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WHERE HAS IT GONE TO? The total product of gold from the mines of the world for the past 405 years, or since there have been any re-

cords of the same kept, is officially given at \$9,203,323,600; the total product of the United States since its discovery is \$2,172,245,564, of which the eastern and soutnern states have yeilded \$31,500,000 leaving \$2,140,645,564 as the amount produced by the mountainous country lying west of a meridian passing north and south through Denver; or, in other words, the mountainous country has produced in 49 years, or since 1848, when the first discovery of gold was made here, 23.3 per cent; or, in round numbers, one-fourth of the total gold product of the whole world for 405 years. It seems almost incredible that this comparatively new unexplored and mountainous country should produce in so short a time nearly one fourth of the gold of history, but the figures are taken from the official statements of the directors of the United States mint at Washington, and are the same as published by the deputy master of the English mint, from civil life. the official figures for which have not

been published. After having produced this vast amount of gold, still the United States has retained only about \$600,000,000. Where has the other billion and a haif gone? Certainly not back into the ground nor has it been used in the arts and sciences. The balance of trade with foreign countries has been oftener in our favor than against us, then we must conclude our wealth (actual money) has vanished as if by magic. Millions of dollars of it have no doubt been carried to Europe by American travelers abroad, but this will not account for the diappearen ce

of over a billion and a half dollars. The great drain has been made in the payment of interest upon the wealth that has been dug from our more gold than any other nation on of war, hence the competent old vetearth, we were at the same time borrowing from European lenders. Foralien syndicates got hold of our big room for political pets, and though mining properties and carted our gold the appointment of these pets brave, ing, helpless voters would turn to them away to Europe, then loaned it back to self sacrificing men were forced to sufus at light rates of interest. These fer and die. The whole blame for the mother. When we consider the subpayments have been a steady drain horrors of camp and hospital mismanupon our store of gold, and it has agement rests upon the men who handful of men who constituted the

permit foreign syndicates to acquire ment of Politician Alger to the head title to mining property or become of the war department, and will not be and owners in America. It should atoned until he is remeved. be a strong plea for the enactment of If the anti-republican members of enough to live in, so no alien, either an individual or corporation should be or real estate mortgages in this counmatter how much wealth our mines produce, our money will continue to crippled because of the shortage in the circulating medium.

SUNDAY AND WORK.

Sabbatarians throughout the world have waged a long and vigorous war against Sunday newspapers, Sunday railroad trains, and in short, all kinds of Sundry work, apparently without avail. There are certain things that cannot be left undone in this busy and bustling world, hence in certain walks of life, the Sabbath cannot be observed as a day of rest or religious observance. The "ox will get into the ditch" and must be taken out. In this age of progress people would not be content to allow passenger trains tied up over sunday, neither would they do without their Sunday papers. Even some of those who preach against Sunday labor would complain bitterly if deprived of these conveniences. Then there is work that cannot be suspended even for a day during the entire year. The Western Mining World very sarcastically replies to an Eastern writer regarding the tendency to work on Sunday in the mining districts as fol-

A writer in the Boston Transcript has discovered that the mining industry has cultivated a disregard for the Sabbath day in the mining states. He notes the impiety that stands out in bas-relief from the Western character like warts on the back of the New England toad. In Butte, for instance, he found the mines and smelters in operation on Sanday when all truly good ought to have been in If the Transcript man would use his

New England influence with God to have the water shut off from the mines during Sunday, so that the pumps could tie up for the day, and arrange to have the smelter fires preserved in the hollow of His hand until Monday morning. Butte might live up with Boston in practicing piety. As it is we cannot compete with our eastern cousins in the matter of using the no rest for the wicked, it is said, and in the mining industry there is no time to loaf around and sing hims. It is business the year 'round.

But when the jewels are made up. and the redeemed, in a halo of light, circle around the great white throne, we believe there will be more miners there with the marks of honesty on their brows, and the signs of industry in their hands, than bottle-necked dudes from Boston.

POLITICS IN THE ARMY.

