.

While senators are shiveringly debating whether we ought to expand or not, the benefits of expansion have already begun. Consul-General Wildman, of Hong-Kong, says in his just published annual report that the presence of the American squadron and army on the Asiatic coast has had a great effect in stimulating our trade with that region.

"Nothing that could have happened to this coast would be of so great a help in the introduction of American goods into these markets as the presence of so large a body of American consumers in our midst. Our forces of occupation have done more than conquer a country; they have made an impression on Asiatic markets that can never be effaced."

"When our fleet first arrived here (in February, 1898) there were a few sample cases of American tinned milk, fruits, meats, whisky, beer, etc., in the big English and German wholesale houses. The imports from America were made up almost wholly of California flour and American kerosene. Today every steamer and ship from America brings cargoes of American goods. While their ultimate destination is Manila, they are handled by European firms here and come before the public in such imposing quantities that first curiosity is aroused and demand follows. The great difficulty in the past has been to get the great body of Chinese consumers to sample our manufactures. Even if this were possible, the goods came over in small consignments, and at prices which were prohibitive to all but those who could afford to pay for luxuries. With the influx of Americans into Manila, American firms have found it to their advantage to send out men to study the needs of this climate. Already one house has been established in Hong-Kong with a branch at Manila, which is meeting with gratifying success. I am informed that there is a shipment of 45,000 bales of upland cotton from Texas on its way, which has been purchased by a large Chinese firm, and is laid down here as cheaply as the Indian cotton."

These are merely the first fruits, at a single point, of a military invasion. What will be the result when 100,000 American miners, merchants, engineers, railroad men and planters are settled in the Philippines, setting an example of the use of American goods to 8,000,000 natives, when 10,000-ton ships ply across the Pacific every week, and when lines of American coasting steamers, with their headquarters at Manila, ply up and down the whole front of Asia, from Singapore to Vladivostok? We have already expanded. Dewey and Merritt have been the advance agents of American commerce. All that remains is to finish and secure what they have begun.—N. Y. Journal (Dem.).

DEMOCRATS DONE FOR

Political Oblivion the Portion of the Obstructors of National Progress.

The senatorial deadlocks in Delaware and Pennsylvania, where undoubtedly republicans ultimately will be elected, make but two places to be filled in the representation from the territory lying east of the Mississippi and north of the Ohio in the new United States senate which will take office on the 4th of March.

In this entire territory there will be after the 4th of March not a single democratic United States senator. This great territory, which contains by the census of 1890, 35,485,728 population out of the 61,908,906 population in the United States and a far greater proportion of the wealth of the country, was always republican, but never before in the history of the United States has one political party in the upper branch of congress monopolized its representation. There must be a cause for this remarkable tergiversation, and it is not hard to find. The majority of the people of this portion of the country are given over to a practical rather than a sentimental pursuit of life, liberty and happiness, and in the republican party is seen the only possible chance for stability in the government at Washington. The people of this portion of the country, however, in spite of their republicanism—much of it newly acquired—are intensely critical and hold the republican party and the men whom that party places in office to a strict accountability for their public acts.

It probably will be some years before another democrat sits in the senate to represent a portion of any state in this great stretch of country from New Brunswick to the Mississippi. That party has itself alone to blame. It has set itself against progress in business and against honesty in our currency, and those democrats who hereabout discard the platform of their party are insignificant in its councils, helpless to steer their political craft away from the political oblivion in which it soon will be submerged.—Albany Journal.

A democratic orator in Illinois says the ratio of sixteen to one is a superstition and ought to be eliminated from the platform of the party. He advises opposition to trusts as the keynote. That was in the democratic platform of 1892, but came to nothing, though the democrats controlled all branches of the government for the next two years.—St. Louis Globe-Democrat.

Probably Col. Bryan would advocate taking back the war and all the bad things I about Spain if he had not drawn pay for six months as a colonel in the army of the United States.—Peoria (Ill.) Journal.

AMERICAN POLICY.

Peace Commissioner Whitelaw Reid on National Expansion.

Great Gain to Be Achieved by Extension of Territorial Limits—Bugbears of Partisan Critics.

The Marquette club of Chicago, at its Lincoln day celebration, at the Auditorium, was regaled with some splendid speeches by men of national prominence, among them being Whitelaw Reid, peace commissioner and publisher of the New York Tribune, who spoke upon "American Diplomacy" as follows:

"Your toast is to the 'Achievements of American Diplomacy.' Not such were its achievements under your earlier statesmen. Not such has been its work under the instructions of your state department from John Quincy Adams on down the honor-roll, and not such the work your representatives brought back to you from Paris."

"They were dealing with a nation with which it has never been easy to make peace, even when war was no longer possible, but they secured a peace treaty without a word that compromises the honor or endangers the interests of the country. They scrupulously reserved for their own decision, through your congress or at the ballot, the political status and civil rights for the inhabitants of your new possessions."

"They pledged the United States to absolute freedom in the exercise of their religion for all these recent Spanish subjects—pagan, Mohammedan, Confucian or Christian."

"They maintained, in the face of the most vehement opposition, not only of Spain, but of well-nigh all Europe, a principle vital to the oppressed people struggling for freedom—principle without which our own freedom could not have been established, and without which any successful revolt against any unjust rule could be made practically impossible. That principle is the right to the political status and civil rights for the inhabitants of your new possessions. Debts do not necessarily follow the territory if incurred by the mother country distinctly in efforts to enslave it. They are assumed to be the debt of the protectionist country in the world to the liberal and wise policy of the open door in the east."

