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IT IS REFRESHING.

It is refreshing to note the subsidence of the recent wave of sentimental sympathy for Aguinaldo and his army. As the truth is disclosed, and the world learns the irresponsible character of the so-called Filipino government, and hears of the atrocities committed by its army against the Red Cross, the Spanish prisoners, and even the Filipino people, the Hoarites begin to understand the absurdity of their recent hysterical declamations. They begin to realize that it was a mistake to measure their sentimental guesswork against the matured judgment and reliable information of the administration.

President McKinley has not been firing in the air. His sources of information were official and trustworthy. Months ago he learned from Dewey, Wildman, Merritt, Otis and other officials of the diplomatic and consular service and the army and the navy, the truth concerning Aguinaldo and his government and army. He knew that it would never do to pull down the flag and leave the islands to be plundered and oppressed by barbarians, because that step would have set the United States back 100 years in the estimation of civilization.

The Hoarites have made the further mistake of assuming that Aguinaldo represents the diverse interests of the islands, and that his government was the choice of a homogeneous nation. As a matter of fact, his so called army of 30,000 insurgents is only one-third hundredth part of the Filipino population, and recent disclosures show that the larger part of these 30,000 soldiers have been fighting under duress. For these deceived and unwilling conscripts a sense of pity rises; but for Aguinaldo and his treacherous lieutenants, pity is wasted sentiment. The United States has fed them and clothed them; has given them arms and helped to rid them of their oppressors. It was proceeding to deal with them and their country in a spirit of unexampled breadth and generosity when they turned on their benefactor and bit the hand extended to aid them. Knowledge of these facts is sifting into the minds of the most hysterical Hoarites.—Spokesman-Review.

DECADENCE OF TITULAR NOBILITY.

Titled aristocrats of this day and time, unpossessed of anything but their patents of nobility, scarcely fare as well as the commoner who has a trade or a profession. This is particularly the situation in which the pauperized British nobleman finds himself, says the Telegram.

In illustration of this, last evening's dispatches mention that a New York theatrical manager has engaged the Earl of Rosslyn—a sure-enough, blue-blooded earl—as a member of one of his companies.

It is true that few peers of the realm of Great Britain give such publicity to their want of means to support their titles in befitting style, but it also is true that the United States contains many scores of moneyless titled Englishmen, in the various walks of life, earning a subsistence. Some of these are sufferers from the unbridled extravagance of their ancestors, and others have themselves to blame for their "come down in the world."

There is not a large city in the Union, according to a statement from a very authentic source, that holds not, or has not held, one or more of these unfortunate aristocrats, within the past decade and a half. Quite a considerable contingent of this class cross the Atlantic with a view of retrieving their fortunes by exchanging their noble names for the cash of American heiresses. There is hardly a doubt that the Earl of Rosslyn had such a

scheme in his mind's eye when he left home, and never dreaming that the force of circumstances would reduce him to the rank of a common play actor.

A dozen years ago any titled Englishman or Frenchman who came to this country, however penniless, could have his pick among American heiresses. However, it is not so now. The "Papa Leiters" have dwindled to a very insignificant number.

THE FILIPINO AS A FIGHTER.

The Filipinos have some fighting qualities, but as warriors they are not comparable with the North American Indian. There would be a different story to record if Otis were facing 30,000 hostile Nez Percés or Modocs, fighting them in their own country, and conducting the campaign over a network of waterways, and a vast tangle of jungles.

It required a regiment of regulars, the services of a company of Indian allies, the expenditure of several million dollars, and a protracted and bloody campaign to capture Captain Jack's little band of miserable Modocs in Southern Oregon and Northern California in the early '70s. At the beginning of hostilities Jack had only sixty Modoc and twenty Hot Creek warriors. When he surrendered there were only fifty fighting men and boys, about fifty women, and sixty children. But in the course of the war our regulars lost 100 in killed and wounded, of which forty-one were killed, of whom seven were commissioned officers. Including citizens, a total of sixty-three were killed, beside two Indian allies—in all sixty-five killed and sixty-three wounded, of whom some died.

