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Monroe Doctrine Intact. An American admiral, it seems, is going to bombard the coast towns of Spain. With the smoke of the first guns will vanish the Monroe doctrine. If America will not be, Europe cannot expect to be let alone by Europe.—Prof. Goldwin Smith.

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CAPTAIN PHILIP'S FAITH.

An Impressive Scene Aboard the Battleship Texa. ASKED HIS MEN TO THANK GOD.

According to Chaplain H. W. Jones, of the Texa, Capt. J. W. Philip made the following statement to his officers and men immediately after the great battle of Santiago on Sunday, July 3: "I wish to make confession that I have implicit faith in God and in the officers and crew of the Texa, but my faith in God is secondary only to my faith in His officers. I have seen what He has done for us, allowing us to achieve so great a victory, and I want to ask you all, or at least every man who has no scruples, to uncover his head with me and silently offer a word of thanks to God for His goodness toward us all."

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THE PHILIPPINES.

Interesting Facts Relating to Them. San Francisco Examiner. Oiled rags are used for brooms. Women exceed men in numbers. They are worn only by foreigners. All the women smoke large cigars. Spanish soldiers march bare-footed. The natives bathe three times a day. Water buffaloes are used for plowing. Manila was founded by Legaspi in 1571. All the inhabitants fall asleep at midday. Knives and forks are unknown in the islands. Freedom of speech is absolutely prohibited. Manila is pronounced Mah-ne-la by the natives. Indians and Chinese patronize the horse-car lines. In 1845 the city was nearly destroyed by an earthquake. A fashionable delicacy for the menu is the grasshopper. The poorer classes robe themselves in one yard of cloth. The common laborer receives as much as ten cents a day. Mosquitoes are more formidable than Spanish gunboats. Electricity is used for illuminating purposes in Manila. Manila paid \$4,000,000 to England as a ransom. The yearly output of cigars from the Philippines is 140,000,000. The chief occupation of some of the islands is murder. The streets of the capital city are under the shadow of the pine trees. Manila is considered commercially equal to Calcutta and Batavia. Visitors to the islands are not numerous. The earliest was Magellan. The high quality of the indigo is acknowledged throughout the world. The oil of the cocoa is used for lighting purposes throughout the islands. The loachmen are more dreaded than earthquakes, typhoons or plagues. The land is fertile, but the natives are too indolent and ignorant to cultivate it with the best results. Hundreds of persons have been sent to the penal settlements, and even that of the Philippines is too small to brand. The male half coat wears trousers and a shirt. The latter is not confined in the trousers. The streets of Manila are unpaved. During the rainy season they are impassable. In 1821 the United States took 41 per cent of the Manila hemp exported. The insurrection has been caused by oppressive greed and a crushing rate of taxation. The British captured Manila in 1762 with a fleet of fourteen ships and held it for fourteen months. Delinquent taxpayers are whipped at the post, flogged, and their property confiscated. The atmosphere of Manila has been likened to the savor of cucumbers and the humidity of suffering increased. It is estimated that there are 1,300 islands in the group. There has been no official counting. The typhoon and earthquake have caused the most frequent and dreaded visitors to the appearance of Dewey. For three years the United States imports from these islands have averaged \$7,000,000 a year. Primo de Rivera, governor of the islands twice, made an enormous fortune out of gambling losses. The capital of the Philippines is Manila. It has a population of 300,000 and 60,000 of the suburbs. In the Philippines they have butterflies as large as bats. Their color is fawn, and they have red eyes. The wealth of the man who owns a shirt is estimated by the fineness of its texture and the way it is worn. The streets of the city are lined with massive stone houses, sabbath churches, and airy convents of tropical groves. For two or three hundred years insurgents in the islands have been increasing in numbers and strength of purpose. General Weyer was governor of the islands for four years. He saved \$1,000,000 out of his annual salary of \$40,000. The chief diversion of Manila is the cock-fight. The pit is as big as a circus. Four thousand spectators can be accommodated. Houses are raised on posts to permit the water to flow under them in rainy seasons. The mesquiza of the islands is superstitious and languorous. She has been called the human butterfly. Her garments are silk, very thin, and very loose. The orchid, found in the jungles, and difficult of access, sometimes commands \$1,000 apiece. It takes months to stalk the "demon flowers." Spain's troublesome and impetuous nobles have always been sent to Cuba and the Philippines. It is now considered a punishment to question how they obtained their wealth when they returned to Spain.

