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All garden vegetables are merely types improved by long cultivation of wild species. The wild cabbage is common enough in places by the sea, but is of no use for food in its wild state. Indeed, it will take a botanist to tell that it was a cabbage at all. Scotland owes the cabbage to Cromwell's soldiers. The cauliflower is but a cultivated improvement on the cabbage. It was brought to perfection in Cyprus and was very little known until about a century ago. The parsnip is another native of this country. You may find it along almost any hedge-row, but it is small and intensely bitter in its wild state.

A catalogue of the national observatory at Athens shows that 3,187 earthquakes were felt in Greece in the years 1893-1898, and of these 2,018 were recorded in Zante alone. The shocks were more numerous in April and May than in other months.

In selecting seed corn in the field the vigor and growth of the stalks should be observed as well as the ears. If a stalk produces two or three good ears mark it. By using seed from the most prolific stalks the tendency will be to produce more ears every year, until as many as four and five ears per stalk will be the result.

Red cedar is a desirable tree, but the seed seems to fall in germination. The fact is that it requires two seasons in which to grow. Seeds sown at any time will not grow for about 12 months. Sow them in a bed and leave it undisturbed, except to occasionally water it, for a season.

The burdock is a weed that is exterminated with difficulty, as the plant produces a great many seeds and they remain in the soil for years, ready to grow as soon as conditions are favorable. If the plant is cut off below the ground and a handful of salt thrown on the root the plant will soon die, as the root is soft and the salt rots it.

A Mauser bullet entered the brain of Jeremiah O'Leary, a British soldier at the battle of Colenso. An expert surgeon removed the bullet, and with it a small portion of the man's brain. Since then his memory is slightly impaired, and he detests the taste of beer, although he had been very fond of it previous to receiving the wound.

Little Nellie was learning to read, and part of her lesson ran thus: "The cat has a rat." "Hub!" she exclaimed; "the man who wrote this book didn't know much. Cats don't have rats; they have kittens."

Life is a training and it is only by looking upon it as such that we can appreciate its true value.

Rheumatism

Rheumatic pains are the cries of protest and distress from tortured muscles, aching joints and excited nerves. The blood has been poisoned by the accumulation of waste matter in the system, and can no longer supply the pure and health sustaining food they require. The whole system feels the effect of this acid poison; and until the blood has been purified and brought back to a healthy condition will the aches and pains cease.

Mrs. James Keel, of 707 Ninth street, N. E., Washington, D. C., writes as follows: "A few months ago I had an attack of Sciatic Rheumatism in its worst form. The pain was so intense that I became completely prostrated. The attack was an unusually severe one, and my condition was regarded as being very dangerous. I was attended by one of the most able doctors in Washington, who is also a member of the faculty of a leading medical college here. He told me to continue his prescriptions and I would get well. After having filled twelve times without receiving the slightest benefit, I declined to continue his treatment any longer. Having heard of S. S. S. (Swift's Specific) recommended for Rheumatism, I decided, almost in despair, however, to give the medicine a trial, and after I had taken a few bottles I was able to hobble around on crutches, and very soon thereafter had no use for them at all. S. S. S. having cured me sound and well. All the distressing pains have left me, my appetite has returned, and I am happy to be again restored to perfect health."

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WIVES COUNTED OUT.

Indians Compelled by Law to Forgo Polygamy.

Six suicides and hundreds of broken hearts is the record of one month's slaughter in the Kiowa and Comanche Indian reservation. The order of the United States government compelling the men of the Kiowa and Comanche tribes to give up all but one wife has caused sorrow and death to invade the domestic circles of their homes. It has been more severe than the United States officers dreamed that it would be. It has caused more trouble than any order that has been issued against the Indians for many years.

The orders of the Interior Department, issued last winter, were explicit on the question of Indians having more than one wife. It stated that all redskins must come at once to the agency and proceed to account for their households. The Indians did not obey. The Indian agents were lenient, not desiring to push such a vital and delicate subject. The old men and the young bucks did not pay any heed to the edict, but proceeded to marry more squaws and increase their household, as has been the custom for years. In some of the households there were as many as ten women who had been made wives



TALL BEAVER AND SQUAW.

of the head of the house, according to Indian laws.

Recently the agent for the Kiowas and Comanches sent out word that they must separate for good or forfeit their rights to share in the tribe's land and money, soon to be distributed pro rata. The old men did not like to lose their right of land and money, and, much against their will, they were forced to go to the agency at Darlington and make a choice of their wives. In nearly every case the old squaws were chosen. In the case of Tall Beaver, he chose the youngest of his squaws, and the other six killed themselves because they were not the lucky ones.

Tall Beaver is very glad that he got rid of his squaws, he said, because they were no good to work, and he was fast losing his fortune in consequence thereof. He said he did not care if his deserted wives did kill themselves, as it was not his fault. Some of the older men were angry at the agent because they had to give up their wives, and threaten to sue the United States for the damage done.