The Astoria Budget tells the truth trouble in the volunteer service may government. be told in one word-"politics." In that one word is summed up all the in-

thing in army circles was smooth, demands of the politicians.

There may have been petty jealousies existing between officers, but they were carefully concealed, and men worked like machines in all departnents. Then came the war with Spain and the necessity of extending the army from 25,000 to 280,000. This was a task that called for the services of experienced men, but instead of calling into service men who had spent the best years of their life in the

pursuit of work necessary to the carng for such a huge army of men, young men and old men whose only recommendations were their political pulls were called into the service.

The commissary department is the life of an army in war as well as in peace. And when the American army was expanded from 25,000 to 280,000 the greatest task was in securing supplies and getting them to the men. Here of all places was the service of skilled men required. But instead of calling ipon men who had been trained to this work, the politicians previated upon the war department to appoint the sons of somebodies who had political influence. Out of 87 officers appointed to volunteer rank in the commissary department, only 19 were from the regular army and 68 were from civil life. These 68 men from civil life were absolutely without the experience so necessary in such grave cases, and the result was that the 280,000 men who were in camp or at the front vere wholly dependent upon incompetents whose only fitness-if such it may be called-was their political influence. In the quartermaster's departmeht 86 men were appointed to volunteer rank after the war began, and of this number only 34 were from the regular army, the other 52 being

These civilians were ignorant of the first requirements of the positions to which they were appointed, and trained men had to spend valuable time in teaching the new officers their luties; and this in the lace of the fact nuartermaster's department for everything needed by soldiers. Is it any wonder that abuses prevailed, that pospitals became death traps and camps became hotbeds of disease?

Retired navy officers were called back to active service when the war service. That course would have lessened the number of political appointments at the disposal of the secretary erans were ignored. Where military needed they were cast aside to make This will continue so long as we belongs. It began with the appoint-

a law preventing aliens from gaining the legislature are merely partisans title to any realty whatever in the they will, in case the republicans are United States. If the country is unable to decide upon a United States good enough to invest in it is good senator, get right into the middle of the path, and look neither to the right nor left, but vote every day of the sespermitted to hold realty or loan money sion for a senator of their own choosing, with no hope whatever of electing try, without some such provision. No him. If they are statesman, and have the welfare of the state at heart, they will take a hand in the election of a sendisappear, and our commerce will be ator even though he be a republican. Wagan hone for no needed legislation until the senatorial contest is disposed of, not even the passage of the general appropriation bill. If the majority fails to settle the contest in a casonable length of time, then it becomes the duty of the minority to settle it. Partisansnip, should give way to patriotism in this matter.

THE PHILIPPINES.

Our policy respecting the Philippines will probably turn on the reports and advice of Admiral Dewey and General Merritt. Dewey in particular has mastered the complicated situation in the islands. He has shown himself to be not only one of the greatest naval captains in history. but to be profound and able in stateeraft. His sterling patriotism has won for him the respect and admiration of the nation and the country would unhesitatingly accept his judgment, says the Sookesman-Review.

From an ethical point of view, it seems that any course would be preferrable to the return of the islands to Spanish misrule, or to the deliverance of Spanish interests to an uncontrolled native government. In an interview had by the Associated Press correspondent with Archbishop Dosal at Manila, that prelate expresses the earnest hope that the islands will not remain Spanish, "because the rebels are now so strong that such a course would inevitably cause appalling bloodshed." A number of responsible Spaniards have also stated to the Associated Press correspondent that they would refuse to remain at Manila

if Spain were reinstated in control of the islands. There is hardly a question that this is correct statement of the situation. An attempt to restore Spali 's shattered sovereignty, or the abandonment of the island to an unbridled native government, would lead to shocking bloodshed, atrocious cruelties and the ruin of the industrial and commercial ntrests of the country. Even if the Inited States should pull down its flag and withdraw from the islands, there is no doubt that before long one or nore of the powers of Europe would step in and assume the position abandoned by this government.

This leaves three possible solutions of the problem: American ownership and control of the islands.

