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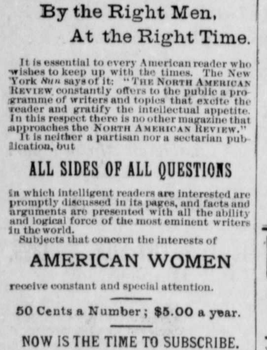
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Rudyard Kipling has written a poem entitled "The White Man's Burden," evidently called forth by the colonial development of the United States. It appears in the February issue of *McClure's Magazine*, although the editors did not receive the poem until after the magazine was on the press. The frontispiece was taken out, and the poem was printed in its place. The poem is not only important, but is of considerable length, and we give some extracts from it.

Take up the White Man's burden—
Send forth the best ye breed—
Go, bind your sons to exile
To serve your captives' need,
To wait in heavy harness,
On fluttered folk and wild—
Your new-caught sullen peoples,
Half devil and half child.

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Take up the White Man's burden—
The savage wars of peace—
Fill full the mouth of Famine,
And bid the sickness cease;

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The ports ye shall not enter,
The roads ye shall not tread,
Go, make them with your living
And mark them with your dead.

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By all ye will or whisper,
By all ye leave or do,
The silent sullen peoples
Shall weigh your God and you.

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Kipling's short stories in *McClure's Magazine* have turned out to be the most successful fiction series that the publishers have ever secured. The January number is out of print, with nearly 15,000 unsupplied subscribers. The February edition of *McClur's Magazine* is 70,000 copies larger than that of February of a year ago.

SCRIBNER'S MAGAZINE.

Scribner's Magazine for February brings foward several more of its attractive features for 1899. It is not a "War Number," although it contains one of the most graphic things yet written about the war—the second instalment of Governor Roosevelt's serial on "The Rough Riders."

Senator George F. Hoar, of Massachusetts, one of the oldest and most conspicuous of the members of Congress, begins his reminiscences of the political events of the past fifty years in this number. Senator Hoar has known all the great men of the period, and his keen appreciation of human nature and his kindly spirit have made him warm friends with many of them. These reminiscences are therefore intensely personal. Each instalment will stand alone, and the first deals with "Four National Conventions," in which the senator was a conspicuous figure, and over one of which he presided. The paper contains a lot of the inside political history back of the nominations of Blaine, Garfield and Harrison.

THE COSMOPOLITAN.

The event of the literary year is, undoubtedly, the great novel upon which Count Tolstoy has been laboring in order that he may devote the proceeds to the transportation to Canada of three thousand Russian Quakers. It is generally believed by his friends that this work will probably mark the conclusion of Count Tolstoy's literary career. Not merely on this account, but because of the subject treated, it is attracting the widest attention, the world over. It is a profound study of the life of man and woman, and treats of the three phases of love—that of the youth, that of the young men, and that of the man in mature age. *The Cosmopolitan Magazine* announces that it has secured the sole right of publication.

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In the February number of the *American Monthly Review of Reviews* the editor seeks to apply the lessons of our national failures in the South during the reconstruction period following the Civil War to the present problems of a similar nature in Cuba, Porto Rico and the Philippines. His deductions are interesting and instructive. He says: "The true way to restore the South to the Union after the war was to restore the South to its own people." The same principle applies to-day in the new territories just coming under our control. The editor warns us against a new type of "carpet-bagger" who is threatening to invade Cuba—namely, the franchise-grabber. A large portion of space in this number of the *Review* is given up to editorial and contributed articles on the management of foreign dependencies. Sylvester Baxter contributes an interesting study of the Dutch rule in Java, and Dr. Daniel Dorchester makes a statistical exhibit of the recent drift toward colonial and protectorate governments. This is one of the most interesting issues ever sent from the press of the great American periodical. The editorial references of the editor to the reconstruction period in the South is a novel but forceful treatment of one of the greatest national questions of the passing century.

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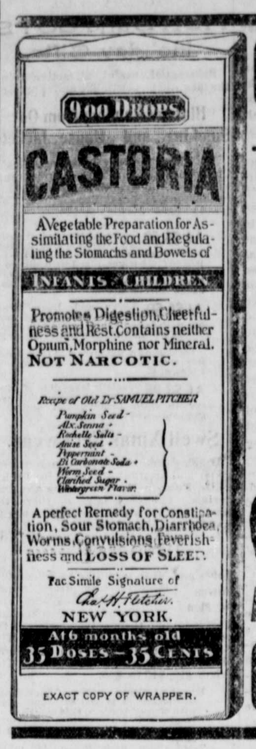
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"What!" exclaimed the man, stepping back in astonishment. "I beg your pardon. I did not imagine you could be the lady of the house. You will pardon me, but you do not appear old enough. But I was going to ask if I might be provided with a slight repast, as I have not eaten since Wednesday."

The door was thrown away open, and he was invited to step in. A chair was drawn up for him at the table. "Ah, what delicious rolls!" he said as he filled his mouth with the last of the third. "And the coffee! You will pardon me, but the coffee is the best I have tasted since mother gave up housekeeping."

She had fried an extra dish of potatoes for him and toasted half a loaf of bread. Finally he arose from the table. "Now," he said, "you will pardon me, but have you an old pair of pan"—

A scream stopped him. A broom was raised. He ducked for the door, and as he slammed it behind him he heard the words, "I'd like to have you know that I'm a maiden lady."

So he failed in the end after all.—Detroit Free Press.

Jack Was "Sounding."

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Colored Spots in Cheese.

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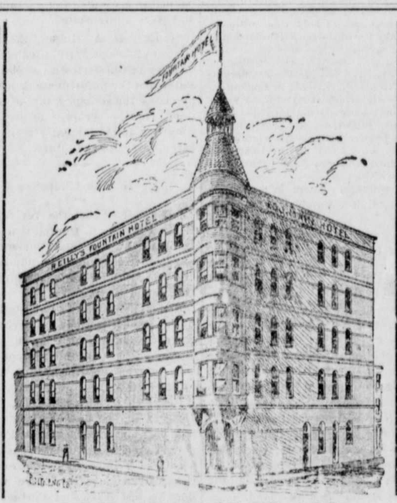
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