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WILL SOON BE SETTLED.

The appearance of the Philippine and Porto Rican cases for argument before the United States supreme court will be welcomed by the entire country.

There never was a question, since the days of the Dred Scott decision, which has had so strong a bearing on the future character of the political and social institutions of the United States as those which were brought up for hearing yesterday in Washington.

This doctrine, which the United States authorities are today insisting upon, is in its essence a limitation of the principle thus contended for by Great Britain.

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It will be a good thing for the public life of the country when characters of this kind are relegated to the obscurity from which their outbursts of demagoguery lift them.

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This peculiar fecundity of that state of sand and mosquitoes would be of no avail if a uniform code of laws, regulating the creation and management of foreign corporations, should be enacted.

The question of governing the trusts, then, is up to the several states. They must lay the foundation for a system of trust control, to be followed out by federal legislation to meet the cases which reach beyond the confines of state sovereignty.

The trust children must be controlled and punished, if need be, within the state play ground, where they were born, or where they were allowed by special permission to come and play.

How is this uniformity of state legislation to be brought about? No one will deny that the crying need for legislation is along the lines suggested by the president. The people will back any sound and equitable legislation which may be enacted to curb, what every one feels to be, a menace to our industrial system.

Many of the states have no laws to prevent or control monopolistic combinations. Only twenty-three states have laws touching the subject, and of these, several laws apply only to insurance companies.

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opposition to the principle of public conduct which underlies the act. It is true that government has become invested with the character of an endowment society in the estimation of many of the leading spirits of the dominant party.

The tendency to so regard it must ever increase in the ratio in which the underlying principles of the democracy are disregarded in its administration.

Had Thomas Jefferson ever received from his country a title of the recognition which his glorious services in the cause of free government might have dictated, his library would never have sought a purchaser in the government.

It will be surprising if this act does not return to plague its authors. Had the friends of Congressman Boutelle had any true conception of what was really due his name as an American public servant they would never have fastened upon him the stigma which must inevitably attach to his memory by being thus made a public pensioner without warrant of public usage or law to sustain the act.

WANTED-A MERCHANT MARINE. Last year only a little over 9 per cent of our exports and imports were carried in ships under the American flag.

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be a log rolling exhibition that will surpass any witnessed during the passage of a tariff bill. A man hates to vote for a measure that will give him a pass home and a certificate to stay there.

Political suicide is never committed voluntarily. Then there is the courtesy and goodwill that exists in a body where men have ate, drank and sung together, which will render a cutting off of the party number unpleasant.

The brewers wanted their war tax reduced during the last session of congress, but action was deferred for reasons political. The brewers control a large number of votes. These votes were bargained for by the Republican national committee.

It has been found that a pile of wood and buck saws are a great help as an adjunct to an insane asylum. Patients are found to be universally cheerful while bucking wood.

Uncle Sam is getting in deeper water every day with his new found territorial toys. The latest is a claim in behalf of Porto Rico against Cuba.

The troubles for the Grouit bill have only just begun. The National Live Stock association is camping on its trail, and when it comes to a halt in the senate, its bed will not be strewn with roses.

Cleveland has added his opinion to the thousands already expressed on the future needs of the Democratic party. Grover is conservative, as one would expect. It may have occurred to some that a political party, when defeated, is much like a hard coal fire that has run low.

When his horses are running away, President Kruger trusts in God, but thinks it prudent to take the reins from an incompetent driver and handle the team himself.

It is a good thing for the world, when a man is not a good thing for capital and labor, in their difficulties? It is a good thing for the world, when a man is not a good thing for capital and labor, in their difficulties?

They do lynch in Indiana, although it did go Republican a little more than a month ago. It was said that the burning of the negro in Colorado was owing to Democratic sentiment.

Mark Hanna will be known as the great non-conformist of the United States senate.

These are the kinds of days in which people are liable to catch cold. Being mild, they allow fires to burn low and admit outside drafts of air through open windows; too cool for ordinary safety.

A "Life of Maj. Gen. James Shields" has just been issued. The sub-title of the book is the descriptive line, "Hero of Three Wars and Senator from Three States," the states being Illinois, Minnesota and California.

The late Senator Davis, of Minnesota, studied every subject that came before his committee so thoroughly that the other members needed to know little of the details. A Douglas is just what an encyclopedia of facts. This characteristic adds to the loss which his death occasions.

The agricultural department has discovered that the mosquito does not necessarily perish with the coming of winter, but in many localities it hibernates in the mud.

A New York man advertised for a "red-haired stenographer, and none other need apply." The heads of hair that come in reply to the advertisement range in color from red to black.

Secretary Root has asked congress to adopt a provision that any officer of the army now on the active list below the grade of brigadier general, who served during the Civil war, when retired, be retired with the rank and pay of the next higher grade.