An American protectorate United States and a European power

these solutions would be better than when it says the principal cause of the | Spanish control or independent native

practiced upon the volunteers. In hungry, and to make places for them, If Astoria would secure the wheat that one word may be summed up the the Associated Press dispatches antrade of the upper country it must the Principle editor to believe it had location of camps in swamps, the failure to provide transportation for protermined to relax the civil service No other place in the world ever asked lican party of today. We must plead visions, the failure to get needed med- rules. By no other way could be get such a "bonus" from the producers. Quilty of having given voice to some ical supplies to sick soldiers, and the the politicians in, and since they must Even Astoria's most formidable com- of the doctrines taught by Abraham blunders that forced sick men to feed at the public crib, Mr. McKinley petitor, Portland, has built its own march and stand for hours in the hot has "seized the bull by the horns," wharves and warehouses, and sun waiting for hospital trains that and provided a method by which the will build more if occasion demands. were not ordered until after the sick "faithful" may be rewarded. Mc- We would therefore offer a little Kinley once had the bravery to face friendly advice to the progressive

BARKER AND DONNELLY.

The possession of a large and fertile nind does not imply exemption from he frailities that distingush the numan from the divine attributes of nan's nature. Men who combine are talent with vast and varied erulition often succumb to an uncontroll able ambition for notorlety and are iresistibly impelled to adopt a line of conduct calculated to advertise their veakness to the world and destroy heir influence for good.

Through the press dispatches infornation has gone to the country of perhaps the most notable case of this kind that has occurred in recent years. Two men of great talent and learning. whose life work amply testifies to the predominance of good over evil in their natures, have become detached from their moorings and are being swept into a vortex of inconsistencies. impelled to the pursuit of a phantom, pecause ambition, unappeased, has degenerated into an inordinate and uncontrollable passion for notoriety. We refer to the attitude in which Wharton Barker of Philadelphia, and Ignatius Donnelly, of Minnesota, have placed themselves through a medium of a few admirers whom they caused to assemble in the city of Cincinnati, who after resolving that they constituted the only original, pure, unadulterated 24-carat-fine populists in the United States, proceeded to name the afore said gentlemen as the candidates o their august body for the office of president and vice president of the United States of America. Hawaii, and numerous other islands in the Atlantic and Pacific.

Of course, the populist party, as such with reassuring conscience and intense resolve, will continue its course, its tranquility of mind andisturbed and its series of victories uninterrupted, peacefully oblivious of the existence of this new evolution, and an inscrutible fate may withhold from it tion. that men to the number of 280,000 were official notice of this new birth unlependent in a large measure upon the til its struggles and triumphs are swallowed in eternity. Chairman Butler of the populist national committee is the ogre who haunts the path this new aggregation would fain travel toward the promised land; therefore, to devise some incantation that will al lure him to his doom is exhausting the broke out, but politics has had less to gray matter that has rendered two lo with the navy than any other de- lives illustrious. Though numerically partment of public service. But not small and in age somewhat deficient. one retired army officer was called into the Cincinnati aggregation feels assured that if it could only decapitate Chairman Butler of the populist party, that party would turn to them for brains and guidance, and this accomplished, their own brilliancy and effuleducation and exerience were most gence would by contrast make the balance of the political world seem outer darkness, from which the self-distrust with the longing of a lost child for its lime heighths attained by the meager awarding a crown of immortality to the undeserving "Three Tailors of Too-

lev Street." If it should turn out that these briladopt their present course as a means mented and that they will at the proper time prove themselves patriotic and loyal to the truths they have promulgated in the past with such signal tablished, but the world will be furn- become American citizens. ished a monumental example of the

tion for notority. convention departed from the ancient | the state. andmarks. Mr. Donnelly has been a populist from the beginning, and is

HOW "LIBERAL."

grain shipping point of the Northwest, and her aspiration in this direction is commendable, but her methods for securing this coveted business are not such as will forcibly strike the shipper or producer as being overly enticing. They are outlieed as follows by the Daily Budget:

