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## A Splended Plea for Liberty.

Porto Ricans are unhappy. The beneficent rule of Uncle Sam is not regarded by the islanders as bringing to them all that human heart could wish. So loud has the murmuring become that it has been heard at Washington. The spokesmen of the Porto Ricans, Dr J Julio Henna, special commissioner from the islanders, called upon President McKinley to lay the grievances of the people before the chief executive. Dr. Henna's picture of the unsatisfactory conditions of Porto Rico affairs is not reassuring. But it is as well to know the truth. Therefore we print the following from the pen of Porto Rico's commissioner in which he lays his case plainly before the readers.

He says:

On behalf of the natives of the island of Porto Rico, I offer to the noble people of this country the most sincere congratulations for the re-establishment of peace, and submit to their well known fairness and good judgement the position of the natives of the island under the present circumstances.

We hold that by the president's proclamation Porto Rico became part of the territory of the United States of America. This addition having been made, as it was a mere conveyance of real estate, without consulting the wishes of the people of Porto Rico and without providing for the political status of these people, carried with it the weight of practical annexation in all that the word implies. Annexation unquestionably means that the people of that island are subject to and protected by the constitution of the United States. From this Porto Ricans argue that to maintain a military government in a territory of the United States which enjoys perfect peace is contrary to the constitution of the United States. To impose a duty on merchandise imported to the United States from Porto Rico or vice versa is also contrary to the spirit of the constitution, as a matter of fact the proclamation issued by the war department with the consent of the chief magistrate, in January last, forbidding transportation of goods around the island of Porto Rico and from the United States to and from Porto Rico in vessels that were not American, proves that Porto Rico was then classified in the same category as other states and territories of America. The revocation of this decree on the 21st instant and again the annulment of that revocation on the 24th instant, signifies that the administration

has the power to grant to Porto Rico the several petitions which the Porto Rico commissioners have demanded as an act of justice.

Now we claim that the state of ruin and devastation which reigns on the island has been caused by the slowness of the administration to grant to Porto Rico what by right belong to her, namely, civil government and free trade with the United States. Civil rights and an American code of laws should be granted without further delay.

The custom tariff in operation in the island, besides being contrary to the constitution, has closed the only markets that Porto Rico had when her products, tobacco, coffee, sugar and honey were sold; that is, those of Cuba and Spain. With a custom duty on imports to the United States from the island and vice versa, the people of Porto Rico can not dispose of their goods, which lay on the wharves of the island, rotting and perishing.

We also claim that if the reason for not granting to the island free trade is a question of reduction of revenue for the United States, that question ought to have been taken into consideration before the invasion by the American troops; but to make us pay or to punish us with unjust taxation because of that mercenary motive is, to put it mildly, unbecoming a nation like the United States.

We desire to place Porto Rico under the American flag, as a model of government and prosperity. We have the material and are anxious to put it into practice, and for that reason we ask for our rights under the constitution of the United States, which has also become the law of our little island. We therefore plead for fair treatment. Our people are proud at being Americans and anxious to demonstrate in a practical manner their appreciation of the magnanimous act of the people of the U. S. in freeing them from the claws of that despotic government, which during 406 years shed our blood to enrich itself.

If, pending the act of congress as to the ultimate disposition of the island, the administration will grant us our request, and we have every reason to believe that it will, because it must by right do so, we will be saved from starvation and prosperity will within a month after begin to show itself.

We are not objects of charity. We object most emphatically to the distribution of rations to the 100,000 people that are starving in

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# Yes, It's Coming

## From Mangum to Amarillo!

The Amarillo Evening News came out last Thursday with a scare head article about the Rock Island going to Amarillo and quoting the TRIBUNE CHIEF as authority. Well, we appreciate the compliment, and only wish our faculty of divining a railroad's intentions were equal to our desire in that line. We dislike to disappoint Amarillo, as we dearly love to see others happy—but in this particular case we shall have to break bad news. The Rock Island is not going to build this year, the construction company having called in all available men at its terminals, former reports to the contrary notwithstanding.—Quanaah Chief.

Oh, we think you "divined the railroad's intentions" quite certainly, else you would hardly have appointed a committee to go to head-quarters to plead for a "spur" to your town from the road leading from Mangum to Amarillo; and whether it be build this year or next, doesn't alter the fact that its coming to Amarillo. But we hope you may get that "Spur" because me "dearly love to see people happy!"

The P. V. excursion train that carried so many loved ones off yesterday it is gratifying to know, passed the wreck safely, and reached Hereford at 5 o'clock, all right. They had to remain at Canyon five hours, however, which throws them into Roswell at an unpropitious time—between midnight and daylight.

On top of the day after the races has come the P V excursion, and dull it has been yesterday and to-day in Amarillo.

