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In an issue of veracity between Colonel Bryan and Admiral Dewey as to whether Dewey recognized the Filipines as allies the balance of credibility will incline to Dewey.

How It Would Work.

THAT THE Bryan policy of surrendering to the Aguinaldo crowd of bandits in Luzon would lead to if carried out is indicated in a letter written to the Iola, Kansas, Register by Lieutenaut Eurten J. Mitchell, aide to General Funsion. The lieutenant

Take, for instance, this town of S.m bidro, one of the best towns in Luzon, situated on the Rio Grande de Pampanga river, well built, the capital of Nueva Ecija proximer, surrounded by a rich country, well garrisoned, military prison here, and more favored in numerous ways than almost any other town off the rathroad. The presidente, or what we would call mayor, except that he has much incre power-has been presidente of the town under the Spandards and managents, of the town under the Spandards and managents, and is now holding the same office under our rule. He is well obtained, intelligent, and ris featy as can be, seems perfectly loyal to us, for-nishes reliable information about the movements of the enemy, and helps us in many ways, and undoubtedly wants the war to end. His life has been threatened time and time again, and he never stores in the same bases two meths in never sleeps in the same house two nights in succession, for four of assessination. If we were to take the troops out of here what do you suppose would become of him and the other people who have been friendly to us? I will tell you. There would be a wholesale massage you. There would be a winnesse when whe within twenty-four hours, and every person who had been friendly to us, their families and property would be the sufferers.

Bryan objects to government by force. How else could be, in the first instance, secure stable government in the Philippines? Aguinaldo and his don't want a stable government unless they, a mere fraction of the total population, can boss it and run It to suit themselves. The withdrawal of the American soldiers from Luzon would put millions of peaceably disposed but unarmed natives at the mercy of the armed bands of insurgent cutthroats numbering altogether not a third of one per cent, of the population of the Philippines. It would be to those natives who have helped us perfidy unparalleled.

Taking his own view of it, by what right does Bryan propose to force a stable government on the fugitive Fillpino insurgents? What would that be but government without the consent of the governed?

Trade Follows the Flag.

OMMERCE between the United States and Porto Rico during the two months in which the new tariff act has been in operation shows an enormous increase over that of the corresponding two months of the preceding year. This is the more observable because of the assertion which has been frequently made during the past few months that the island is practically impoverished since the storm of last August. Notwithstanding the conditions due to the storm both as to material for exportation and facilities for purchase, the exports to the United States in May and June, 1900, were 60 per cent in excess of those of the corresponding months of 1899 and the Imports from the United States were more than double those of the same months in

In May and June, 1899, the imports into the United States from Porto Rico, as shown by the reports of the Treasury Bureau of Statistics, were \$1.461,998, and in May and June, 1900, they were \$2,322,124. In May and June, 1899, the exports to Porto Rico from the United States were \$666,987, and in May and June, 1900, they were \$1,587. 478. Thus the imports into the United States from Porto Rico show in May and June, 1900, an increase of 60 per cent over those of the same months of 1899, both of which occurred prior to the storm of that year, and the exports from the United States to Porto Rico show an increase of 140 per cent over the corresponding months of 1899, The figures of the total commerce with Cuba, Porto Rico, Hawaii and the Philippines show in each case a marked growth, especially in exports. To Cuba, the total exports of the year are \$26,513,613 against \$18,616,377 in the fiscal year 1899, and \$9,561,656 in 1898. To Porto Rico the exports in 1900 are \$4,640,435 against \$2,685,848 in 1899, and \$1,505,946 in 1898. To the Hawaiian Islands the exports for the year 1900 are \$13,509,148 against \$9,305,470 in 1899 and \$5,907,155 in 1898. To the Philippines the exports of 1900 are \$2,649,449 against \$464,193 in 1899 and \$127,804 in 1898. To the Samoan Islands the exports of 1900 are \$146,267 against \$56,522 in 1899, and of \$39,982 in 1898. To Guam, the exports of 1900 are \$13,247 against \$6,883 in 1899 and \$4,070 in 1898. The total exports to Cuba, Porto Rico, the Hawalian Islands, the Philipsine Islands, Samoa

and Guam for the three years are as

Experted to: 90,561,656 \$18,616,777 \$26,513,613 borto Rico . tawaiian Islands 5,907,155 9,305,470 13,509,440 404,103 2,640,449 56,522 149,267 amoun Islands, 4,070 0.883

Total to Islands. \$17,146,613 \$31,075,293 \$47,463,155 In other words, trade follows the flag-

That Count von Waldersee is a brilliant and accomplished soldier goes without saying; but we do not expect to live to see the day when a German field marshal will be commanding an American army.

A fleans of Education.

