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Civilization and commerce always go together. It was so in Hawaii. It will be so in the Philippines and Porto Rico.

Every time Colonel Bryan wakes up in the night he is tortured with the sight of an American emperor looking over the foot of his bed.

Arkansas Jones, chairman of the democratic national committee, says Bryan will win because he is stronger on the Pacific coast than ever before. Bosh.

Inasmuch as China wants to fight the world, it would be a brilliant stroke of military stratagem to enlist a regiment or two of Californians—and keep them in front.

The policy of expansion, which gives us a foothold in the east, which will open a new market in the Philippines, and enable us to increase our commerce with China, will be of great benefit to all our people, and more especially to farmers and wage earners.

Bryan says his platform is to be 16 to 1, anti-trust and anti-imperialism, but as the south is in favor of imperialism, Tammany in favor of trusts and nobody in favor of free silver outside the silver states, the proposed platform can hardly be said to fit the situation.

Bryan pays taxes on more personal property than any other citizen of Lincoln. If he is not turned down so hard as to interfere with his lecture tour, Will-yum may be found among the pluto-crats before long. He has accumulated considerable wealth in the last four years.

The controlling influence of the United States was shown in the Cuban elections Saturday. Reports from every part of the island go to show that perfect order prevailed at the polls. Not a shot was fired nor was there any sign of disturbance anywhere. What will the amalgamated demo-populists do about it?

Wheat harvesting is in progress in the south, with too much rainfall on the Atlantic coast, and will be general in the west in a week or two. In the eastern part of the Ohio valley, in Ohio, Indiana and Michigan, the area has been seriously reduced, and the remainder is not generally in good condition. Further west prospects are better. A bumper crop is ready for harvest in Kansas, but the reapers are few, and can't have been made for 20,000 men to aid in gathering the harvest.

The democratic editors are reveling in delight just now. They are talking about the bubonic plague in San Francisco, the black vomit in Rio Janeiro, tariff in Porto Rico, contract labor in Hawaii, war in the Philippines, trusts, monopolies and strikes, and are charging everything up to the administration except the great prosperity that every part of the United States enjoys. Democratic editors are a queer breed of cattle. They have always preferred the dry fodder shock and stagnant frog ponds to green pastures and babbling brooks. They are built that way.

Even when they know that the republican majority in Oregon was largely increased at the late election, untruthful democratic newspapers are at this late date proclaiming that the republican majority is 20 per cent less than two years ago. In such prevarication they find encouragement for Bryan. The fact is that in the Second congressional district Moody ran 50 per cent ahead of his handsome majority in 1898. In the First congressional district Tongue won by over 3100, where he had 2045 two years ago. In these days a democrat must not be believed on election figures.

As a financial success Bryan is a hummer. For four years he has talked 16 to 1 and amassed a fortune. Now at the very eve of the convention where he expects to be nominated, he must drop it, put on the "crown of gold" and take up the Boer cause—and he will. The vote of Oregon settles 16 to 1 and anti-expansion, and there must be something to talk about to catch. In a speech last week to catch the German vote, he made assertions and pledges that he wouldn't dare to affirm if he was elected, because it would precipitate a war with Great Britain, the result of which could not be conjectured. Such is the man that is talking for money, and asks to be made president of a republic that from start to finish he has been trying to down. Democrats may nominate him, but he will be buried so deep that he never will come to the surface again. He does not expect election, nor does he care. When the smoke has cleared away he will have the cash and his supporters the experience.

In Love With Despair.

It is surprising how many times and in how many ways this country is going to be ruined, if the advice of those who "view with alarm" be not followed, remarks the Oregonian. Yet though the advice be rejected, the country always pulls out and gets along all right and all the better. Now, however, we encounter again the gloom of the Hillsboro Argus. It tells us that "the great menace of national history is now hovering over our institutions, and this fall's elections will tell us whether we are to be committed to a policy that will mean blight to our nation, or whether we shall continue to grow in a national greatness that will distinguish us from other powers." This, it explains, is the shadow of "militarism" and "imperialism."

This "gravest menace" come up in one form or another year after year. But recently, in the opinion of the esteemed Argus, it was the accused gold standard beyond fear or dispute, the country is more prosperous than at any other period of its history. The precious metal, which was going to be hoarded by the plutocrats, is freely offered by banks to business men in exchange for paper, by the employers in exchange for labor, and by investors in every kind of property. The business transactions of the country exceed those of any other era of its history, and labor is more fully employed, at good wages, than ever before.

But croaking prophecy now takes another direction. It predicts the most direful results from "imperialism" and "militarism." It must be troublesome to be forced to invent new reasons every year for despairing of the country. The mystery is how the esteemed Hillsboro Argus can enjoy that cave of gloom, year after year, through a lifetime.

"Our illustrious forefathers," says Mr. Bryan, in effect, "were very wise men. They knew exactly what they were doing when they founded the republic. George Washington was all right, too, says the Oregonian. He advised us to mind our own business and to avoid entanglements with any European power. That is the reason I oppose the wicked republican policy of expansion. But it is not exactly the reason why the great democratic heart beats in sympathy for the oppressed Boers, and wants to intervene and put a stop to the brutal tyranny of despotic England, which is crushing to earth a heroic people. Any effective expression of sympathy for the Boers might and probably would involve us in some little entanglement, and it wouldn't exactly be minding our own business. But Washington doubtless meant to except the Boers and would have been happy, anyway, to give the American people a chance to lick England again."

