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relations between Turkey and Bulgaria

decay in the states under Turkish influence, are favoring the plans of Russia. Before long the status will be such that interference becomes necessary. War in the Balkans can be delayed, but the possibility that it can be averted appears to be slight. The situation is not natural. It is abnormal and therefore not permanent.

### POLITICAL RIGHTS OF NEGROES

Every thoughtful citizen cannot but cognize that at no distant day the tgro and his political rights will come to the front as a grave issue. Already it is forcing itself on the attention of the government in one form or another. t has chiefly been in the matter of anreintments to office. The latest case in that of a color of mail carrier in a Tennessee district within on his route in the performance of his duty, he has been held up by masked men and nder pain of death, to disontinue in the service. He will probably heed the warning. But what will the government do? Postmaster-General Payne says that two courses are open to it. Either discontinue the service or protect the route with federal soldiers. The former course has been resorted to once or twice before, but not with eminent success. That of sending federal soldiers to protect the route has not been tried. The good it might accomplish would probably be more than counterbalanced by the evils that would follow. Discontinuance of the service would be direct punishment of those immediately concerned. But their punishment would also have the effect of exasperating those punished and deepening the hatred of those who were the cause of the punishment -the negroes. The people affected would doubtless reply that the dution of their present problem could be to appoint a white mail car. Fler instead of a colored one. So it would be, but all at the expense of the lored population. This would certain. ly be an outrage upon the negro. The problem before the country is: Shall the negroes be allowed to enjoy and exercise the rights guaranteed them by the fourteenth and fifteenth endments? Today they are not in the enjoyment of them except in the northern states, where they are so few in number as not to arouse any latent race prejudice. But in the south they are disfranchised. There the white man says that the white man shall control the government in all its branches. The grandfather clause method of solving the problem has, in large measure, supplanted the shotgun method. No country ever faced such a race problem as does the United States to day. Nor is the way to solving it clear. The hope of the people all such cases has been in Supreme Court, but the dethe elsion in the Giles case from Alabama has disappointed if not blasted that hope so far as the new problem is concerned. It is a decision to stand beside the Dred Scott Case, and had it been rendered in ante-bellum days Justice Holmes would have been execuated as much as ever Chief Justice Taney was. But a winer and more conservative spirit rules the people now than Ald then. The country's hope for a final solution intig be in time and its wonder working powers, time that levels the mountains and modifies the face of pature. No one generation ever ettied any great problem in human covernment, and so it must be in the present cases The rights, of the negro must be respected, but the prejudices of the routh cannot be ignored. There must to a blending and confescence of licess where now siturp cleavage exists. There must be a great growth of politteni and clhical education before there in final colution of this race question. How the problem will be solved: how respect for the rights of the negro shall be established, we cannot say, we do not Lnow. But that the problem will be solved and the rights of the negro. respected, we firmly believe.

The present situation in the Balkans enders the opinion of leading Austrian sollticians on the future of the Ausrina empire, of interest. It is general. y assumed that on the demise of the ow agod Emperor, the Austrian emire will speedly disintegrate and Euro-

AUSTRIA'S FUTURE.

oan statesmen, it is believed, are shup ng their politics with that eventuality n view. But this opinion is not held y Dr. Gessman, leader of the so-called Christian Social party in Austria. In an crticle recently published on the subject he expresses the conviction that if

Austria did not exist she would have to be created, for she fulfils the funcion of a unlifier of the various rival races of Central Europe. He does not think the internal vivalry of taces

threatens the empire; for though the various races contend for supremacy. some of them seek union with the adja cent empires. Pan-Germanism. he says, is impossible. The Austrian Poles to not want secession. The Austrian

talians similarly do not want union with Italy, which is itself almost as ittle a united state as Austria. Dr. lessmann sees a final bar to Austrian partition in the existence of Hungary

He says that in the event of partition Russia would have to annex Hungary: and this being so, the Hungarians would be the first to resist the partition

of the empire. Another Austrian statesman, Dr. Stransky, expresses similar views. At the same time he forecasts what would happen, should Germany extend her boundaries to the Adriatic, "Germany, he argues, "with her new frontiers stretching to the Adriatic Sea, would be by far the most powerful state in the

world. An increase of many millions of citizens would carry with it no mean advantage, but, above all, the geographical position of the enlarged empire would render it irresistible. Switzerland, within whose precincts pan-

