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POPULAR sentiment is a powerful conscience regulator; constitution or no constitution.

The National Export Exposition was closed Saturday night. The admissions aggregated 1,300,000, and the enterprise is claimed to have been a very successful one.

God generalissimo-politico that he is, Chairman Sully must not expect too much from either the regulars or their opponents.

The conscience of the average Congressman appears to be exceedingly sensitive in dealing with Mormon Roberts, of Utah, who was legally elected a member of Congress. It will be well worth while to observe whether or not the Congressional conscience will be strong enough to withstand the jingo blarney of the schemers and grabbers who want to conduct affairs in Cuba under Uncle Sam's name.

WHAT shall the present Congress have to say about Cuba? The Cubans are just as much entitled to independence now as the American colonists were in 1776.

Those who argue that the United States government should own and control all the territory it has the physical force to conquer and hold, are very dangerous characters.

Theft is theft, murder is murder, injustice is injustice, whether perpetrated by an individual, or a nation; and no amount of blarney can kill truth.

A PORTION of humanity is engaged in saving and prolonging human lives, while another portion is industriously employed in crippling and killing men. The Life Saving Service of the United States rescued in the war against death during the past year 4511 persons. During the same year thousands were killed in the war against life.

The fifty-sixth Congress went into operation Monday, with the new speaker, Mr. Henderson, presiding. The preliminary proceedings in the House included a dramatic scene with reference to Brigham H. Roberts, member-elect from Utah.

On Tuesday President McKinley's message was presented to the House and Senate. It is a carefully prepared as well as a lengthy document. A few points from the message: Suppress the rebellion in the Philippines, then provide a liberal form of government for the islands.

Senator Stewart, of Nevada, like Senator Morgan, of Ala., believes that war is a good thing for the world. He said on the subject: "There is nothing so good for humanity as an occasional war. Man is by nature a fighting animal, and when he remains too long in a state of peace he deteriorates."

From Dan's Review, Saturday: Business continues wonderfully large, prosperous and healthy. As the detailed statement of failures by branches of business cannot be made until next week, it seems well to say that in four weeks full

Peace societies mean well, but they lack a knowledge of human nature as well as of history. Our war with Spain was a good thing for us, and the present war in the Philippines is to be commended. War means expansion, and a nation that does not expand is marked for decay.

Officials as well as other individuals know that men are leaving the U. S. every day that a European steamer sails, bound for South Africa—one Washington man who has resigned a government position to go—so long as these men go to individuals, unorganized and unarmed, this government has no more authority to stop them than it has to stop any other passengers on foreign bound steamers.

WASHINGTON LETTER. From Our Regular Correspondent. WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 1, '99.—The Roberts case threatens to overshadow everything else before Congress until it is disposed of.

HOW TO GOVERN CUBA. From Philadelphia Times. There is a trouble in Cuba, of course. There is general poverty among the people and next to universal desolation in the fields and homes of the island.

PENNSYLVANIA ITEMS. Eight million feet of pine logs are being cut along Salt Run, in Cameron county. Some of the logs cut measure forty-two to fifty-four inches in diameter at the butt.

AGRICULTURAL EDUCATION IN EUROPE. From Agricultural Education in Foreign Countries, by W. E. De Riemer, in Appleton's Popular Science Monthly for December.

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When Jay Gould Wrestled. John Burroughs, the writer, was in his boyhood days a schoolmate of Jay Gould.

He was shrewd, but not a bad fellow at all. I remember that once we had a wrestling match. As we were about even in strength, we agreed to abide by certain rules, taking what we called "holts" in the beginning and not breaking them until one or the other was thrown.

Queer Story of a Grave. A curious barren mound is to be seen in Montgomery churchyard. Whatever the cause, there is plainly to be seen a strip of sterility in the form of a cross among a mass of verdure.

General Lee's Modesty. A month or so after his surrender General Lee went one day to the store near his home in Powhatan county, Va., which served also as the post-office.

Martin's Wager. Irishmen are apt to word perversity; and says a writer in The Nineteenth Century, the following description of slow speech which often developed into a stammer shows that occasionally they use the best words possible in explaining a thing.

Tree. Lecturer—And what man is most apt to reach that elevation whence the earth may be viewed "as one vast plain?"

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Agricultural Breviews. The "abandoned farm" bids fair to become extinct in New England.

The Soy Bean. The soy bean is one of the staple crops of Japan, which attracted little attention in this country until about ten years ago.

Improvement of Tobacco. Little is known of the chemical properties of the tobacco leaf, particularly those which contribute to the flavor.

Glass Houses. The use of glass houses for growing plants, flowers and vegetables of all kinds is far more prevalent than it was 40 or 50 years ago.

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