It used to be among the Kiowas and Comanches that the more wives one possessed the better standing he had in tribal ranks. But lately the young men have only taken more than one wife because it was the style to do so. They were glad to get rid of their many squaws, but the old men held back and kept the younger element on their side.

The legal casting away of wives took place on the open prairie near the agency. The agent, Maj. Mischner, tall and dignified, sat on his pony in the midst of the terrified redskins. He had a list of names of the members of the tribes from each district, and called them out in alphabetical order. Some of the squaws grew frantic when they learned they had been abandoned. Some of the women took it more kindly and went to the agent, where they were given work and some of them have been fortunate enough to marry again. It is estimated that 400 women will be deserted before the last trace of polygamy is blotted out in these two tribes.

A Studied Demonstration.
"It is nonsense," exclaimed Mr. Meekton, "for anybody to assert that I don't dare say my soul is my own." He glared defiantly, and continued: "I do say it. 'My soul is my own.' There! I hope that is perfectly intelligible and satisfactory."
"What's the matter?" inquired a friend.
"I'm doing this to please Henrietta," answered Mr. Meekton, quieting down to a confidential tone. "If you get an opportunity, just let her know what I've been saying. Somebody told her I didn't dare say my soul was my own, and it made her so wildly indignant that I thought I ought to do something to pacify her."—Washington Star.

The Indians of the United States.
The Indian population of the United States is 248,340. In 1492 they were lords of the whole country; now they have reserved for them 144,406 square miles.

WHAT WE HAVE PROMISED.

The Philippine Policy is Fully and Succinctly Stated.

As Against Bryan's General Idea of a Stable Government, the Republicans Place Their Programme in Full.

Certain Democratic and semi-Democratic papers are much troubled by an alleged lack of an affirmative Republican policy in the Philippines. It is true that the Republican party now occupies pretty much the position Lincoln held at the time of his death in respect to reconstruction, namely: that it is not absolutely and irretrievably committed to any policy. It is to a considerable extent feeling its way, and the policy in the Philippines will be not to deal with some events and problems until they arise. At the same time the administration has announced and declared a general policy of a clear and comprehensive character.

The Philippine commission in its proclamation to the people of the islands gave a clear and comprehensive outline of the general policies of the administration. They were in substance as follows:

- (1.) The supremacy of the United States to be recognized throughout the islands.
- (2.) The fullest self-government to be granted which is compatible with a just, stable, effective and economical administration and with the sovereign authority of the United States.
- (3.) The civil and religious rights of the Filipinos to be assured with the equal standing of all before the law.
- (4.) An honest civil service with the natives preferred. No exploitation of the people.
- (5.) Honest collection and disbursement of taxes. Local funds not to be used for other than local purposes.
- (6.) A pure, speedy and effective administration of justice in the courts with protection for the rights of all.
- (7.) The promotion of railroads and other means of communication and transportation.
- (8.) Domestic and foreign trade and commerce and the promotion of native industry to be the constant purpose of the United States.
- (9.) Ample provisions for free schools in which the children of the people will be educated. Appropriate facilities also for higher education.
- (10.) Reforms in all departments of government, all branches of the public service and in all corporations closely touching the common life of the people, to be undertaken speedily and executed conformably with right and justice.

Pledged to these purposes, the United States warned the rebellious Filipinos, who are estimated to constitute less than five per cent of the population, that they could accomplish nothing by their resistance except their own ruin.

Bryan's Two-Faced Platform.
It is a pity for Bryan that there is no way of having expurgated or censored for reading in the West, his Eastern speeches about the paramountcy of "imperialism." Free silver believers in the Western states cannot relish the Democratic Eastern talk that the 16 to 1 plank in the platform does not mean anything, except a trick for catching votes in the silver states. And if anti-expansion is paramount to free silver, these same people will wonder what their own place can now be in the Democratic party, expansion being a policy they themselves view with paramount favor. In this age of easy communication between localities, it is not possible for principles of a party to be confined to one part of the country secreted from other parts. In the wholesale desertions from Bryan of Silver-Republicans like Senator Stewart, of Nevada, and ex-Senator Mantle, of Montana, there is interesting proof that a modern Janus-faced statesman cannot stand much show of success. He cannot talk from face No. 1 without the impertinent telegraph instrument telling it to those for whom the words from face No. 2 were meant, and vice versa.

