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QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS.

Who was General Sherman buried?—J. A. At Calvary Cemetery, St. Louis.

Who was the mother of Emperor William of Germany?—Princess Victoria, eldest daughter of Queen Victoria.

What was the population of the United States at the beginning of the century now closing?—H. S. It was 3,398,453.

Is Cassius M. Clay living? 2. What is the date of King Humbert's assassination?—Student. He is still living. 2. July 29, 1900.

How has Indiana gone in presidential elections since 1870?—J. E. R. The years in which Democratic electors were returned were 1876, 1884 and 1892.

How far up is the Missouri river navigable?—Patsy. At high water to Fort Benton, Mont., or even beyond to the Great Falls, and at low water to the mouth of the Yellowstone.

To whom must one make application in order to secure a passport as a teacher in the Philippines? 2. Does politics play any part in securing positions?—Subscriber. Address Dr. D. W. Atkinson, Superintendent Public Schools, Manila, P. I. 2. No.

How do the stars and stripes float over Sulu islands, and what control have we over them?—B. L. They became our property as a result of the recent war with Spain. Our flag was raised there May 17, of last year, and a treaty was made with the Sultan of the islands.

If the so-called flatness of boiled drinking water is not a mere fancy, to what is it due?—W. D. The flavor of fresh and wholesome drinking water is said to be due to the presence of gases dissolved from the atmosphere in rainfall. These are released by boiling. The flatness is real enough.

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What salary do the musicians in the United States make?—Mark Upton. How is a position secured in it?—P. H. M. The pay of the first-class musicians is \$60 a month, of second-class \$50. An additional \$4 a month is allowed for playing at White House and public grounds. To become a member of the band a man must enlist.

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(Prepared for the Sunday Journal by an Old Practitioner.)

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