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FOR VICE PRESIDENT,

Adlai E. Stevenson.

OF ILLINOIS.

FOR PRESIDENTIAL ELECTORS,

W. M. PIERCE, of Umatilla.
DELL STUART, of Multnomah.
J. WHITTAKER, of Benton.
E. KRONEE, of Multnomah.

The state fair this year is said to have been a success. It was well managed. But the state has no need of maintaining a fair. Such interests can be better taken care of without the state's aid.

One of Governor Roosevelt's cowboy friends shot an editor in South Dakota for criticising one of Teddy's speeches. The "strenuous life," which Roosevelt strongly recommends, is highly developed in that cowboy, so much so that he may end his days on the earth on the gallows.

Governor Mount, of Indiana, a republican and a strong supporter of McKinley for re-election, says the declaration of Mark Hanna, at Chicago, recently that "there are no trusts" is the most unfortunate statement of the campaign for the republican party and that it will do great harm to the cause of McKinley and Roosevelt. Mark Hanna is busy explaining why he made such a remark.

The democratic platform contains a plank favoring a department of labor at Washington, the head of it to be a member of the cabinet. This plank possesses merit. Why should not labor be represented in the councils of the nation? Agriculture has its department and why not labor? Labor should be represented in the president's official household and with the right man in the place good would result to labor and the country.

Labor troubles are of so frequent occurrence, and are so often attended with disastrous results to all affected by them that any suggestions concerning means for their prevention or removal must be considered with interest, irrespective from whom they may come. While social conditions in foreign countries may be entirely different from those which obtain here, the means and methods adopted with success there might be wholly inapplicable here, yet there may be in them hints and intimations which, when modified to suit our conditions, may lead to the adoption of ways likely to materially mitgate, if they do not entirely remove, the evils occasioning the contention and strife between employers and employed. For this reason an official report, which has been sent to the state department by John C. Covert, United States consul at Lyons, France, will be of great public interest. It is an elaborate account of how the building trades manage their affairs over there and this report is said to contain much that is applicable to such affairs here.

The magistrates of Pennsylvania, some 2000 of them, recommend the establishment of public whipping-posts. The time will probably come when they will be needed in all the states. As Markam's "Man With the Hoe" becomes more and more a reality, the man with the lash will become more and more a necessity. Capitalization tends to break man down mentally and build him up physically, so he can better serve his masters, and this physical growth can be better kept in check by physical pain than in any other way, and the lash is the most proper way of applying it. But if equality of opportunity was preserved for all men, there would be no Markam's hoe-men to need the lash to keep them in the paths of rectitude. So far as this nation allows a few men to take the fruit of labor of other men, by capitalizing and monopolizing natural wealth—wealth not created by labor—so far will the lash become a necessity and whipping posts creations of the law. To the extent that they appear, evidence will be furnished of the decay of American institutions.

The United States is the richest nation in existence and its people are the freest on the face of the globe. Recently the United States has become a creditor nation—in other words, lends more money than is borrowed. When England needed money recently it was borrowed in the United States; Russia followed in England's footsteps; Japan did the same, then Russia and more recently Germany. The people of these countries will pay a few people in this country big sums in interest. This is well. But what makes this country rich and great? In a few words, it is due to a free people, freedom in intercourse and trade, and, moreover, it is due to a respect for equal rights and a partial guarantee of equality of opportunity. But most of all, it is due to the ease of access of labor to land. When all the free land—equal opportunity to labor—is monopolized and capitalized in this country, our power and our greatness will begin to dwindle, and if we do not see to it that labor shall have in the future the freest access to idle land the shadow of empire will fall across that of this grand republic and there will be no longer a free people, and government of, by and for the people.

ALL FROM THE PHILLIPINES.

In the September magazines much space is given to a number of well written articles on the Philippines. Foremost in interest is the closing installment of Lieutenant Gillmore's narrative "A Prisoner Among the Filipinos." During the nine months' captivity of the lieutenant commander the great island of Luzon was virtually crossed twice. The naval officer gives vivid word pictures of native life and the character of the country. The actual experiences of captured Americans are as thrilling as the wildest imaginings of a writer of romance. Hours of torture and hairbreadth escapes culminate in a fortunate rescue when certain death seemed to stare them in the face.

The rescue party, consisting of Colonel Hare and 150 men, were now confronted by the problem of escape from the mountain fastness and means of reaching the sea, which was a stream flowing through the ravine. Forty bamboo rafts were built and the party set out to float to the coast. The river bed was heaped with masses of bowlders; in places the water was deep and the current exceedingly swift. Much of the time the stream ran through a narrow canyon, whose walls rose precipitously from the water's edge to a height of 200 feet or more, and here and there were breaks in the rocky walls where pebbly beaches reached back into sloping groves of lofty palms and luxuriant tropical undergrowth. After ten days of hazardous voyage the exhausted men of the "bamboo navy" were met by officers of the United States ship Princeton.

The illustrations from sketches and plans by Gillmore himself are the best story illustrations among the many in McClure's for September.

