

WE have read all of the President's message, and we must confess to a disappointment. It contains no definite policies to be pursued in the many difficult problems now awaiting solution. The hope was expressed by many of the President's friends that he would pursue his own judgment and not be so much under the influence of such men as Mr. Hanna, but these friends must be disappointed in the message, for it is non-committal throughout. Mr. McKinley is a good man, and many of his private judgments are sound, but even his best friends have complained that he allows his own better opinions to be subordinate to those of unwise advisers. The message does not discuss the trusts at length, and the President could not with good grace be very hard on these combinations, after Senator Hanna, who is chairman of the Republican National Committee, had declared that there were no trusts. The closing part of the message is the best, but we fear that that part is mere good rhetoric that will bear no fruit. It warns Congress not to waste money in extravagant expenditures.

COMMUNION VESSELS ARE SOLD. There was a general belief at first that the matter had been exaggerated in the reports, but when soldiers began to distribute costly embroideries and vessels which are never sold from a church many prominent members of the Catholic church thought it was best to interfere, and they hope that the church will do so.

Archbishop Kanzer said this morning that he was very disappointed in the message of the President, which is being almost daily brought to notice. He said, however, that because of the presence of the Pope's delegate in Manila he himself should not at present take steps of interference, hoping that the apostolic would be stopped by the present. Archbishop Schuler, secretary to the Archbishop, said that while he believed the reports to be somewhat exaggerated, yet the taking of any article whatever from a Catholic Church is regarded as a desecration and cannot be too strongly protested against. The articles which have come into possession of Milwaukee people are varied and beautiful, and have all apparently come from Catholic churches of some wealth. They consist chiefly of silk robes, some of them beautifully wrought and with gold embroidery, and worked in medallions of great beauty. There are also chalices and urns, some of which are for communion service.

UNAWARE OF DESERATION. One house in Milwaukee has an exquisite old silver urn, brought from a Manila church, and now hanging in a window filled with earth and growing ferns. The ferns are not kept locked away and are exhibited no more than usual, but some of them are used as table and even as couch covers. One very fine collection in Milwaukee was brought by a gentleman who returned from Manila some time ago, and who said he believed the church vessels were taken from a "church" in Colo. on a march from a town to Malatad.

Robbed the Grave. A startling incident of which Mr. John Over of Philadelphia, was the subject, is narrated by him as follows: "I was in a most dreadful condition. My skin was almost yellow, eyes sunken, tongue coated, pain continually in back and sides, no appetite—gradually growing weaker day by day. Three physicians had given me up. Fortunately, I tried a bottle of 'Tutt's Liver Pills,' and to my great joy and surprise, the first bottle made a decided improvement. I continued their use for three weeks, and am now a well man. I know they saved my life and robbed the grave of another victim." No friend should try them. Only 50 cents per bottle at McMaster Co.'s drug store.

Mr. Samuel Boyleston, who has been spending several weeks here on a visit to his grandmother, Mrs. S. A. Boyleston, left on Monday for Baltimore.

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MY PSALM. I mourn no more my vanquished years, Beneath a tender rain, An April rain of smiles and tears, My heart is young again. The west wind blow, and singing low, I hear the glad streams run; The widows of my soul I throw Wide open to the sun. No longer forward nor behind I look in hope or fear; But, grateful, take the good I find, The best of now and here.

LUZON VANDALISM CHARGED. Accusations that Americans Desecrate Churches are Renewed. From the Chicago Chronicle. Milwaukee, Wis., November 29.—"If these reports of the desecration of the Philippine churches be true," said Father J. J. Keogh, "then I do not blame the Philippines for refusing to be pacified. And in a measure I know them to be true, because I myself have seen brought to Milwaukee articles which I know could not have been sold, since no priest or bishop has authorized them to be sold. It is the worst sort of desecration and it is the worst feature of our administration in the Philippines."

