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POLITICAL AND MISCELLANEOUS.

The Colonel of the Oregon regiment just returned from Manila, is confident that the revolt will be put down during the next dry season. He knows from observation that the work is already well advanced.

General Otis is an old soldier, and a good one, and the public will accept his judgment in preference to that of some homesick newspaper correspondents who feel aggrieved because the general has used his blue pencil on their hurriedly written dispatches rather freely.

Bank clearances in the United States last week, showed a gain of 61 per cent over the same week a year ago, of 102 per cent over the corresponding week in 1896, of 93 per cent over 1894, and of 70 per cent over 1892. The prosperity of 1899 stands any test that can be applied.

There is a grave doubt if Pingree's assistance will prove beneficial to Mr. Alger in his contest for the senatorship. Michigan is about through with Pingree. There is reason to believe that Senator McMillan is to be congratulated that Governor Pingree is against him. We believe Senator Burrows will agree to this statement.—Inter-Ocean.

The Washington correspondent of a New York paper floats the rumor that the President is considering the project of submitting the question of independence or annexation to the people of Cuba. Whether this rumor is true or not, it is manifest destiny that Cuba will one day become part of the United States. Whether the fulness of time has come may be doubted, but the final outcome may be set down as a certainty.—Blade.

The meeting of the National Social and Political Conference at Buffalo last week, contributed several bon mots to the gaiety of the nations, but not a single substantial suggestion to aid in bringing about any reform of existing social or political evils. The bon mots consisted largely of vituperative and unpatriotic criticism of the government and the great majority of the people who are in favor of suppressing the revolt of the Philippines. The greater number of the speakers belong to that school of impossible reformers who bay at the moon and wonder because the earth keeps right along revolving on its axis. The sum total of the meeting, as far as it can be expressed in words, is the delivery of manifold mental hemorrhages which disgust and repel healthy minded Americans.—Ex.

The clearest statement of the Philippine question yet made is that of Ex-President Harrison, in his Fourth of July address at Paris. Like all Mr. Harrison's utterances, it is not only absolutely correct as to the fact, but it is stated with great compactness and clearness. He said:

"We have assumed responsibilities toward a peaceful people there, toward Spain and toward the world. We must establish order as a preliminary to the consideration of any questions as to the ultimate destiny and disposition of the archipelago." The disposition of this islands belongs to Congress, not to the President. When that body meets, it can take up the matter. But it is quite certain, that it will make no final disposition until peace is restored, and not a rebel in arms opposes the flag. The nation is behind the government in this determination to crush out the insurrection and restore peace.—Blade.

Accounts from Cuba agree that the feeling in favor of annexation grows at a rapid rate. But one class, a noisy one, is said to oppose it, and that is the café politicians. They are natural agitators, with the tendency to revolutionary ideas, only too common among Spanish Americans. No general party has arisen in Cuba to found an independent government. Public opinion has not crystallized in that form. Four factions are prominently mentioned by the correspondents. The whites are the strongest party. The blacks are not a unit. Some hate the whites, while the mulattoes are hostile to the blacks. Native Cubans, chiefly blacks, who were insurgents, might prefer to found a republic, but the whites and mulattoes are against them. Race divisions and animosities will come into active play the moment an attempt is made to set up a new sovereignty in the world. Intelligent Cubans distrust the result, and all who desire peaceful times realize that annexation alone can secure them.—Globe-Dem.

Resignation of Gen. Alger.

The forces arrayed against Secretary Alger, military, personal and political, have prevailed, and he has sent his resignation to the President. Had Gen. Alger resigned six months ago it would have been said that the friends of Gen. Miles had driven him from the Cabinet. Had he resigned three months ago it would have been said that the President had yielded to the outcry against the War Department raised by the mugwump and democratic press. Neither of these things can be said now. After the report of an alliance between Secretary Alger and Governor Pingree was published, republican newspapers that had been friendly to Alger began to show signs of hostility. Before the real facts in the case had reached the public there was irritation along the Republican line and within the last few weeks the Secretary has been severely criticised in scores of Republican newspapers, on the theory that his encouragement of Pingreeism would weaken the administration and create disaffection in strong republican states.

Many Republican leaders were undoubtedly frightened by the change in the tone of so many party organs. Others feared the hostility of prominent party men, whose interests were affected by the reported Pingree alliance, and a new element became a factor in the Alger controversy. As soon as the situation was explained to the Secretary he resigned.

The time for the resignation was not well chosen. Secretary Alger has, more nearly than any other member of the Cabinet, represented the new militant spirit of the people. Charged with the conduct of war, he was naturally the main object of attack of all persons and newspapers opposed to war and of all mere fault-finders in both parties. Little has been said in the last year for or against any member of the Cabinet. Something for or against Secretary Alger has been said every day of the year. He has been a soldier outside the fortification, drawing the fire of all sorts of enemies, while his comrades have walked about unnoticed and unmolested.—Inter-Ocean.

