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JOHN W. GATES, et al have formed a rice trust. Now won't the Chinese have to suffer?

Wonder if that century question will bob up serenely again at the beginning of the year 1901?

PERHAPS Chairman Jones has gone to Arkansas to catch up with some of his late predictions.

The British at last have got down to business in South Africa; they have sent General Buller home.

AGUINALDO has not suggested a protocol nor issued a proclamation for several days. It looks as if the election returns would hold him for a while.

THINK of a fusion of the democrats and republicans to overwhelm a third political party. There is no other alternative in the Hawaiian Islands if the natives are to be outvoted.

It will require an expert to determine whether the increase in the price of Kentucky whiskey is due to the election of McKinley or to the fact that the democrats carried the state.

BRYAN howled for the past four years about hard times, yet it seems as if he has had three or four opportunities of late to refuse jobs wherein the salaries ranged from \$10,000 to \$75,000 per year.

WEYLER says he could have driven the Americans into the sea had he still been in command in Cuba when the war began. And while he was there he couldn't even keep Gomez' few hundred ragged rebels outside his wire fences. In his safely beyond the main, he reminds one of a bull bellowing across a lake.

THE Manchester (England) Guardian prints a letter from a Cape Town correspondent of which the following is an extract:

"This country is confronted with a danger which threatens to strike more seriously at its prosperity and what matters more—its national character than even the war. The group of mining capitalists of which Mr. Rhodes is the most prominent figure have announced their intention to import Chinese labor, and unless British South Africans or the British public, or both, intervene, the intention will be carried into effect. The announcement comes from Rhodesia. In that country something like fifty millions of British capital has been sunk thus far without return."

The people of South Africa may see the danger of the introduction of Chinese labor, but they have not the power to prevent it. The government of Great Britain will not sacrifice its trade with China to any claim the laborers of one of its provinces may urge for protection against cheap labor. In the United States the people have a more potent voice in the government. It is in the power of the people to demand the reenactment of the Chinese exclusion law, and if the demand is made with unanimity it will be heeded. The exclusion of

Chinese has never been made a party question, for the reason that there has never been a party in the state strong enough to oppose a measure of which the masses of the people approve.

OPENING FOR YOUNG STATESMEN.

It is the observation of men competent to judge that not for years has the public life of this country been at such a low level as at present. This does not mean that the men holding office are corrupt, but intellectually their average is not what it should be. From the campaign just closed many of the ablest men of both parties held aloof.

If the reason of their refusal we find probably the best explanation of the present conditions of things. Political mediocrity, though guilty of no financial dishonesty or any of the coarser crimes, has muddled up the questions and policies of the government until the big men do not want to touch them. There is no high note in speech or paper. It is bungling right along, and if a clear-minded man rises above party and says what he thinks, he is immediately accused of being unfaithful to his organization.

But in the new congress there must be great opportunities. Something must be done to lift our politics from their present depths. Some one must arise and sound the cry that will cause people to think more, and brave men to show their courage! Something must happen to end all this intolerable stupidity.

There are many things to be done. We must have an end of the shuffling over foreign affairs and colonial business and the opening of a day out of the difficulties. It will take statesmanship to do this, but to doubt that it will be found is to doubt the ability and capacity of the American people. For the young man who has been elected to congress or for the new man in public life there never was such a chance. If he has the ability and the foresight, the mentality and the courage, and will think more of country than of party, and labor incessantly for the people, he will gain not only their gratitude but their tributes and a place in their history.

ARMY REORGANIZATION.

In the plan of army reorganization prepared by Secretary Root congress should recognize what appears to be a final and satisfactory solution of a difficult problem. In brief, this plan provides for the establishment of a permanent organization of 50,000 men. This will be the nation's regular army, the nucleus of whatever land force is to be raised in time of war. The president, by the terms of the plan, will hold discretionary authority to increase this army up to a maximum of 100,000, each company of sixty men being recruited up to its full maximum strength of 120.

The advantages of this plan should be obvious, for while it does away with the maintenance of a large army, most of it useless much of the time, it renders possible the calling of a formidable army into being on short notice and without the delay involved in waiting for congressional action. It is obviously far easier to raise companies of sixty to companies of 120, by the simple process of gradually absorbing recruits, than to drill a company composed entirely of raw recruits into anything like military efficiency. In other words, it is easier to fill the ranks of a well-officer regular army, keeping it up to the efficiency of regular forces, than it is to build a considerable part of an army separately and anew.