German influence is already noticeable would find Germany on Its eastern boundary, and be compelled to become, not only intellectually, but politically, a province of the Fatherland. Mistress of Trieste and Pola, Germany could exercise so great a pressure on Italy that the latter would have to accept her rule, or, in order to evade this inconrenience, to declare herself the vassal of France. England would have found a new rival in the Mediterranean, for the occupant of Pola could easily threaten the Suez Canal. But, more than this, Germany would thus have reached the much coveted frontiers of the east. The Hungarians-unless they preferred to be merged in the Russian empire-would have to act, however reluctantly, as the outpost of Germany on the eastward march. The commercial

and diplomatic influence of the German empire at Constantinople-already very great-would be immeasurably increas ed when once the German navy is in possession of a new Kiel or Wilhelmshafen within 48 hours' steam of the Turkish roadstead. In Athens, too,

German pressure would be brought to The Supreme Court was fully warbear." If it is true that pan-Germanism anted in resting where it did in the would mean the formation of a new Alabama case, for Alabama means world power, spreading its wings across 'Here we rest.' Europe and overshadowing Asia Minor In making subscriptions to the conand the country on the banks of the tinuation-of-the-schools fund, let it be Tigris and Euphrates, Germany certainly will work for its accomplishment. The principles of unity must finally triumph in the world. Those that result in disintegration must fail. Gathering, not scattering, is the tendency of the age in which we live. For that reason pan-Germanism has more prospect of future success than has the strife that is continually being waged in the dual empire by the Danube. The present organization is impossible. There must be a change sooner or later.

are now about 300 Russian schools, on to have his rights defined and enforced In either case the matter is destined t which the Russian government and church spend no less than \$300,000 a come back to the highest tribunal in year. In these schools free education the country for final decision. One s given to both boys and girls, the trouble is that that tribunal will avoid study of the Russian language is redeclaring a law unconstitutional so long as it can. The Giles case is evidence quired; and, further, picked scholars are taken to Russia and trained in high of this.

schools and universities to equip them

to return to Palestine and advance

Russian interests. The propaganda is

conducted intelligently and systemati-

cally, and the progress of Russian in-

fluence in Palestine is one of the most

Russia has motives of her own for

keeping her influence in Palestine.

Russian pilgrims go there every year,

to worship in sacred places. In fact,

every Russian considers it as his duty

Land. But Russian supremacy there,

American ideas and American influ-

ence are also being felt everywhere in

Syria, partly through the American

of numerous people who have made a

home to live comfortably. Dr. Peters

"Driving up the coast of the Lebanor

to visit Jeball, the ancient Gebal or Byblos, I found that the country had changed considerably. The villages

changed considerably. The village were full of new houses with red-tiled roofs. Later, I observed the same conditions in that part of the province of the Lebanon behind Sidon, where the

villages had doubled or trebled in size and showed manifest evidences of in-

creased prosperity. Everywhere when asked: "What is the cause of this? "

whom do those new houses belong?' the answer was: 'It is American money

they made their money in America,

still has to fulfill.

ees of the flesh.

eems to be her quarry.

for nigh unto a fortnight.

would be the finish of Zionism.

SILVS:

striking phenomena of recent years.

GEN. MILES' REPORT New York Herald

If the author of this report were what fr. Devery would call "chesty," jealous, itching tion could be itching for publicity, its prepara-could be explained, but otherwise and as the work of the commanding general of the army the document leaves the patriotic citizen "posed, puzzled and perplexed."

#### Hartford Courant.

It seems to us a very unfortunate inseemly thing that the lieutenant to make a pilgrimage to the Holy general commanding the army, in his resentment against the president of the United States and the secretary of was and his desire to "get even" with them hould appear willing-not to say eage to believe the worst any casual Filischools, and partly through the reports soldiers. But not on that account will fair-minded men forget the Nelson A little fortune in America and returned Miles of other years—private soldier ( 22, corps commander at 25, laurele victor in the Indian wars, captor ( feronimo. That shining record will re-nain after the ill-judgment and ill comper of these later years have faded from human remembrance.

## Philadelphia Press.

The agitation of a year ngo ended in the crushing rebuke of the agitators. Any attempt to revive it now will bring a still more dismal failure. There have been some individual wrongs, and they have been punished so far as may be, The government understands the duty of humanity quite as well as the ir reconcilables.

