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The Democrats in congress may as well understand early as late that the administration scheme to gobble up Panama and to build the canal is already what the French call an fait accompli, an accomplished fact.

The further he goes the deeper will be his tergiversation. To reach his present attitude he has flagrantly violated every principle both of equity, as between friendly nations, and of good faith with his own people.

By his proceeding the president has reversed a hundred years of honorable international policy and assumed powers no constitutional authority can approve and no constitutional argument maintain.

We waive the Monroe doctrine. That is gone already. We waive the hatred of the Latin Americans. Their love was hardly worth having.

These are the lines on which the Democrats in congress should stand and fight, on which they should compel the administration to its full measure of accountability, on which they should appeal to the God-fearing men and women of America in behalf of the integrity of the government at home and the national honor and glory abroad.

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Talented Princess. The most interesting member of the Danish Court is the Princess Walde mar. She is an artist, her special line being scenes from animal life.

Flowers and Gardens in Alaska. Very encouraging reports have been received from Prof. C. C. Georgrson, in charge of the agricultural experiment stations in Alaska.

Seeing for the Blind. Representative Dayton of West Virginia recently introduced a bill in the House providing that books, pamphlets and other matters in raised characters for the use of the blind shall be transmitted through the mails to blind readers and returned to depositors free of charge.

California's New Foreigners. They haven't any use for ponies in California. In Los Angeles they circulate a little, owing to the fact that many Eastern people have made that town their adopted home.

DENTAL NOTICE. I will be in Haskell November 23 and will remain several days. Latest methods used in difficult extraction; inflame least possible pain. Satisfaction guaranteed.

THE GOLD WE HAVE, AND HOW WE GET IT.

It would take almost a regiment of men a lifetime to count the Nation's wealth in dollars. The gold stock of the United States, estimates the country's gold stock at \$1,277,362,631. The amount held in the treasury is \$945,811,719.

That the gold stock of Great Britain is \$228,000,000, so that ours is twice as great. Our increase in five years has been \$476,621,287. In that period Great Britain has added \$300,000,000 to its stock, France \$107,000,000, Germany \$85,000,000 and Austria-Hungary \$35,000,000.

Adding the holdings of the banks to those of the National Treasury, the total gold for the United States reaches nearly one billion dollars. Mr. Roberts points out that the public credit of Great Britain rests on \$199,850,000 in the Bank of England, of Germany, on \$179,371,000 in the Imperial Bank of Russia, on \$404,394,000 in the Imperial Bank of France, on \$494,266,000 in the Bank of France.

That our stock of gold is steadily increasing. In the last five years our supply of gold money has increased \$355,604,870, and it is estimated that nearly one hundred million dollars in gold is likely to be added annually for some time to come.

It is easily explained. We have the cotton. Others want it. We have the wheat, corn, oats, beefs, horses, swine, sheep, the oil, the lumber, the minerals. Others want and must have them.

On arising and the last thing before going to bed, when you have on your night dress, stand with your back against a door and fill your lungs, breathing through the nostrils, with the mouth closed, until the lungs can hold no more.

LEARN HOW TO BREATHE. Exercises That Should Be Practiced at Night and Morning.

There You May Get Japanese. In such cases there are on diabetes, and the hostesses are first, sumomo, kuchiitori, chestnuts boiled in a mushi, kamaboko, sashimi, raw fish cut into slices and covered with ice.

The Springfield (Ohio) Union tells the following story of rare human sympathy exemplified in its city. In one of the hospitals of this city lies a 2-year-old child, the son of parents who have neither money nor influence.

Value Received in Family Pride. "What did your son's course in that eastern college cost you, Mr. Rockingham?" "About \$11,500, as near as I can recollect." "Do you think he got the worth of the money?" "Oh, yes. He learned to say 'ah' for 'r' and his mother gets more than \$11,500 worth of enjoyment out of that alone every time she hears him talk in company."