Silver and Savings Banks.
The volume of savings banks' bank deposits and what free silver would mean in reference to them, is a boundless subject. Take, for instance, the state of New York and read what the New York World, a leading Democratic organ, says upon the subject: "From the annual report on the savings banks of this state it appears that 415,370 new depositors took out books last year. The total deposits were increased by \$15,853,094 over the total of the previous year."
The savings banks of New York report 2,036,917 depositors. They are creditors of the banks for money on deposit at interest amounting to the huge sum of \$858,443,277.
This shows that there are 858,443,277 reasons, every one of them worth a sound dollar, why the vote of New York will not be easily secured for the proposition to pay back 100 cents deposited "as good as gold" with 50 cents' worth of silver.

Teacher (after some explanation)—Now, children, what is an epidemic? Bright Scholar—It's where everybody gets sick and we don't have to go to school for ever so long.

GERMANS STANDING FIRM.

They Supported Lincoln Once as They Support McKinley Now.

Mr. Bryan has opened a Pandora box in quoting so profusely from Lincoln. Not only was Lincoln arraigned by the Democrats in 1864 as acting the part of an emperor and "sitting enthroned in the White House," but he was denounced specifically as McKinley is now for violating the Declaration of Independence and governing without the consent of the governed; and as if to make the parallel absolutely complete, there was also a determined movement in 1864 to turn the German Republicans against Lincoln.

Lincoln, of course, could only expect the denunciation of the copperheads who thought the consent of the governed doctrine forbade the suppression of the rebellion. The unkindest cut of all was that Republicans should go off into opposition against him, but there were Boutwells in that day. They held a "liberty convention" and nominated Fremont, because forsooth, Lincoln was not a good enough Republican for them. This was bad enough, but there are always some cranks, extremists and malcontents. The worst defection threatened—the one most trying to Lincoln and his supporters—was one projected in the name of the German Republicans.

As late in the campaign as September 21, Horace Greely said in the New York Tribune:

"Until a short time ago it seemed as though nearly the entire vote controlled by the German National clubs would be lost to the Republican party."

But the keen sighted Greely now saw how the Germans had been misrepresented. He now made bold to predict that Lincoln would get an overwhelmingly majority of German voters and a few weeks later in November, that prophesy was made good. The men who predicted a great German defection from Lincoln had reckoned without their host. The Germans instead of being carried off on a tangent had coolly and calmly reviewed the situation. They saw the folly and fraud in the cry of imperialism against Lincoln and the preposterous dogmas about the consent of the governed and the Declaration of Independence. They dismissed the utter folly, the charge of Lincoln "sitting enthroned at the White House" and setting himself up as an emperor. They rallied to Lincoln's support in November, and indeed it is to be said that without the help they gave, Lincoln could not have been re-elected. He had no truer or firmer friends than the Germans at home and the boys who "fought mit Sigel" in the field, and sent their Lincoln ballots home to be counted.

Morgan's Straight Talk.

Senator John T. Morgan, of Alabama, though a leading member of the party which is trying to prove that Republican policies are "imperialistic," is not afraid to give the McKinley administration policies credit for being the opposite of "imperialistic."

An interviewer for a Southern paper asked him:

"Do you approve of Secretary Hay's policy in negotiating with the Chinese?"

"Thoroughly," came the emphatic reply. "Mr. Hay has been wise and statesmanlike, and his course has been beyond criticism. He has reflected credit in a remarkable manner on this government abroad and has excelled the achievements of the foreign chancelleries."

Oriental Trade Growing.

It is especially interesting to note that our exports to Asia and Oceania are gaining with a greater proportionate rapidity than to any other part of the world, our total in 1890 amounting to \$857,828,684, and in 1900, were \$1,394,479,314, an increase of 63 per cent; to Europe our exports in 1890 were \$683,736,397 and in 1900 were \$1,040,167,312, an increase of 52 per cent; to North America our exports in 1890 were \$94,100,410, and in 1900 were \$187,299,318, an increase of 100 per cent; to Oceania our exports in 1890 were \$1,460,269 as against \$43,390,927 in 1900, or an increase of 164 per cent; while to Asia our exports in 1890 were \$19,696,820 as against \$64,913,984 in 1900, or an increase of 230 per cent.

What Democracy Means in 1900.

Join the Democrats and what does it mean?

Answers—Helping to cheat American labor with 42-cent dollars. Helping to close mills and put honest workmen out of jobs. Helping to "bust" banks and wipe away savings. Sympathizing with the shooting of "niggers" and the stuffing of ballot boxes. Helping to haul down the American flag over the Philippines. Helping to throw away the fruits of the most remarkable naval victory in history. Helping to withdraw troops from Manila so that the horrors of Pe'kin may be repeated, and the native allies of the United States be slaughtered by thousands that Aginaldo may have his revenge. Helping to give away our markets and our territory to other nations. Helping to restore the spoils system in the civil service. Helping to degrade the supreme court of the United States.

Hamburg had 82 days in 1899 when the sun was not visible at all. There were in all 1,367 hours of sunshine, or 400 hours less than in Heligoland.