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A WISE GOVERNOR.

The striking difference between the administration of affairs in the hands of an educated soldier rather than in the hands of a politician is seen in the recent order of General Davis, the commanding general in Porto Rico in which he says to the people that:

"He will be pleased to receive suggestions from all who may feel disposed to submit the same, relating to better methods of administration, the system of levying and collecting taxes, wise retrenchments in municipal and insular expenditures, improvements in the jail system, elections of alcaldes, town councils, and municipal boards, changes which may be found desirable in the judicial system, or which may tend to simplify and expedite the administration of justice, reduction and consolidation, if practicable, of municipalities, development of the school system, improvements in the law relating to marriage and divorce, and suggestions relating to public morals, the regulation of the liquor traffic, legal restraints upon Sunday work and amusements, such as exist in most of the states of the Union, the suppression of prostitution and of the sale of obscene literature, and all kindred subjects of public concern.

"Mere criticism of existing evils will not be of value unless accompanied by specific suggestions as to the best practicable remedy."

It would be delightful indeed to call this plan the "American plan" of governing a conquered or weaker race. During the hundred years we have undertaken to govern the poor Indian, the politicians have refused with indignation to lower themselves to the level adopted by Gen. Davis. While the friends of the Indian insisted that there would be no Indian wars if the military men were placed in control, the politicians, and the professional Fourth of July orators insisted that it was "un-American" if the spoils were not properly divided, and that the most disagreeable and cantankerous man to deal with was an army officer who "would not take care of the boys."

The politicians and the average Fourth of July orators feel that the placing of military men in civil offices is a long step towards converting the Republic into a despotism; that it is stifling the air of freedom which is kept in its purest state by an invigorating oxygen, which is generated through the division of offices according to "pulls."

But it will be the sad fate of the American people to foolishly insist on the administration of their own affairs by competent men who are deficient in the gift of making pulls. The military rulers often lack a worldly wisdom, which comes from the friction of business life, so that they are by no means ideal statesmen. But they are not corrupt, and are not under obligations to corrupt men.

The British nation alone prepares men in the Civil service for the administration of government in foreign lands. America has not needed in the past this class of men, because the theory of government by democracy has not permitted it. The extension of government over people incompetent to rule themselves now demands this order of men, and rule by military men is merely a stepping stone to rule by trained civilians.

A TWENTIETH CENTURY FACTORY.

There appears in another column, an article published in the N. Y. Independent, describing the management of the National Cash Register Company of Dayton, Ohio. The subject has been discussed before in this journal. It reads like one of those stories of the future, and suggests "Looking Backward." This story of humanity towards employees makes many of the employers of laborers groan and wish that the daring cranks who had the audacity to walk "in His steps" in business affairs, would be plunged into bankruptcy and be taught a lesson. The idea of making the young women employed in a factory wear nice white aprons and cuffs, which are laundered at the expense of the company; the idea of having a boys' garden near a factory and encouraging them to raise vegetables, in order to keep them out of mischief,—these ideas are indeed revolutionary, and ought to bring the concern to grief. But it pays very handsome dividends. Those who do not like the way the concern is managed feel that the profits are not due to good business management but to a miracle which the Lord has performed in that factory, and is not due to natural causes. But the men who are doing this fine work say it pays to do it, not morally, but financially. It brings out faithful conscientious work, and that makes good profits. And it incidentally makes good citizens. Altogether these Ohio cranks are strange creatures.

SOLID REGIMENTS NOT WANTED.

It is fortunate that Uncle Sam has been fighting men below his size for the last year. The mistakes he has made have cost comparatively little, but they give excellent lessons.

The President now refuses to take any solid regiments as volunteers. He will gladly accept men, but not the officers. The men he can dispose of intelligently by putting them under the care of experienced officers, who will care for them. But the Executive will no longer trust the volunteer officers, who know nothing about war, or the care of men, and should be in the ranks if they desire to serve their country. Many a fine young fellow has lost his life during the last year, because he was under strict military discipline, and could not take care of himself, because an ignorant officer forbid it.

Before the army was organized for the Spanish war, the experienced officers, the West Pointers, urged that the volunteers be properly officered. They saw men who had some military training put aside, and young men with a political pull put in places they could not fill. But the President was helpless. The people rule. It was a war of the people. Public sentiment was not sufficiently intelligent to back the President if he attempted to put the politicians aside. The people needed a lesson and they have it. Now, the President has the people behind him, when he refuses to accept political regiments.

Good people are shocked when they read the stories about human sacrifices in Hawaii. But these sacrifices were due to mistaken notions about the relations between God and man. Everyone of the enlisted men that died through the ignorance and incompetence of officers who were appointed under a system approved of by the people, was a victim of human sacrifice, due to mistaken notions about the relations between the State and its citizens. While civilization is indignant at the spectacle of the heathen placing dead bodies before "the gods of wood and stone," it places the victims of its own needless ignorance, in the sacred temples, and then gives them the miserable compensation of a pathetic funeral, and warbles over them the sweetest of hymns: "Nearer my God, to thee." The sacrifice is there.

President McKinley intends, if the people will permit him to do so, to suspend these funerals, and stop these human sacrifices.

A GOOD CLUB.

The officers of the Waverley Club earnestly request the attendance of its members at a meeting to be held on Thursday evening, which has been called for important business.

This club was organized in order to promote social intercourse, and provide a suitable place where social amusements could be had, and the best current literature of the times be found. The management of the club has been excellent, and its officers are entitled to much credit for the way they have discharged a gratuitous service. The chief value of a club of this kind is that it gives facilities to the young men especially, for social intercourse and for an opportunity to improve their knowledge by good reading. It is in no sense political. As its objects are excellent, so it should be encouraged. Out of it should grow in due time, a larger society, which should have a decidedly elevating influence on its members. This is a cosmopolitan place, and the need of good clubs will increase every year. A good club cannot rise in a day. It must grow, and there is a social duty imposed on the members of it, to see that it grows wisely and serves a good purpose.

IF YOU WANT to have a good laugh go to the ORPHEUM tonight.

PETITION FOR LETTERS.

George R. Carter to Administer Edward Dowsett's Estate.

In the probate department of the Circuit Court a petition has been addressed to Judge Perry by David A. Dowsett that letters of administration on the estate of his brother Edward, who died intestate on July 3 last, may be granted to George R. Carter. The petitioner states that due and diligent search has been made to ascertain if the deceased left any will, but none can be found.

The value of the estate is estimated at about \$30,000, as follows: One undivided twelfth of the estate of James I. Dowsett, deceased intestate, and one share of the James I. Dowsett Estate, Limited.

The heirs of the deceased, as far as known to petitioner, are Phoebe K. Raymond, Mary K. Parish, Alexander C. Dowsett, Annie K. Brenham, Elizabeth J. Parker, David A. Dowsett, Rowena N. Dowsett, Samuel H. K. Dowsett, Marion Dowsett, Guinevieve Dowsett, all brothers and sisters of deceased, and Annie Dowsett, Madeline Dowsett, nieces of deceased.

Judge Perry has set Friday, August 18, as a day for hearing the petition.

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TIMELY TOPICS

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