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RESIDENCE FOR SALE. My home place on S. Street is for sale. Residence contains...

Miss Caroline Hass, 30 years old, and weighing fifty pounds and standing forty inches in high-heeled shoes, took out naturalization papers in New York last Saturday.

The cotton manufacturers of Rhode Island and quite a number in Mass., and Conn., have reduced the wages of their operatives 10 per cent. About 25,000 operatives are involved in the cut.

Hon. Chas. A. Towne, now a resident of New York, is spoken of as the probable candidate of Tammany to succeed in congress Mr. McClellan. Mr. Towne actively supported Mr. McClellan in his successful mayoralty race. The peculiar thing in this is that Mr. Towne was in 1896 the vice-presidential nominee offered by the populists as a running mate for Mr. Bryan.

It is said that the Journal, Wm. R. Hearst's paper, was the only one of the big New York dailies to advocate the election of the democratic ticket in the recent election in that city. As the ticket won by 70,000 majority it is suggested that it ought to carry Hearst's presidential stock up a few points.

The Valley Mills Courier and The Protectionist of that place have been getting ugly toward each other of late and it has come to where the Protectionist has questioned the Courier's nerve and the latter has replied that if the Protectionist doubts its nerve "just try it on." That's mighty poor use to make of newspaper space, and trying each other's "nerve" on is still poorer business. Better quit your behaving and learn how to don't.

Many democrats in congress are opposing the Cuban tariff reduction. To either the Cuban or American masses and that whatever concessions it makes in tariff rates will inure almost wholly to the monopolies in control of the trade between the two countries. A majority of the democrats argue, however, that as it will make a slight break in the tariff wall, the bill or treaty should be allowed to become a law. The indications at this time are that the latter view will prevail and democratic opposition will be withdrawn.

In writing the life of Thomas H. Benton, Mr. Roosevelt gave his opinion against a protective tariff and fortified it by this statement: "Political economists have pretty generally agreed that protection is vicious in theory and harmful in practice." Since he is a candidate for reelection to the presidency and knows he must have the votes of the beneficiaries of the protective tariff, Teddy has turned his coat and says: "It is exceedingly undesirable that this (the protective) system should be destroyed or that there should be violent and radical changes therein." Our Teddy is a wonderful man. When he knows that he is going with the stream he is very strenuous, when he feels the current against him he becomes as limp as a dish rag.

Teddy, the Strenuous, advocated tariff reduction until he got a tip from the monopolies supported by "protection." He advocated certain monetary legislation until he got a tip from Wall Street financiers. He held with the abolitionists and republicans that the United States was not to be tolerated. The State of Panama on the United States, for not half the Southern States had, ded it as a virtue and only haste gave them recognition, aid and encouragement. We think the time has arrived when his appellation should be changed from the Strenuous to Teddy Turncoat.

OUR POSTAL SERVICE.

Postmaster General Payne in his report and estimates submitted for the consideration of the congress now in session, gives some information of general interest to the public. His estimate for the appropriation needed for the service for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1905, is \$169,085,870 and \$1,511,050 for expenses of the department at Washington. This is \$15,500,000 more than the appropriation made by the last congress for the year to end June 30, 1904.

Some of the most important items of expense in the postal service are given as follows:

An estimate of \$800,000 is for pneumatic tube service. The heaviest item is of \$39,698,000 to railroads for transportation of mails, in addition to \$13,500,000 for salaries in railway mail service, and \$5,736,000 for railway postoffice car rentals. For star route service, \$8,100,000; compensation of postmasters, \$24,000,000; compensation of assistant postmasters at first and second-class postoffices, \$2,000,000; assistant postmasters at third-class offices, \$1,100,000; clerk hire, etc., \$2,000,000; rental canceling machines, \$250,000; pay of letter carries, \$20,731,210; pay of letter carries and clerks establishing rural stations, \$15,000,000.