"The progressive association and the chamber of commerce have now joined hands on a proposition that if

wish to sell it to the foreign buyer. In that way they will save storage twice as deplorable. charges, save the middle men's profits ter prices for their grain, and we of lility to do everything himself from his Astoria will win our point in making office in Washington, through the inthis the wheat shipping port of the strumentality of political satellites Pacific coast. There may be other that have been appointed to positions plans to secure this desired result, but for which they are wholly unfitted, Mr. this one at least is feasible and can be Alger has completely muddled the successfully carried out with very little affairs of the department of which he cost except the expenditure of time | was unfortunately appointed the re

and labor. This would be an admirable scheme warehouses, elevators and docks, and script. then give the Astorians a commission for storing and selling their wheat. [Of is somewhat of a dreamer, and has concourse the farmers will rush down cluded the Times-Mountaineer is a rethere and do this very thing-when publican paper. It is wouderful what

rebel bullets, but he cannot face the city by the sea. If it desires to monopolize the wheat business of the Inland When the legislatur convens in

Empire, let it put forth some inducenents to the growers that will attract them. It is within the reach of As- sideration. Thus the valuable time of toria to do this, but it cannot be accomplished by only utilizing the breezes that blow off the Pacific and form such a large portion of the city's | We need an amendment to our laws, stock in trade. Let Astoria, first of providing for the submitting of all all, convince producers that they can city charters to a vote of the people sell to better advantage there than at any other place, then let it create some means for getting the wheat there, and handling it when unloaded. If Astoria will get the Columbia river pened to navigation above The Dalles, hen erect large warehouses where wheat can be stored, she will have changed. ccomplished two very important things in securing the wheat trade.

merce will never secure much wheat inless backed up by something prac-The issue in the Washington elec resent gold standard, and the fusionsts for free coinage. It will be the the last session. contest of '96 over again.

Portland, but so long as it has to b

ections by rail, it will go either t

I is said that when President Mc-Kinley visits the Omaha exposition he will make an ascension in one of General Shafter's balloons. Couldn't he prevail on Alger to go along? We might get rid of him that wav. If there is any doubt about the legal

status of Mr. McKinley's war investi gating committee, as Mr. Sherman thinks there will be, there will be none Alger about the congressional committee that will later on make an investiga

The giving one railroad a monopoly of transportation to and from Camp Wikoff, at Montauk Point, as well as the exclusive privelege to conduct a store and restaurant at the camp, is sufficient reason why the camp should be abolished, and another count in the long indictment against the war de partment entered.

President McKinley proposes to ap oint a commission composed of a lot of political hacks to investigate the care of the army during the recent war. Such a commission would do no more than whitewash the head of the war department. If the president can't remove Aiger, he would do himselicredit by leaving the investigation

Should the United States ever get into another war with a foreign country, it would be a sure winner to hire Alger out to the adversary, and get him put at the head of the enemy's war department. He is the most sucslipped away to fill the coffers of nonmade humanity subordinate to politics
residents.

Cincinnati conclave, we are thrilled to the present century. He can starve with a sense of relief that this generawhich were not honored. An impertative order had been sent to have all time, taking a large number of places with bullets.

The Washington republicars, in their state platform, say: "We indorse and approve the administration of liant and talented gentlemen only President McKinley and his cabinet." This we presume includes an indorseof calling attention to themselves in ment of Alger's misadministration of order that, being more widely know n the war department. It will prove a their power to do good might be aug- pretty heavy load to carry to endorse the starving and neglect of the Ameri-

Those who are so rampant for absorbing the Philippine islands with ability, by adjusting their action to their 9,000,000 barbarians cannot but the demands of patriotism and their have their ardor cooled when they country's good, and that the sugges- read of how the Filipinos are unable tion that prompted them to act was a to agree among themselves, and how desire to forestall the wicked plans they are ready to spill each other's that the gold combination have in con- blood. They are an unregenerate templation as a means of dividing the race that might govern themselves by silver forces in 1900, then, in that case brute force when the stronger had the purity of their motives will be es- killed off the weak, but they could not

