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AN IMPORTANT OPINION.

Senator John T. Morgan gave to the Press at Selma, Alabama, on the 14th of July his views about the political situation regarding the newly acquired territories. He said:

"The Congress that assembles in December will, in providing for the government of our new possessions, have to modify the tariff, which will materially strengthen the Democratic position. Sugar will give you issue enough. We can no more place a tax on sugar from Porto Rico, Hawaii, and the Philippines than we can from Louisiana.

"Then in providing for the government of the islands, will come the arranging of a financial system. Silver has been the only money there, therefore the remonetization of silver will be again demanded by the Democrats. If we can't get free coinage we will say 'give us five hundred or a thousand millions.' Once we make an inroad, the rest of the party way will be cleared."

Whether it will be fortunate for Hawaii, if Congress adopts his views, is a grave question. So far as Hawaii is concerned, it is a sound doctrine. But, there may be a menace to us in opening wide the door. Our prayer is that of the old farmer:

"God bless me and my wife Mary,
My son John and his wife Sairy,
God bless us four,—and no more."

We ask Congress to bless us with the free sugar laws, but when it comes to blessing other people, we believe that the line should be strictly drawn against them. Senator Morgan is one of our best friends, but we hope he won't become too friendly towards other people.

AN ALARMING VIEW.

The New York Observer is the oldest organ of the Presbyterian church in the Eastern States. It has this to say about the observance of Sunday:

"Is Sunday to be in no sense a foretaste of the heavenly world to which we profess to be hastening? Is it merely a day for heavy dinners and more or less aesthetic enjoyment, in a half operatic entertainment in the churches? Is Sunday to be a mere show day for one's best clothes, or for one's turnout in the parks and on the boulevards? Are we to avoid all the most serious books and all the most serious thoughts? Is everything that tells of our weakness and of the shortness of human life so much fanaticism? Is it a gloomy thought that we are seeking another country, even an heavenly? Are the harps that we shall then tune a myth? Has the end of the nineteenth century revealed it as a fact that Scripture is so much poetry, a soothing opiate when it tells of the joys of Heaven? Is it a mere gloomy delusion when it tells of the doom of the wicked? Is the church prepared to sound a final truce with those who have steadfastly tried to bend it to their easy-going purposes? Even if we are arguing on mere political and sociological grounds, the whole voice of ancient and modern history would sound with one note to the effect that self-restraint, the fight against temptation, is the sole safeguard of any individual or set of individuals. Rest and abandon are different things. You will hear nine men pleading for license where you will hear one pleading for more rest. We have downed Puritanism in this country, but at a fearful cost. Many a premature grave is being dug on Monday for the man who would take no Puritanism on Sunday."

If the Observer cannot exhibit any better outcome of the work of the Church during the last thousand of years, it makes the case a discouraging one. At least, it suggests the query whether the Church has really discovered and preached the natural, the proper, and, it may be called, the "scientific" way of observing Sunday? There may be no "scientific" way of observing it, but if there is none, then what is to be done to correct this alleged error in observing that day? Is there not something wrong, radically wrong, in the traditional methods of observance, if the Church, more enlightened now than ever before, does not keep its members in order? It is a serious charge to make, that "we have downed Puritanism in this country?" Have not the intelligent body of Christians "downed Puritanism," because it ought in many respects to be "downed?" The charge is made, not by the unbelievers, but by a powerful organ within the Church itself.

A FALSE DISPATCH.

In another column is republished a special cable dispatch to the N. Y. Sun from Rome regarding the cruel treatment of Italian laborers in Hawaii.

As there are only a few Italian laborers in service here, under our penal contract labor law and they do not complain, the dispatch to the Sun is not true. In the tables of the last census, which was carefully taken, the number of "other nationalities" including both men and women, was 600. There are possibly thirty Italians in this class. But there are none of them on the sugar plantations.

ALGER A SACRIFICE.

In plain language Secretary Alger has been offered up as a sacrifice for the sins of the people. Some one had to be put on the altar for these sins, like the Jewish atonement made with bulls and goats and the people had their eyes on Alger and caught him. He was no better or worse than the average politician. His appointment was due to the system of spoils. The War Department got into trouble and he was at the head of it. Congress had failed to create a good army system. The members crowded their political favorites into the ranks of army officers. The army was starved in its equipment by insufficient laws, and when an increase from 25,000 to 250,000 men suddenly became necessary, no living man could, at the head of the War Department, have given satisfaction. So Alger had to suffer for the sins of the people's Representatives. No one expected that the members of Congress would rise up in a penitential attitude and say: "We have sinned." But when the people became angry, and proposed to lynch Alger, they stood aside, and said with pity: "There goes poor Alger, he is the creature of circumstances." Besides, Alger was an inferior man, and did not have brains enough to meet the many embarrassing conditions. In his management of the War Department, he generally took a course directly opposite to that usually taken thirty-five years ago by Secretary Stanton, who kept the politicians at arm's length, after the people had discovered that war was a serious business. His retirement is not a triumph of the people, but a step in the self-education of the people. There is nothing that shows this so clearly, as the approval of the President's action in the selection of good officers for the new regiments, and his positive refusal to accept volunteer regiments.

THE FRENCH PEOPLE.