W. C. T. U. AFTER SMOOT.

The Woman's Christian Temperance Union was assembled in National convention at Cincinnati last week. Aside from routine business the questions which came in for the greatest attention were the bill introduced in congress to restore the liquor content to the army and the fight against the seating of United States Senator elect Smoot of Utah on the grounds that he is a polygamist and is still practicing polygamy to the extent, as alleged, that he has three wives. A large fund was subscribed to prosecute the fight against Smoot before the Senate, and Ex-Secretary John G. Carlisle has been retained to handle the case.

Every influence that the W. C. T. U. can wield is being brought to bear. Acting under instructions from heads of the Union are forwarding protests to the senators from their respective states. In this connection we note that Mrs. Wyman, corresponding secretary of the Haskell branch of the Union, is in receipt of a letter from Senator Bailey through his secretary acknowledging the receipt of petitions and saying that they would be placed before the Senate and, if on investigation Mr. Smoot was found guilty of polygamy, Mr. Bailey would vote for his expulsion.

In discussing the necessity of supporting the educational, missionary and charitable work of the church Bishop Duncan in the Methodist conference at Fort Worth the other day made the following significant remarks: "Have you ever talked with men and women about what they are going to do with their money when they die? Have you told them when they make their will to remember the Son of God in it? There is no proper use for money except the power there is in it to do good. Don't be afraid to tell rich men and women what they ought to do with their property."

The deficit in the State general revenue now amounts to something over \$250,000. State Treasurer Robins says this will be cleared up by the heavy payments of taxes in January and February but after that another deficit will occur, and can only be corrected by the next legislature. None of the blame for the deficit can be placed on Gov. Lanham, indeed he is in exactly the position to say "I told you so." When the legislature was in session he urged against a number of appropriations as a whole and against the size of others and, when the bill came to him for approval, he vetoed several items, amounting to a good many thousands of dollars, by so doing incurring the displeasure of quite a number of representatives whose pet appropriations were cut out.

A Milan county farmer diversified with twenty acres of ribbon cane this year and is now making 300 gallons of syrup to the acre which he is selling at fifty cents per gallon.

PANAMA OR NICARAGUA.

Some persons are putting forth the argument that a canal at Panama would not only be of no benefit to the Southern ports as affording an advantage over New York but that it would actually cripple New Orleans and other Southern ports by taking their shipping business away from them and giving it to New York. But they say, if the canal was at Nicaragua it would have the reverse effect.

We fail to see much in the argument. According to map measurements as we make them the distances are, from Colon (entrance to Panama) to New York 1990 miles, to New Orleans 1400 miles, being 590 miles nearer to New Orleans.

The canal being the focal point, of course, the distance from there to China or any other point is the same for vessels from either port. From New Orleans to Nicaragua is 1200 miles and from New York to Nicaragua 2090 miles, a difference of 890 miles in favor of New Orleans, or 300 miles better than Panama. This is a matter of very little consequence in a voyage of thousands of miles—one day, possibly, in a five or six weeks voyage to China, Japan or the Philippines.

LEARNED FROM THE BOLL WEEVIL.

Experiences of farmers given through the press and at the boll weevil convention indicate clearly that diversification of crops and the planting of early varieties of cotton and pushing its growth by improved modes of cultivation is the only thing that has up to this time had any appreciable effect in lessening the amount of damage wrought by the boll weevil. Quite a number of farmers in the worst infested portions of the state have borne testimony to the fact that by pushing the rapid growth of their crops by frequent and thorough cultivation they have made the average and some more than the average crop of cotton, while their neighbors who did not pursue this method, or did it indifferently, made almost nothing. The boll weevil is a severe and costly schoolmaster but it may be turned out that it has been a blessing in disguise. It will be so if it teaches—forces—upon farmers the truth of what has been told them for years by scientific investigators as to the great benefits to be derived from thorough preparation of their lands and the frequent shallow cultivation of crops. If this system produced enough for the boll weevils and the farmer too, see how much more the farmer would get by it where there is no boll weevils.