The dispatches announce that everyfantastic performances that even great thing is in readiness for the special men can be put through when they session of the legislature that confall victims to an overpowering ambi- venes on the 26th. This means that the Salem "hog" has been turned Both gentlemen were supporters of loose, and the "grafters" are in posit-Mr. Bryan in 1896 and aided in that ion to fleece the innocent taxpayers as contest with distinguished ability. of old. During the week there will be a Mr. Barker, the head of the ticket is a few hundred would be clerks assemble, recent convert to populism, having and they will be so hungry for places been a lifelong republican, quitting that they will have to be awarded for that party only after the St. Louis their faithfulness at the expense of Those brave men who enlisted a few

months ago for the nation's defense well known to the members of that continue to die in the horrible hospiparty, who will be sorely grieved at tals and camps provided for them, and his present course.—Silver Knight- disease increases in their ranks, and Secretary Alger's heart remains unmoved. He holds on to his fat job, regardless of his incompetency and the suffering of the men for whose comfort he is responsible. Will the old farce never resign? If not, the president ought to have enough decency left to remove him.

The Washington and Michigan republican platforms endorse Alger and "the conduct of the war throughout" s approved. Nothing is criticised: everything is swallowed-Alger's political schemiug and blunders, the hor rors of hospital ships, the hunger and properly handled will obtain for As- neglect of our forces at Santiago, the toria the shipping of all the wheat of pest-breeding conditions in camps Eastern Oregon and Washington from east and south. All these unhappy her wharves. Co-operation is the conditions were the outcome of Alplan, induce all the wheat growers to gerian methods and Algerian incapacband together for their mutual pro- ity, and as Alger was a member of the tection, build warehouses at tidewater republican administration, they had to for storing their product until they be swallowed, and they would have been swallowed if they had been

With an overweening confidence in and obtain a higher grading and bet- his own heaven-born genius and abpolitical appointees relinquish office it | near Cadiz, 80 people were drowned for Astoria, but would be a cinch on will take experienced and competent the farmers. It would be a nice thing men a long time to undo their mis- The olive harvest is lost. This is esfor Astoria if the wheat raisers of the takes, and the sooner it is put out of pecially true in the provinces of Sev-

The Journal published at Prineville the Times-Mountaineer could have led advocated the principles of the repub-Lincoln-equality of all and the right of the people to govern-but it takes an imaginative mind to connect these doctrines with present time republicanism, especially since Mark Hanna got control of the party.

special session a number of cities will FATAL ELE-

the legislature, for which the entire state is paying, will be taken up in considering perfectly local legislation. without taking up the time of the legislature. It would be democratic to allow the people to vote upon their oaganic laws; it is autocratic to submit them to the legislature. Both on account of economy and justice the laws regulating city charters should be

We had hardly supposed any of the men who took part in the so-called leg Wheat loaded onto steamboats at upislative session of 1897, as representa river points, if it can float down to tives, would ask the state for perdiem Astoria, and be handled there, will during the forty days they frittered not be taken up the Willamette to away at Salem; but it seems they have a move on foot to get a bill through hauled out of the great grain growing the special session allowing them their pay. Their scheme should be nipped Portland or Puget sound points. The in the bud early. They never render 'liberal" offer of Astoria's progres ed any service to the state, and are not sive association and chamber of comentitled to pay. Besides, the state constitution provides that if either brach of the legislature shall not organize within five days after the date of convening, the pay of the members tion will be the money question, the thereof shall cease. Certainly the legrepublicans having declared for the islature will not ignore the constitution by paying the men who held up

Learns a Few Things.

LEXINGTON, Ky., Sept. 21 .- At the conference held last night between Secretary Alger, General Breckenridge, the commander of Camp Hamilton, and other officers, General Sanger said that while the division hospital might be a good thing, as now conducted it is a disgrace to the

Surgeor-General Sternburg, reply, insisted that all requisitions should be honored in Washington, and that any medical men failing to do their duty should be reported.

