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A "CIVILIZED" DISGRACE.

You hear much from the Oregon "enlightened" press these days about the lack of civilization in the Philippines, and of how "we," that is, the administration, are going to civilize them. Ask the visitors of the Portland carnival what they saw in the Midway where innocent women and children were standing side by side and witnessing a performing revolting to even the habits of the Whitechapel districts. The filthy performance has been running throughout the entire fair and the pure papers of Hanna extraction have no word of remonstrance. It is a disgrace to our civilization. If such revolting performances are to be patronized, let them be placarded so that innocent childhood can be kept away. It certainly was the duty of Portland papers to have exposed such rottenness and the duty of the police department to have stopped the immoral scenes. But perhaps the two dailies in the republican city of Portland are too busy preaching voting the Hanna ticket as morals, and booming a governor who has been charged publicly of selling offices, to notice performances which would bring the blush of shame to even Oscar Wilde, himself. If the Filipinos can show a worse exhibition of depravity than the dance in the Midway, a select delegation should be imported to Portland and given charge of the city administration.

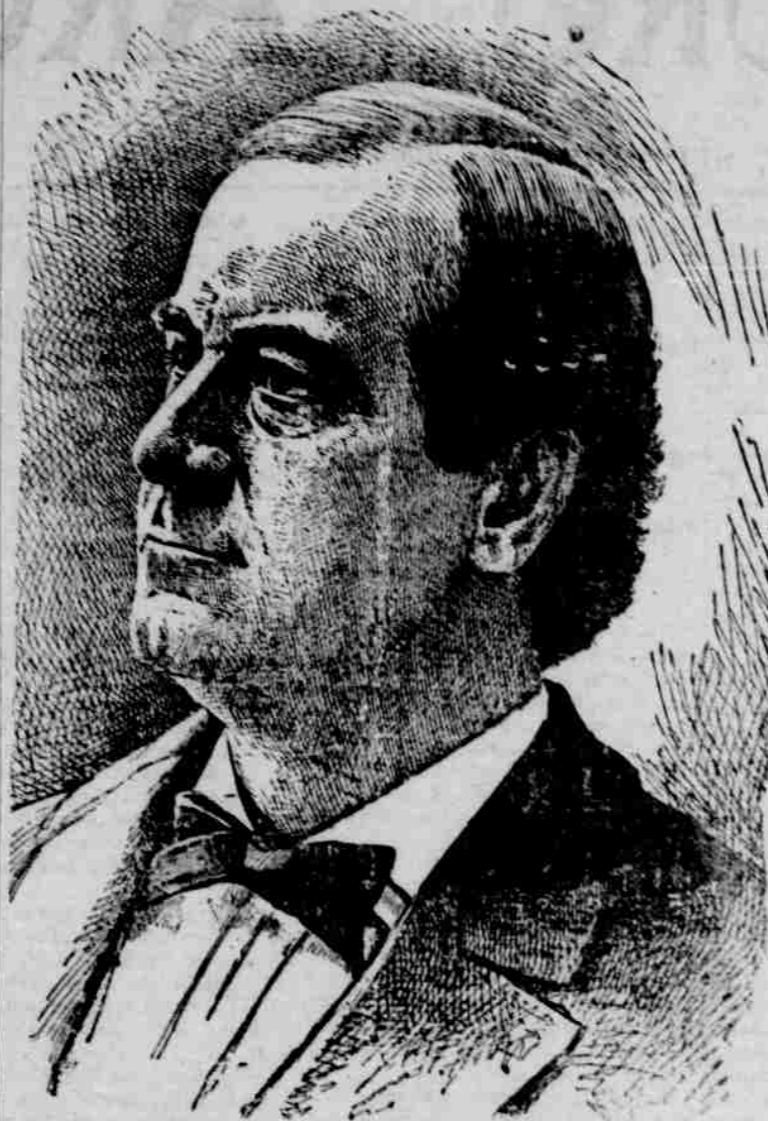
A MATTER FOR THINKING PEOPLE.

The man who believes in a republic as against an empire; the man who believes in a republic in fact rather than a republic in name, and the man who believes that the majority of our people should rule instead of a minority of bankers and trust stockholders, has much food for reflection in present conditions and the present political situation. It is true that President McKinley is as weak as the picture of the Oregonian quoted from it in another column. No reader and observer will deny this. But for this reason he is the more dangerous. He is controlled by that element in public affairs which believes the common people are too ignorant to have a voice in national administration. He and his immediate supporters—not the rank and file of his party however—find that John Bull is quite the proper thing for example; they want a large standing army to pile up burdens of taxation on the producers who primarily pay all tax. They want empire which means destruction of all popular government. They forget liberty and all that name implies. They think that the South African grab by England is quite right and laugh at the misery of the Transvaal Dutch fighting for their homes, and see the British empire in all international dealings. They are willing that English brokers shall prescribe our monetary laws for us and tell us that it is "civilized" to follow this course. Is not all this food for reflection, and should it not tell any man that a vote for empire is dangerous?