NNOUNCEMENT is made that the organization of a National Civic Federation, "to provide for study and discussion of questions of national import affecting either the foreign or domestic policy of the United States; to aid in the crystallization of the most enlightened public sentiment of the country in respect thereto; and, when desirable, to promote necessary legislation in accordance therewith" has been effected and that in December next a general conference will be held in Chicago, at which the subjects of discussion will be industrial arbitration, taxation and municipal owner

This organization is an outgrowth of the Chicago Civic Federation which carried through successfully a year ago a national conference on the subject of trusts and which has performed in other ways a valuable work in facilitating the ripening of public opinion on problems of government. It. like the other, will be non-partisan, and, says the Chicago Times-Herald, 'even when the subjects it takes up are of such immediate vital interest as imperialism, the tariff and taxation, or trusts, the aim will be to give everybody full and fair opportunity to help crystallize public sentiment, no matter how conservative or how extreme his views are."

That these representations are trustworthy will be understood when it is learned that the executive council of the federation includes among its forty-one members such distinguished men as ex-Governor Brown, of Rhode Island: ex-Governor Eagle, of Arkansas; ex-Comptroller Eckels. William Dudley Foulke, Harry Garfield, Samuel Gompers, Rev. Dr. Gunsaulus, President Harper, Abram S. Hewitt, Frederic W. Holls, Theodore Search, William Wirt Howe, Clark Howell, Archbishop Ireland, Professor Jenks, ex-Governor Luce, of Michigan; ex-Governor Mc-Corkle, of West Virginia; Franklin MacVeagh, ex-Mayor Schleren, Dr. Albert Shaw, editor of the Review of Reviews; President Benjamin Ide Wheeler and Booker T. Washington.

The by-laws of the federation provide for standing committees on the following subjects:

FOREIGN RELATIONS. INSULAR AFFAIRS. BANKING AND CURRENCY. INDUSTRIAL COMBINATIONS.

INTERSTATE AND FOREIGN COMMERCE.

CONSULAR MILITARY AND NAVAL AFFAIRS

LABOR. EDUCATION. IMMIGRATION. MUNICIPAL GOVERNMENT.

TAXATION. CIVIL SERVICE. INDIAN AFFAIRS. THE NEGRO QUESTION.

These committees will be constituted o as to represent every shade of popuar opinion and to reduce these various ppinions, beliefs or hallucinations to a definite form. The membership of the federation is expected to become very large, and to include the great body of representative men who believe that every aid they give to the serious study and discussion of national problems by the public is an aid to the successful operation of a democracy,

Former Senator Lindsay, of Kentucky, one of the ablest men in the United States, and a Democrat of the old school, says President McKinley is more of a Democrat than Colonel Bryan, whom he classifies as an out-andout Populist, and represents more real Democratic principles than Bryan. For this reason Mr. Lindsay will vote for McKinley.

Another day has elapsed without Colonel Bryan refusing to accept the electoral votes of southern states which govern the negro outside the consti-

If the constitution follows the flag, whereabouts in the constitution is there authority for hauling the flag

In laying his last hope on Bryan's election, former dictator Aguinaido is building on the sands.

If Adlai isn't careful the ice trust will refuse to contribute to his campaign fund.

TOLD BY THE STARS.

Daily Horoscope Drawn by Ajacchus, The Tribune Astrologer. Astrolabe Cast: 4.06 a. m., for Saturday, Aug.

11, 1900. (2) A child born on this day will notice man man who talks as though his head was full of war maps, who would have difficulty in locating

the boundary line of his own ward. A man can sometimes speak with elogience upon "good government" and yet have a boy at home who is the terror of the neighborhood. The Chinese war news is rapidly reaching a stage that will make Minister Wu's name

There is a suspicion that the missing Dun ee wild man has taken a hand in running the Scranton Times. The man with a single idea is all right pro does not insist upon talking about it

all the time. The "shirt waist" men in the trenches yes terday pitied those who were obliged to wear our-inch linen collars.

of a needle than for a born orator to keep ou People who have nothing to do experience the greatest difficulty in keeping cool.

Ajacchus' Advice. berrow trouble. If you must borrow,

Weekly Letter on Municipal Affairs

X-"JACKSONVILLE'S FIRST YEAR OF MUNICIPAL LIGHT-

WITH THE END of May, 1990, the control bad by the Jacksonville (Fla.) elected (Copyright, 1900, by William S. Crandall.)

of the Jacksenville (Fla.) electric plant had been with the Board of Bond Truseveral months of operation that the plant would produce an income sufficient to meet all fixed parces and leave a handsome profit, which might be applied to the payment of interest on become necessary to provide a sinking bends and to provide a sinking priation to meet the necessity, band, with which the bonds might ultimately retired. Below are given the figures of the selve months' operation under the manageent of the bond trustees, from which the In own deductions as to the wisdom of municipal.