General Waites told Secretary Alger that the conduct of some of the quartermasters ordered to furnish supplies was criminal. While in Chicakamauga he frequently made requests cessful exterminator of an army known which were not honored. An impersition on Quartermaster Lee for water | throwing them open to appointment boilers. No attention was paid to his and their subordinates. requisition, and he repeatedly urged Quartermaster Lee to send the boilers, telling him how the men were contracting typhoid fever. He met with a reply which read:

"The war department does not furnish boilers."

General Waites then purchased the boilers himself, but the seeds of typhoid had been sown and the daily report showed the increasing list of deaths and of cases in the hospitals Pointing to Quartermaster Ludington, General Wastes said, "These men cannot say it was some-

dody else's fault. It was the fault of Quartermaster Lee, and it was the fault of Quartermaster Ludington, who is standing right here."

Ludington made no reply to Waites.

SEATTLE, Sept. 21.-George Bowman, of Bridgeport, Conn., was murdered in Alaska last winter during a ty. We reject annexation because it terrible snow storm by a companion is against our feelings. It is impossinamed Johnson, of Springfield, Mass He was almost in sight of the gold mecca when his strength failed him and he sank down in the soft sonw. Johnson, who was the leader of the party, went back to him and with an oath blew out the unfortunate man's brains with a revolver.

This is the terrible story that is told or the first time by J. C. Smith, who has just returned from Alaska. His partner, Edward T. Calhoun, of Yonkers, N. Y., witnessed the terrible deed which was committed near his cabin a short distance from Dawson. Calhoun, too, near lost his life from a bullet from Johnson's revolver. Nothing was heard from Johnson. It is presumed he perished in the snow storm while trying to escape.

Strike in Shoe Factories BROCKTON, Mass., Sept. 20 .- Nearly 1500 lasters in the big shoe factories of Brockton, Rock Islaud, Whitman Stoughton, East Weymouth, Middleboro and Randolph were ordered out today, the manufacturers, with the exception of W. L. Douglas & Co.'s establishment in this city, having declined to accede to the demands of the lasters for a new price lists, providing for an increase over the old rates.

has replied to the circular of the czar proposing a reduction of the excessive armament of the powers and maintenance of a real and lasting peace. Her majesty praises the Czar's project and promises to send delegates. Spain's Troubles. MADRID, Sept. 21 .- The southern art of Spain has been visited by ter

MADRID. Sept. 20 .- The queen

Queen Regent Favors Disa

rible floods. At the village of Herrer and a great number of cattle perished. Inland Empire would go down to the their power to make many more the ville and Grenada. There have been can to expedite their transportation. mouth of the Columbia and erect lighter will be the task.—Boston Tran- many deaths in other parts of the flood-SAN FRANCISCO, Sept. 21.-The

steamer Panama has arrived from steamer Pansma has arrived from Second Oregon recruits...... 300 an ascension Australian points and Honolulu, Battalion Twenty-third regulars. 400 exposition. There are scores of applicants for they can't ship their wheat from any effect imagination will have on the bringing advices from the latter place gressional commissioners are finishing their work and expect to leave the island September 23.

> Half a Million Loss. TOLEDO, O., Sept. 21.-An explosion in the grain elevator of the Union Elevator & Transportation Company last evening resulted in the death of most of the employes in the structure and a

were 450,000 bushels of grain in the

building.

Terrible Result of Dust Explosion in Toledo

TOLEDO, O., Sept. 20 .- Ten cremated and fifteeu seriously injured is the record of the most disastrous fire that occurred in Toledo. The spontaneous combustion of dust in the grain elevator owned by Paddock, Hodge & Co., at 9 o'clock caused this terrible destruction of life, and none of those who were taken out after the fire started were far enough from death's door to tell any of the details.

William J. Parks, the superintendent, after being blown through the ower story, was conscious for a monent, and said that about 8:30 a terrible explosion occured on the south side of the elevator, and he thought there were about twenty men at work on the seven floors of the great build-

Besides those regularly employed at the elevator, three children of Superintendent Parks were visiting him at the time. One of these may recover from his burns, but Grace, a seventeen-year-old girl, is burned beyond recognition, and Harold, the third child, has not been found, being either blown to atoms or cremated.