Progress is necessarily slow in a Boston Globe. country like this, where the govern-Our "benevolent assimilation" antics ment, the paternal government, is n the Philippines are from first to last a chapter that disgraces the nation and has never yet been wholly told. It holding back instead of leading and advancing. But it is clear that even shows the brutality that is naturall under the most disadvantageous conengendered when an army is permitted ditions, the modern spirit, of which the full sway in an isolated country. We shall hear the whole truth undoubted-ly in the end. The term "military ne-cessity" is meanwhile made to cover almost any kind of atroefty. American government and institutions are the most perfect embodiment, i penetrating to the purthermost parts of the earth. It is particularly signific-

### Boston Herald,

ant, that so many natives of the Holy Boston Herald, It is to be noted, in the first place, that in this report of Gen, Miles, so far as it is given, there is nothing indicat-ing that he spent his time searching for instances of misconduct on the part of the army, or inviting communica-tions on the subject. What he reports are the statements that were brought to him. It was entirely proper for him to listen to these and to investigate them as well as he could. It may be that the report had gone before his coming that he is a just man as well as a great soldier. For many years he was engaged in war with the American Indians, who, to say the least, were as savage, as ireacherous, as barbarous, as tricky, as bloody as are the Filipinos. He won a great fame by the rigor and courage of his contests with he Schux the New Person and the Land and other parts of Syria go to America, become to some extent Americanized, and then return to plan the seeds of Americanism in the sacred ground. This can only be a work preliminary to the mission that country Whatever Russla's game, Manchuria The school children agree with the

Preacher that "much study is a wear! The voice of the Turtle mountain has ot been heard in the land of the N. W. by the rigor and courage of his contests with the Sloux, the Nez Perces and the Apaches. But his record is free of any Considering the number of times that reproach of having imitated their un civilized methods of warfare. That h e has been assassinated, the Pretender d publicly stated that the war in the Morocco has more lives than a cat Philippines appeared to have been con-ducted with "marked severity" may have been known to the Filipinos and have emboldened them to bring com-Bulgaria is talking very big to Turkey. She will be sending the Sultan plaint to him more freely than the would have done to another. r uitimatum soon if he is not care

New York Sun. We imagine that the remote and evalive nature of most of Gen. Miles' ob servations will prove a disappointmen in certain quarters where the general' supposed "revelations" have avaited with feverish anxiety. been





# INCREASE OF SUICIDE.

The Philadelphia Medical Journal holds that one of the results of our long, strenuous military operations in the Philippines is the sulcidal mania that has broken out among the soldiers The newspapers have published an account of the suicide of a lieutenantcolonel while temporarily insane, and a statement that this is the tenth army officer who has killed himself in the Philippine Islands. Besides these ten six are entered on the records as having met death by drowning. In several

of these cases the drowning is believed to have been intentional. The causes, says the Journal, are not difficult to trace. The exposure to tropical heat, the fatigues, the poor food, the excesses and the long absence from home, are the patent reasons for this unfortunate showing. Forms of insanity, such as melancholia and nostal. gia, are not uncommon among soldiers of all countries, and suicide is one of their untoward results.

It is not improbable that militarism has a tendency to insanity and suicide. The fact is that self-destruction is on the increase, and has been for the last

quarter of a century, not only in this county but everywhere. In France the rate is said to have increased from 157 to 224 per 1,000,000 of population, and in Germany it is nearly the same. The rate has increased during the same time. by \$9 to 1,000,000 of people in Austria. 27 in Hungary, 18 in Scotland, 15 in England, and 8 in Ireland. During the ten years from 1887 to 1897, we are told, over 400 persons under 15 years of age killed themselves, and 16 of these were girls.

Whether this increase is due to milltarism or not, it is singular that selfdestruction should become more general, as enlightenment is diffused and prosperity becomes universal. Enjoyment of life does not always go with education or wealth. In Russia, it is said, there is no increase in this form of insanity. And yet the common people there do not enjoy half the advantages that are so plentiful in other countries. The world is strange!

IN PALESTINE. According to Dr. John P. Peters, who has recently visited the Holy Land and studied the conditions there, Russia is exerting herself vigorously, to obtain paramount influence there. She is

taking her cue from France and the Unlted States.

remembered that it is more blessed give than to receive.

Only three more weeks for "the whining school-boy, with his satchel and shining morning face" to creep like a snail unwillingly to school.

Baron de Rothschild has been fined in Paris for "scorching" with his automobile. A man who has money to burn can afford to do a little "scorching."

> The new service rifle is said to be the most powerful musket in the world. And why shouldn't it be? Isn't Uncle Sam the most powerful man in the

world The American eagle, in the form of rederal injunction, spreads its protecting wing over Omaha. It has the effect of putting the town on the Missouri somewhat in the shade.

It is said (but all that is said is not so) that there is as much strength and neurishment in an egg as in a pound of beef. Yet a dozen eggs can be bought for the price of a pound of beef.

