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CURRENT TOPICS.

A MANILA cigar company has 10,000 employees. NEGRO oyster shuckers at Norfolk have organized. WOMEN are not permitted to be photographed in China.

CONFIDENCE OF THE PEOPLE. The Result of the State Elections Shows Approval of the President's Policy.

Now that the result of the elections of 1899 is known the administration can go forward with the assurance that its policies have been emphatically approved by the people.

Since the election the president has remarked to some callers at the white house: "The more I see of the confidence reposed in my administration by the people of the country the more I feel the weight of the responsibility resting upon me."

There are times when the nation advances with exceptional power and rapidity. The present administration is one of the periods. It was elected to preserve a sound currency and bring back industrial prosperity.

PRESS OPINIONS.

Col. Bryan said Kentucky was the pivotal state. The election figures from there must have given him a bad turn. The sustained silence of Chairman Jones in respect to the recent election is quite as significant as anything which Col. Bryan can say.

A BLOWN-UP BUGABOO. The Hob-Goblin Policy of "Anti-Imperialism" Snuffed Out at the Polls.

It is generally admitted that the anti-expansion or anti-imperialist movement was generally condemned in the elections. Wherever hostility to the president's policy was made a special issue the president held his own.

It is claimed that Mr. Bryan and ex-Gov. Altgeld carried Nebraska on the anti-expansion issue and on general opposition to the president's policy. Such seems not to be the fact.

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A SPLIT IN THE RANKS. Dissatisfied Members of the Spanish War Veterans' Association Form a Rival Society.

Washington, Nov. 25.—A split has occurred in the organization of the Spanish war veterans and a rival body was formed Friday to be known as the Spanish-American War Veterans.

The new organization makes all those who served in the regular or volunteer army, navy or marine corps during the Spanish-American war and these who are now serving in the present Philippine war eligible to membership.

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A "BLIND POOL." Thousands of Investors Therein Were Victimized.

New York, Nov. 25.—William F. Miller, head of the Franklin syndicate which has accepted the deposits of thousands of persons in Brooklyn under promise of paying dividends of 10 per cent, a week, or 520 per cent per annum, and Cecil Leslie, his secretary, were indicted by the Kings county grand jury yesterday.

Last night the police raided the premises occupied by the Franklin syndicate on Floyd street. There was a great crowd of people around the building and the police surrounded it.

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Should have good health. Pure, rich blood is the first requisite. Hood's Sarsaparilla, by giving good blood and good health, has helped many a man to success, besides giving strength and courage to women who, before taking it, could not even see any good in life to win. Remember Hood's Sarsaparilla.

Sad Catastrophe. Mrs. Gode Nugget—I cannot see any callers to-day, Nanette. Nanette (five minutes later to caller)—Monsieur, I had ze pleasure to inform you zat madame is blind to-day.—Philadelphia North American.

Winter in the South.

The season approaches when one's thoughts turn toward a place where the inconveniences of a Northern winter may be escaped. No section of this country offers such ideal spots as the Gulf Coast on the line of the Louisville & Nashville Railroad between Mobile and New Orleans.

GRAIN-O THE FOOD DRINK.

Grain-O is not a stimulant, like coffee. It is a tonic and its effects are permanent. A successful substitute for coffee, because it has the coffee flavor that almost everybody likes.

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