The democratic congressional committee is circulating hundreds of thousands of copies of Senator Hoar's speech on the Philippines as a campaign document, says the Pioneer Press. Care has been taken, however, to expurgate the speech by removing all the paragraphs in which he execrated the democracy for its adherence to the cause of a dishonest currency and sets forth the dangers which would attend Mr. Bryan's election to the presidency. Of course, the mutilation of the speech is unfair both to Senator Hoar and to the people who are invited to read it. But, as a contemporary suggests, if the democrats of these days are denied the right of expurgation they might as well shut up shop, as there are to be found scarcely any among the utterances of its great leaders in times past which can now be used without condemning the democratic leaders and principles of today.

The St. Louis Republic says if McKinley is elected it is simply to say that things are to continue as they are; and then, forgetting the good times that has increased its circulation 40 per cent in the past three years, forgetting the increase of 20 per cent in per capita circulation, and the deposits in saving banks, forgetting that Coxe's army has disbanded and the free soup houses are closed, it goes way off from home and harps Porto Rico tariff (the justice of which is already apparent) and the enslaving of the Philippines. The actions of those who are enjoying the benefits of republican prosperity has but one parallel in all history—the ancient ass. He waxed fat on another's provender and then kicked, but here the parallel falls down a little. The ass could talk, but knew enough to keep his mouth shut, while the modern ones do not.

The troubles in St. Louis had a political origin, says the Oregonian. Missouri is a Bryan state, devoted to the Chicago platform. But St. Louis is a republican city. The legislature took all power out of the hands of the mayor. It deprived him of police control. He could do nothing. The strikers and the mob, falling back on the principle of free riot invited by Bryanism, carried things with a high hand; and the free-riot governor refused to act, till at last he was compelled by the stress to give notice that if the outrages did not cease, he would call out the militia. This has produced a lull in the riotous proceedings; but the mob can't understand why it should not be allowed to indulge in free riot and destruction of property in accord with the Bryan platform.

Captain Reece of Fort Wayne, Ind., writes from the Philippines to a friend in the following strain: I guess I am a full fledged republican, for, besides being

a "gold bug", I am now an ardent expansionist, although the latter ought to make me a better democrat, as the democratic party has always been in favor of expansion. On one expedition I picked up, at different places, papers and pamphlets printed in Spanish and Tagalog, which were circulated by the insurrecto leaders, containing parts of speeches made by Bryan, Hoar, Lentz et al., and commenting on the same. They go a great way toward prolonging the fighting, and, as you probably have heard, the Filipinos were told by their leaders that after Bryan was elected the soldiers would leave the islands.

The "antis" are to be congratulated upon a new accession to their ranks, says the Seattle Post-Intelligencer. Prof. Goldwin Smith sizes up the Chinese situation in a way that should bring joy to their souls. To him the murders and outrages of the boxers are a perfectly proper protest against the wickedness of foreigners who insist upon living in China, and any attempt to prevent such killings is "murderous war." It is his opinion that the whole trouble could be settled peacefully and properly by having the other nations withdraw at once all their citizens from China, warning them that if they remain it must be at their own peril. The doctrine is so identical with that championed by Mr. Bryan and his party for the Philippines that Prof. Smith's crude but forcible statement of it is very timely.

Much ado about nothing has recently been made by fusionists and their organs over an eastern Washington mass convention of silver republicans at Spokane. The "mass convention" was held Saturday last. Senator George Turner, who hastened home from Washington in order to attend the meeting, was present. So was Judge John R. McBride and John Johnson, two Spokane attorneys. This trio constituted the sole representation at the meeting, and after sitting out in the hall for an hour awaiting the coming of the clans who came who came not, Senator Turner made, put and carried a motion that the meeting stand adjourned to June 26.

In the past third of a century the population of the United States has doubled, but during the same time the area devoted to wheat in this country has trebled. In that time we have increased our production of wheat twice as much relatively as we have increased our population. It is impossible for this to ever happen again. It is not probable that from this time on the area devoted to wheat will increase as rapidly as the population. This holds out a promise for a gradual upward tendency in the price of wheat. A few years of dollar-wheat, however, would run the production of wheat in the United States up to a thousand million bushels a year.

There will come a time when Whitman county democrats will find that they are the smallest toads in the political pond. This will be when they awake the morning following election day, November 6.

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DE EXACK SITUATION. Do 'publican party is gwinteter win; dey done it beto an' dey'll do it agin; Bryan tells his tales, but dey all too thin, My honey, dey only a joke; An' I tell you, now, when de battle begin You sho' gwinteter see some smoke!

De 'Merican flag is dung unfurd; We got dis universe in a whirl; Miss Columby sho' is a fetehin' girl; Wid' 'er honeytail light in her eye; Her smile, my baby, conveys de word— 'She looks so sweet an' sly!

Uncle Sam done got a bran new suit, An' he's got it 'fumed wid' sassarfras root; He's engaged a lady a basket or fruit, An' I tell you, now, when de battle begin, When de ole man zibbits his shinin' boot, "Chin music" will res' awhile!



Fatherless.

There's something about the little black dress that touches a man in a very tender spot. He puts the little one on the head, puts some pennies in her hand, swallows hard and then—starts out to make his own children fatherless. There is no doubt that many a man is taken from his family by neglect of simple precautions which would preserve his health. Disease generally begins nowadays in "stomach trouble" because the meals are hasty and the food not digested. From that beginning come disorders of the blood, liver, kidneys, heart or nerves. The use of Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery, for diseases of the organs of digestion and nutrition will avert the catastrophe of morbid serious disease. It strengthens the stomach, purifies the blood, nourishes the nerves, and builds men up in both brain and body.

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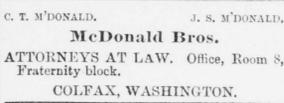
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