So they administered the water cure to obdurate patients in the Topeka in sane asylum. Those who so treat the

Insane are inhuman brutes and no punishment is too severe for them. The government printing office has just issued a large work, in two volumes, entitled: "Indian Affairs, Laws and Treatles." It will serve as a supplement to Helen Hunt Jackson's "A

Century of Dishonor." Mr. Roosevelt has not spoken a truet word in all his western jour than when he told the people of Arizona they could not improve on the Grand Canyon of the Colorado. The truthfulness of his words must have sunk deep into their hearts.

There may be nothing in a name, but all the same a brother of Czolgosz has been arrested in Los Angeles and locked up solely because of his name and the fact that the President is to visit that city. The man's misfortune is made his crime. The arrest really looks like a Russian precaution.

General Baden-Powell cables General Corbin that he made no criticism of the American cavalry, and that the interview in which he was reported to have made the criticism is false. The reporter who "faked" the interview should be dismissed by his employer and his name placed upon the blacklist of every newspaper in the country, for he is a dishon-

est man and a disgrace to the profes-In the Alabama case the United

States Supreme Court holds that the relief for the disfranchisement of the intelligent black is to be sought through national legislation rather than through judicial interpretation and the automatic workings of the national Constitution. But if the national legislation in this behalf is also nulliepending money on free schools, hospitals, churches, and other institutions, fied as the fifteenth amendment has been, will not the disfranchised negro still have to appeal to the federal United States. The reverend gentleman says there courts, including the Supreme Court, sparkling humor.-Philadelphia.

trove.

avaited with feverish anxiety. The confidential report will not satisfy these expectations, either in point of definiteness or of novelty. There are minds so prejudiced against the idea of successful administration, civil or military, in our distant possessions that they seize upon every casual story of outrage as an addition to their arsenal of argument. They want so badly to believe that this government is incap-able of carrying on its work in the Philippines, that the American char-acter deteriorates in the tropics, that men who are reasonable and furmane beings here at home degenerate under the burnished sun into ferocious ani-mals or flends, that they welcome a new case of alleged atrocity as treasure trove.

New York World.

It is not the Glenns, the Feeters, the Caulfields, the Congers and the "Hell-Rearing Jake" Smiths who are the reat Rearing Jake" Smiths who are the real perpetrators of these atrocities. It is we-the comfortable, good-humored, stay-at-home citizens, who are playing at building an empire and who keep our new toy running with the blood and souls of men. . . The simple truth is that in adopting Spanish policy we are reverting to the Spanish type. It is only five years since we were driven to only five years since we were driven to war by a noble indignation at the atrocities of Weyler, and already we

is given to the consideration of the following subjects: "The President's Tariff Policy," "The Merger Decision," "Report of the Coal Strike Commis-sion," "Is Poverty an Obstacle, or an Opportunity?" "Loafers and the Po-Coportunity: "Loaters and the Po-lice," William Hemstreet; "Education in the Philippines," Eurgees Shank; "The Future of Our Merchant Marine," Edwin Maxey; "Editorial Crucible" and "Current Comment."-41 Union Square New York.

by Morgan Robertson in which his picturesque character, Sinful Peck, shows himself once more resourceful; a clever society girl story by Elizabeth physics Train. Phipps Train; a story of long distant hypnotism and Indian witchcraft by A. Fraser, and other contributions by Gen. Charles King, Cy Warman, Rene Bache, Izola L. Forrester, W. R. Ligh-ton, Elizabeth Robinson, J. H. Don-relly, and half a dozen more. The ilinstrations are excellent, and the cove North American Building, Chicago,

The novei in Lippincett's Magazine for May is by George Gibbs, and is called "The Love of Monsieur." As the title implies, it is "Frenchy." Among the implies, it is "Frenchy," Among the short stories there is one by Scumas MacManus, called "Cattlin Dhu." Ella Middleton Tybout's darky parable, "Ananias of Poketown" will not disap-point those who seek amusement. Clifford Howard's lively little story called "The Winning of Margaret Mer-tin" rulls how the man wasts the called The winning of Margaret Mer-vin" tells how two men waste time try-ing to settle which one shall have the first chance with the girl they both love. Meanwhile the girl settles it for herself by marrying the "dark horse," so to speak. "Five poems of the Spring," by Bliss Carman, lead the list of vaces and are followed by Spring, 09 Buss Carman, lead the list of verse and are followed by contribu-lions by Francis Howard Williams, Helen M. Bichardson, Mildred I. Mc-Neal, Frank Walcott Hutt, Aloysius Cell, Frank H. Sweet, Carrie Biako Morgan, Marvin Dana, and Charles Hanson Towne. The "Walnuts and Wind" dependence in work with the second

