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OF ILLINOIS.

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E. KRONER, of Multnomah.

#### THE GALLANT ROUGH RIDER!

The New York Journal, democratic, demanded prosecution against New York ice trust officials. Mayor Van Wyck was included in the list of those to be prosecuted. Van Wyck is a democrat.

Governor Roosevelt, a republican, took cognizance of the demand and proceedings were instituted against Van Wyck to oust him from his office.

When the investigation had proceeded, it was found that Republican Senator Thomas C. Platt and Republican gubernatorial candidate Odell were owners in the Ice Trust.

A pause in the proceedings. Governor Roosevelt takes time to think. Republican national leaders assist him to a clarity of mental vision. The conclusion:

Notwithstanding Governor Roosevelt has before the nation charged Mayor Van Wyck with connection with the ice trust and has gone all over the country talking of the democratic ice trust in New York, he has suppressed Mayor Van Wyck's legally drawn answer which was filed at the governor's office in Albany, in which it is shown that Senator Platt and Mr. Odell are with him "particeps criminis."

Here is the brave Roosevelt! Here is the gallant Colonel! The hero of San Juan! For political advantage he would refrain until after election from pursuing the ice trust prosecution, in order that he may go upon the stump and refer to the democratic trust in New York.

It is cowardly for him to reply to strictures on this conduct, that Mr. Woodruff, the lieutenant-governor, is at Albany, and he (Roosevelt) is absent from the capital. Mr. Woodruff is Governor Roosevelt's lieutenant and will follow his prompting; if the governor elect, he may merely wire: "Place Van Wyck's answer on file."

Then it would be public property and the world would know the de-nouement.

New York papers are calling upon Governor Roosevelt to do his duty. If it bring shame to a democratic mayor, well and very good. But, if it would bring shame to a republican senator and a republican candidate for the governorship, Governor Roosevelt has no right to withhold action.

It has become a national issue. Fairly conducted democratic newspapers have excoriated Van Wyck and Croker for their part in the ice trust. Now let a republican governor and vice-presidential candidate excoriate Senator Platt and Mr. Odell. Let him play fair.

#### A QUESTION OF BACKBONE.

In the selection of a president, the American people have always heretofore paid little attention to the physical peculiarities of the candidates. They have chosen tall, lank men like Abraham Lincoln, short stubby men like Benjamin Harrison, large, fat men like Grover Cleveland, and about every other type of physical manhood has been represented in the White House. In no national platform or set of resolutions, nor in any state platform of any party has mention ever been made of a demand thundering up through the medium of the "vox populi" for a man as president tall, short, fat, lean, or of any other proportions.

However, this year of our Lord, 1900, the American people have determined differently. They have, it is true, not placed in either of the two great national platforms any reference to the sort of physical man whom they demand as president during the coming four years. But a demand does come thundering up from the people for a MAN WITH A BACKBONE.

It is a demand all the more effective

because it finds no formal expression in platforms framed by politicians in convention assembled. It is heard down East, where the New Englander lives; in the South, where the land of Dixie lies fair and unsmoked; in the North, along the Canadian line; in the Great Central territory of the union and on the Pacific coast from British Columbia to lower California.

It says: "Give us a man with a backbone; none with a gutta percha spinal column need apply." Of course, no one knows, just now, prior to the election, whether the demand is sufficiently vehement to force a choice such as will bring such a man into the White House. But, if it does, then William Jennings Bryan will be the next president. For, so it appears to careful observers, Mr. Bryan has backbone, moral courage, and surely this is a prime desideratum in a nation's chief executive.

#### CHINOOK JARGON.

The name given a small but select social club recently formed in Portland has created such a disturbance that the young man suggesting it is in danger of getting himself disliked. The youth, upon whom devolved the duty of naming this club, styled it "The Cultus Mamooks." He says the title is taken from the Chinook jargon and signifies "Merry Makers," or those who have a good time. Some persons who have a limited knowledge of Chinook jargon contend that the meaning of the title is quite a different thing from the definition given, and the matter has been referred to the Oregonian for adjudication.

"Cultus" means "worthless" or "good for nothing." "Mamook" is an active verb and means "to work; to do things." The person who devised the title for the club appears to have added the "s" to the word to change it to a name in the plural, and doubtless considers it means "workers." The title, therefore, means, "worthless workers," that is, people who are not any good for work. Perhaps he intended it to be inferred from this that they are good for play, or adapted to shine as merry-makers. Possibly he may have intended to use the word "klosh," meaning good, and to signify that the members of the club were good workers, and would work together to have a good time. There is, however, no authority for making a noun out of the verb mamook, and the conclusion is that the man who invented the title "Cultus Mamooks" either did not know what he meant, or he meant something uncomplimentary. He will be required to explain.

The interest taken in ascertaining the derivation and meaning of the word "Chiemawa," the name of the site of the Indian school near Salem, tends to indicate that Chinook jargon, of late almost a dead language in this region at least, is about to experience a rejuvenescence.