THE SMALL BOY'S IDOL.

My daughter, who teaches in a mission Sunday school, tells me of a Dewey experience she had with a youngster making his first appearance. "She led him through a half-hour or more of instruction in the rudiments of the English language, for he was entirely lacking in information on that point, and to test him was reviewing her work with him. "Now," she said, "tell me again who made the world and all that is in it?" "God did," replied the boy, with commendable promptitude. "God can do everything, can't he?" she asked again. "I don't believe he could lick Dewey," he answered at last, and the teacher sat silent between her religion and her patriotism. "It wasn't her time to say anything, if she didn't want to lose that boy forever, and she had to let it go at that."—Washington Star.

OUR TREATMENT OF PRISONERS.

Good gunnery and dauntless valor are not the only features of our fighting that have astonished the Spaniards. They are amazed at our courteous treatment of our prisoners of war. The Spanish press has contemptuously characterized our soldiers and sailors as "American pigs." The Spanish editors, many of whom never saw an American, have pictured our officers with all the brutal attributes of barbarians. But Spanish prisoners have found our officers chivalrous and humane. They find that among the first concerns of an American general or general officer after an engagement are the safety and comfort of the prisoners. The conduct of the victors toward the vanquished after the destruction of the Spanish fleet at Santiago was magnanimous in the extreme. Admiral Cervera was more impressed by the courtesy of the American fleet officers and their enthusiastic congratulations than by any other incident connected with the crushing defeat. He was so elated over the generous treatment accorded him that he took special care to acknowledge it in his official despatches to the Spanish authorities. It is a pleasure to record the fact that the American policy of dealing with prisoners was fully reciprocated in the chivalrous treatment of Lieutenant Hobson and his crew of the Merrimack by both Admiral Cervera and General Linars. More Spanish officers at the front know more than Spanish editors about the gallantry and humanity of the American soldier. They know that in battle he can fight like a demon; that after the battle he can act like a Christian.

Judging From Appearances.

Fond Mother—"What do you think baby will be when he grows up?" Exasperated Father—"I don't know; town crier, likely."—Stray Stories.

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Why This Country Declared and is Waging War Against Spain.

The correspondent of a French paper published in Paris, interviewed Whiteley Reid on this subject. Following is a translation of the correspondent's statement of Reid's position. It is a strong statement of the view of a majority of Americans: "You ask, 'Why is the United States forcing this war on Spain?' We here do not think it is. Personally, I am profoundly sorry for the war, and would most gladly have seen an honorable course taken by which we could have avoided it. I know well the truly high-minded and charming traits of the Spanish people, have valued personal friends among them—even in the latest 'war cabinet'—and have hoped that the inevitable departure of the Spanish flag from the New World, which Spain discovered for us, might be delayed to another generation. But we had reached an absolute 'impasse' for three-quarters of a century our government was positively committed to the position that if Spain failed to govern Cuba the island must either govern itself or be governed by the United States—no other European nation being permitted to take Spain's place. Practically that made us for three-quarters of a century the ally of Spain against all comers as far as Cuban possessions, and so made us in one sense responsible for the nature of her government. Now, her government of the island grew steadily worse until it became intolerable. Cuba was taxed and plundered and starved in her inhabitants. It was then defended so feebly that the first revolt lasted ten years, and was only kept under—not ended—by the bribery of violent insurgent leaders; while the second revolt, after spreading for three years, was barely held in check by a barbarous policy of desolating the country, destroying its industries and starving its inhabitants. No nation in Europe would permit a distant power to maintain for thirteen years such an inhuman and offensive nuisance directly on its shores. But the United States was, besides, driven to action by the necessity of its historic position. Having warned everybody else off, it was itself bound to interfere with the 'insurgents' interference was plainly demanded in the interests of civilization and humanity. If it did not interfere it was itself responsible for the injustices perpetrated by the only power it would permit to rule there. This was not a situation created by Mr. McKinley. It was a situation created on the one hand by John Quincy Adams, Daniel Webster and the whole line of our governing statesmen from 1823 to this time, and on the other hand by the Spanish authorities in Cuba, who went steadily from bad to worse in spite of our appeals and the remonstrances and revolts of their people. The President was most desirous of avoiding war. He believed that every assurance from Spain that order would soon be restored. Meanwhile all information from the island showed that the disorders continued, and the inhumanity and suffering increased. Then came the De Lome incident, which showed the minister Spain had accredited to us scheming privately to make peace with the United States, and to negotiate to restore the ruined commerce, and in the same breath, after offensive standers upon our chief magistrate. Speedily following this came the blowing up of our warships at the buoy in the harbor of Havana, where the Spanish authorities had moored them, and the loss of two hundred and fifty lives of her crew. The circumstances left in the mind of the majority of our people the moral conviction that the explosion was the work of Spanish agents, who, whether with or without official authority or even knowledge, did use explosives to elaborate and powerful to have been other than public property. From that moment the President or cabinet progressed to restrain the American people from war. Promises to do better if more were given, belated efforts at organizing an autonomous Cuban government, proposals to listen to the Pope and suspend hostilities, diplomatic fence and parry, were all as useless as the idle wind against the stern resolve of a nation occupying a continental position, and numbering seventy-five millions of souls, to 'make an end of this,' to be trilled with no longer, and to expel from the western hemisphere the flag under which such deeds were possible. There was not then the remotest thought in it of taking Cuba for ourselves. In fact, the acquisition of Cuba was considered a misfortune, to be carefully shunned. On that point the American people have undergone a great change since the Civil War. They wanted no more territory, and they were least anxious for territorial extension and the most resolutely peaceful of all civilized nations of the globe. Even in declaring war congress agreed the purpose to liberate Cuba, after freeing it to its own devices. But the sweep of war is like that of the whirlwind—no man can tell where it may reach. We have interfered to give Cuba a better government and we therefore stand morally responsible to the civilized world for the character of the government. The present insurgents may be able to establish one that we can afford to be responsible for, but if not, our responsibility continues. Meaningless since war is serious business and not a mere dress parade, we must strike and cripple Spain wherever we can. We have already struck her in the Philippines, and what we seize we shall certainly hold so long as it serves our purpose, and so far as the responsibility incurred in destroying the existing government may carry us. We have also struck her in Porto Rico, and the war will not end till we complete that conquest. If all this threatens other interests or disturbs our European friends, the only possible answer is that we regret it as deeply as anybody can, but that we do not seek the war, and it is not to us that appeals should now be addressed to stop it. The only rational interference for European nations is an interference with their feeble neighbor in his blind fight against fate. The sooner Spain is stopped the less she will be damaged."