The volunteers for the war with Spain, having got back home, seen their best girls, had a few meals of mother's cooking, got rested and over their homesickness, have generally come to the conclusion, that Uncle Sam's service is not so bad a thing after all, and they would like another whirl at it. They are flocking to the recruiting stations all over the country, and a large percentage of them will be on their way to the Philippines by the time the summer is over.—Nat. Tribune.

An Epidemic of Diarrhoea.

Mr. A. Sanders, writing from Cocoa nut Grove, Fla., says there has been quite an epidemic of diarrhoea there. He had a severe attack and was cured by four doses of Chamberlain's Colic Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy. He says he also recommended it to others, and they say it is the best medicine they ever used. For sale by L. Fournier.

Talk about cheap pauper labor of the old country. Pauper labor in America is the cheapest in the world. If it were not the trusts would make it so, for they fix wages at their pleasure.—Midland Sun.

There is no pauper labor in the United States at the present time. Wages have been advanced even by the trusts, and in every branch of industry there is a scarcity of labor. Boys in the beet fields are getting wages that many able-bodied men would have been glad to accept during the good old Democratic times which followed the second election of Grover Cleveland. Common labor is in great demand at good wages, and skilled mechanics are hard to hire at any price. (See want columns of the great dailies of the United States; or go out and hire a bricklayer, for instance.)—Bay City Trib.

Is it Right for an Editor to recommend Patent Medicines?

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WASHINGTON LETTER.

[From Our Regular Correspondent.]

WASHINGTON, July 21st, '99.

EDITOR CRAWFORD AVAILANCE.

President McKinley has had considerable army experience himself, and it is not surprising that he should not feel called upon to take any official notice of the complaints of certain newspaper correspondents, at Manila, that Gen. Otis has not conducted the war against the Filipinos to suit them, and that his military censor has not allowed them to cable anything they choose to write to their papers. The President knows that the same complaints were made against Gen. Grant, Gen. Sherman, Gen. Sheridan and in fact every officer who conducted a campaign during the civil war. He knows that those officers managed to get along notwithstanding such complaints, and he has every confidence in the ability of Gen. Otis to do the same. Information from civil and naval sources, over which Gen. Otis had no control, have coincided too closely with what he has sent for any unprejudiced person to swallow the story of his having at any time misrepresented the situation.

Secretary Alger has placed his resignation in the hands of President McKinley, to take effect whenever the President wishes; that ought to stop a lot of fool talk, but, of course, it won't.

Senator Nelson was given a hearing by Secretary Hitchcock. Assistant Secretary Ryan and Indian Commissioner Jones, concerning the order of June 22d, for the withdrawal of all intruders and white trespassers from the Cass Lake Indian reservation. Senator Nelson took the ground that the reservation was public land, and that settlers had a right to enter it, and asked, that the carrying into effect of the order be postponed, until there should be opportunity for congressional action. Sec'y Hitchcock has not announced his decision yet, but will do so in a day or two.

Secretary Hay has granted permission to the Civic Federation, of Chicago, through its Secretary, to request all U. S. Consuls in Europe to respond to series of questions as to the existence and workings of trusts and trade combinations in the countries in which they are stationed.

That President McKinley will be re-elected is as certain as anything in the future can be. Even if there had been no war with Spain, this would still be certain, on account of the prosperous condition of the country. The matter is thus briefed by a resident of Washington: "All elections in this country are carried by the laboring vote, the men who follow the plow, and the mechanics and artisans are the ones who elect Presidents. This class of voters are not yet ready to again embark upon the sea of approximate free trade, which is the chief corner stone of the so-called democratic organization. The laboring man is to near the time when he walked the street looking for work, living in shanties that were maintained by public charity, while his wife and children were at home without the necessary food to sustain life, and without fuel to keep them warm, to be yet ready to join the party which closed up the factories and threw them out of employment during the last Cleveland administration. If William McKinley had nothing to rely upon except the fact that he had given employment to every laboring man throughout the length and breadth of the land he could rest assured of re-election."

Mr. R. J. Vincent, of California, who thinks Senator White, of his state, would be the strongest man the Democrats could nominate for President, said: "But there is no use expecting any such good luck. Bryan already is picked out, and if he hasn't any more show in the rest of the Union than in California, he will make a worse race than in '96."

The fourth treaty for reciprocity with British Colonies was this week signed by representatives of the U. S. and Great Britain. They provide for trade reciprocity with Barbadoes, Bermuda, British Guiana and Jamaica. The text of none of these treaties will be made public until they have been acted upon by Congress, the Dingley law, under which they were negotiated requiring they shall be approved by the House as well as the Senate before becoming effective. The time within which reciprocity treaties under the Dingley law could be negotiated expired this week, but that will not prevent a presumption and completion of the negotiations for similar treaties with France and Germany, which were begun some time ago, but never completed. The constitutional authority of the President enables him to negotiate commercial treaties at any time.

Hundreds of private letters from soldiers in the Philippines give the lie to the claim that the military censorship has resulted in misrepresentation of the situation over there. Here is an extract from a letter just received from an officer in the regulars: "The insurgent army is demoralized and very much scattered. It has been frightfully slaughtered and

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