

A TANGLED WEB.

In writing a few days ago on the question of getting rid of the friars in the Philippines, we expressed the opinion that if a peremptory demand were made for their withdrawal and insisted upon it would probably put an end to the negotiations for the purchase of the 400,000 acres of land which the friars own.

Unfortunately for the success of this scheme Governor Taft had put himself in the attitude of a partisan against and an enemy of the friars before he went on his mission to Rome, and consequently he went handicapped by his own record.

As a sort of compromise, however, so as not to make Governor Taft feel as if effort his had been a total failure, the request was assented to that the Vatican instruct the friars to devote themselves strictly to their clerical and parochial duties and let civil and political matters alone.

Charges of oppression, disloyalty to the Philippines and loyalty to Spain, of being spies, informers, prosecutors and frequently judges to condemn the accused, with being immoral, etc., had been made against the friars, and believed by Governor Taft.

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avocations will be gone, and they may find more congenial fields of activity, or of sequestration, as the case may be, in some other direction but they can't be forced out, for this Government is pledged to their protection, and the only justification for a violation of that pledge would be some act that would be a forfeiture of which would be a forfeiture of that pledged protection.

ACTS VERSUS PROFESSIONS.

It is a customary trick with the Republican politicians of this State, and one that machine manager Pritchard very frequently plays, to pose as the special friends of the poor man, champions of popular education, friends of the old soldier, etc., and on these grounds appeal to popular support.

In addition to the duty of enacting wise and just laws for the protection of life, liberty and property, the State owes to its citizens the duty of providing for the education of its children, and the duty of giving them an opportunity to acquire an education.

The State owes a high duty to God's unfortunate children who, through the hand of affliction has been heavily laid, the insane, the deaf, the dumb, the blind, and the helpless poor.

Last, but not least, we owe a duty, a sweet and loving duty, to the broken remnants of that immortal band who, at their country's call, risked their lives in defence of a cause and a principle which they believed and which we believe to be right.

The Democratic Legislature of 1899 and 1901 appropriated for these three great objects, education, charity and pensions to Confederate soldiers—something over a million dollars more than the two fusion Legislatures appropriated for these purposes, and at the end of the present fiscal year the Democratic party will have spent for these purposes more than a million dollars more than the fusionists spent for these purposes during the four years they were in power.

During the three and a half years of our tenure of office we have appropriated, and at the end of the present fiscal year we will have spent six hundred thousand dollars more than the fusionists spent for these purposes during the four years they were in power.

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Nervous diseases when aggravated by mental disturbances produce more causes of insanity in the hot weather than at any other season of the year. Nervous headache, nervous palpitation, sleeplessness and chronic constipation induce depression of spirits, extreme weakness, morbid fears, despondency and languor; from these, dread insanity is commonly but surely born.

There is hope for you, dear reader, if you are one of the sufferers. You stand in need of Paine's Celery Compound, that great builder of the nervous system.

There has been a great deal of talk about the U. S. Steel Trust and its immense capital, but very little was known outside of the Trust management as to what the properties are and the value of these properties controlled by the Trust.

He says there is no water in this. In this connection he stated that the net earnings for the past quarter were \$37,991,700; at the rate of \$150,766,000 a year. He also expressed the opinion that the profits ending April 1st, 1903, the second year of the existence of the Trust, will be larger than those of the first year, and will probably exceed \$140,000,000.

John D. Rockefeller may succeed in taking J. Pierpont Morgan's place as the leader in American finances. But Morgan got to court in knee breeches first.

Senor Gonzalo de Quesada, Cuban Minister to the United States, denies point-blank General Fitz Lee's statement about Cuba's condition. We do not think that the people of the country will be placed in any dilemma by this conflict of opinion.

The Republicans purposely made the Dingley tariff higher than they would have otherwise made it in order that they might reduce it by reciprocity, but they have been unable to reduce it in the least, by reciprocity or otherwise.

No doubt the Cubans who desire annexation have been impressed by the prosperity which free trade has brought to Porto Rico. The Porto Rican industries are in the main flourishing. Take the tobacco trade, for instance.