Senator Depew has recently returned from his trip to Europe, and gives to the press his opinions. He says that in the desire to avoid revolution in Paris, President Loubet made up an extraordinary Cabinet. A similar Cabinet made up in Washington by President McKinley would be as follows:

Secretary of State—Thomas B. Reed.
Secretary of Treasury—Wm. J. Bryan.
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Millenaud, the French Secretary of Commerce, is a rampant socialist, and General the Marquis de Gallifet, Secretary of War, shot 35,000 of the Socialists in 1871.

Senator Depew quotes the statement of an eminent Frenchman which bears on the influence of racial heredity in thought, and illustrates the point repeatedly made in this paper that the natives should not be blamed for their racial dislike of our small Republic. He said: "The French know nothing, and do not care to know anything of other countries. We have been only thirty years trying, under the form of a republic, which is not a republic according to Anglo-Saxon ideas, to break up the traditions and eradicate the heredity of a thousand years of autocratic government. It took you in Great Britain, and continuing in America, hundreds of years to accomplish this." The force of heredity is the first lesson to be learned in the study of political evolution.

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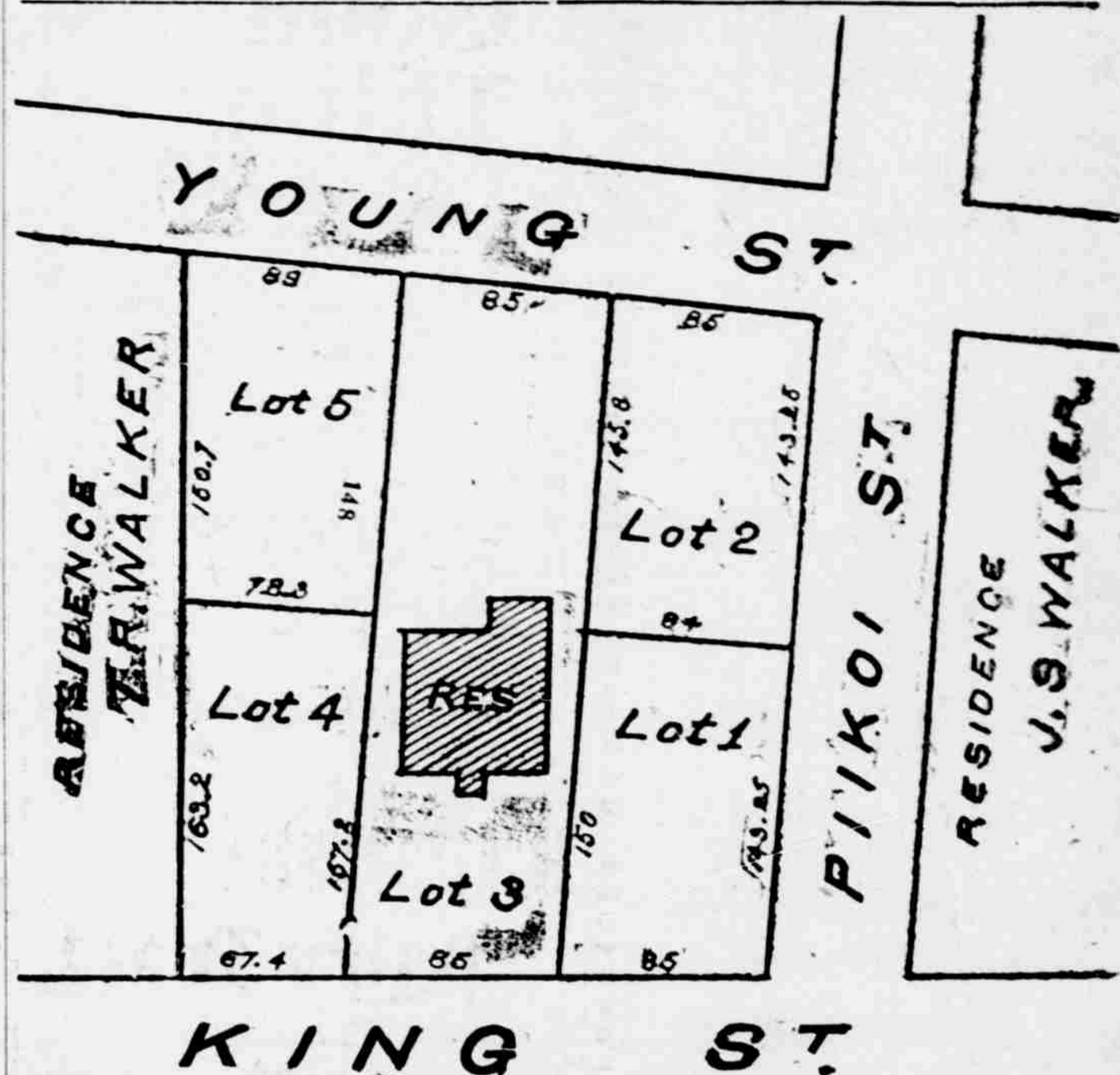
TIMELY TOPICS

June 1st, 1899.

Now that spring time is here, have you given a thought about renovating your home. The nasty, wet weather we have had for the past month has delayed the usual spring work, but better late than never. We kindly ask you to read this list and then call into our store and get the prices. We have just received a large shipment of the following:

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