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THE Dover *Index* reached us this week in a new form, it having adopted the size and form of the GAZETTE, which has grown so in popularity the past few years. The improvement in the *Index* is great, and, although it has always been a model its new size gives it the opportunity of better serving an appreciative constituency. Success to it.

NEW YORK is this year selecting with care her best men to represent the nation abroad or to guard her interests at home. She placed Col. Roosevelt in the Governor's chair at Albany; Mr. Choate, one of America's greatest living lawyers, goes to London as the Ambassador of the United States, and Mr. Chauncey Depew has been sent to the United States Senate to succeed Mr Murphy.

THE Maine republicans Wednesday re-elected Hale to the Senate, but owing to the attitude of the Senator on the Philippine question, his majority was small. Quite different with Lodge, of Massachusetts. He was returned with a most flattering vote. Since he has supported the President in his foreign policy throughout, it would seem in these two New England States that public sentiment, like it is in many other sections, is strongly in favor of Mr. McKinley's expansion policy.

EVERY day gives additional evidence, throughout the business world, of the return to a condition of general prosperity. Hard times may still knock at many a door, but such individual cases are no longer the general rule, but rather the exception. It is the big business centres where the wheels of trade revolve and register both supply and demand, the banks and the factories. These are the agencies through which the pulsation of prosperity is felt and appreciated.

A COMMUNICATION from President Silvester published on this page is timely and should engage the attention of many aspiring young farmers in this county. Education along practical lines is the need of the hour and the successful farmer of the future is the man who will not build a wall around his own self-knowledge, but will be anxious to absorb all the extraneous light upon the subject of soil and its product that the world can give him.

A RESOLUTION introduced into the Tennessee Legislature declares that "the question of annexing the Philippines" is second only to that of the free coinage of silver at 16 to 1 as laid down in the Chicago platform." Then the resolution expresses "unalterable opposition to annexation," which, by the way, is supported by the most considerable of the Democratic newspapers of Tennessee. Anti-expansion and 16 to 1 are good mates and will be bed-fellows in misery, says the New York *Sun*.

OUR Government is still at "sixes and sevens" regarding affairs at the Philippines. The Filipinos have given Aguinaldo authority to declare war against America at any time. These subjects propose to be independent of all outside authority, and it would probably be better for the United States if they show themselves capable of self-government.

FATHER TEMPLE discusses some features of the Educational system in his communication. The GAZETTE is glad to have all questions pertaining to the good of society discussed in its columns, and invites the opinion of intelligent persons.

THIS has been an exciting week for United States Senators. In some states new senators are elected, while in others the customary deadlock has prevented a choice. In Pennsylvania it would seem that Senator Quay is losing ground—though this astute Senator and his strong following may have in store some deep-laid moves yet, which will startle the anti-Quays, and turn the tide in his favor.

But in West Virginia the Legislative situation is more complicated than that of any other state. This may result in a prolonged dead-lock or in the alleged election of two Senators, leaving it for the United States Senate to declare which has a valid claim to the office. After the general election last fall and on the face of the official returns, the Republicans had a majority of seven in joint ballot. But owing to some re-counts and the seating of several Democrats in the lower house and the further fact that two Republican Senators enlisted in the war with Spain—which, it is claimed by the Democrats renders them ineligible to retain their seats in the Senate, has thus changed the vote in joint ballot to a majority of one for the Democrats. This has made the situation exceedingly interesting, and as both sides show much determination, it remains to be seen how the case will be finally settled.

SENATOR GRAY, of Delaware, made a statement at Wilmington a few days ago which is in pleasing contrast to the abuse some Democratic politicians and editors have been pleased to hurl at the President. As a result of his very intimate knowledge of the man, Mr. Gray said: "I belong to a different political party, but I should be false to my sense of justice and to that pride which I feel as an American if I did not declare my confidence in the patriotism and purity of purpose of William McKinley. He is no usurper of power, no stranger to American institutions, but one of the American people, called to his high office by their suffrages, and it would be strange indeed if he did not share to the fullest extent in the love of our Constitution and the principles that underlie it."

THE *Wicomico News*, published at Salisbury, has changed its form from four to eight pages. It is very much improved thereby. Salisbury is a busy and prosperous city and entirely capable of sustaining such a first-class, up-to-date paper as our neat and entertaining contemporary.