Mrs W H Johnson, of Dallas, Editor of The King's Messenger is the guest of Mrs F S Franklin in the interest of the Mission or Rescues Home. She will be glad to meet all interested in this great work for humanity. Mrs Johnson is sent out by the Methodist church and has the fullest endorsement of the church. Let us all help on this good work both by our presence and means.

Services will commence at the Methodist church next Sunday night, to continue indefinitely. Everybody, good and bad are invited to come and take a part with us. You will be welcomed.

C. S. McCARVER,  
Pastor.

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the island, a thing unknown, among our people even during the Spanish regime, and which has been caused by the arbitrary customs tariff, established by the United States. We object because we do not desire to be pauperized; we have means to subsist, if the United states will only grant free trade, to which we are entitled.

J. JULIO HENNA,  
Porto Rican Commissioner.

Misses Mary Potter, and Ollie Hughes, arrived safely from school at Sherman. They were accompanied by Misses Rosa May and Alpha Fowle, nieces of Mr Striathlow.

Weather Bureau: Washington, D C  
May 27, 1899, Fair to-night and Sunday

The News is the latest adventure in the boisterous journalistic sea in Amarillo. The News, by Bro Caldwell, is a nice little sheet with a fairly good advertising patronage—Western Advocate

Oh, yes! but you must remember that that "fairly good patronage" was during the festive times of the races. The Evening News is now interested in knowing whether the people of Amarillo will keep up a sufficient patronage. If they can be aroused from their apathy, and will stop to think, it will easily dawn upon them that a daily paper is more helpful to them, individually and collectively, than anything, for its cost, that has ever been projected in the town. The Evening News would have them think as fast as possible, for it is waiting hopefully. Come around gentlemen and push up—in any way—quick!

Rev Nicholson from Greenville Tex will preach for Bro Borrow at the C P church to-morrow and to-morrow night

Mr Jo Hadley, drug clerk in Canyon, came through with his bride on Thursday night. The Evening News is not acquainted with Jo's lately acquired other half, but knowing he is a good trader, doesn't doubt he is gainer in that little transaction, but wants it distinctly understood that Jo himself must not be discounted—'cause we know what we are talking about.

James McMaster's, President of the Channing Mercantile Co. is here in feeble wealth, under treatment of Pierson & Fly.

Nave McCord, Cattle Co, sold 700 2 year old steers to Harris Franklin, and shipped to Deadwood, So. Dakota yesterday

Vernon has two daily papers and Abilene has two. Now, how many people in Amarillo, and who are they, that will immediately and energetically interest themselves in setting the daily squarely on its feet?

Mr Mitchell delivered 770 head of steers and left yesterday for ranch in Garza Co.

XL Saloon in Amarillo, that keep the fine medicinal whiskey, has the bar over the XL and not under it as given last week. Don't forget that it is XL only that keeps the best that guaranteed to hold off and keep off the grip.

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Judge Marrs, who owns the irrigating truck farm run by Mr Ortman, says the hail yesterday pretty well destroyed all the vegetables

The Bivin's case at Wichita Falls is postponed again to next Monday

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## THE AMARILLO DAILY NEWS

BY J. L. CALDWELL,

FRIDAY, MAY 26, 1899

SUBSCRIPTION, 10 CENTS PER WEEK, OR 25 CENTS A MONTH, DELIVERED ONLY ON POLK STREET, AND AT THE P. O.

You, who would help the Daily News, trouble yourselves to run to it, instead of its weak force having to run to you, to bring news and "ads" This admonition is to the cabmen as well as to big business men

We have received Vol. 1, No. 1 of Evening News published at Amarillo. This is rather a bold venture but the Amarillo people should appreciate this plucky enterprise and give sustaining support.—Clarendon Agitator.

Yes, it is apparently a bold venture, but only apparently. In reality Amarillo needs a daily paper. Being a long ways from a town as large as itself, it is too isolated to do without one. As far as her ability to sustain one is concerned there is no doubt about it. If apathy does not prevail to too great an extent, or too many do not conclude that there are "plenty of others" to sustain it without their help, the paper can be supported nicely. It requires very little, but that little must be forth-coming and promptly, too, as a daily paper is the last thing that can afford to wait for either patronage or the news.

Our subscription prices is low, in reach of the poorest, and there ought not to be a family in town too poor or unappreciative to take it, and if the business man can see the advantages of copious use of locals, and others of occasional notices, so say nothing of display advertisements, a support could be assured, that would justify an increased size of the paper.

Let our townsmen ask themselves if they can afford to longer do without a daily paper? What can be more helpful to the town, for the cost, than a daily? What would speak better for you and of you than a daily? It is now begun. It is to be seen whether you will sustain it. Talk the matter over among yourselves.

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