A writer in Scribner's Monthly, who has been writing in Boston, says of the book, "There are millions of millions who read no books or newspapers, and write and receive no letters."

is the interest of a partisan, Mr. Hanna is that of a patriot and of a born and trained, and if he will pardon the term, a hardened trader. His methods are rather those of the trader than of the statesman of large politics.

The lights from the south pole are known as "aurora australis," the counterpart of our northern lights. The light resembles that of the arctic regions.

Today, Dec. 19, is the anniversary of the birth, in 1741, of Thomas Young, agent of congress during the Revolution to supply naval and military stores, and afterwards a president of the first American chartered bank, of Carl W. Scheele, in 1742, the eminent Swedish chemist, discoverer of tartaric acid, chlorine, Paris green, and many other chemicals; of Sir William E. Barry, in 1788, the English navigator; of Edwin M. Stanton, in 1819, lawyer and statesman, Lincoln's secretary of war; of Mary Ashton Livermore, in 1821, reformer and woman suffrage author and lecturer.

Rural mail delivery is getting to be extensive. At the beginning of the fiscal year 1899-1900 there were only 21 routes in operation, most of which had been running less than one year.

It is announced that the president that seventeen powers have ratified the convention for the pacific settlement of international disputes, which was formulated by the conference at The Hague.

The two most populous empires in the world, Great Britain and China, have women rulers. The former is a queen exercising royal authority, one the queen of Holland and the other the queen regent of Spain.

PERTINENT OR PARTLY SO. The Indiana way of avenging murders does not keep the accused as long in suspense as in suspension.

Bobby Wenn, the former tennis champion, has purchased a seat on the New York Stock exchange. It will test even his ability to get any championship honors in that set.

It turns out that the Anoka county ghost was a pig. There has been a belief in Hastings that much of the population annually became piglish before they became ghosts.

Czar Thomas B. Reed is mentioned as a minority, possibly in New York city, by the conference at The Hague. Yet the president of the republic, that ought to set an example to the world, recommends a big army and navy and large expenditures to test death-dealing devices.

Gentle drummers, with their sample cases of steel cymbals and Yale keys, are converging in large numbers on the embassies of Rockport, Ind.

AT THE THEATERS. METROPOLITAN. Tim Murphy in "A Bachelor's Romance" will close his engagement at the Metropolitan opera house with a popular price matinee this afternoon and a regular performance tonight.

Charles Frohman's company in "The Little Minister" will be the Christmas week attraction at the Metropolitan, beginning Monday evening. There will be three matinees during the week, including one Christmas day.

"An American Citizen" is scheduled at the Grand opera house for this afternoon and evening. The role of Berou Cruger is well taken by Mr. James Neill.

Thursday and Friday evenings, "A Parisian Romance," in which Mr. Neill will be seen in the leading role of Baron Astor, will be given at the Metropolitan.

For the Saturday matinee and night performances "Aristocracy" will be the bill. The Grand's Christmas week attraction will be "A Trip to Chinatown."

Another Howard Gould. To the Editor of the Globe is Howard Gould, the actor who appeared here in "A Colonial Girl," the brother of George Gould?

Christmas Smart Set. The chief feature of the holiday number of The Smart Set is the novelette that won the \$2,000 prize in the magazine's recent story competition.

Circulation of the Globe For November.

Ernest P. Hopwood, superintendent of circulation of the St. Paul Globe, being duly sworn, deposes and says that the actual circulation of the St. Paul Globe for November, 1900, is herewith correctly set forth:

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ERNEST P. HOPWOOD. Subscribed and sworn to before me this 1st day of December, 1900. H. P. PORTER, Notary Public, Ramsey Co., Minn.

Thomas Yould, being duly sworn, deposes and says: I am an employe exclusively of the St. Paul Dispatch, in the capacity of foreman of press room. The press work of the St. Paul Globe is regularly done by said Dispatch under contract.

THOS. YOULD. Subscribed and sworn to before me this 1st day of December, 1900. S. A. YOUNG, Notary Public, Ramsey Co., Minn.

FURTHER PROOF IS READY. The Globe invites any one and every one interested to, at any time, make a full scrutiny of its circulation lists and records and to visit its press and mailing departments to check and keep tab on the number of papers printed and the disposition made of the same.

STORIES OF THE STREET. "That's a boss on you," is one of the expressions of street parlance whose figurative implications seem so far fetched as to be entirely beyond the possibility of being actually tangible.

Kruger need not feel so big about stopping a team of runaway horses. It was only the possible sentence above that corralled a herd of stampeded British war mules.

Building Inspector Neill has decided to leave the Empire a valuable adjunct to political operations in this vicinity. Could he be called a contractionist?

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Sweden's Waterways. Sweden reckons her waterways to be open for 210 days in each year, from for 155.

THE SHINEST DIME. One little girl had five little dimes; She had counted them over a good many times. And again and again she had left her dimes to plan how to spend them for Christmas day.