POSSIBLE CANAL DIFFICULTIES.

It begins to be made manifest that the administration may have jumped out of the frying pan into the fire as regards the Panama canal matter as the result of its precipitate action in bolstering up the secession of Panama and recognizing it as an independent government. It is said that a strong movement is on foot in France to prevent the sale and transference of the French canal company's property and franchises to this government and to have the matter of building the canal again taken up by the French government in order to save and protect the interests of the hundreds of small shareholders in the enterprise scattered all over France, whose interests would be sacrificed in the transfer of the canal company's rights to this country. On the other hand it is pointed out that the negotiations have gone so far that this country could not permit a back down on the part of France nor back down itself without a serious loss of prestige, hence, must insist upon the carrying out of the deal. It is said that this might result in a more or less serious disagreement between the United States and France.

German diplomats are also arguing that the action of this country in conniving at the Panama revolution and recognizing its so-called de facto government makes a breach in the Monroe doctrine which Germany would be warranted in following up in her dealings with Brazil in order to gain territorial control where she has large commercial and financial interests at stake.

It may be that we are not yet at the end of Mr. Roosevelt's strenuousness.

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GENERAL ITEMS.

The Masonic grand lodge will meet in annual session at Waco on December 1.

Recently bugs by the millions, resembling the boll weevil, have attacked the sycamore trees at Tyler.

Ponison is maintaining a strict quarantine against Sherman on account of alleged smallpox at the latter place.

Mrs. Amelia Koch died at Belville on the 13 instant at the age of ninety-five years and after a residence there of fifty-four years.

In Fannin county last week several persons were indicted for perjury committed in trying to shield liquor sellers from the local option law.

Green Reed, a negro, was given a life sentence in the court at Waco Monday on a charge of criminal assault. His victim was a negro girl.

At Sherman Monday Jim Black was found guilty and given the death sentence for killing Riley Jordan, assistant marshal of the town of Howe.

Sheriff Thrasher of Hopkins county has been sentenced to sixty days in jail for contempt in connection with the injunction granted by Federal Judge Bryant in the Pacific Express strike.

THE COWBOY'S THANKSGIVING.

By Elsie Malone McCullum

It was at Thanksgiving service, Opening song, "Praise Ye the Lord," Which welled up from hearts most grateful; Then the pastor read the word, After which: "Now please be prayerful That the Lord will open each heart And that it will loose your purse strings, Pouring out a generous part.

"For the Lord has blessed us, greatly—So say all I've interviewed— And by sharing now these blessings, We can but show gratitude, Therefore, when the sermon's over, A collection for the poor Will be taken by the brethren, And no one will fail, I'm sure."

Now in that large congregation, On a seat, almost the rear, Sat a cowboy, who had entered More to rest and nod than hear. He was disappointed, sullen, For he'd lost, the day before, Full two dollars on each yearling Of a hundred head, or more.

So he closed his his eyes and murmured: "Not a cent they'll get from me, Let those give that get the blessings—I have none that I can see. E'en this thousand in my pocket, Should twelve hundred be instead; And for losses I'm not grateful—I have not so weak a head.

"What a telegram, you say, sir, And for me? then do make haste! 'Prairie fire is wildly raging— All your ranch and home laid waste. Both your children and their mother Bolly burned, perhaps may die. Wife and children! O my darling! And in vain for me they cry.

"Can it be that this is judgment Sent for my ingratitude? Strange I did not think them blessings 'Till I felt my solitude. Then he tried to rise and hasten To the train, and then on home; But a paralytic stroke made helpless, Limbs that had been free to roam.

"What! my own strength, is that taken? Ed not thought it blessing, too; Help, O friends, I'll pay you freely— Take me to my loved ones, do!" But he searched in vain each pocket; All his thousand dollars gone! Robbed at church, but no one heeded And the pastor still preached on.

