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For President WILLIAM M'KINLEY, Of Ohio.

For Vice-President THEODORE ROOSEVELT, Of New York.

The colonies of France alone import \$17,000,000 worth of goods a year. This helps materially to keep the factories busy, and to afford a market for the farm products of that European country.

President McKinley urged that the duties to be levied under the Dingley tariff should "revive and increase manufactures." This has been done, as our wage-earners well know.

During the fiscal year just closed our foreign commerce far exceeded that of any previous year, while American vessels carried a smaller proportion of it than ever before.

The carrying of our vastly increased foreign commerce benefits only foreign vessels, to which the American people pay over \$200,000,000 each year in freight charges alone.

The American claim to unrestricted facilities of trade in China was based on treaty rights, which were about to be ignored when our claim was made and secured.

The United Kingdom sells to her colonies \$423,212,162 worth of goods every year.

WHO ARE RESPONSIBLE?

Philadelphia Times. We have the most appalling story of the indiscriminate and barbarous butchery of foreigners in the Chinese capital. It is possible that later reports may somewhat temper the fiendish story, but it may be accepted that many hundreds, and probably thousands, of lives of innocent men, women and children, foreign residents of China, have been sacrificed by the Chinese troops. Who are responsible for this fearfully crimsoned record that blots the civilization of the evening of the nineteenth century?

The responsibility for this bewildering sacrifice of life rests squarely upon the powers of the world, which precipitated war upon the Chinese troops at Taku. At that time no one of the governments had information of the sacrifice of life or property of any of their citizens; and all must have known that when they first assumed the right to control the attitude and action of the Chinese troops, and afterwards destroyed their forts, they committed an act of war and thus invited the barbarian, according to his immemorial teachings, to crucify every foreigner within his realm. The precipitation of war with China by the armed powers, before they had forces in position to defend their citizens, made the murder of their residents in China the logical result.

It will not do to plead as an excuse for this act of the allied powers that the Chinese have violated all the laws of civilized warfare by the murder of foreign residents. They are not a civilized people; they do not recognize the laws of civilized warfare; they murder and destroy when they are victors, and they are murdered and their lands laid waste when they are vanquished by their own kind. Knowing the war policy of the Chinese, the allied powers, who practically declared war when their citizens in China were unprotected and helpless, are fairly responsible for the fearful butcheries which have followed.

Admiral Kempff is the one naval

commander of the allied powers who proved to be the country and to the world that he was thoroughly capable for the responsible task assigned to him. He declined to commit any act of war, and the guns of his fleet were silent when the war vessels of the other nations were destroying the Chinese forts; but later, under direct orders, when it was necessary to take the promptest measures to try and save the lives of those who had been so wantonly exposed to murder, he landed marines; and we are now, by the action of the administration, and of the admittedly allied powers, at war with China and those can tell what international complications may arise from our present connection with the struggle.

If it be true, as now seems to be only too well established, that Americans and other foreigners in China have been indiscriminately butchered by the Chinese troops, we must accept the duty of punishing this flagrant violation of the laws of war, and of protecting any of our residents there who have escaped the sword of the Chinese warrior. Regardless of the provocation given China, there must be fearful atonement for the inhuman and indiscriminate butchery of foreigners. At the worst we joined in declaring causeless war against China; but war among all civilized nations, and even among semi-civilized peoples, protects the non-combatant and the helpless from savagery; and when China accepts war as an inspiration to murder men, women and children, there must be fearful atonement for such barbarism. We must now take our part in the punishment of the barbarian for indiscriminate murder, and assure protection to our citizens yet remaining; but when that duty shall have been discharged, we can have no business in Asiatic complications, and our naval and military forces should be promptly withdrawn.

We can have no part in the partition of China that now seems inevitable, without departing from the most sacred landmarks of our free government, and for such spoliation of China by the great European powers. If they shall make war upon China it is their own affair; if they shall despoil China of her territory they will be answerable to the civilized world, and if they shall involve themselves in war in their lust for new possessions, we can have no part in it whatever.

We are fortunate in holding the Philippines and they will ever remain our stronghold in the Eastern sea. It is the key to the commerce and trade of the cradle of the human race, and while we hold it, there can be no relinching of the map of China by foreign powers without giving open doors for our commerce and products of our industry. If we shall go one step beyond the line of defending our own people in China we must falsify every teaching of the fathers of the republic, and prove to the world that the greatest republic ever known flouts a lie in the fact of mankind when it claims to maintain government "of the people, by the people and for the people."

