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When space will permit, The Tribune is always glad to print short letters from its readers bearing on current topics, but its rule is that these must be signed, for publication, by the writer's real name.

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The attempts of the Boston anti-imperialists to enlist the colored race in treason are not liable to be crowned with success.

The Proper Remedy.

The existence of an unpleasant temper among some of our volunteer firemen, which on two recent occasions has seriously hampered the service, may in part be accounted for by the disrespect shown to the department's wishes in the appointment of the present chief; or it may be partly due to the carelessness with which the city has recently treated the department in the matter of keeping its equipment in repair and otherwise showing a decent regard for its interests.

The Passing of Elwell Otis.

The joint circular of the war correspondents at Manila ends the usefulness of Major General Elwell S. Otis in the Philippines and it should lead to his early recall. It convicts him of having deliberately lied to the American people, his employers; and of having lied when the truth would have done just as well.

It is of the highest importance that the supreme authority in a territory so far removed from the capital of the nation as is the island of Luzon should be vested in a man in whom the great public at home can have unshaken confidence. The American people are not children to be played with, but sovereigns who demand of their servants straightforward obedience and candor.

The Fate of Andree.

The latest scientist to give an explanation as to the fate of the explorer, Andree, is Newton Harrison, editor of the Electrical Age, and an authority on electrical matters in general. Mr. Harrison advances the theory that a danger more to be dreaded than ice and cold awaits the intrepid explorer who ventures near either of the poles.

Bryan as Aguinaldo's Ally.

Mr. Bryan has again formulated his political creed on the subject of the disposition of the Philippine islands. In a communication to Clark Howell, editor of the Atlanta Constitution and Democratic National committeeman from Georgia, he says: "I favored the Bacon resolution which promised the Philippines independence as soon as a stable government could be established."

self to death with carbonated ice water, to the delight of a circle of curious polar bears. There is something about the amalgamation of hot lava and icebergs that is puzzling to the reader who is not in the advanced stages of scientific research.

From decisions made by the treasury department it sometimes looks as though the heads were endeavoring to make rulings which would cause the public as much trouble as possible. The refusal to forward letters that have been stamped with revenue instead of postage stamps seems like a nonsensical piece of business, but the last order which decrees that bankers must not place stamps on checks where parties writing them have neglected to do so, but must return the checks to the sender, approaches the limit in fool laws.

This Year's Municipal Convention.

According to the programme prepared and advance information furnished, some important questions involved in municipal administration are to be discussed at the third annual convention of the League of American Municipalities, which will be held at Syracuse, N. Y., Sept. 19-22. The programme committee of the league, consisting of Mayor Jones, of Toledo; Mayor Flower, of New Orleans, and Mayor Gray, of Minneapolis, have settled upon five topics which will each be given an entire session of the convention for discussion.

New Birth of the Japanese Empire.

From Yesterday's Washington Post. TODAY marks the beginning of a new era for Japan. It is the date appointed for the inauguration of her new treaties with this country and the other treaty powers and for the commencement of the negotiations and subsidiary arrangements which have regulated her foreign relations since Perry's time.

The story of the revision of Japan's treaties is replete with interest not only as the record of a remarkable diplomatic achievement, but also as the history of steady, persevering and intelligent effort against apparently overwhelming odds. Before she made the attempt to obtain it, such a thing as equality in treaty relations between Eastern and Western nations was unheard of.

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that governments derive their just powers from the consent of the governed. If the declaration is sound we cannot rightfully acquire title by conquest or by purchase from an alien monarch whose title we disputed when we furnished arms to the Filipinos. If the administration had given to the Filipinos the assurance of independence which was given to the Cubans there would have been no bloodshed.

RETURNING GOOD FOR EVIL. From The Detroit Free Press. "I came upon a couple of boys fighting on the street the other day," said the portly man, as he laughed at the recollection. "They were both smeared over with eggs and were fighting like a couple of wildcats."

LATISFACTORY EXPLANATION. From The Stanford Interior Journal. Jim Frye of Hudsonville tells this of a sign reading, "Notice: Bathing is Dangerous. Quick-sands." "Weary Willie—Dere, Frowzy; dere's dere public spirit for yer great-grandmother, who died when she was a child of five, Mrs. Ross was ninety at the time of her death, but when she made the first flag she was but 23 and quite girlish in appearance."

PERSONALITIES.