That more and more a Providence Of love is understood, Making the springs of time and sense Sweet with eternal good;— That death seems but a covered way Which opens into light, Wherein no blinded child can stray Beyond the Father's sight;— That care and trial seem at last, Through Memory's veil, As if like mountain range or past, Like purple distance fair;— That all the jarring notes of life Seem blending in a psalm, And all the winds of strife Slow round into calm.

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SUMMONS. STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA, COUNTY OF FAIRFIELD. COURT OF COMMON PLEAS. The Peoples Bank, of Winnsboro, South Carolina, Plaintiff, against Sol. Wolfe, H. C. Wolfe, David C. B. Wolfe, Sara W. DePortes, Rebecca C. Brannon, Etta L. Nathan, D. J. Kaufman, Isabelle Barnoch, and Rose E. Lytton, Defendants.

If a Woman wants to put out a fire she doesn't heap on oil and wood. She throws on water, knowing that water quenches fire. When a woman wants to get well from diseases peculiar to her sex, she should not add fuel to the fire already burning her life away. She should not take worthless drugs and poisons composed of harmful narcotics and opiates. They do not check the disease—they do not cure it—they simply add fuel to the fire.

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REPORT OF County Supervisor. CLAIMS APPROVED AT THE LAST MEETING OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS HELD NOV. 16, 1900.

Table with columns: No., Amount, Name. Lists various claimants and amounts approved at the last meeting of the Board of County Commissioners.

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Letters of Administration. STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA, COUNTY OF FAIRFIELD. By S. E. JOHNSTON, Esq., Judge Pro Tem. WHEREAS, Joyce Brown hath made a will, and she has died, and she has left behind her letters of administration of the estate and effects of Martin Brown, deceased: These are, therefore, to cite and admonish all and singular the kindred and creditors of the said Martin Brown, deceased, that they be and appear before me, in the Court of Probate, to be held at Fairfield Court House, S. C., on the 15th day of December next, after publication hereof, at 11 o'clock in the forenoon, to show cause, if any they have, why the said administration should not be given under my hand, this 4th day of December, Anno Domini 1900.

LETTERS OF ADMINISTRATION. STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA, COUNTY OF FAIRFIELD. By S. E. JOHNSTON, Esq., Judge Pro Tem. WHEREAS, A. Homer Brice has made a will, and he has died, and he has left behind him letters of administration of the estate and effects of William C. Brice, deceased: These are, therefore, to cite and admonish all and singular the kindred and creditors of the said William C. Brice, deceased, that they be and appear before me, in the Court of Probate, to be held at Fairfield Court House, South Carolina, on the 15th day of December next, after publication hereof, at 11 o'clock in the forenoon, to show cause, if any they have, why the said Administration should not be granted.

NOTICE. All persons holding claims against the estate of Thos. P. Mitchell, deceased, will present the same duly verified to A. S. & W. D. Douglas, Attorneys, Winnsboro, S. C., and make payment to the undersigned. R. G. BRICE, Administrator.

Sale of Personal Property. As Administrator of the estate of Thos. P. Mitchell, deceased, I will sell the personal property belonging to the estate of said intestate at his late residence, near Avon, S. C., on Wednesday, December 12th, 1900. Terms of Sale—Cash. R. G. BRICE, Administrator.

REAL ESTATE FOR SALE. ON WEDNESDAY, THE 12TH DAY OF DECEMBER, as agent for the heirs-at-law of Thos. P. Mitchell, deceased, I will offer for sale at public auction, at the residence of the late Thos. P. Mitchell, the following real estate: (1) A tract of 70 acres, more or less, bounded by lands of C. S. Brice and Mrs. A. C. Mitchell; (2) A tract of eight acres, more or less, bounded by lands of J. T. Chiles, Mrs. S. L. Morris and Mrs. A. C. Mitchell; (3) A lot of three acres, more or less, bounded by lands of R. C. Dove and Mrs. A. C. Mitchell. Purchaser to pay for necessary papers. R. G. BRICE, Agent for Heirs-at-Law of Thos. P. Mitchell, deceased.