UNITED AMERICANS.

It is becoming apparent that the true American spirit is aroused by the peril now menacing the government. No matter what arguments of loot may be advanced to tempt to rule the Filipinos by force against their will, we have been too long taught as Americans that "constitutional governments derive their just powers from the consent of the governed" to sanction a sin so surely destructive of our nation-

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Jefferson, 1801-1809.

Bryan, 1901-1909.

al integrity. No matter what selfish reasons may be urged to the Porto Ricans of their rights under the constitution—a denial based upon the theory that the American flag as a colony, not as an integral part of the United States—we know as Americans that a "republic can have no colonies." And as for the remarkable necessitated feat of attempting to exist as a republic on the American mainland while ruling as an empire in the Philippines and Porto Rico, every American knows in his soul that this government "can not exist half republic and half empire."

It is for these good and valid American reasons that the democrats, the populists, the free silver republicans and the anti-imperialist league are now drawing close together for the great fight of 1900. The existence of the government is dependent upon its issue. The slogan of the united assault on the plotter for the empire is "Save the republic!"—St. Louis Republic.

Every thinking citizen who came to this country from European countries or Great Britain realizes the truth of the above. Unhappy Ireland and the devastated Dutch republics are the consequences of the brute force of empire.

THE PASSING OF A PATRIOT.

Nowhere does the dread presence of American imperialism reveal itself more unmistakably than in the character of its personal embodiment, William I. William the Conqueror of subject races, William the Enslaver of the American people, William the Destroyer of republican institutions, William the Tyrant who forces his iron will and firm intellectual convictions upon all minds and hearts.

This our despot has come up through strange vicissitudes. He was not always thus. He used to be so good-natured as to go on other men's notes and spend his money as fast as he made it. He used to worship the protective tariff with a naive and open heart. Knowing nothing of the money question in 1891, he complacently fell in with party emergency and denounced Cleveland for betraying silver. When the St. Louis convention of 1896 came on he palpitated between the uncompromising gold men and the simple-bearded "bimetallicists."

When the Paris treaty was under negotiation he hesitated again, and only could make up his mind after swinging around the circle and hearing applause for expansion sentiments. When the Maine was blown up he was for peace till congress declared war. When Alger grew distasteful he had to get Hobart to tell Griggs to tell Alger to resign. When Porto Rico came up he was strong for free trade till congress came out for a 15 per cent duty, and then he was for anything congress was for. He was for civil service reform, but he couldn't resist the Ohio appeal to encroach on the classified list. He let Gage demand and Daxges denounce banking reform simultaneously. How firmly he resisted applications for appointment of favored sons and sons-in-law to the volunteer army. How loudly he stamped his imperial foot for speedy justice in the Carter case! How like flint he sets his face against senators clamoring for recognition of their pets with postoffices and collectorships! How he converted Gage to the gold standard and imposed his ideas of diplomacy on Hay! How he railroaded his platform through at Philadelphia and resisted the rural demand for Roosevelt for vice-president! How he disciplines Platt and Quay and

rules Mark Hanna with a rod of iron! Taken by and large, this is certainly one of the most relentless-willed and stony-hearted unlimited monarchs known to history. No wonder that gentle, shrinking souls like Grover Cleveland and Tom Reed start back in dismay at the spectacle of his autocratic power. No wonder that the imperialistic dominion of William I at once arrests the attention and arouses the indignation of every man with wheels in his head.—Oregonian.

The above is a little the finest piece of truth and sarcasm that has shone in the Oregonian for a long time. But you must vote for McKinley, says the Oregonian! The trusts control McKinley; he has no ideas; he is the creature of uncertainty; he has no backbone; he is a weakling; he is first for this—and then for its opposite. But you must vote for McKinley or be a poor patriot. Bryan would have ideas and would put them in execution. So you must not vote for him! According to its own estimate of our president, the Oregonian must be a very poor political adviser.

BE AN AMERICAN.