The salary of the Archbishop of Canterbury is \$60,000 a year. Some of the Democrats who have seen Mr. Bryan lately say that he is waxing fat; that he is making money fast; that he is worth about \$200,000, and that from his recent book he received royalties amounting to \$35,000.

Lord Charles Balfour in citing illustrations of the causes which have contributed to the decadence of China tells of a Chinese general who is supposed to have been a commander of soldiers and who keeps only 800 in service. On inspection day thousands of coolies are hired at eleven cents each, so that full lists may be returned to Peking and a year's pay obtained for the larger number.

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WITH A SMILE IN EACH. A Fact. Teacher—Now, Patsy, would it be proper to say, "You can't learn me nothing?" Patsy—Yes. Teacher—Why? Patsy—Cause you can't.—Boston Trav. clc.

THE MAIN DRAWBACK.

"I hate to be in debt." "Don't like to pay interest, eh?" "No, it's the principal of the thing that bothers me."—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

COMPARING NOTES.

"My husband," said the little lady, with pardonable pride, "thought me a season's seat in the highest-priced theater in the city."

DASH OF GALATEY.

The doorman then feared the people who sat along the way to the scaffold. "See how they stare at me!" he cried, agonizedly.

FRIENDLY POINTER.

The Beneficent—When I am away from home my wife writes to me every day. The Beneficent—Well, it's your own fault. Why don't you leave her enough money to last a few days.—Chicago News.

NOT ALWAYS GOOD.

Tommy—Grandpa are kings and queens always good? Grandpa—Not always, my boy; not when there are axes out against them.—Tit-Bits.

MUCH UNDERSTOOD.

"How did it happen that the American young woman who led the demonstration in Paris wasn't compelled to be quiet sooner?" "It was a mistake all round. The English people thought she was speaking French and the French people thought she was speaking English."—Washington Star.

THE UNEXPECTED.

Bill—Ben to the races? Jill—Yes. "Who did you do?" "Put my money on a horse named Gas Meter; I thought there wasn't a thing living could beat a gas meter."

THE RIGHT IDEAS.

Weary Willie and his friend Frowzy, strutting along the seashore, stop before a sign reading, "Notice: Bathing is Dangerous. Quick-sands." Weary Willie—Dere, Frowzy; dere's dere public spirit for yer great-grandmother, who died when she was a child of five, Mrs. Ross was ninety at the time of her death, but when she made the first flag she was but 23 and quite girlish in appearance."

DANGER.

"You had better not go boating with Ada," said Tommy to his sister's fiancé. "Why not?" "Cause I heard her say she intended to throw you overboard soon."—Exchange.

SMALL BEGINNINGS.

A traveler through a dusty road strewed acorns on the road. And one took root and sprouted up, and grew into a tree. Love sought its early end, at evening time, to breathe its shade; and age was pleased, in hours of noon, to hark beneath its boughs; The dormouse loved its dangling twigs, the birds sweet music bore; It stood a glory in its place, a blessing evermore.

THE LONG GREEN.

A little spring had lost its way amid the grass and fern. A passing stranger scooped a well, where weary men might turn; He waited it in, and hung with care a ladle at the brink; He thought not of the deed he did, but judged that tolt might drink. He passed again, and lo! the well, by summers never dried, Had cooled ten thousand parching tongues, and saved a life beside.

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A boss burner in a sewing-machine factory at Alton, Ill., had such a severe pain in his right side that he could get but little sleep or rest. His doctor told him the trouble was a disordered liver. The man had always been healthy before, and doubted what the doctor told him, but he knew something must be done, and took the physician's advice and treatment. He got relief, but it was not lasting. His subsequent experience is given in a letter, in which he says: "I read some of the advertisements about Ripans Tablets, and concluded to try them, and had used less than one-half dozen Tablets when the pain disappeared. Of course, I felt a little doubt as to whether it would return or not, so took a few more to be sure. The result has satisfied me that one dollar spent for Ripans Tablets will accomplish more than five dollars spent for so-called advice and treatment as meted out by the ordinary practitioner."

A new style packet containing THE REPAN'S TABLETS is now for sale at some of the drug stores. The lowest price is 10c per packet for the 10c packet. One of the five-cent packets (10c value) can be had by sending one-cent stamps to the REPAN'S CHEMICAL CO., 25 E. Superior Street, New York—by single dollar (10c value) will go into the five-cent.