A Hero of Santiago.

There are those, forgetful or unbedding, who look upon Spain in her decay and wonder at her former greatness. How they ask, could any country Weyler and Don Carlos ever have been great? How could a nation so shiftless and impetuous, so unprepared and so incapable of preparation for war, have dominated all the world save one or two outlying islands? How could those who cannot retain a single colony once have had an empire on which the sun never set? They ask unwisely who ask these things, but they are not without their answer. It comes to them from amid the smoke and flames and the earthquake shock of one of the most tremendous naval battles—we speak advisedly—the world has ever seen. It comes to them from the wreck-strewn beach of Santiago province. It bears the form and utter the sound of a single familiar name—Cervera. The nation that could produce that man could produce world-conquerors. Let there be no mistake about that. He was our foe. But to our foes as well as to our friends it behooves us to be good and just. And simple justice requires it to be said that Admiral Cervera in his sortie from Santiago bay displayed a heroism of which the bravest nation in the world might well be proud. You may say it was madness. No doubt it was. But it was studied and methodical madness, and it was magnificent. There was in it a touch, and something more than a touch, of the old Spartan spirit, unshaken by every one who, as a schoolboy, declared the address of Spartans to the gladiators: "If I must die, let it be under the clear sky, by the bright water, in noble, honorable battle." That was Cervera's choice. He might have stayed in the harbor and been killed or captured like a rat in a trap. He might have blown up his guns when the day was anticipated. That he did neither was not his fault. Had his government given him as good coal as our ships had, at least one of his ships might have escaped. Had it permitted him to drill his men in marksmanship as ours are drilled, we might to-day be lamenting ships lost and lives destroyed. But it did not. That he did neither was not his fault. Had his government given him as good coal as our ships had, at least one of his ships might have escaped. Had it permitted him to drill his men in marksmanship as ours are drilled, we might to-day be lamenting ships lost and lives destroyed. But it did not. That he did neither was not his fault. Had his government given him as good coal as our ships had, at least one of his ships might have escaped. Had it permitted him to drill his men in marksmanship as ours are drilled, we might to-day be lamenting ships lost and lives destroyed. But it did not. That he did neither was not his fault. Had his government given him as good coal as our ships had, at least one of his ships might have escaped. 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