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McKINLEY'S OPTIMISM.

Unwavering confidence in the capacity of the American people "to establish liberty and justice and good government in our new possessions" was the all-pervading note of President McKinley's speech to the sons of Ohio in New York Saturday night.

He rejoiced with Mr. Olney in recognizing that the camp of American ease and isolation having been broken up, it behooves us to set ourselves bravely, hopefully and soberly to the task set before us as a responsible factor in the council of nations.

All this is merely a statesmanlike recognition that to nations, as to men, there comes the maturity which puts away the thoughts and restrictions of adolescence and emerges into the world of opportunity and action.

The nation that dreads its manhood, that regrets emerging from its chrysalis security, that does not welcome opportunity nor rejoice to grapple with new difficulty—such nation is in peril of dying before it has reached its full growth.

THE WAR SPIRIT.

In the American Monthly Review of Reviews the opinion is expressed that there is no imminent danger of a war between Great Britain and Russia, but that the latter country may find itself involved in a conflict with Japan at any time.

No particular symptoms of an immediate eruption are mentioned, but reference is made to the well known fact

that Japan has a grievance against Russia. For years, it is believed, the Japanese have made up their minds that a war with the giant of the north is inevitable, and that they would prefer to have it come off before the completion of the railroad through Siberia.

It seems that the Japanese just now have great influence at Pekin. It is supposed that their officers will organize the Chinese army on the European pattern. Then an alliance will be formed between the two Asiatic empires, and together they will oppose the encroachments of Russia.

It is safe to venture the guess that if such plans are about to be carried out, a great storm is nearer than appears on the surface. Russia cannot permit such an alliance against her to assume shape in Eastern Asia. Nor would Japan undertake the policy outlined except with a tacit understanding with Great Britain.

Russian papers just now urge European intervention in behalf of the African republics, and the Russian government is busy looking out for advantages in places where English influence used to be paramount. It all has a rather sinister look.

The war spirit is abroad in the earth at the closing hours of the present century, and exercises greater influence than was thought possible fifty years ago. Then it was hoped civilization would make the appeal to brute force obsolete. But civilization has failed to do so.

THE BUILDING OF EMPIRES FIFTY YEARS AGO.

Of late years the difficulties of acquiring new territory have been greatly increased by the diminishing extent of available land and the mutual jealousies of expanding nations.

The adventurous pioneer has to keep in closer touch than he did of old with the deliberations of cabinets. There has been less of romance about him, and his power as a nation builder has been curtailed. Perhaps it may be said some day that Cecil Rhodes did more to enlarge an empire than most of his predecessors, but even he is typical of the change. He has fought his fight on business principles and has shown none of the knight errantry of a Gordon. It is impossible to make a romantic hero of him.

But fifty years ago, when there were no submarine cables and stock exchange and ministers were equally inaccessible, the personal ascendancy of the isolated Englishman over remote and alien races implied something more than energy, will and shrewdness. Sympathy, imagination and a dramatic sense were required, qualities which tell in real life as well as in story, and these seem to have been possessed in a remarkable degree by Sir James Brooke, Rajah of Sarawah, whose life has just been written by Sir Spencer St. John.

Brooke was born in India, served in the Burmese war, was severely wounded in 1825 and sent to England on furlough. Returning to India he resigned his commission and traveled in China. Then going back to England again, he devised plans for future excursions into Oriental countries, which were put into execution after his father had died and left him a fortune of £20,000. Setting out with his own vessel in 1838, he finally found his goal on the northwest coast of the island of Borneo. The country was governed by a sultan, to whom Brooke rendered such valuable services that he was given immediate control of the Sarawah territory. This now comprises about 50,000 square miles, but there have been some additions since Brooke's day. Northeast of it is the territory of North Borneo, and the whole is now designated as British Borneo. Sarawah, it should be added, is still under a rajah, Sir Charles Brooke, a nephew of Sir James, while it is interesting to note that the British North Borneo company holds part of its grant from the sultan of our own Sulu.

Sir James at once captivated the natives by his courage, his kindness and his administrative genius, but he was something of an enigma to the precise government of Sir Robert Peel. His motives being questioned, he wrote that it was his intention to develop Borneo, to put down piracy, direct and indirect, to correct the native character, to encourage the poor, to remove the clogs on trade, to promote commerce. He would influence and amend the entire archipelago if the government would afford him the means and power. "I wish," he declared, "to prevent any foreign nation coming into this field; but I might as well war against France individually as to attempt all I wish without any means."

His biographer complains that if he had been supported as he deserved to be England would have acquired New



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We often forgive those who tire us, but cannot forgive those whom we tire.

Mrs. R. Churchill, Berlin, Vt., says: "Our baby was covered with running sores. DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve cured her." A specific for piles and hemorrhoids. Beware of worthless counterfeits. Chas Rogers.

We are almost tired with the company of those very persons of whom we ought never to be tired.

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It is easier to be wise for others than for ourselves.

"I was nearly dead with dyspepsia, tried doctors, visited mineral springs, and grew worse. I used Kodol Dyspepsia Cure. That cured me." It digests what you eat. Cures indigestion, sour stomach, heartburn and all forms of dyspepsia. Chas Rogers.

The violence done us by others is often less painful than that which we do to ourselves.

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Table with 2 columns: Description and Amount. Includes Loans and discounts, Overdrafts, U. S. Bonds, Premiums on U. S. Bonds, Stocks, securities, etc., Real estate, Due from National Banks, Due from state banks and bankers, Due from approved reserve agents, Checks and other cash items, Notes of other National banks, Nickels and cents, Specie, Legal-tender notes, Redemption fund with U. S. treasurer, Total.

Table with 2 columns: Description and Amount. Includes Capital stock paid in, Surplus fund, Undivided profits, less expenses and taxes paid, National bank notes outstanding, Due to state banks and bankers, Individual deposits, Interest subject to check, Demand deposits, Certified checks, Total.

STATE OF OREGON, County of Oregon—S. S. I. S. S. Gordon, cashier of the above-named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief. S. S. GORDON, Cashier. Subscribed and sworn to before me this 16th day of February, 1900. W. BOELLING, Notary Public.

Correct—Attest: Jacob Kamm, W. F. McGregor, J. O. Hawthorn, Directors.

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