CAN'T STAND THE PRESSURE.

amor for Office Will Cause Civil Service Rules to Be Relaxed NEW YORK, Sept. 20 .- A dispatch

from Washington says: President McKinley has again taken up the question of relaxing the civil service rules so as to open more places for political appointments. Some months ago, when the subject was under disscussion in congress, the president had the head of each executive department prepare recommendations, showing which places under his department could best be exempted from the civil service rules. An executive order was drawn up,

based on these recommendations, and it has been on the sk of the president untouched ever since. Now that the war is not occupying so much of campaign is making the pressure for places stronger the president is considering the matter, and it is expected

CUBA MUST BE FREE.

nnexation Will Not Satisfy the Patriot of the Island. NEW YORK, Sept. 22 .- A Herald special from Santiago save: El Provenci publishes a bitter article on the subject of annexation. En-

rique Trujilio, the editor, will say. "The program before the war, during the war and after peace was declared has been one of invariable and absolute independence of Cuba. Neither now, before nor after, have we been Hard-wood annexationists. Probably some unlucky destiny like death may be against the politicle suicide of annexation. During the preliminary contest for Cuban freedom, the first solution was annexation, but this was never our ideal, only our second resource.

"The Spaniards desire it. They cry 'annexation or nothing,' but it is the desire of the Spanish on the Island, in order to save their property, to give themselves up to strangers rather than to accept the holy idea of Cuban liberble for us to live in a strange atmosphere, or under domination, even although American. It is impossible to deal with a strange race and a strange anguage, customs and ideas.

"We have battled for 30 years for to preserve our individuality. None shall take it from us. To do it, it is neccessary to cut down woods to stop the course of the rivers, to repopulate the entire country. Nothing can do it except extermination of the spirit ani-

CHINA BECOMING CIVILIZED

PEKIN, Sept. 20 .- A remarkable series of imperial edicts has been published during the past few days. The emperor has addressed to the people a long explanation of his new policy, leclaring that in many respects western civilization is superior to the existing order in his dominion and announcing his intention to adopt its good features and discard the bad ones.

The most radical edict establishes a postal service throughout the empire. A fresh edict followed extending practically to everybody the right to menorialize the throne, a privilege her etofore restricted to certain classes. The latest edict commands that enthly accounts be rendered of the government receipts and expenditures verywhere, and that these accounts

A FORMIDABLE FORCE. early Six Thousand Troops Assigned

SAN FRANCISCO, Sept. 20 .- The roops just ordered to the Phillipines are all anxious to depart as soon as posto head the expedition, is doing all he The numerical strength of the forces ordered to the Orient is as follows: First Tennessee regiment. 1,280
Twentieth Kansas regiment. 1,301
Fifty-first fowa regiment. 1,251
First Washington regiment. 1.315

MEN FOR DEWEYS SRIPS. rders Received for Recruiting 110

Them at Chicago. CHICAGO, Sept. 22.—Lieutenant-Commander Vall, in charge of the United States naval recruiting station in this city, has received an unexpect- John Peterson, were sayed, and but money loss exceeding \$500,000. There ed order from Captain Crownshield, were 450,000 bushels of grain in the chief of the bureau of navigation, directing him to recruit 110 men for Peter Neilson.

