

ONWARD MARCH OF AMERICANS.

Have Captured Another Town in the Philippines.

The Charleston BombarDS Dagupan, Forcing the Rebels to Evacuate.

Persistent Rumors at Manila That Aguinaldo, the Insurgent Leader, Has Been Supplanted in the Control of Filipino Affairs by General Antonio Luna, Commander-in-Chief of the Rebel Forces.

MANILA, April 6, 10:40 a. m.—The United States cruiser Charleston, which has been cruising along the west coast of Luzon to the north, sent a boat inland near Dagupan last Saturday to make soundings. The rebels opened fire, wounding a United States officer.

The cruiser thereupon bombarded the town, the insurgents evacuating it.

MANILA, April 5-6:20 p. m.—The proclamation of the United States Philippine Commission was posted in the streets, printed in English, Spanish and Tagalog to-day. It was also distributed in the outside towns as far as Malolos.

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THE CANNED ROAST BEEF.

Prof. Chittenden, Who Analyzed the Meat for the Government,

Presents His Report to the Army Court Investigating the Subject.

Shows That It Was Generally Good, But Doubted as to Whether the Heat of the Tropical Climate Would Not Cause the Fat in the Cans to Liquefy and Render the Food Displeasing to the Sight.

WASHINGTON, April 5.—The two principal witnesses before the beef inquiry court to-day were Professor Russell H. Chittenden of Yale College and Dr. Samuel A. Currie, who is Lieutenant Colonel of the Second New Jersey Regiment which was stationed at Jacksonville during the war.

Professor Chittenden is one of the chemists selected by the Government to analyze the canned roast beef. He presented his report showing that the beef generally was good. No chemicals had been found by him in its preparation, and it was generally wholesome.

Major Lee presented more of the correspondence between General Miles and the court, and put in a request on behalf of the General that nine of the 130 witnesses who had been called, and before suggested be called, saying that they would testify concerning refrigerator beef and chemically treated beef.

WASHINGTON, April 5.—The army beef court of inquiry opened to-day before Colonel R. W. Huntington of the United States Marine Corps on the stand.

HAVANA, April 5.—(Non)—The dissolution of the Cuban Military Assembly does not cause any particular commotion among Cubans or Americans here, such a step having been proposed two weeks ago.

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WASHINGTON, April 5.—The Rome correspondent of the "Times," discussing the terms of the settlement recently arrived at between Colombia and the representatives of the Cerruti claim, says: "It is doubtful whether Italy will be willing to accept Colombia if the latter should reject as inequitable the exorbitant demand of Signor Cerruti's non-Italian creditors."

PHILADELPHIA, April 5.—Ex-Senator Quay to-day spent a long time in conference with his counsel at the Hotel Walton regarding the final arrangements for his trial, which begins to-morrow.

WASHINGTON, April 5.—The Naval Promotion Board, which has been sitting at the navy yard here conducting the examinations for promotion of officers who were to be advanced as a result of the Personnel Act, is now issuing commissions to the various officers.

WASHINGTON, April 5.—The result of the correspondence between Acting Secretary of War Meiklejohn and Surgeon General Wyman of the Marine Hospital Service regarding the return to this country of the remains of the men who died in Cuba of yellow fever has been the issuance of orders by the former directing that none of the remains of yellow fever victims shall be brought to the United States until cold weather returns.

WASHINGTON, April 5.—A daughter of Captain D. S. Elliott of the Twentieth Kansas Regiment, who was killed at Manila recently, was yesterday elected City Clerk without opposition, her name being on both tickets.

WASHINGTON, April 5.—The Department of State has ascertained that the report that six American citizens are held in prison in Guatemala is entirely without foundation.

PARTITION OF CHINESE EMPIRE.

Japan Watching Italy's Movements With a Jealous Eye.

Marquis Ito Communicating Directly With Li Hung Chang.

His Government Will Demand Some Substantial Grant of Land From China, Should Italy Succeed in Her Attempt to Get Possession of San Mun.

VANCOUVER (B. C.), April 5.—Oriental advisers brought by the steamer Empress of Japan indicate that Japan has watched with jealous eye Italy's recent attempt to get possession of San Mun. Marquis Ito has been in direct communication with Li Hung Chang.

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The Japanese Government is dispatching several judges and public prosecutors abroad to study foreign judicial systems. They will visit America and England (Siam) reports say that a murderous convulsion, the Cantonese so-called society, is again at work, and those who do not obey the laws of its leadership are arrested, punished by mutilation and loss of members, and even assassinated.

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THE SAMOAN CONTROVERSY.

Agreement for a High Joint Commission Likely to Be Realized.

The Three Governments Exchanging Notes as to Members of the Body.

The Future Status of the Chief Justice and Consuls of the Interested Countries a Stumbling Block to the Negotiations, Lord Salisbury Not Yet Having Consented to All of Them Being Withdrawn.

WASHINGTON, April 5.—The Samoan agreement for a high commission has progressed to a point where the three governments are exchanging notes as to the members of the commission. This is accepted as an assurance that Lord Salisbury accepts not only the principle of the commission, but the commission itself, with the consideration of the subject would hardly be entered upon unless the commission was assured.

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