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## CAN IT BE TRUE?

The Raleigh Post contains a dispatch from Baltimore of the 27th, giving Passed Assistant Engineer Baker of the Monitor Monterey's account of Spanish outrages in the Philippines so harrowing as to be almost incredible. Not that the Spaniard is any good for such crime, for he has made similar history, but we did not think that at this enlightened day the representatives of the nations would tolerate such without a ringing protest. We clip two paragraphs that, if true, should go far to hush the opposition to American occupation of the Philippines and make clear the duty of a wealthy and Christianized country to spend blood and treasure, if need be, to bring unappreciated relief to a people who can have little conception of their real needs.

The account says:

"One of the most cruel of their acts yet brought to light is told by Mr. Baker. This is a repetition of the cruelties known to have existed in the famous black hole of Calcutta. Three hundred native prisoners, captured by the Spaniards, were placed in one dungeon under Fort San Phillippe, which was built in the sixteenth century. The only possible means by which the unfortunates could get the least breath of air was through the key-hole in the door. When the prisoners were smothering to death they began to clamor toward the door, in the hope of being able to get a little air through this small hole. When this was reported to the Spanish authorities, orders were given to stop up the key-hole. This was accordingly done, and the inmates, three hundred in number, were all found dead the next morning. This was the night before Admiral Dewey arrived, and was learned from the natives.

"The Spaniards also shot some of the native prisoners for the amusement of women. Before these shootings took place notices were given detailing the time and place at which they were to occur. Crowds of Spanish women, accompanied by escorts, would drive out to witness the affair. Five of the native Spanish soldiers were detailed to shoot each prisoner. The prisoners were blindfolded, placed in a line and at the word 'fire,' which was given by the Spanish officer in command, the reports of five guns would be heard and the prisoners num-

bered one less. This was kept up until twenty or thirty unfortunates were killed, and thus ended the sport of one afternoon. As each native would drop, under the accurate fire of the gunners, the women would stand up in their carriages, and, clapping their hands, would cheer wildly as though it was some wild animal in the arena which had been slain instead of a human being. These events generally took place about five o'clock in the afternoon on the main drive, known as the Luneta."

## TO IMPROVE THE MARKETS.

Congressman Marsh, of Illinois, it is said, has invented a scheme by which to stimulate the production of wheat in the United States. It is to induce each Chinaman to consume one bushel of wheat per year. This would make a market for 400,000,000 bushels. It is estimated, too, that if each could be induced to eat two bushels of wheat there would be a market for 800,000,000 bushels.

These calculations are doubtless all right and to be proven only lacks getting the Chinamen to buy the wheat. But we in the South are more interested in dumping our cotton off and in making a greater demand for cotton, and cotton goods. Here's the plan. Get every African to wear a shirt. That would make cotton scarcer and higher and if you could induce him to have a change of shirts it would just make a regular boom for cotton goods. It would even help muchly if you could put a cotton covering on every Cuban kid, as we learn from our returned soldiers that there are thousands of them running around ornamented with only Nature's design for primeval man. Yes, get all these nudes to wear cotton clothes and we'll see new life in the cotton trade.

## LINK SAYS THEY ARE FIVE.

E J Link, the once boy preacher in jail in Greensboro for forgery is "squealing." He confesses to being one of a band of five organized forgers. He says they organized in Charlotte about two weeks before he was nabbed. According to compact they should have helped him out and they don't, so he gives the thing away. He is probably old enough right now to learn that a compact to do evil is wanting in the virtue of fidelity. Wrong doers are not very partial of their victims.

Ex-President Cleveland makes a speech tonight, March 2nd, at Delmonico's, in New York, and Madam Rumor has it in advance that he is in the race for President again. He will, we think, speak some sound words of wisdom which he can do better than most men, and which he hardly has a patriotic right to withhold, but there should be no scaring about his being in the presidential race. It is not his manner and way to cater around for public office and thrust himself on public notice. He has never seemed to want office as badly as office needed him.

## THE BEST PRESCRIPTION FOR CHILLS

and fever is a bottle of Grove's Tasteless Chill Tonic. Never fails to cure; Then why experiment with worthless imitations? Price 50 cents. Your money back if it fails to cure.

Congress has conferred on Dewey the title of full admiral.

## THE BUMBLE-BEE.

"You better not fool with a Bumble-bee!—  
If you don't think they can sting—  
you'll see,  
They're lazzy to look at, an' kindo' go  
Buzzin' and hummin' aroun' so  
slow,  
An' ac' so slouchy an' all fagged  
out.  
Danglin' their legs as they drone  
about  
The hollyhawks 'at they can't  
climb in  
'Thout ist a tumble un out agin.  
Wunst I watched one climb clean  
'way  
In a jimson blossom, I did, one  
day,—  
An' I ist grabbed it—an' nen let  
go—  
An' Ooh ooh! Honey! I told ye  
so!—  
Says the Raggedy Man; an' he ist  
run  
An' pullt out the stinger, an' don't  
laugh none,  
An' says: 'They has been folks, I  
guess,  
'At thought I was prejudust, more  
or less,—  
Yet I still muntain 'at a Bumble-  
bee  
Wears out his welcome too quick  
for me.'"  
—James Whitcomb Riley.

## ACROSS THE FROW.

I love your lenten face, sweet girl,  
With sober brow and banished curl.  
Yet serious glances, goodness knows,  
Look funny with your turned-up nose.  
—Chicago Record.

## CURE A COLD IN ONE DAY

Take Laxative Bromo Quinine Tablets. All druggists refund money if it fails to cure. 25c. The genuin has L. B. Q. on each tablet.

## See Whiz!

An epidemic of crime seems to have hit the town Saturday. A dead child was found in a branch; one negro shot another; a white man was assaulted with a knife by a stranger, who tried to cut his throat; two fights were narrowly averted, one over the dispensary and the other over a lawsuit, which is not yet ended.—Greensboro Record.

## Beats the Klondike.

Mr. A C Thomas, of Marysville Tex., has found a more valuable discovery than has yet been made in the Klondike. For years he suffered untold agony from consumption, accompanied by hemorrhages; and was absolutely cured by Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption, Coughs and Colds. He declares that gold is of little value in comparison with this marvelous cure; would have it, even if it cost a hundred dollars a bottle. Asthma, Bronchitis and all throat and lung affections are positively cured by Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption. Trial bottles free at P B Fetzer's drug store. Regular size 50 cents and \$1.00. Guaranteed to cure or price refunded.

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Finest machinery, perfect sanitary system, "expert" help, purest washing materials and prompt deliveryman, but one thing—

## BEST WORK.

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Don't forget the Concord Laundry Cleaning Club—one dollar a month.

CONCORD Steam LAUNDRY AND DYE WORKS. SHIRTS REPAIRED FREE.

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## THE SPECIAL SALE.

Yesterday's Special Sale was a very decided success. Of all the people purchasing not one murmur of disappointment at either price or quality was heard. Everything was square to the notch as advertised. We heard many expressions of appreciation. In Stationary some thought the prices were ridiculously low.

We take this opportunity of thanking the public for their liberal response to our advertisements, which shall continue to be free from exaggeration or misrepresentation.

VERY RESPECTFULLY,  
D. J. BOSTIAN.

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