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There is something in Aguinado's patriotism which indicates that he has the true instincts of a wise political leader.

The Execution of Van Horn.

From the standpoint of morals the execution effected yesterday cannot be regarded with much satisfaction.

The man who commits murder, under the prompting either of hate or jealousy, is not rational, it is abnormal. He is the victim of heredity or of vicious environment and vicious personal habits.

Capital punishment is a quick way of getting rid of him. It is the cheapest plan. But it is not founded on an utterly wrong conception of moral duty and responsibility?

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The Troubles of a Doubter.

The Protestant Episcopal church, to which Rev. Dr. C. A. Briggs has flown since he became restive under the restraints of Presbyterian doctrine.

But the point we desire to emphasize is that hanging men does not prevent the spread of crime; hanging men does not change by one iota the conditions of society and personal conduct that generate criminals.

More reformation and less hang is what this community needs.

The Samoan Affair.

The difficulty in obtaining unbiased information from far-off Samoa has caused the public to refrain from forming positive opinions regarding the quarrels of petty chiefs which have threatened at times to plunge two or three nations into bitter war.

They actually did kill the umpire at a Birmingham, Ala. base ball game and no arrests have been made.

The Drug Habit.

The death of Mrs. Schuyler Hamilton, jr., by an overdose of morphine taken with the hope of allaying pain, is another example of the appalling effect of contracting the drug habit.

Mrs. Stevenson says: "President McKinley allowed no firing on Cuban towns unless they gave active cause of offense, and Commodore Watson was ordered not to attack undefended Spanish cities.

Many physicians refuse to thus lay the foundation for wretchedness among their clients, and either substitute something less insidious and dangerous

the sands, the sea before them and the bush behind them. And we read that the woods also were shelled.

The girl shoplifter who changed her own clothes, including dress and shoes, in a New York store, for those she purloined from the counter must have been an understudy for the chief role in "The Turtle."

Base Ball Once More.

Yesterday's generous attendance at Athletic park shows that the amusement-loving Scranton public is ready for another season of base ball.

Men paid good salaries to perform before the public are expected to keep in condition. Absolute uniformity in form may not be possible and is not demanded, but those who pay to see ball playing have a right to see good, hard, earnest work.

Scrantonians of the ball crank variety are well pleased with the team now bearing the city's name. They are an attractive looking lot of athletes and they have made a good beginning.

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in its effects than morphine or induce relief by other means. It is a recognized fact that while the majority of so-called opium fiends are women, they endure pain with greater fortitude than do men.

Buffalo aesthetes do not take kindly to the suggested design of a sandfly for the seal to be used officially in connection with the Pan-American exposition.

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New York Commercial Advertiser.

AMERICANS, who have scant respect for old sayings and precedents, preferring to make their proverbs fresh as they go along, to suit the exigencies of the occasion, are rapidly disproving the truth of the old saying about jack of all trades and master of none.

In America a man knocks around the country at this trade and that, school teacher, newspaper editor, newspaper man, politician, burro driver, actor, farmer, shopkeeper, diplomat, or what not, till he likes best, or dies—frequently that.

Our system gives a man a kind of self-reliance, of ingenuity, of adaptability, which in the last resort the Old World wondered at, calling it respectfully "the power of initiative."

The name of Colonel Funston has been seen frequently of late in the despatches from Manila as doing those things which most men would like to be able to say they had done.

Colonel Funston has had a varied career. He might say in the words of the poet who tells of such men as he: "But, Gawd, what things are they I haven't done?"

Colonel Funston is one of those men for whom rules were not made. The foreign attacks who saw our men storming fortified redoubts unsupported by artillery said such things could not be done according to the rules of war.

From the Philadelphia Press. The marriage law just passed by the Wisconsin legislature will relieve that state of a disgrace which has long attached to it.

Wisconsin has long been known as the Green of the surrounding neighborhood. Its marriage laws were the loosest of any state in the Northwest.

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Nicholson of Milwaukee began a vigorous war on the practice. But it needed patience and hard work and several years of argument to educate public sentiment up to a change. At last, however, it was accomplished, and today Wisconsin has a marriage law which many older states might copy with advantage.

Proof of Greatness. First Editor—There it is again! Why do you persist in calling Knoll a great man? It is true that he wrote a story. It was a very fair story, and we paid him a very fair price for it. But what more?

Second Editor—After we sent him that check, what happened? Did he remind us of the occupation of their lives. Trades and professions descend from father to son, so that one may say men are predestined carpenters or sailors, or lawyers, or soldiers, or priests.

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