Americans should desire to be Americans. Then let no few men dictate your Americanism. Do not let a few commercialists who hobnob with British capitalists, and who hold empire in reverence, vote you this fall. Do not let a syndicate vote you; do not let straddlers vote you—for straddlers are dangerous. Straddlers are the Tories who wanted us to submit to the extortion of King George; straddlers are the fellows who wrote financial platforms which said one thing and meant another, and they are the fellows who think that the deceit is commendable, and laugh at the way they caught suckers. Be an American first, last and always. Straddlers are they who shout for "plain duty" and then do plain violation to the line of duty because trusts say they must. Be an American all the time; don't let a party name run you, unless you run the party's policy. And when your party's policy tickles a sympathizer of King George, vote the other way. Respect your flag and your rights. Be an American.

Why He Should Be Elected.

All this hodge-podge about what Bryan couldn't do if elected president has nothing to do with the case. What he couldn't do does not concern us, but what he could do concerns us mightily. We know what he could do; therefore we are concerned.—Oregonian.

PE DEE ROUGH.

"The Peede postoffice, in the various changes which have recently been made in that section, has been out of mail for two weeks."—Despatch.

This is P. D. rough, and steps should be taken to remedy P. D. Q.

Mrs. G. W. Harrow was out from Portland the first of the week, visiting with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Adolph Honzaik.

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Notice of Final Account.

In the matter of the estate of S. A. Klink, deceased. Notice is hereby given that the undersigned has filed her final account as Administratrix of said estate, and that the 17th day of September, 1900, at the County Court Room, in Hillsboro, Washington County, Oregon, has been fixed for the time and place for hearing objections thereto, and for the settlement of the same. ELIZABETH M. KLINK, Administratrix.

Notice of Final Settlement.

Notice is hereby given that the County Court of the State of Oregon, for Washington County, has fixed Monday, Sept. 16, 1900, at ten o'clock in the forenoon of said day, in the County Court room at Hillsboro, Oregon, as the time and place for hearing objections, if any there be, to the final accounting of the administration of the estate of Nathaniel Holland, deceased, and for the final settlement of said estate. WM. HEARN, Administrator of the said estate. Hillsboro, Or., July 26, 1900.

SUMMONS.

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE State of Oregon, for the County of Washington.

Elio Bryant, vs Plaintiff
John F. Bryant, Defendant

To John F. Bryant, Defendant: In the Name of the State of Oregon, you are hereby required to appear and make answer to the complaint filed against you in the above entitled suit on or before the 10th day of November, which is subsequent to the expiration of six weeks after Sept. 13, 1900, which is the date of the first publication of this summons, if you fail to appear, the plaintiff will apply to the court for the relief demanded in her complaint, to-wit: A judgment and decree of the Court, forever dissolving the bonds of matrimony between the plaintiff and the defendant, and for such other relief as to the Court may seem just and equitable.

This summons is published by order of the Hon. M. C. George, Judge of the Fourth Judicial District, made and dated on the 13th day of September, 1900.

Dated at first publication, Sept. 13, 1900. S. S. GILLESPIE, Portland, Ore., Attorney for Plaintiff.

Administrator's Sale of Real Property.

Notice is hereby given that by virtue and in pursuance of an order of the County Court of the State of Oregon, for Washington County, made and dated the 22nd day of May, 1899, in the matter of the estate of Fred Witt, deceased, authorizing and directing the sale of the real property belonging to said estate, that from and after Monday the 1st day of October, 1900, the undersigned will proceed to sell at private sale, in one parcel or more, of the following described real property, to-wit: Being, being and situate in Washington County, Oregon, and more particularly designated and described as follows, to-wit: The South East quarter of the South East quarter of Section 1, and all of the West half of the South West quarter of Section 3, Township 1, North of Range Four West of the Willamette Meridian, excepting that certain tract described by A. E. McLeod and Fred Patterson and described as follows: Beginning at the South West corner of Section 3 and running thence north 19 1/2 chains, thence east 12 1/2 chains, thence south 24 degrees east 11 1/2 chains, thence south 10 chains, thence west 19 1/2 chains to the place of beginning, the tract to be sold containing 82.22 acres, upon the following terms: One-half the purchase price cash in hand, at the time of sale; the balance on time to suit the purchaser, to be secured by first mortgage upon the premises sold, and to bear interest at the rate of eight per cent per annum; expense of transfer to be paid by purchaser. Dated this August 25, 1900.

JOHN WITT, deceased. Geo. E. Bagley, Atty for Administrator

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Executor's Notice.

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned has this day, by the County Court of Washington, been appointed executor of the last will and testament of John Smith, deceased, and has duly qualified as such. Therefore, all persons having claims against the estate of said John Smith, deceased, are hereby requested to present them, properly verified as to the law office of John M. Wall, in Hillsboro, Oregon, within six months from date.

THEODORE VANDEHEY, Executor of the last will and testament of John Smith, deceased. Dated at Hillsboro, Oregon, this 23rd day of August, 1900. John M. Wall, Atty for Executor.

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