DEMOCRATIC IMPERIALISM.

San Francisco Chronicle. The Democratic party has not always been afraid of "imperialism"—in fact, has never seemed to fear it in the least, if only it could control the "imperial" forces. That good Democrat, James Buchanan, found no fault with Commodore Tatnall when, in 1859, we being then at peace with China, he gave material assistance to our British cousins in the capture of the Taku forts, thus entering, upon his own responsibility, into a very practical and effective but "entangling" alliance with England to force the Chinese to deal with us. There can be no higher exercise of "imperialism" than in compelling by force of arms a nation which asked nothing of us, had done us no harm and only desired to be let alone, to admit us to reside in their country and to assume responsibility for the lives and property of our citizens. A Democratic president not only did this, but went so far as to compel the Chinese to become responsible for the good treatment of such of their own people as from motives of policy or better motives might adopt the religious doctrines which some of us profess.

It has also been stated in such a way that many believe it that it was only by the rankest kind of Democratic "imperialism" that it has happened that we in California are basking in the protecting sunlight of the great republic, and that it was only by mis-carriage of the plans of other "minent Democrats that Democratic imperialism was not as successful in Nicaragua as

"Housework is hard work without Gold Dust"

Advertisement for Gold Dust Washing Powder, featuring an image of the product box and text describing its benefits for cleaning clothes.

GO EAST

Advertisement for the Great Northern Railway, highlighting the shortest and quickest line to St. Paul, Duluth, Minneapolis, Chicago, and All Points East.

Advertisement for Wisdom's Robotine, a skin treatment product that corrects blemishes and improves complexion.

Advertisement for POSSIBLY, a service offering fast time and superb service for travel to the East.

Advertisement for UNION PACIFIC OVERLAND, featuring a logo and text about their 2-Daily Fast Trains-2 to the East.

Advertisement for "OUR SPECIALTIES" FAST TIME THROUGH SERVICE, listing various train routes and services.

Advertisement for ASTORIA AND COLUMBIA RIVER RAILROAD, providing a detailed schedule of departures and arrivals.

Advertisement for J. A. Fastabend, General Contractor and Builder, located at 1000 W. 1st St., Astoria.

Advertisement for H.F. Prael Transfer Co., offering draying and express services.

Advertisement for Dr. T. N. Ball, a dentist located at 572 Commercial Street, Astoria, Ore.

WHITE COLLAR LINE

Advertisement for the White Collar Line, a service for business travelers between Astoria and Seattle.

LEGAL NOTICES

Notice is hereby given that the committee on streets and public ways of the Common Council of the City of Astoria...

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN

That the committee on streets and public ways of the Common Council of the City of Astoria...

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That the City of Astoria intends to improve the Seventeenth street in the City of Astoria, Clatsop County, Oregon...

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That the district of lands and premises to be assessed to defray the cost and expenses of said improvement is as follows...

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN

That it is the intention of the Common Council of the City of Astoria to establish the grade of Duane street...

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN

That this notice is published for ten successive days by order of the said council, the first publication being on Saturday, July 7th, 1900.

NOTICE

is hereby given that by virtue of an order made and entered by Hon. John Rayne, referee in bankruptcy for the District of Oregon, on July 3, 1900...

ADMINISTRATOR'S NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned has been appointed administrator of the estate of F. M. Bewley, deceased...

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NOTICE OF ADMINISTRATION.

In the County Court of the State of Oregon, For the County of Clatsop. In the matter of the estate of Jemima Skibbe, deceased...

GOVERNMENT PROPOSALS.

Treasury Department, Office Supervising Architect, Washington, D. C., July 2, 1900. Sealed proposals will be received at this office until 2 o'clock p. m. on the 6th day of August, 1900...

NOTICE TO STREET CONTRACTORS

Notice is hereby given that up to the hour of 2 o'clock p. m. of the 14th day of July, 1900, the committee on streets and public ways of the Common Council of the City of Astoria...

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United States Land Office at Oregon City, Oregon, June 16, 1900. Notice is hereby given that the following named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof...

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He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation of said land, viz: J. S. Rathbun, of Portland, Oregon; J. N. Fowler, of Portland, Oregon; W. S. Cone, of Bay City, Oregon; John Finley, of Astoria, Oregon.

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