The elasticity of such an organization thus makes it peculiarly adaptable to the needs of a nation which means to pursue a peaceful policy but must be ready to act quickly if hostile action be needed. Secretary Root's plan would entail upon the government the burden of actually supporting only 50,000 men, but while the cost and care would be thus limited the nation would have in effect the advantages of protection which an army twice the size would give.

The arrangement, of course, would require special care in providing for an adequate complement of officers, but the practicability of getting officers seems to have been shown by recent experience. The nation's land forces were suddenly increased threefold—practically from 25,000 to 100,000. While the process imposed a strain, and many regiments were badly underofficered, there is no reason to believe that it would not be perfectly feasible to officer an army of 100,000 with only half that number as a permanent basis. If it involved in some cases the placing of recently graduated

officers in responsible positions, it would quicken the process of promotion and tend to bring the actual command of regiments more and more into the hands of men in the prime of early middle age. Secretary Root's plan in its general outline merits the nation's approval.

NICARAGUA READY.

Minister Corea of Nicaragua has arrived in Washington and been interviewed in respect to the construction of the Nicaragua canal. He says that President Zelaya and his associates and, in fact, the whole country are enthusiastic on the future of the great waterway. It is much to be hoped that when congress meets it will take advantage of the present favorable situation. The Nicaragua canal project is not the only one of its kind to suffer through the inability of all who advocate it to be ready for operations at the same time. The Nicaraguan government has at times had understandings with other nations which required consideration, while at other times the American government has been the cause of delay. It now appears that both governments are ready at the same time, and there is reason to hope that something will be accomplished. Fortunately, the money market is also ready. Bonds to the amount of \$150,000,000 would be taken without the slightest disturbance of general business.

The need of the canal is becoming more apparent each year. The transcontinental railroads are now virtually under one management, and the only opening for competition is by cutting through the isthmus and thus forming an ocean highway. It is quite within the range of probabilities that if our government neglects to take advantage of the present favorable conditions, Nicaragua and Costa Rica will enter into negotiations with a company formed from stockholders in the transcontinental railroads.

We do not know that the organization of such a company is under consideration, but in view of the vast amount of capital invested in the roads, and of the effect of the canal as a competitor, the investment of \$100,000,000 or thereabouts to shut off competition would not be a wild speculation. Our government has expended several hundred millions in the acquisition of the Philippine islands, which are valuable chiefly as a base of operations to secure the trade of the far east depends largely upon the cost of transportation from ports of the United States to Asiatic ports. There is one route now which the government may acquire and hold, and now is the time to secure it.

"That Man."

A lot of fun is promised the patrons of the Opera-house next Monday, Nov. 26, when that famous farce comedy, "That Man," will be the attraction. It was one of last season's most pronounced successes at the Herald Square theater, New York. The idea and situations in "That Man" are really new to the stage. The plot deals with the domestic entanglements in three families, which is, of course, an old subject, but the method of the respective wives used to keep each individual husband at home is novel in the extreme. They employ a "jealousy arouser," known as Tuocephalus Montjoy, whose sole occupation is that of comforter to neglected wives at so much per, and by extravagant attention presumes to arouse the waning love of the recalcitrant benedicts by making them jealous, which leads to a host of amusing complications. Mr. Walter Walker, who is starring in the character of That Man, has made the hit of his career. He has a thoroughly artistic conception of the character. He is clever in every way, but especially as regards his faculty of conveying the emotions which he is supposed to feel by his facial expressions. In short, as of our foremost critics said, "There has been no better example of light comedy acting seen on the American stage." The support will include the dainty comedienne Miss Mildred St. Pierre, and a company of comedians of unusual merit. Nothing has been spared to make "That Man" the comedy event of the season. Tickets on sale at Huntley's.

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Oregon City Market Report.

(Corrected weekly.)

Wheat—No. 1, 70 in bulk.
Flour—Portland, \$3.20; Howard's Best, \$3.20; Fisher's Best, \$2.90.
Oats—in sacks, white, 37 to 40 cents per bushel, gray, 35 to 37.
Millstuffs—Bran, \$14.50 per ton shorts, \$15.75 per ton.
Potatoes—50 to 60 cts per sack.
Eggs—Oregon, 53 to 55c; Eastern, 55c per dozen.
Butter—Ranch, 35 to 50 cents per roll.
Onions, \$1.00 to \$1.25 per sack.
Green apples, 25 to 30 cents per box dried 5 cts per pound.
Livestock and Dressed Meats—Beef, live, 3 1/2 to 4c; hogs, live, 4 1/2c; hogs, dressed, 6 to 6 1/2 cents; sheep, \$2.25 to \$4 per head; veal, dressed 8 to 8 1/2c.

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