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At the risk of being styled an "auntie" by the pro-British papers in this state, we bring up the South African case again. It is contended by these papers that our case in Luzon is a parallel one. This we are compelled to deny. Spain had garrisoned the Philippines from time immemorial, and save when a rebellion or two broke out at times, remained in undisputed possession of the islands. And her title to the same passed into our hands before the present rebellion was incited by Aguinaldo. The Philippines are ours. Now, in 1877 England, after rendering some military service to the Boers, formally annexed Transvaal; but the discontented Boers revolted, and after Majuba hill in 1881 induced the British government to restore the republic, which it did, the queen retaining the "suzerainty." But in 1884 the convention of London recognized the state as the South African Republic, with the suzerainty restricted to a shadowy name. There has never been English troops in Transvaal, nor has England ever exercised the slightest control over its actions. And where the queen is suzerain, there you will find British troops, and British rule supreme. No one questions England's right to protect her citizens. We should have had more of that in this country long before the outbreak of the Spanish war, in which event that war would not have happened. But it looks to a disinterested person as if she wanted to "hog" the whole of Africa in general and Transvaal in particular. Under a nominal British suzerainty, the Uitlanders do not consider it needful to swear allegiance to the little republic, as it is already a British possession and they are mostly British subjects. This is the bone now being picked. There can be but little race distinction in the matter, and neither side is from ties of blood entitled to more sympathy than the other in this country; for Dutch and English blood flows almost equally in the United States. Both sides have the strongest arguments in their favor. We suppose the outcome will decide which is in the right.

The Boers seem to be rather inactive these days, from what one can glean from the dispatches. But this quiet means something. We will wager our last year's hat that they are laying another trap for the British, and that the latter, in their ox-like simplicity, will ride right into it. General Buller hasn't yet reached Ladysmith, the investment of which, in our humble opinion, is but a blind, and a very poor one at that, to cover the Boers' movements elsewhere, possibly a little to the south of that place.

Admiral Dewey has kept up his reputation for valor and modesty to the very end. In the first place he began and ended the war with Spain. Second, he got married. Third, he had a very quiet wedding. Fourth, he wants to be let alone. Assuredly, the "old man" of the Asiatic squadron hasn't made his first mistake yet. Nor has the public lost sight of him.

Military operations in Luzon do not seem to possess the same interest in Oregon as they did before the Second regiment came home. However, we are gratified to learn that the second campaign against the Tagals is being pushed by Otis, who has at last woke up.

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Curiosities of Human Coloring—Color of the Original Man by an English Scientist.

In the first of a series of articles upon anthropological data Prof. Arthur Thompson discusses the original color of mankind and weighs some evidence bearing upon the question whether the earliest races were black or white.

At the same time he mentions Alfred Russell Wallace's idea that primitive man was a Mongol. This would infer that our original color was yellow, and when we consider the civilization of remote times which existed among the Chinese, that the people of Europe sprang from Asiatic stock, and that the identity of the earliest cave dwellers in this country and in France with the Eskimos (also Mongols) has been demonstrated, this view does not seem so very unlikely. Prof. Thompson characterizes the theory as suggestive, but goes into none of these outside details, confining himself to a study of skin, hair, and their pigments.

Sorby, he says, isolated three pigments, using hair as the more convenient subject for experiment. In light-colored hair a brown red and a yellow pigment occur, to which in black hair a black coloring matter is added, and it is a remarkable fact that there may be in a negro's "wool" as much red pigment as in the European variety sometimes alluded to as "carrots."

Again, when a piece of white skin is grafted, as is often done in modern surgery, upon a black man, it becomes black, while black upon a white man loses its pigment. This, Prof. Thompson thinks, supports the theory that man has developed a white skin from a black, rather than the other alternative.

Other interesting points are brought forward. For instance, there is always a certain amount of pigment in the skin of even fair people, that is, of the red and yellow kinds found in their hair, but not enough to prevent the blood in the vessels which do not come nearer the surface than the true skin showing through the semi-transparent layers of the epidermis.

Bronzing through exposure to the sun is due to an increased blood supply and a corresponding development, freckles, and pigmented spots, similar in structure to the general skins of darker races, while dark-complexioned people among us have, in addition to the ordinary pigments, a trace of the black color of the negro, more commonly present in our hair. There is not, however, enough to destroy the racial fairness of our skin, though in exceptional situations (such as in the arm pits) its presence may be very evident.

As to the use of a black skin, Darwin hinted that it might have been developed in correlation with the immunity from malarial diseases which "darkies" enjoy, as it is true that white sufferers acquire a darker complexion.

In support of the idea that the ancestors of negros and white men more nearly resembled the latter in color, a point not mentioned by Prof. Thompson might be brought forward, and that is that "pickaninnies" at their birth are not black in color, but of a dirty gray. If original man were black, just as the original lion was spotted, we should expect to find in the negro infant the black color, as we find in the young cub the traces of spots.—London Mail.

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He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation of said land, viz:

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Dated, this 19th day of October A. D. 1899.
WILLIAM MACNAB,
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Notice For Publication.

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October 24, 1899.

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