Up to a quarter of a century ago, it was no uncommon thing to hear Chinook spoken on the streets or in the stores of Portland; and in the rural districts, where Indians were still to be seen and were frequent visitors to the houses of settlers, it was almost as much in use as English. Men on meeting would say, "Klahowaya," instead of how are you, and the women when annoyed by too many dogs or children about the kitchen would tell them both to "Klahowaya," go, or get out, and words and phrases of Chinook were in constant use, and were understood by everybody except the newest of newcomers. As the Indians gradually disappeared and the need for using Chinook grew less, it gradually fell into disuse, and became forgotten.

#### VALUE OF THE PHILIPPINES.

The agricultural department presents the country with some light upon the commercial value of our colonial possessions. Incidentally they afford food for reflection to those who have reverted to the ancestral type of political philosophers and hold that it is necessary to own countries and peoples in order to trade with them.

Mr. McKinley says that we own the Philippines, for example, and, while the commercial argument is now concealed in deference to the prejudices of voters, the reason for assuming the annual war burden of from \$100,000,000 to \$130,000,000 is for the profit, amounting to several thousand dollars, of a few beneficiaries of "the party."

We sold in 1899, it is true, a good deal more to the Philippines than we sold there in 1895. Our exports thither in 1895 amounted to \$119,255; in 1899 they amounted to \$401,258. Now, who profited by this trade and what does it promise for the future?

In the five years the exports of malt liquors increased from \$245 to \$91,817; of Bourbon whisky, from nothing to \$36,472; of canned beef, from nothing to \$15,148; of malt, from nothing to \$61,401; of bay, from nothing to \$7,831; of unblended wines, from nothing to \$7,289; of bane, from nothing to \$2,251; of milk, from \$396 to \$4210; of bottled wines, from nothing to \$3741; of canned fruits, from nothing to \$3298; of bread and biscuit, from nothing to \$3357; of lard, from nothing to \$2279; of bacon, from nothing to \$2621; of canned vegetables, from nothing to \$1567; of cats, from nothing to \$160; of rye whisky, from nothing to \$4447; of brandy, from nothing to \$1232.

These items look as if the increase consisted of army stores, and we must

recollect that we have more than 65,000 consumers of our own in the islands, so that much the larger quantity of this export trade to the Philippines was paid for by the taxpayers of this country. All the articles we have named are classified by the government as agricultural articles, the total exports of which for 1899 are valued at \$211,996. Of this total \$149,355 is the value of spirituous and malt liquors and wines which were sent out for good American throats. Of the balance, \$62,441, the sum of \$50,037 represents food for our soldiers and provender for their animals sent by us to the Philippines, leaving less than \$12,000 as the amount sold to the Filipinos by our farmers in the year 1899, that year of wonderful growth in our colonial trade. But our agricultural exports to the Philippines in 1895 amounted to \$11,934, so that there has really been no gain to our farmers, for we cannot count as gain what we buy of ourselves for the purpose of feeding and "liquoring up" our soldiers. Besides, in 1895 our farmers sold wheat flour to the Filipinos to the sum of \$11,250, and last year the export of American wheat flour, which in 1896 had increased to \$18,290, fell off to \$4156.

This is a bad showing for our agriculturists, but did not our manufacturers and other exporters do better? We cannot tell accurately, for we have no itemized data. However, they did do much better. Their total exports to the Philippines were valued at \$189,262, an increase of about \$81,000 over the exports of 1895, and of about \$49,000 over those of 1896. But we do not know how much of this increase was for goods sent to the army.

As to our imports from the islands, they fell off in the five years from \$4,731,366 to \$4,409,774.

In the mean time our export trade with Oriental countries which we do not own increased as follows:

	1895	1896	1897	1898	1899
Portuguese Africa	105,808	1,004,260	1,004,260	1,004,260	1,004,260
French Africa	328,290	342,204	342,204	342,204	342,204
Italy	177,630	441,176	441,176	441,176	441,176
Egypt (agricultural)	2,008	88,503	88,503	88,503	88,503
British Africa	3,196,877	15,130,790	15,130,790	15,130,790	15,130,790
British Africa (agricultural)	1,200	6,707,070	6,707,070	6,707,070	6,707,070
Australasia	3,028,760	10,021,890	10,021,890	10,021,890	10,021,890
Asiatic Russia	30,582	1,541,197	1,541,197	1,541,197	1,541,197
Japan	4,562,424	1,083,700	1,083,700	1,083,700	1,083,700
China	3,002,741	14,467,422	14,467,422	14,467,422	14,467,422

So much for the real value of trade with the Philippines and for the relative value of trade with these islands, for which we have paid \$20,000,000, which we are trying to secure at a cost of about \$150,000,000 a year, and whose maintenance will cost annually at least \$100,000,000, compared with our trade with countries that we do not own and whose trade costs us the salaries of a few consular officers. Beveridge's philosophy of expansion is not only vulgar but ignorant.—New York World.

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