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A Welcome Policy.

Two very welcome steps have, it is said, been decided upon by the new administration with reference to Cuba.

It should be understood that this contemplated action involves no sanction of the wanton violation by our citizens of the neutrality laws.

In this connection it may be doubted if the president will at present feel called upon to exercise clemency in the case of Captain John D. Hart.

It is no part of this government's duty to employ detectives to ferret out evidence against filibuster expeditions before they get sail or to become, as it were, a partisan of Spain in its warfare on Cuban liberty.

As has been repeatedly pointed out, the stationing of a warship in Havana harbor will not be an act of belligerence, but merely a customary precaution.

One who cares to discover the full difference between a man of the people and a demagogue can do so by contrasting William McKinley with his late competitor.

Too Much Crowding.

Writes Harry Hall: "President McKinley has completely captured Washington by his simple, democratic ways.

There are many good signs in connection with the McKinley administration and one of the best is that there seems to be a general disposition on every side to co-operate for its success.

The one thing now to be feared is that President McKinley will carry his amiability to the point of injury to his health.

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It is true that Governor Hastings, Senator Cameron and Provost Harrison have each declined an ambassadorship.

An Encouraging Sign. The bill introduced at Albany the other day to place the newspapers of New York state under a censorship is quite interesting.

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that island themselves. This is so fair and admits a way of phrasing it that we don't see how the overture can be refused.

The graceful manner in which the president in his inaugural defended congress is winning widespread approval.

Silly Talk Against the Extra Session. From the Chicago Times-Herald. The stipidity of the opposition to an extra session of congress at this time is exasperating and inexorable.

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There will be no extra session and no tariff legislation. As a matter of fact every gold Democrat who voted for Mr. McKinley was impelled by the conviction that the necessity for the maintenance of the national credit was paramount to his own prejudice on the tariff question.

Fortunately the president has had the wisdom and the statesmanship to fearlessly meet the great exigency of the hour by calling congress to meet in special session.

Just a Word or Two of Casual Mention. Henry E. Harris, whose portrait is given, was recently elected president of the Taylor borough council.



is inside foreman at the Holden mine of the Delaware, Lackawanna and Western company.

If you see a couple of policemen passing your house today with their heads at an angle of forty-five degrees upward and a perceptible moving of the lips, don't be frightened.

The efficiency, care and exactitude of Major W. S. Miller, of this city, as inspecting officer of the Third brigade, Pennsylvania National Guard, is commented upon by newspapers of the many towns and cities he visits.

Jeese Burkett, the famous outfielder of the Cleveland, O. National League team, was the guest of Dr. W. K. Dolan, of Washington avenue, yesterday.

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