

# PHILIPPINES

## PROVINCIAL POST OFFICE

This is a sample, a nipa example,  
We find in the Islands to-day;  
Where the houses are able,  
To stand neath the label,—

“POST OFFICE, U. S. A.”

Of course 'tis a wonder,  
Announce it like thunder,—  
An office to find of such rank,  
That it bears without swaying,  
A label that's saying,—

“POSTAL SAVINGS BANK.”

You enter the place,  
Smile into the face  
Of the Postmaster smiling again;  
You smile for an hour,—  
Then cry mighty sour,—

“GIVE BACK THE BLANK ISLANDS  
TO SPAIN.”

## BENEVOLENT ASSIMILATION

US President McKinley issues  
the "Benevolent Assimilation"  
on Dec 21, 1898. This proclamation  
places the Philippines under full  
disposition of the United States.

The Philippine Commission  
is created by President McKinley on  
Jan 20, 1899, as a recommendatory  
body.

This precipitates the Philippine -  
American War.



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