MUCH has been said about the financial condition, as shown by the books, of our neighbor county in the north. But a report made by expert accountant Ayers states that the condition of the county as shown by the records in the Commissioners' office, is substantially correct. The alleged shortage, to the credit of Queen Anne's, thus disappears.

BALTIMORE politicians are getting things in shape for an active municipal campaign this spring. If the Republicans could only get together and pull together—the result would not be so uncertain. A fair primary followed by the unanimous support of the party's choice is the thing in order.

THE Peace Treaty should be ratified without amendment.

FATHER TEMPLE'S VIEWS

Upon a Gazette Editorial on the Subject of Education—He Seeks Enlightenment.

EDITOR GAZETTE.—*Dear Sir*:—The editorial in your issue of January 21 on "Education and Moral Reform" contained much that was commendable and something, too, that admits of comment. It was gratifying in the extreme to read a plea for more religious instruction in our educational system; it was encouraging to peruse the utterances of prominent educators, as Professor Butler of Columbia and President Schurman of Cornell, for whom the "religious element" may not be permitted to pass wholly out of education, unless we are to cripple it and render it hopelessly incomplete. It was refreshing, too, to note that our gifted writer did not consider the Sunday-school a sufficient moral counterpoise to the week day development of mind and body.

How, then, we may repeat with the author, is this desecration and blight to the whole spiritual and active life of humanity to be averted? There appears to be but one way, he writes, viz: by introducing into our system of education a balancing and complemental element in the form of religious instruction. And if we ask of what sort will this instruction be, we are told that "all narrow or sectarian teaching must be carefully excluded. The ten commandments, broadly interpreted from a Christian standpoint, and the fundamental truths of Christianity should be taught. Above all, the character of Jesus Christ in its simplicity and matchless beauty should have a prominent place." Where the weak spot in our system of education has been so aptly hit upon, we naturally expected some sort of a remedy to be proposed, surely something a little more definite than "religious instruction with all narrow or sectarian teaching carefully excluded," something a trifle less hazy than the ten commandments broadly interpreted from a Christian standpoint and the teaching of the fundamental truths of Christianity.

Would the gifted writer tell us what sort of a thing religious instruction is when *all sectarian* teaching has been excluded from it? We in our guilelessness had been wont to think that religious instruction of all kinds had been already appropriated by one or another of the sects.

Would he kindly interpret for us the ten commandments "broadly from a Christian standpoint" in such wise that we would all be willing to have our children taught his interpretation? It requires the same power to interpret a law authoritatively that it does to create it, and among the gifts of our gifted writer there may be stowed away the divine gift of the Spirit.

Would it be too much to ask him to enumerate the "fundamental truths of Christianity," since there are so widely divergent views on the matter, not a few eminent thinkers maintaining that every word revealed of God is equally worthy of belief and of love? How pleased the Church Unity Convention would be for a few rays of light on these topics!

And finally, when the curriculum for the elevation of morals has been carefully mapped out, how the simplicity of the character of Christ would be set forth in the same matchless beauty by Jew and agnostic, by Protestant and Catholic!

After finishing the article it is difficult to decide whether there is more to commend in the diagnosis of the disease than to criticise in the remedy prescribed. In conclusion it may not be amiss to ask what we are coming to, when the darling doctrine of the Jesuits, viz., the need of daily religious instruction is being advocated by the leaders of our educational system? I have the honor to be yours in Christ, WILLIAM TEMPLE.

Opportunity Afforded.

MARYLAND AGRICULTURAL COLLEGE,
College Park, Md., Jan. 25th, 1899.

EDITOR GAZETTE.—*Dear Sir*:—I am anxious to bring before the farmers of Maryland some notice of how the Maryland Agricultural College can be of advantage to them in a short winter course of six weeks. Just now is the time to embrace this opportunity.

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Philadelphia, Monday, January 23, 1899.

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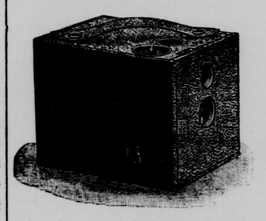
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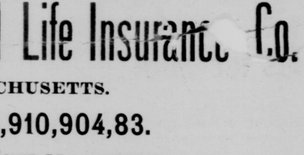
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