"At the same time they neither neglected nor feared the duty of caring for the mother of the child, over so far from the duty of grasping the enormous possibilities upon which we had stumbled, for sharing in the awakening and development of the farther east. That way lies now the best hope of American commerce. There you may command a natural rather than an artificial trade."

"The Atlantic ocean carries mainly a different trade, with people as advanced as ourselves, who could produce or procure almost anything that we buy of us, while we could produce, if driven to it, most of what we need to buy from them. The ocean carriage for the Atlantic is in the hands of our rivals."

"The Pacific ocean, on the contrary, is in our hands. Practically we own more than half the coast on this side, dominate the rest, and have midway stations in the Sandwich and Aleutian islands. To extend now the authority of the United States over the great Philippine archipelago, to form the China sea and secure an almost equally commanding position on the other side of the Pacific—doubling our control of it and of the fabulous trade the twentieth century will see it bear. Rightly used, the United States can convert the Pacific ocean almost into an American lake."

"Are we to lose all this through a mushy sentimentality, characteristic neither of responsible people—neither of un-American and un-Christian, since it would humiliate us all by showing lack of nerve to hold what we are entitled to, and incriminate us by entangling endless bloodshed and anarchy on a people whom we have already stripped of the only government they have known for 500 years, and whom we should thus abandon to civil war and foreign spoliation?"

"Let us free our minds of some bugbears. One is the notion that with the retention of the Philippines our manufacturers will be crushed by the products of cheap eastern labor. But it does not abolish our custom houses, and we can still enforce whatever protective duties we desire."

"Another is that our American workmen will be swamped under the immigration of cheap eastern labor. But tropical labor does not emigrate to colder climates. None have ever come, if we need a law to keep them out, we can make it."

"It is a bugbear that the Filipinos would be citizens of the United States, and would therefore have the same rights of free travel and free entry of their own manufactures with other citizens. The treaty did not make them citizens of the United States at all; and they never will be, unless you neglect your congress."

"It is a bugbear that anybody living on territory or other property belonging to the United States must be citizen. The constitution says that 'persons born or naturalized in the United States are citizens of the United States,' while it adds in the same sentence, 'and of the state wherein they reside,' showing plainly that the provision does not necessarily relate to territories."

"It is equally a bugbear that the tariff must necessarily be the same over any of the territory or other property of the United States as it is in the nation itself. The constitution requires that 'all duties, imposts and excises shall be the same throughout the United States,' and while the supreme bench in 1820 to the effect that this should include the District of Columbia and other territory, it was no part even then of the decision actually rendered, and it would be absurd to stretch this meaning of the constitution of a century ago relating then at any rate to this continent alone, to carry the Dingley tariff now across to the antipodes."

The speaker referred to "the sincere and conscientious opposition to all these conclusions manifest chiefly in the east and in the senate," deprecated any fear that the American people would prove unequal to their new duties, and concluded:

"Now, if ever, is the time to rally the brain and conscience of the American people to a real elevation and purification of their civil life, to the most exacting standards of public duty, to the most strenuous and united efforts of all men of goodwill, to make our government worthy of the new and great responsibilities which the providence of God, rather than any purpose of man has imposed upon it."

POINTED PARAGRAPHS.

United we stand, but divided we are misunderstood.

A fox has a reputation for shrewdness among silly old hens.

The crusty old bachelor if consistent would make his own bread.

The telephone enables some men to lie without becoming confused.

The more of a nobody a man is the more important he thinks he is.

Many a man who thought himself wise has been declared otherwise by a jury.

ON CANADA'S FREE HOME-STEAD LANDS.

Wetaskiwin, Alta, April 5th, 1898. W. F. McCreary, Govt. Immigration Commissioner, Winnipeg.

Dear Sir: I like the country very much so far; have seen a great number of farmers from the States and every one seen so far says they have done well and like it here far better than where they came from, and all claim it to be the best country for a poor man that they were ever in, and, with good crops this season, I predict a great rush. There are some nice claims to be had yet, but will not last the summer through.

I do not find it any colder than in Iowa, and am feeling much better than when I left there March 1st. I think this a great country for those who are suffering with throat and lung troubles. I have seen men that had as high as 5 1/2 bushels of wheat per acre, and near 100 bushels of oats, but they weigh from 45 to 51 pounds per bushel, but the general run is 25 to 50 wheat, 50 to 75 oats, and stock looking fine; some cattle running out were nearly in market flesh.

I expect to return to the States late this fall for stock, etc. Will write you when I want to go. Thanking you all for past favors,

I remain, Most respectfully yours, DR. D. E. STREVELL, Holiday Goods.

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Talking machines are becoming so common that it seems rather odd that deaf and dumb persons must still do their conversing by hand.—L. A. W. Bulletin.

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"The pains and suffering I experienced during those years are almost indescribable. The friends that came to see me bid me good-bye when they left me and I was given up. The doctors said nothing more could be done. My wife kept reading to me, articles about Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People. We finally decided to try them. The first box gave me relief. I continued to use them for about two years before I could get strength enough to walk. I am nearly seventy-five years old and there is not a man in this city that can kick higher or walk further than I can and to-day I owe my present good health to Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People for they saved my life."—Detroit Evening News.

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