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**GOVERNMENT FOR THE PHILIPPINES.**

Secretary Long's expression regarding government for the Philippines is so reasonable that it will find favor all over the country except among a few of the impracticables and malignants, says the Statesman. He declares that there is not the least intention of subjugating the Philippines. All that the president seeks to do, he remarks, is to preserve law and order in the islands, and if the islanders would co operate the president and the peace commission "would enter at once upon the work of their political regeneration, with a view to giving them all the privileges which the territories of the United States between the Pacific and the Atlantic now enjoy."

Of course the secretary knows the intention and the desires of the president. He undoubtedly voices them in this instance. Nobody either in the administration or in the party to which the administration belongs ever had any desire to subjugate the islands. The subjugation talk was an invention of the Bryans, Laughlins, Hoars and the rest of the anti-expansionists. The purpose of the president has been to restore order in the islands, and then to talk of civil government afterward. Without order and a recognition of American sovereignty there can be no chance to set up any sort of a civil authority. The moment that order is restored and American sovereignty is recognized, the work of devising a civil government will receive attention. The president himself can not set up a civil authority that will have any permanence. The framing of a government which will succeed the military regime is a function of congress, and will doubtless be attended to next winter.

The territorial form of government which the secretary mentions as being favored by the president does not necessarily mean a government like that which Oklahoma, New Mexico and Arizona have. It is more likely to be a regime on the Alaska order at first. Full territorial privileges will come, however, in time, but it is not likely to be adopted at once. It is the desire of the American people to give the Philippines all the home rule which they can use with safety to their own and American interests, and to increase their privileges as they can use them profitably. If the Filipinos had known the actual intentions of the administration in Washington and the desires of the American people, there would probably have been no rebellion. A few reckless leaders among the Filipinos and a corporal's guard of blatant renegades and falsifiers in the United States deluded the natives of the islands into the belief that this country intended to put them back into a slavery like that from which we had just rescued them. Aguinaldo, in the Philippines, and a few copperheads and degener-

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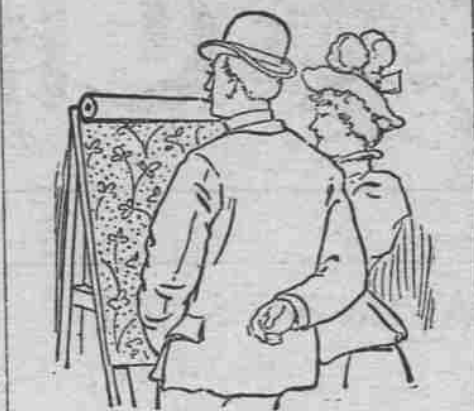
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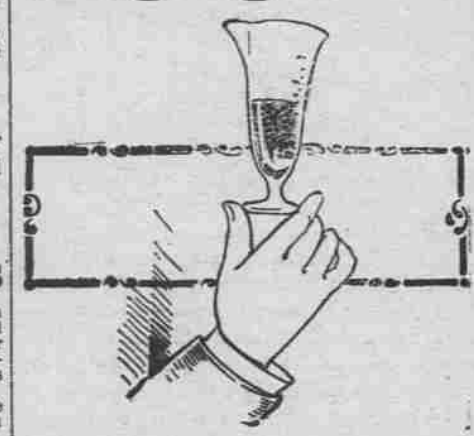
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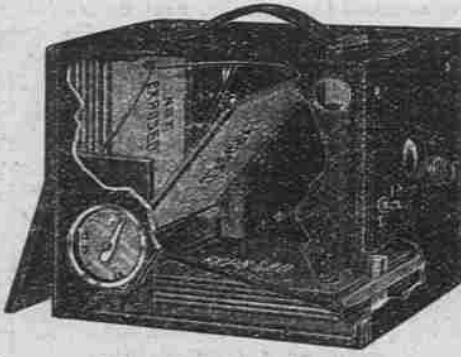
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