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REPUBLICAN NOMINATIONS.

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Cuban Conditions and Prospects.

When public opinion in this country pushed past the peace-at-any-price element and declared war, that element decided to work off its chagrin at the expense of the Cuban insurgents.

The Cubans are not saints. They are not prodigies of valor or discretion. They have their good points and their bad points and the latter are much more numerous than they ought to be.

But the capacity of the Cuban for development is shown in the splendid character, ability and attainments of those Cubans who have enjoyed the opportunities of education in the United States.

I take this occasion to remind each Cuban in the service that he now has a country recognized, for which he must fight with all his heart and might.

The Tribune on the morrow following Mr. Gladstone's death published a number of tributes delivered from the pulpits by clergymen of different denominations in this locality.

Though in this outburst we can perceive evidences of that grandiloquence of rhetoric which is a racial characteristic of all Latin peoples, yet the essential strain in it is a new pride, a pride which has not been with the average Cuban before as an incentive entering into his daily thoughts.

that the long struggle against Spain; the struggle which has engaged in generation after generation, drenching each with blood and punctuating it with rain, is about to end in the realization of the traditional aspiration.

On second thought, business reasons duly considered, France has decided that it is impolitic to abuse Americans openly. Hence from now on she will guardedly stab them in the back.

Mr. Gladstone Laid to Rest.

The mortal remains of William E. Gladstone will be laid to rest in the hallowed fane of Westminster Abbey this afternoon, parliament having unanimously memorialized the queen, according to custom, to grant the great statesman who had been its most prominent light for over a half century a public funeral, and this was accordingly ordained through voice of sovereign and people.

Westminster Abbey to thousands of Americans who cross the Atlantic annually has been a place of interest and pilgrimage. They have wandered through its nave, transepts and cloisters, or have attended divine worship in its chapel, or listened to the magnificent music of its choir.

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The Divorce Court.

Eleven divorce cases were heard at the suit of husband or wife in court on Monday of this week, and several cases have been entered since. So far as appeared from the testimony, conjugal infidelity does not seem to have figured largely, the complaints on which the separation orders were granted being chiefly abandonment and cruel treatment.

When a man and woman marry they change not alone the status in which they formerly stood towards each other, but towards society and the state. In the natural course of its events they bring forth children, and these children they are obliged by law, human and divine, to rear from helpless infancy to the adult state, or until such time as they are able to do for themselves.

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The lot of a soldier is not a happy one, however far removed he may be from the seat of war. Sixty volunteers were arrested in the midst of the delectabilities of a strawberry festival with village girl accompaniments the other night at Niantic, Conn., and marched ignominiously back to camp, which they had forsaken without leave.

Inventor Holland now offers to enter Santiago harbor with his submarine torpedo boat and sink the whole Spanish fleet if the United States government will tow his boat to the harbor's mouth and agree to buy it after the work is successfully done.

Colonel Alfred H. Love, of Philadelphia, president of the Universal Peace Union, has written to Premier Sagasta suggesting that in the interest of peace Spain immediately withdraw her military forces from Cuba and its vicinity.

Major Smith, an American formerly with Gomez, but now connected with General Shafter's force, has just returned from a secret expedition to Havana. He says Blanco has food for six months and 140,000 armed men. He will need 'em both ere long.

Minister Polo de Bernabe is to be rewarded for his good work in the United States by an appointment as chief assistant to the Spanish minister of foreign affairs. Polo deserved better than this.

Thirteen dollars a month for private soldiers is not enough. Congressman Acheson's bill to double the pay of the rank and file should be passed without delay.

No one doubts that Quay can nominate Stone if he is willing to take the risk. But is he willing? Probably not.

If Senator Quay has heard from Beaver—as we dare say he has—he should pause and reflect.

Some of the Things War is Teaching Us

WAR IS TEACHING US. A BENEFICENT feature of war is its work in sweeping away humbug. When questions are to be settled by fighting, humbug survives. Cherrill, theories are suddenly tested, events move swiftly, and governments and policies must move with equal speed.

What we care for abroad? It is one humbug which this war has already taught. We have found that fighting in American waters a decrepit European state involved us at the start in a process of playing the cat and mouse game. We always believed that any war between us and a foreign power would be simply a defensive war on our part.

Humbug has been dying every day in our domestic affairs. We have always thought we did not need an army except to keep the Indians quiet. We also thought we had a reserve army in the National Guard. Now we have found that it takes as long to make an army out of the National Guard as it does out of any other plain civilians.

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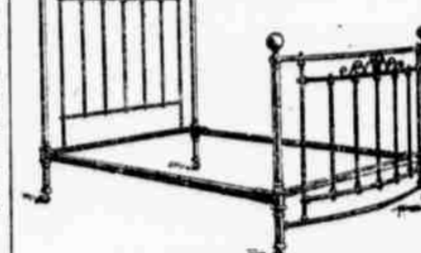


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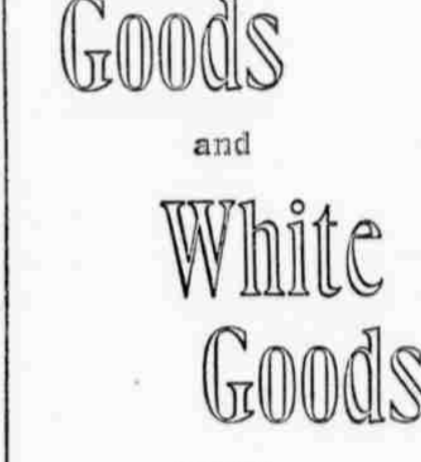


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