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OMAHA, Neb., Nov. 16.—“One would think the Secretary of the Interior had enough to look after with the affairs of his own office without seeking to saddle himself with additional responsibilities,” said United States Judge Munger, regarding Secretary Hitchcock's disapproval of the light sentence passed upon Richards and Comstock for fencing public lands.

## COCHRAN'S PHILIPPINE PLAN.

**Subsidized Missionaries the Solution,  
He Declares.**

In the presence of Archbishop Farley and a large gathering of Catholics, Congressman Bourke Cockran gave to the Catholic Club last night his solution not only of the Philippine problem, but of the whole question of East vs. West, which had come to him as the fruit of his recent Oriental junket in the retinue of Secretary Taft.

Having named the Catholic Church as the principal means for the materialization of that solution, he unfolded his plan of having the American Government subsidize Catholic missionaries, as the surest and cheapest way of educating the Filipinos up to a point of prosperity where they would be capable of independence. He said, too, that only by a similar process could the millions in China be turned against leaving their own country for purposes of war or peace. He said:

“It is said that the Government cannot subsidize any church or religious institution. Yet the Government is bound to spread civilization by all means available if its promise of independence shall be taken for more than a promise. To guide the natives for their own interest we must rule them in peace, and to do so we will have either to educate or kill them. Believe me, it will cost twice as much to kill them as to educate them. Every Filipino killed so far has required an expenditure of from \$200 to \$300 for his cutting out of the way.”

“Suppose that each man who educated a Filipino got a subsidy of from \$15 to \$20, would it not serve to bring to those islands the men needed for that work? I do not advocate the subsidizing of our own Church alone, but I call on the Government to avail itself of the machinery of the Church, which was the first institution in the world to maintain the superiority of voluntary labor over coerced labor.”

## JAMES OSBORNE IN COURT.

**His First Appearance Since Election,  
and He Nearly Has a Fight.**

With a picturesque background of about thirty Greek-Syrian women wearing scarlet caps, James W. Osborne made his first appearance yesterday in the Brooklyn courts since the recent election, and incidentally came near having a fist fight. Mr. Osborne was counsel for Bishop Raphael Hawwaweel, the Greek-Syrian Bishop, charged with assault and conspiracy in the Syrian riot which occurred at Pacific and Clinton Streets on Sept. 18. The case was before Judge Tighe in the Butler Street Court. The court had trouble in getting an interpreter. A man sitting in the audience walked toward the bar.

“I understand this language,” he said. “I'll act as interpreter.”

Mr. Osborne looked at him for a moment. “You can't act as interpreter here,” he said. “I'll not consent to have any ex-convict serve in such capacity here.”

The man made a rush for Mr. Osborne, who put up his fists, but a policeman got between them, and amid considerable excitement the volunteer interpreter was removed.

Judge Tighe, after hearing much testimony, announced that he would render his decision on Nov. 24.