The little band of fighting Modocs surrendered to a force of 985 regulars and 71 Indian allies. Bancroft gives a graphic statement of the arrival of the captives in camp:

"About sunset on the 22nd the cry was heard in camp, 'Here they come. Here they are.' Every man started to his feet and every camp sound was hushed. In front of the procession rode Blair, the superintendent of Fairchild's farm, who sharply eyed the strolling soldiers. Fifty yards behind him rode Fairchild; followed him the Modoc warriors, behind him the women and children, all mounted, or rather piled, upon a few gaunt ponies, who fairly staggered under them. All the men wore portions of the United States uniform, and all the women a motley assortment of garments gathered up about the settlements, or plundered from the houses pillaged in the beginning of the war. Their faces and women had their faces daubed with pitch, in sign of mourning, giving them a hideous appearance. Among them were lame, halt and blind, the scum of the tribe. Slowly and silently they filed into camp, not a word being uttered by any one. Davis went forward a little way to meet them, when twelve warriors laid down their Springfield rifles at his feet, these being about a third of the fighting force of this band.

"Now that Captain Jack was no more to be feared, a feeling of professional pride caused the army to make much of the man who, with one small company, armed with rifles, had baffled and defeated a whole regiment of trained soldiers with all the appliance of modern warfare. But there was nothing in the appearance of Jack to indicate the military genius that was there. He was rather small, weighing 145 pounds, with small hands and feet and thin arms. His face was round, and his forehead low and square. His expression was serious, almost morose; his eyes black, sharp and watchful, indicating cunning, caution and a determined will. His age was 36, and he looked even younger. Clad in solid cavalry pantaloons and dark calico shirt, his bushy, unkempt hair cut short across his forehead, reclining negligently on his elbow on the ground, with a pipe between his teeth from which smoke was seldom seen to issue, his face motionless but for the darting of his watchful eyes, he looked almost like any other savage."

If Aguinaldo had 5000 soldiers of the fighting quality of the Modocs, he could prolong the war indefinitely.

But he has them not. His soldiers will not stand under fire, even when fighting behind carefully constructed intrenchments or concealed by the jungle.—Spokesman-Review.

THE SAMOAN TRAGEDY.

The tragic affair at Samoa will draw closer the bond of friendship between the United States and England, says the Review. Forces wearing the uniforms of the two nations have been under fire together. British valor and American courage have faced a savage foe. Sons of the two countries have fallen together, and there is grief in England and grief in the United States.

Lamentably, this unhappy event may strain the relations between England and the United States on one hand, and Germany upon the other. But that it will lead to war is a possibility too remote and shocking for serious consideration. It can not be believed that the British government will approve the reckless course of its hot-headed consul, or seek to condone the wanton conduct of Germans who are reported to have incited Mataafa's savage warriors to attack the forces of the United States and England.

In the light of recent events in the Samoan islands, the wisdom of efforts to continue the tripartite protectorate will be questioned. The feeling between the Germans and the British and Americans in the islands has become too bitter for harmonious alliance.

The situation requires cool consideration at Washington, London and Berlin.

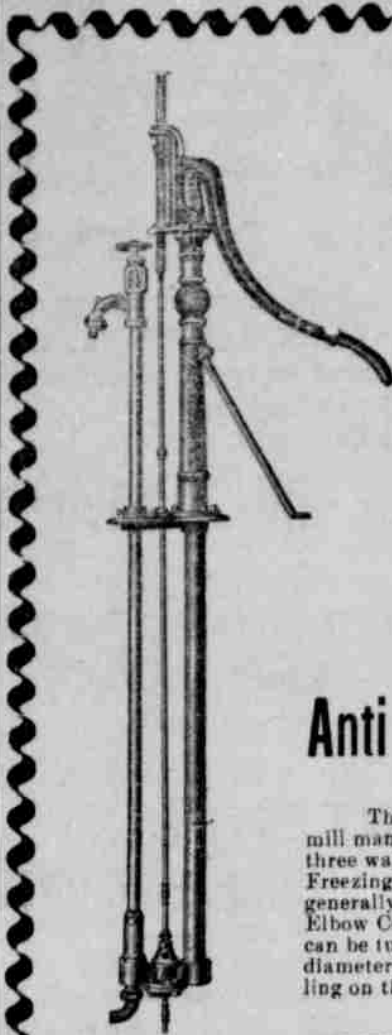
OUR PHILIPPINE POLICY.