When you take Grove's Tasteless Chill Tonic, because the formula is plain, printed on every bottle, showing that it is simply iron and quinine in a tasteless form. No cure, no pay. Price, 50c.

SANTAL-MIDY. A powerful disinfectant from the urinary organs. It is effective in Gonorrhoea, Catarrh, etc., and free from all bad smell or other objectionable qualities.

SPIRITS TURPENTINE.

Stateville Landmark: Mr. W. F. Maundy showed the Landmark yesterday the largest tomato of the season. It weighed two pounds and nine ounces. It was of the Ponderosa variety.

Fayetteville Observer: The sneak robbers have left this vicinity. They were caught in the act of robbing a store in Fayetteville. Claud McKay was arrested Thursday morning by Officer Benton, charged with carrying a concealed weapon, and was taken to the Superior Court. He gave bond and was set free.

Scotland Neck Commonwealth: News came this morning that a colored man named Tommie, and a mule were killed by lightning Tuesday afternoon near Spring Hill. The deep well being sunk on Main street in front of the hotel is now over three hundred feet. No rock was struck and the work progresses well.

Concord Times: The semi-annual meeting of the stockholders of the Odell Manufacturing Company was held last Tuesday. The mills made an excellent showing for the six months just closed, and a semi-annual dividend of 4 per cent. was declared.

Wilkesboro Chronicle: Two large cranes were killed at the pond at the Curtis place Monday morning. Mr. Morrison who lives there now tells us the largest crane measured 6 feet and 2 inches from tip to tip, and was over 5 feet high.

Greensboro Record: The man knocked from the Southern tracks by an incoming train near Holt's Chapel Monday morning, died at Dr. Thames' sanitarium yesterday at 11 o'clock without regaining consciousness.

Winklings: She—What is the best way to retain a man's love? Brother—Don't return his regards. Aunt Jane—What is a miracle, Adelbert Adelbert—Paid it would be a miracle if you got married.—Chicago Daily News.

Marine Directory: Dora Allison, 347 tons, Rose, George Harris, Son & Co. Norfolk, 238 tons, Sawyer, J T Riley & Co. Svanora, (Br) 125 tons, Morehouse, George Harris, Son & Co.

Commercial: Wilmington Market. Quoted officially at the closing by the Produce Exchange. STAR OFFICE, July 18.

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By River and Rail: Receipts of Naval Stores and Cotton Yesterday. C. O. Railroad—4 casks spirits turpentine, 29 barrels tar, 13 barrels crude turpentine.

Financial Markets: New York, July 18.—Money on call was steady at 2 1/2 per cent. Prime mercantile paper 4 1/2 per cent. Sterling exchange firm, with the actual business in bankers' bills at 47 1/2.

Foreign Markets: Liverpool, July 18.—Cotton: Spot in fair demand; prices easy; American middling 5 3/8.

Produce Markets: New York, July 18.—Flour was fairly active and steady. Rye flour quoted steady; fair to good 85c.

Naval Stores Markets: Baltimore, July 18.—Seaboard Air Line common, 36 1/2c; do, preferred, 46 1/2c; bonds, four, 93 1/2c.

ZU ZU GINGER SNAPS. This ginger snap leads in favor with all who love a touch of spice and sweetness, baked to golden brown, and served perfectly fresh with all the original crispness and flavor retained. are sold only in the In-er-seal Package, the reputation of which is well known to all. If you would like to try them, give the grocer five cents and say— ZU ZU NATIONAL BISCUIT COMPANY

The Korean Family Shrine. The rooms of a Korean woman are as sacred to her as a shrine is to its image; indeed, the rooms of a wife or mother are the sanctuaries of the family.

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CHARLESTON, July 18.—Spirits turpentine and rosin unchanged. SAVANNAH, July 18.—Spirits turpentine was firm at 43c; receipts 48 casks; sales 1,351 casks; exports—casks; rosin firm; receipts 230 barrels; sales 1,027 barrels; exports 1,451 barrels.

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Tallow firm. Lard steady; July closed \$11 30, nominal; refined steady. No. 7 in voice 5 1/2c; mild quiet; Cordova 6 1/2c.

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