O, what agony, what torture! They were past the man's control; And his heart burst forth in anguish, "Lord have mercy on my soul," Then a stranger touched his shoulder— "Contribution friend, we're late," And that cowboy, roused from dreaming, Laid his thousand on the plate.

B. Y. P. U. Program. The B. Y. P. U. meets every Sunday evening at 8 o'clock at the Baptist church. The following is the program for next Sunday, November 22, 1903.

Lesson: "God's Care of All Things," Psalms 65; 121. False Notions about God's Care: 1st. There is no God. Psalms 14:1. 2nd. God does not see every thing. Psalms 94:1. 3rd. God can forget. Psalms 10:11; 42:9; 44:23; 77:10-18. Isa. 40:27-31; 49:14. 4th. God carries too long. Psalms 18; Psalms 40.

The True Doctrine of God's Care: 1st. God made all things. Psalms 24:1; 33:6; 104:24. 2nd. God preserves all things. Ps. 36:5-10; 147:9. 3rd. God's care for his people. Ps. 84:11; 68:5; 105:17. 4th. God hears and answers prayers. Psalms 145:18; 22:4; 50:15; 127:2. Matt. 6:25-35.

Personal Liberty.

If a man has a right to drink himself to death or eat himself to death, we fail to see why he does not have an equally good right to starve himself to death.—Detroit Free Press.

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Fifth Sunday Meeting Program. The following is the program of the Fifth Sunday Meeting of the Lake Creek Baptist Association to be held with the Friendship Church in Knox county, Texas, beginning on Friday Sunday in this month. Questions. Why Should Each Church Have a Sunday School and Why Should Each Church Member Attend.—S. B. Wilson and E. L. Baggett. Exegesis of Luke 14:23.—L. S. Knight and J. Julian. Of What Importance is Church Discipline.—G. W. Selman and R. H. Weaver. Should Every Member of the Church Contribute to Mission Work and Church Expenses.—H. S. Hatchett and L. P. Leakey. Preaching each night. Everybody invited to attend. Board meeting Saturday at 3 p. m. You can have THE FREE PRESS and Fort Worth Record till Jan. 1, 1904 for \$1.00 cash. Last memorandum or account book, if any, please return it to me at the same time. Liberal reward. M. T. Gr...



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Cow-peas are a more economical fertilizer than stable manure, but the two combined are more economical than either. The cow-peas are a profitable crop for the seed and hay they yield. Hauling out and spreading stable manure is laborious, and then it must be plowed under, but the cow-peas are there without any hauling, and their fertilizing properties are spread more uniformly than can be readily done with shovels and harrows. Haul out and spread the manure, and then plant the peas, save the vines for hay, plow under the stubble when preparing the ground for another crop, and you need not worry about the poverty of the soil. Stable manure should by no means be neglected for it is rich in humus and is worth all it cost to haul and spread it for the plant food it contains. Corn should not be grown without cow-peas, thus growing a profitable crop and fertilizing the land for the next season's crop, all by the same process.

There are some farmers who will not be benefited by science, because they will not apply it. Science has developed and demonstrated the fact that alfalfa, one of the most profitable crops grown, will not succeed without the assistance of the nitrogen gathering bacteria peculiar to the plant. On land where these minute creatures do not exist, the plant turns yellow and dies, and the farmer cries out, "alkali," and plows up his alfalfa and plants another there. If he had gone to some neighbor who grew good alfalfa, and procured a cart-load of soil from his neighbor's alfalfa field, and sowed it broadcast on his alfalfa ground, the alleged alkali would have disappeared and his alfalfa would have assumed a thrifty green color. This process is called soil inoculation, and ought to be understood by every farmer. The bacteria can be cultivated and grown in immense numbers, and put up in biscuits and sold, or given away. The Agricultural Department is now doing this.