There is certainly no exploitation of the islands for our own selfish benefit. There is no attempt, at Americanizing the natives against their will. They are to remain Filipinos, with their native creeds and customs, so far as they desire to retain the latter in preference to others of which they may learn. The Catholic may remain Catholic, and the Mahometan may remain Mahometan. There will be protection for each, but no compulsion for either. And so the wild forebodings of the Tagal rebels and of their handful of sympathizers here are pilloried as sheer fancies, if not malicious inventions. The policy which has been so successful in the native states of the Malay peninsula and in the vast East Indian empire of the Netherlands is substantially to be applied to our possessions in that quarter. To say that it will not there meet with equal success would be to say that the Filipinos are harder to deal with than the Malaccans and Sumatrans, or that Americans are inferior in governing capacity to the English and the Dutch. To neither of those propositions are the American people at present inclined to give assent.

Governor Merriam, in his capacity as director of the census, expresses himself plainly in regard to the policy he intends to pursue in the appointment of his subordinates, says the Oregonian. Candidates will be examined and he will endeavor to put competent persons in the places; but civil service rules will not apply to these positions. "It will be a matter of influence, more or less," he says, and adds that practically those candidates having passed examination "who can bring the most influence to bear will receive the appointments." This statement is conspicuous for its candor—so much so that it cannot be misunderstood. The declaration should serve a good purpose in dismissing to other pursuits a multitude who would otherwise waste time and nervous energy in hanging round waiting for a job in census taking. While the policy hints broadly at political favoritism, saying boldly in effect, "No Democrat or Populist need apply," it is something to learn we are dealing with a man who does not propose to be a hypocrite.

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WILL NOT SIGN THE DEED.

Mrs. Cowan Refuses to Give Up Her Homestead.

Mrs. Sarah Cowan, wife of James Cowan, agent at the Warm Springs reservation, and who is very well known in The Dalles, seems to be a woman of more than usual will power, and one who is not going to part with her home unless compelled to. We only hope she may be able to retain it, though the prospects do not look bright at present. Wednesday night's Telegram says:

"A peculiar case is that of Mrs. Sarah E. Cowan. She was brought here last Saturday by Deputy United States Marshal Roberts from the Warm Springs Indian reservation, pursuant to a decree of the United States district court, to compel her to transfer her homestead property in Albany to the Bank of California to satisfy a judgment in the sum of \$6000 against the defunct Bank of Albany, of which her husband, James L. Cowan, was the owner.

"The property in question was deeded to Mrs. Cowan by her husband prior to the suspension of his bank, and she claims to have made improvements on it in the sum of \$5000, with money bequeathed to her by her father. Her husband, who now is agent at the Warm Springs reservation, signed a deed conveying that property to the creditor bank, but Mrs. Cowan steadfastly refuses to do so, despite a decree of the United States court.

"The strange feature of this case is that the federal authorities profess ignorance as to why Mrs. Cowan was brought here, unless it is to coerce her to sign a paper, which in the present status of the matter is entirely unnecessary.

"Under a decree issued by Judge Bellinger, the property claimed by Mrs. Cowan was sold by the United States marshal and bought by the Bank of California, the only bidder at the sale. The marshal executed a deed of the same to the purchaser, according to law, which provides that in case a transfer is not made of property within thirty days of the issuance of such decree the marshal's deed shall operate the same as a regular conveyance.

"In view of this, it is difficult to understand why Mrs. Cowan should have been brought here. The court has nothing more to do with her. But the fact is, as stated by a prominent attorney today, that she is here under rule of practice of the United States supreme court, which authorizes her detention by the United States marshal until she complies with the decree of the United States district court.

"The rule does not designate the manner in which she shall be detained, so the marshal has placed her in the keeping of her married daughter, Mrs. Meikle, on the East Side.

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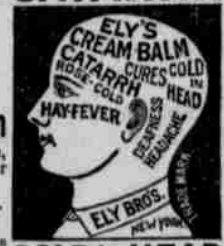
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