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wholly of native design, has alternat- wholly to themselves, but that in fiing spokes, but in all other respects nance and foreign relations they are seems to fully as good as those of still in need of a guiding hand, as they American make.

General Reeve was asked about the intercourse with foreign nations. find its own solution.

"The Spanish priests were hated by their crucity and rapacity. The na- | me was that the only religion they tive priests they like, however, and the knew was the Catholic, but that they Tagales said they were untiring in had disassociated church and state their devotion to the sick. The Span-Thirteen of them were on the ship on Filipines the tenets of its faith. which I returned to this country, and belong to a sect, I think, called Ric. any doubt about his integrity of purcolette, which is supposed to have pose. This talk about selling out is unly a script and staff, but Captain pothing but rubbish. Personally he is spite of this, they had over thirty-two and seemed to know about everything tons of baggage with them, and they going on in the world. The men about were the gayest crowd I ever saw, him attached to his headquarters, They drank wine constantly and in some twenty in number, were bright questionable of waltz music on Sunday, educated abroad and spoke English reminds me that the natives are wonmartail music as well as our bands can Infanto, was one of the largest properbut in waltzes and opera music they bolders in Binondo, the business diswere far better. They are taigans, playing wholly without notes, and can memorize a piece after playing it pleezs, which he used to send in to play for us before the trouble, and it was a treat to hear them.

In spite of all this however, I do not affairs." intelligent as the Filipinos.

"I believe they can manage their own internal affairs and well conduct all forms of government appertaining are as yet not capable of carrying on

"What do you think of Aguinaldo?" ders on the islands, and he seemed to the reporter then asked General think this was a problem which would Reeve. He paused a moment and his face brightened as he said;

"In October of last year, when I paid Aguinaldo a visit, one thing he told and that any sect and religion would be allowed to come in and teach the

"T was favorably impressed with Aguinaldo and I do not think there is an intelligent and well informed man, and intelligent. All of them had been

"Of course, his opinion may since have changed, but at that time Aguinaldo sald: "What we want is an Amertwice. Aguinaldo had a band of eighty ican protectorate, because as yet we are not competent to meet international questions or deal with the finances. but I think we can govern our internal

think that they are as yet capable of "At that time," the general continself government, but I do think they ued, "he thought he could control the would do well under an American pro- party in favor of the absolute indetectorate, but there are so many coun- pendence of the island, but the war tries with Eastern interests that are proves they were too strong for him. casting covetous and longing eyes to- in December Aguinaldo offered to reward the Philippine islands that an attempt at self-government on their part public, although I don't think this is would probably instantly lead to for- generally known, giving as his reason eign complications, which would be a that when the cabinet, headed by Pacloak to an attempt to wrest their free- terno, was turned out and the cabinet dom from them and would result in a headed by Mabeni was substituted for complete loss of their identity as an in- it, he was not in sympathy with the dependent people. I think, however, views of the war party, headed by they are as capable of governing them- Ceneral Luna. His friends and most nelves as some of the Central American of the others, however, insisted that republics, where the masses of the peo- on patriotic grounds it was his duty to ple are not nearly as well educated and retain the presidency, and he gave way to them."

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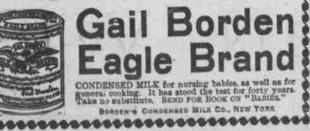
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