Farmers who contemplate growing cotton next year, note (standing the boll weevil, should thoroughly break their land early in the winter and let the beds remain until near planting time, when a trip or two over each with a heavy harrow will put them in excellent condition for early planting. Plow, with seed of an early maturing variety, and rapid and frequent cultivation, there will be a good chance to make a crop before the weevil can get away with it. As this process will cause the stalks to grow and branch rapidly, they will require more room. Therefore, the rows should be farther apart and the plants farther apart in the row. Distance, however, will depend largely on the fertility of the soil. What would be too wide on rich soil would be too thick on river bottoms or new hickory ridges. Many years ago farmers in the lower Brazos bottoms frequently made their rows seven feet apart and thinned to from two to three feet in the rows. At this distance we have seen fine crops gathered, and that is a 500-pound bale gathered.

This plan is good for results whether one is in the boll weevil district or not.

Knowledge enabled a North Carolina farmer to grow more than 200 bushels of corn on an acre of ground. It also enabled a Georgia upland farmer to grow over four 500-pound bales of cotton on an acre. Lack of knowledge how to do it made the average about 100 bushels of corn and two-fifths of a bale of cotton per acre. These differences are greatly greater than they ought to be.

The census report gives the average wheat yield in this country at 12.5 bushels per acre, while 40, 60 and more than 100 bushels have been grown on one acre. Ought not the 12.5 bushels farmer to be ashamed of himself, instead of charging the disgraceful condition to the land which isn't adapted to wheat? It was his duty with strong teams and good plows and harrows to have "adapted" it to wheat.

There is no good reason why any family with ground enough, should not, this year at least, have a good fall and winter garden. The weather has been favorable, and only an active interest could be lacking, where the family has to buy the stale and wilted provider peddled on our city streets, from the overstocked commission houses. By the way, those who have tomato vines laden with green fruit, should pull them up by the roots and pile them loosely and cover them slightly with straw. The fruit will then mature and ripen slowly, of course, but certainly; whereas if left standing a frost will kill the vines, and the first day's sunshine will cause the fruit to wilt and finally rot. Of course everybody has a turnip patch, but not every one has mustard, lettuce, collards, eggplant, carrots, parsnips and many other garden dainties available for the winter dinner table.

Don't say the above may be true of some countries but could not have been done in Haskell county. A good many of you will say it and THE FREE PRESS might have come near saying it if it had not been at the Haskell Street Fair on October 30, and seen to the contrary. The exhibition by Mr. W. E. Underwood of ten or twelve varieties of vegetables as nice as any that ever grew in any country at any season of the year proved Farm and Ranch's Statement to be true of this country as well as of any other, and Mr. Underwood did not irrigate his vegetables. There were also other good exhibits of vegetables to back up Mr. Underwood's showing.

What a farmer wants in chickens is a breed that is hardy, good layers, and of fine table qualities. The breed that will lay the largest number of eggs and be good for eating purposes is a breed selected solely for table qualities. It may be an unprofitable one for the farmer who wants a few active layers, and because they require less corn and

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A child of Mrs. Geo. T. Benson, when getting his usual Saturday night bath, stepped back against a hot stove which burned him severely. The child was in great agony and his mother could do nothing to pacify him. Remembering that she had a bottle of Chamberlain's Pain Balm in the house, she thought she would try it. In less than half an hour after applying it the child was quiet and asleep, and in less than two weeks was well. Mrs. Benson is a well known resident of Keller, Va. Pain Balm is an antiseptic liniment and especially valuable for burns, cuts, bruises and sprains. For sale at Terrells Drug Store, Haskell, Texas.

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## Her Reason.

Maud—"They say that Charley is awfully sweet on you." Clara—"Oh, nonsense! I wouldn't be seen in his company." Maud—"I suppose that is the reason why you always turn the light down when he calls."

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"I wish I had been a man!" she sighed. "So do I!" he exclaimed, and he laughed harshly at himself. For some moments she contemplated him in silence. "Ah, yes," she finally remarked, with acerbity, "if you had been a man it would be still better."

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