

THE GOLD LEAF.

HENDERSON, N. C.

THURSDAY, FEB. 9, 1899.

NOT UNDERSTOOD. (Boston Globe.)

Not understood, we move along asunder. Our paths grow wider as the seasons creep.

Not understood, we gather false impressions. And long them closer as the years go by.

Not understood, poor souls with stunted vision. Oft measure giants by their narrow gauge.

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THE QUESTION OF EXPANSION.

(Southern Pines Free Press.)

We have never intended that the utterance of ours as regards the question of expansion, should offend in the least the most ardent supporter of the expansion theory, though we have from a very dear friend a modest kick because in a recent issue the term land-grabber, or speculator, was applied to the expansionists.

The position we occupy as to whether or not the United States should annex the newly acquired Spanish territory was taken after giving the matter special thought and careful consideration, and not because we wish to apply the term of speculators, land-grabbers, or any other inappropriate name to those who honestly take the stand that we should annex said territory and make it a part of our domain.

From a commercial standpoint the Philippines, the farthest away of any of the islands, do not show up to any appreciable extent, as we buy about \$5,000,000 worth of their products annually and they buy of us less than one-twentieth of that amount. So the plea of the expansionists for more territory and a larger foreign market, in this case, is not one of much importance, while the difficulties of territorial expansion and a colonial administration seem to cast a vivid picture upon the situation.

Cuba and Porto Rico are nearer our shores, but, as a matter of fact, have no greater claim for annexation than the Philippine Islands, and should be given what our President said they needed at the commencement of the war.

Let those who feel that we must spend our money to civilize the savages of the nameless islands in the far East remember that our Government is now considering the question of furnishing more of our men to take the place of those who die in these unhealthy tropics, because they enlisted in Government service and cannot honorably quit. Think what these men are dying for. Is it because we are obeying a Biblical injunction to learn the inhabitants of the Philippines how to serve God and live Christian lives? We do not think so, and while it is a special privilege to spread abroad the news of an ever-living Savior there is abundant reason to look around and see if the inhabitants of our own natural territory could not be bettered through effective missionary work, and a little more special attention from those who feel it a duty to first civilize the savages of a foreign country.

It sounds very nice for the platform speaker to tell us how glorious it is for America to be able to conquer in every undertaking, and that we are able to do just what we please; and these men are not the ones who face death and hardships, and live in camps filled with water, disease, etc., thousands of miles away from home and loved ones, and with few of the comforts of this life.

"We are what we represent," says a prominent writer, and the cause of right should not suffer through any inaction on our part, and to advocate a progressive government, to which all patriotic men could adhere, is a great privilege, and it is our desire to be one of those who can live the pace, face the difficulties arising and remain true to country and humanity, realizing that enough will follow to insure good companionship and the vindication of conscience and of principles advocated.

The smallest things may exert the greatest influence. De Witt's Little Early Risers are unequalled for overcoming constipation and liver troubles. Small pill, best pill, safe pill. Phil H. Thomas.

BEWARE OF PARTISANSHIP. While the friends of Admiral Schley in Congress and out of it may be justified in taking a decided stand for the full recognition of an able and deserving commander in any award of honors or promotion which may be bestowed for distinguished services rendered in the war with Spain, they ought to be careful lest in their zeal for him they overstep proper bounds and give him, in the end, good cause to cry out: "Save me from my friends!" He has gained the respect of the people as much by the reserve and modesty that have characterized all his public utterances since the naval battle of July 3 as by his conduct in that memorable engagement. His famous words in concluding his report to his superior officer, Admiral Sampson, "I am glad I had an opportunity to contribute in the least to a victory that seems big enough for all of us," should not be lost sight of in the controversy which has since arisen over promotions and rewards. It would be inconsistent with the nobleness of the nature inspired by such a sentiment to enter into any struggle or scramble, or for his friends, by their inconsiderate zeal, to force him into such an attitude.

"You young scoundrel," said the father, seizing his disobedient son by the hair. "I'll show you how you ought to treat your mother!"

And he gave him several bangs on the ears, and then shook him till his hair began to fall out. —Chicago Journal.

HOOD'S Sarsaparilla is the One True Blood Purifier, Great Nerve Tonic, Stomach Regulator. To thousands its great merit is KNOWN.

TO MAKE THE FUTURE.

(The man who makes of himself the greatest success is the man who, under adverse circumstances, takes off his coat, rolls up his sleeves and sails in to make the most of what little he has. When everything is prosperous and there is plenty in the land, and customers crowd about the counters, the need is not so great. Now is the time for our people to get down to work. The tide has turned in our direction. Let us take advantage of it, throw out hooks in all directions and land as much fish as we can. Our boat is as seaworthy and as competent to handle and take care of as many new industries as those of anybody else. Let us not sit down with tilted back chairs and feet comfortably elevated to await, believing that what will be will be, and that will not be to happen. Let us force it to be. There has never been a time in our history when we could offer better investments, when we could with greater pride invite capital to examine our claims and make its home among us. Our future will be what we will choose it to be. —Roanoke Times.

Horrible agony is caused by Piles, Burns and Skin Diseases. These are immediately relieved and quickly cured by the "Witch Hazel" and "Pain Expeller" of worthless imitations. Phil H. Thomas.