	Commercial	Disbut
Months:	Receipts.	ments
June	83,687,78	\$3,1H7
July	1,786 30	21,700
August	4,576,48	2,758
September	3 695 61	3,271
October	3,635 08	3,505
November		4,443
December	5,277 10	4,533
		5.748
		4,969
March	6,213,28	3,600
	4,651 31	4,373
May, 1800, pay roll .	4,957.67	5,674
may, 1999, pay roll .	9.679.88	1,556

rom two sources; first, from commercial lighting, according to the table given above; and from city or public lighting, for the payment of which a special tax is levied and is paid through the Board of Public Works to the bend trustees, to be applied to the payment of interest on bonds. The budget of 1800 provided for an according to the payment of ver to the bond trustees for the payment of the May installment of interest the sum of \$9,105.67, instead of the entire amount of \$29,000, as provided by ordinance. This makes the actual in-come from the plant within the twelve months in question, as follows:

The disposition of these funds is shown in the offowing statement: Ordinary expenses\$49,972 Interest 9,166 6 Cash balance 4,247 F In explanation of the expense account as shown in the table above, it is to be said that the item of \$1,886,75, for the May pay roll of 1800, was an inheritance from the previous management of the plant, which was necessarily assumed by

the bond trustees, although it was not properly argeable to the administration of the plant the bond trustees, The expenditures and debts of the year are ore explicitly itemized in the following table; merintendence and office exponses \$ 4,400 60 ensions and improvements 6,734 so airs and construction 12,543 96 enses at power station 23,885 20 The items of extension and improvements are

..... \$5,734 80 Items of repairs and maintenance are the foiextra labor, supplies, repairs and feed. . 3,314 M\$12,513.96 Items of expense at power station:

From the figures that have been given above e actual income and expenditures of the twelve onths may be seen, and the each balance repsented was the doposit in bank to the credit of e plant on May 31, 1999. On the hasis of these tures, some deductions may be drawn as to the financial operations of the plant, under cir ustances that would make demand for several ems of extraordinary expenditure, such as are wn in the statement above. Under the preent financial condition of the city there are outstanding numicipal bonds,drawing interest at the rate of 5 per cent, per annum, payable semi-annually. Instead of levying a direct tax n the real and personal property of the city for the payment of this interest, there is levied a tax for public lighting, which is applied to the payment of this interest, and from the income from the city electric plant and from the city water works is secured a fund to be applied in

In the estimate of expenses for the current year the item for public lighting was placed at \$20,000 by the final action of the city comdithough the sum of \$21,000 had been asked for his purpose. The actual cost of lighting the commercial rates is but little less than ian was demanded, has prevented the extenof the public lighting system, and the repeated requests of the board of public works for the loon of additional street lights, which are need I, have necessarily been denied, excepting in wh places as public necessity has imperatively mand the extension. More than this, the abbreviated appropriation allowed by the city council is invefficient to meet the expenses of those lights that had been located before the preparation of the budget. The excess of this expense must, therefore, he an expense to be met by future appropriation, to be carried as a claim against the city by the bond trustees, or it must be deducted from the profits of the plant, and the deficiency in interest must be

se payment of this interest.

supplied from other sources.

Although the provisions of the budget ordinance require that the sum due for public lighting is to be paid at certain periods, the Board of Public Works declined to meet this requirement as to time, claiming that the city should most as to time, customy in advance of the services rendered any more than are other customers of the city plant. This board made the appropriation for the purpose one third of the sum re-quired, or \$0,006.67, and after consultation with committee from the Bond Trustees agreed and a committee from the Bond Trustees agreed and did advance still further the sum of \$2,500. The investment in the plant and extensions is practically \$150,000, on which sum 5 per cent, per annum would be \$7,500. The question of depreciation of rapid moving machinery, such as electrical appliances, is an open one among engineers, but none, so far as is known, makes this item greater than 10 per cent, per annum, Allowing this on the investment would mean \$15,000 annually. It is concreted that there will exist a continued demand for the enlargement of the plant with the continued growth of the city, for which the estimate has been made the city, for which the estimate has been made of a regular annual expenditure of \$6,000, which amount, it is asserted, will cover the average of such an enlargement and extension. Taking, then, these figures, together with those given the cash transactions for the past twelve

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to be deducted two items, the pay roll for May,

1999, amounting to \$1,886.75, and the extension and improvement of the plant, amounting to \$6,734.80, for which allowance is made in another item. The total of these amounts deducted from the total expenditures of the last twelve months leave \$41,800.52 as the actual op-

twelve months leave \$41,306.32 as the actual operating expenses, as stated.