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The Atlantic Monthly offers "Two Philippine Sketches" to the collectors of lore on the subject. The colla, a meteorological phenomenon, when the Philippine sky becomes a cataract and Luzon looks like the waveswept deck of a sinking ship, is vividly depicted. From the description one realizes there are more wars and rumors of wars than those among men.

"Large clouds, torn and black, advance toward the zenith from all points of the horizon where they group and heap, mingle and interweave until it seems as if in the general squeeze they had burst the flood gates of an aerial sea."

Vegetation is torn to shreds, fields turn to lakes, streams to rivers and rivers to floods. The roofs of bamboo and nipa are irrigating pipes guiding numberless jets inside the houses. The writer continues:

"Fortunately I am provided with an ample rubber coat, with a monastic cowl, a shield given me by civilization against the barbarities of the climate. It is a pity I have not another mackintosh for my chocolate and my beans, which are running about the house vainly seeking a shelter."

The natives take more simple and economical measures against the colla. They strip entirely so as not to wet their clothes; the women in such cases wear only a short petticoat. They go by in groups singing and shouting. Water excites them. It seems as if their lifeless natures revive only by irrigation.

But the colla usually has a tail, and that tail is the dreaded baguio, or typhoon. Colla and baguio often go together in the season which follows the autumnal equinox, and at the change of the monsoons. This terrible phenomenon visits some parts of the archipelago annually. However, out of mercy, perhaps, it almost never comes to the same region two years in succession.

"A native shining like a polished bronze statue arrives bearing a letter. It is from my good friend Celestino, and it says: 'Mount a good horse and come in quickly; the baguio threatens.' At such times friendship is quickened and affection grows stronger. I would have given much for my friend's companionship, but already six miles of swamp road that lie between us are impassable.

"The rain falls heavier and heavier; the world, seen from my window, is a muddy flood and my house an ark. The barometer is still falling. The dial hand already points to the remark 'With winds from the northeast the baguio approaches.'" Soon I hear the wind coming with a sudden gust, to which the house heels like a ship; it is upon us. A great guava tree falls with a crush outside, and the nipa shutters go flying to leeward. The wind converts the rain drops into projectiles which pierce the house at all points with the violence of hailstones."

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But at last the monster seems to be seeking its prey in another direction, and turns slowly eastward, hungry for more ruins. Southward, then, unless the law of storms is wrong, it will cause the greatest ravages. The vortex, to which all the radii of this gigantic wheel of the baguio converge, will pass through the south of the archipelago.

At daybreak there was a strange spectacle. The sun, pale and watery and as if it were ashamed of itself, started on its journey among shreds of torn mists. Nature, like a flogged body, showed torn flesh everywhere. Interesting observations on the curious architecture of the islands where the houses are "boxes of resonance—veritable guitars" when the wind raises, and sympathetic notes of native life may be read in this fascinating sketch.

An oriental tale with all the charms of the Arabian Nights is the second Philippine offering entitled "Laybaya, the Wife of the Sultan of Jolo." In its lines are caught glimpses of still another phase of life in those wonderful islands of the southern seas.

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The pressing needs of the Philippines are set forth by Major John H. Parker in the Review of Reviews. He concludes that the "first and great need is peace. 2. A system of public schools with government aid and superintendence. 3. Improved appliances for agriculture. 4. Facilities for transportation and communication. 5. Readjustment of the tariff relations with the United States so as to draw these people into more intimate business relations with our country."

Only one of these can be even begun by the military government—the school problem. What can be done by the military is being done promptly and intelligently.

POLITICAL POINTS.

The Iroquois Club has asked Grover Cleveland and Richard Olney to speak in Chicago for Bryan under its auspices. Mr. Olney has promised to do so and the club, it is intimated, has reason to believe that it will "hear from Mr. Cleveland."

Moorfield Storey, president of the Massachusetts reform and ex president of the American Bar Association, has announced his intention to vote for Mr. Bryan. In doing so he gave out a long statement assailing President McKinley's administration.

The Rev. Job Ingram, one of the leading Baptist divines of Oklahoma territory, a life-long republican and chaplain of the Oklahoma regiment of volunteers in the Spanish war, announces that he was tired of being ruled by trusts and would take the stump for the democratic ticket.

William B. Hornblower, whose nomination by President Cleveland to be a justice of the supreme court of the United States failed of confirmation by the senate, will vote for Mr. McKinley. In a letter he states what he conceives it to be his duty as a gold democrat and anti-imperialist. While appreciating the position taken by Mr. Schurz, Mr. Shepard and Mr Olney, Mr. Hornblower says the Kansas City platform is as offensive as the "crazy-quilt platform of 1896."

Tears

Many a woman has periodic crying spells. She meets her husband with eyes red and swollen and he cries out: "What has happened?" "Nothing" his wife replies. "I don't know what is the matter with me, but I just had to have a good cry." Men don't have crying spells. It would seem therefore that an affection confined to women must have its cause in the womanly nature. There is no doubt that a diseased condition of the delicate womanly organs, is in general responsible for feminine nervousness and hysteria.

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