4,500,000 PEOPLE ASK IT. In speaking of the passage of the anti-scalpers bill, the Chicago Record says:

The prospect of the passage of the anti-scalping bill seems to be good. It has already gone through the House, it has been favorably reported from the interstate commerce committee of the Senate and has been made a special order, which gives it the right of way in advance of all other legislation except appropriation bills. Senator Wolcott, who has it in charge, is confident of early action, and Mr. Chandler, who leads the opposition, has agreed not to filibuster against it. As there are very few opponents of the bill this seems to insure its passage. The only argument of any force against the bill is that if ticket scalping is prohibited the weaker railroads will be entirely at the mercy of the stronger competing lines. At present through the scalpers' associations they are able to secure a good deal of passenger traffic at reduced rates. Mr. Chandler has several amendments which he intends to offer and Mr. Tillman proposes to make a speech on the bill.

In several respects the anti-scalping bill is unique. There has never been a measure before Congress which has contributed so much to the post-office revenues. The literature which has been circulated, the letters that have been written for and against it, have been unparalleled in number, and there are on the files of the House petitions signed by over 4,500,000 people asking such legislation. All the railway organizations have representatives urging its passage, and nearly every commercial organization in the country, great and small, has taken action in favor of it. The United States is the only country on earth where ticket scalping is permitted. If you buy a railway ticket in Europe or South America, or in Japan or India, you can have it redeemed by turning it in for redemption to the authorized agents of the road. You may give it to a member of your family or friend, or may dispose of it in a private way, but any one who would attempt publicly to make merchandise of railway tickets would be arrested and punished. It has been asserted by the representatives of the National Merchants' Association that between 40,000 and 50,000 people put off railway trains every year for trying to ride on bogus or fraudulent tickets, having been imposed upon by scalpers.

A GREAT STEP GAINED. The postoffice appropriation bill, which has already passed the House of Representatives and is now under consideration by the Senate committee, contains a provision for the classification of postoffice clerks in first and second class postoffices, which will be a great improvement on the present system, although it does not go so far as the several bills which have been introduced in Congress. It provides for the classification of all clerical employees into grades according to their duties and responsibilities and fixes their salaries in proportion, beginning with the minimum of \$600 a year. All clerks now receiving \$400 and \$500 a year are advanced to \$600 and the compensation of the various higher grades is fixed at \$800, \$1,000, \$1,200, and so on up to \$2,600. There is no provision for the advancement of clerks to pay and position after a certain period of service in the lower grades. It was impossible to induce the committee to go so far, but that will come later. A great step is gained by securing any classification at all, and the system will be improved and extended by some future Congress.

THERE are few places on the habitable globe where man is not more or less annoyed by insects. A susceptible individual not long ago wrote to the department of agriculture that he had come over from the old country and settled in New Jersey, but the mosquitoes bothered him so that he moved to Northern New York. There, during a certain portion of the year, the black flies made life unendurable; whereupon he moved to North Carolina, where the red bugs, or jiggers, were so bad that he feared he would go crazy, and in that desperate condition he asked the secretary of agriculture whether there existed in the United States a locality where a sensitive individual like himself could find peace from the attacks of insects.

Nothing great was ever achieved without enthusiasm.

LIKE BANCO'S GHOST.

Maximo Gomez, reported dead a few weeks ago, has come to life again and written a long letter to a friend in Havana, in which he says that he feels deeply hurt by the curt treatment that he receives from the American officials. Deeply hurt? The old bandit has been paid the \$10 a day wages for which he agreed to make a pretense of fighting in Cuba, and what more does he want? His claim that he ought to be recognized as the Commander-in-Chief of the Cuban Army, equal in rank to the American Commanding General is preposterous. There is not—and it's doubtful if there ever was—a Cuban army. For years Gomez and the Spanish officials have been playing at fighting, oppressing the farmers and planters, dividing the spoils, and taking good care that nobody except the poor Cuban residents were ever killed or wounded. When our army appeared at Santiago—and he might have been of some use to Gomez made no sign, because nobody offered to pay him for a demonstration. He is one of the many humbugs exploded by the Cuban war, and the sooner he drops into innocuous desuetude the better for Cuba.—Felicity (Ohio) Times.

February Ladies' Home Journal. The February Ladies' Home Journal offers more than the expected variety of literary and pictorial features. It opens with an article by M. Wellington Booth, taking the reader through State prisons pointing out the awfulness of prison life, and the hopelessness of a released prisoner's efforts to gain unaided a place where he can get a livelihood. The story touches the heart and will attract widespread interest. Mrs. Law Wallace writes of "The Murder of the Modern Innocents," a powerful and convincing protest against the over-education of children. "The Story of New York's Social Life" gives interesting glimpses of Gotham society and "The Grange Ranch in the World" describes a Texas pasturage as large as two States of our Union. The three serials, "The Girls of Camp Greedy," "The Prophecy of the Jamboree of the Country," and "The Minister of Carthage" continue with dash and a successful interest.

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To Choose a Good Breeder. For breeding purposes, choose a large, roomy sow standing well on her feet with a thin, drooping ear, good width between the eyes, soft coat of black hair with no swirls, and as good a form as possible to get.

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