The income from the plant, according to these catimates, would, therefore, by \$10,608.72, or \$854.00 per month, 5.7 per cent, under ordinary expense. As has been stated above, the present manuful plans of the city provide that the income from the electric plant and from the water-works is applied to the payment of interest on outstanding bonds. While it is the belief that the sum of \$15,000 should be religiously set aside from the income of the plant for the item of depreciation and to be available for this purpose alone, as would be done in the management of the plant under private ownership, it is retest for one year. The same date practically completed the first year also of the operation of the enlarged plant, and the deductions to be gained from an inspection of the cost of operation and of income will have a persinent interest for all who favor the municipal ownership of public utilities. It was predicted after short of the plant under municipal ownership in this city that this aum shall be devoted to the payment of interest on bonds, so that when the necessity shall arise for future replacing machinery and of interest on bonds, so that when the necessity shall arise for future replacing machinery and renewing of worn appliances, the sum that habeen earned for this purpose will be wanting, a though it has been properly earned, and it wi crome necessary to provide by special appro-

NEVER AGAIN.

From the Philadelphia Press.

The acquisition of territory by treaty is not The acquisition of territory by treaty is not new. The suppression of resistance to authority conferred by treaty began a century ago. Government first by commission and then by self-rule is the unbroken precedent of the past for newly acquired territory of the United States, What is new is for a presidential candidate to encourage resistance to the lawful authority and the settled policy of the United States, to condone attacks on its flag and the slaughter of its lone attacks on its flag and the slaughter of it soldiers. This no man has ever before dared to do when a candidate for the presidency, and when the American people is though with Mr. Bryan no man will ever dare it again.

TROUBLE AHEAD.

From Gunton's Magazine.

The Democratic platform favors an immediat declaration of the nation's purpose to give the Filipinos independence, but earlier in the docu ment it asserts as a fundamental principle of Democratic faith "that the constitution follows the flag" and extends equally over all territory within or possessed by the United States. Since propriation of \$20,000 for public lighting, and the Philippines have already been amesed, this amount the Board of Public Works turned principle would certainly debar the Democrats from carrying out the plan to give the islands independence; for the party would hardly under-take to allenate and thrust out what it asserts is now an inherent part of the United States

The Reason.

Mistress-Bridget, this is altogether too much; con have a new follower in the kitchen every Bridget (complainingly)—Well, ma'am, you see the food in this house is so had that no one will come here for longer than a week.—Punch.



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The Scranton Tribune has inaugurated a grand Educational Contest, open to every ambitious person, not only in Scranton, but throughout Lackawanna and other counties in Northeastern Pennsylvania. This Educational Contest will be of unusual magnitude and will be carried out in strict accordance with the rules

of fairness and justice. The Tribune aims to largely increase its circulation during the next few months. It is the best and cleanest paper published in Northeastern Pennsylvania, and if it once finds its way into a family its merits will enable it to remain permanently. In order to introduce it we seek the co-operation of ambitious, intelligent young men and women, and to gain their help have put into exe-

cution a plan that will interest every one. We are going to give the scholarships and other special rewards to the ten persons who will be most successful and attain the highest number of points in our Educational Contest. By scholarships we mean a full course of study, paying the tuition charges in each, and in the cases of the two leading scholarships, The Tribune will not only pay all tuition charges but will also pay the board of the fortunate winners during the life of the scholarship,

covering four and three years respectively. In addition to the ten special rewards, and in order to compensate those who may enter upon this work and not be successful in obtaining one of these, The Tribune will give to every one who succeeds in obtaining subscribers under the terms of this contest ten (10) per cent. of all the money from subscrip-

tions they may succeed in winning for it. The Tribune wishes to emphasize the fact that this is in no sense a gift enterprise or a scheme to swell its circulation books at the expense of outsiders. It is a bonafide business offer, conceived in a spirit of fairness, and it will be carried out with equity and justice to all. Every young man or woman who participates will receive a share of the proceeds, even if successful in securing

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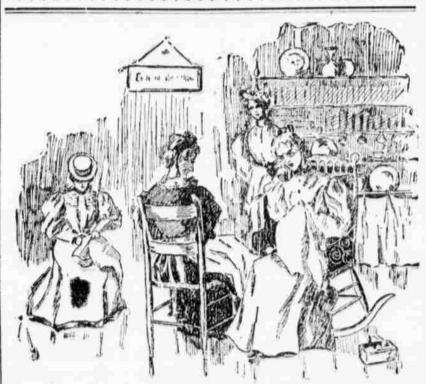
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o'clock Saturday evening, September 29,



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