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Admiral Dewey's fleet at Manila. "My orders call for recruiting 40 seamen, 8 ordinary seamen, 5 landsmen, 40 coalpassers, 1 musician, firstclass; 2 musicians second-class; 2 hospital apprentices, 3 buglers, 6 yeomen. third-class, and three blacksmiths, the lieutedant-commander said. "Ap- The Emperor Forced to Re- of forgery and using forged documents, plicants will be examined physically and mentally and those succesful will leave Chicago in a body on October 5, with orders to report on board the United States receiving ship Indepen-

California. Poisoned His Soup. MANILA, Sept 20. - The Republican a Spanish prisoner who had been alful of the soup and fell dead. Eleven been engaged in the conspiracy. The populace, it is further alleged

OMAHA, Sept. 20 .- The captive bal- reformer has fied. oons used by Shafter's army in the getting them ready for daily ascensions. 2000 feet, and at that distance tele- intelligent factions of Chinese are phone communication is held with the now impossible of fulfillment. station below the balloon. The balloons carry four people, the capacity being 12,000 cubic feet. It is said that President McKinley intends to make 300 an ascension during his visit to the quis Ito from being successful. The

SAN FRANCISCO, Sept. 22 .- Australian papers received here on the steamer Alameda report the loss of the schooner c. C. Funk, on Flanders Island, on July 31, with 10 of her crew, all of whom shipped on the well-known coaster either here or in the north. Only two seamen, Albert Krugh and one body had been recovered, when the Alameda sailed. It was that of

s gn His Power.

dence, at Mare Island navy yard. edict just issued Edefinitely announces proceeding in the affair has state imthat the emperor of China has resign- portance. Zurlinden's ignoring of this ed his power to the dowager empress, obvious fact is very eignificant. He Filipino asserts that an attempt was who has ordered the ministers to demade to poison Aguinaldo last Friday liver to her in future all official reports. night. The steward, it is alleged, saw It is difficult to obtain reliable inforthe revision of the case. From this to mation at the palace in regard to the the establishment of a dictatorship is which appeared like tampering with proceeding, but the recent reforma- no wide step. a bowl of soup intended for Aguinaldo, tory edicts probably caused the change. whereupen the steward tasted a spoon. While the emperor was subservient, and a mere figurehead, the dowager geant, a corporal and 12 privates of Franciscean friars are alleged to have empress permitted him to remain in power, but as soon as he attempted to teers under Lieutenant-Colonel Fife, attempted to lynch all the Spanish act on his own initiative, his practical who have been stationed at Angel isprisoners, but Aguinaldo intervened. deposition was the result. His princi- land, Wash. The Washington battalpal adviser, Kang Yomoi, a Cantonese lion will rejoin the two others at the

The effect of the change must be advance upon Santiago have reached great. In all probability, Li Hung the exposition grounds, and the officers Chang will be reinstated and Russian state convention nomirated the folsible, and their wishes are likely to be of the United States signal corps are influence will increase. The hopes of lowing ticket today: These balloons are capable of rising reform so ardently cherished by the The suddenness of the coup is said A. Fullerton of Colfax, and T. J. An-

to be due to the desire of the dowager | ders, of Walla Walla (renominated). bring about an alliance offensive and render France independent of foreign defensive between Japan and China. importations of wheat. The new order of things will undoubtedly prejudice British Interests in China. The wording of the present edict is not obtainable.

THE SITUATION IS CHITICAL. tary Authorities Widening.

is generally admitted to be grave by both the press and the people. The conflict between the civil and military authorities is becoming acute. The sudden and unexpected action of Zurlinden, the military governor of Paris, in prosecuting Picquart on a charge assumes a graye aspect on account of

the circumstances attending this in-

tervention of military authority in a civil court. Now that the Drayfus question has become a great national matter, every army, prosecutor of his supposed caluminators, and resolute opponent of

Will go to Manila.

SAN FRANCISCO, Sept. 22.-A ser battery I. Third artillery, will relieve the battalion of Washington volunpresidio and get ready for the trip to

TACOMA, Sept.-The republican

North Vakima and Francis W. Cushman, of Tacoma. Judges of the supreme court-Mark

PARIS, Sept. 22 .- The French wheat Japanese statesman recently came to crop is estimated at 123,000,000 hec, the yield was 136,000,000. This will

> China's Ruler Dead SHANGHAI, Sept. 22 .- A rumor is current here to the effect that the emperor of China is dead. No details are obtainable, but it is

said the gates of Peking are closed

New stock of genuine maple syrup PARIS, Sept. 22.—The situation here and maple sugar at Maier & Benton's.