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SAMAR ISLAND CONDITIONS

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Danger That the Isle of Leyte May Be Utilized by Rebels for Securing Supplies.

CAPTAIN SCHOEFFEL'S FEAT

KILLED THREE BOLOMEN BEFORE HE WAS WOUNDED.

And Saved the Remnant of His Detachment by His Personal Courage and Prowess.

MANILA, Jan. 5.—General J. Franklin Bell is conducting a vigorous campaign in Batangas province.

Every available soldier is in the field. The columns under the command of Colonels Wint and Dougherty are doing excellent work and driving the Filipinos in all directions.

The advocates of peace at Manila deplore the stern measures employed by General Bell. In reply General Bell says that these peace advocates have had numerous opportunities to use their influence, as they have been given passes through the American lines almost for the asking, and that it has been afterwards proved that they often only went through the lines for the purpose of assisting the insurgents.

General Bell says that the best peace method now in a rigorous warfare until the insurgents are completely subdued.

The arrest of members of the wealthy Lopez family and the confiscation of their steamers and rice, as well as the arrest of three members of the religious corporations, who were known to be instigators of the insurrection, has had an excellent effect upon the natives.

Conditions in the island of Samar are still unsatisfactory, owing to the difficulty of finding the insurgents. Captain Schoeffel, of the Ninth Infantry, who was wounded in a severe hand-to-hand fight last month at Dapdap, Samar Island, between eighteen men of Company E, of his regiment and a large force of Filipinos, has practically recovered from the effects of his wound.

In an official report of the encounter in which Captain Schoeffel was hurt, it is said that Schoeffel killed three men before he received his wound, and that the remnants of the detachment of eighteen men were saved by his personal courage and daring.

The civil authorities say that the island of Leyte is now perfectly peaceful. On the other hand, the military authorities consider Leyte to be dangerous on account of its proximity to Samar, if for no other reason.

Last Friday Major Albert L. Meyer, of the Eleventh Infantry, captured quite an extensive arsenal and plant for the making of cartridges at Ormoc, on the northwest coast of Leyte. Major Meyer also captured another powder factory, large quantities of ammunition, four cannon and several rifles.

Major Henry T. Allen, ex-Governor of the island of Leyte (now on a tour of inspection through that island and Mindoro), reported yesterday that the majority of the signal corps wires on Leyte had been cut, and that this action was evidently premeditated.

Captain Picher reports that he is rapidly re-identifying the island of Mindoro of Insurgents.

The constabulary of Tarlac, Luzon, have captured a number of members of the Filipino secret societies, the Guardia de Honor. The prisoners intended moving to the island of Polillo off the east coast of Luzon, where they expected to be free of American interference temporarily, at least, and where they had decided to resist any military invasion to the uttermost. Twenty members of the "Guardia de Honor" are charged with sedition.

The big stone church at Balayan, in Batangas province, is falling to pieces as a result of the recent earthquake.

ASSASSINATED AT HOME.

Pless Hall Killed While Sitting in a Room with His Family.

FRANKLIN, Ky., Jan. 5.—Pless Hall was assassinated at his home, five miles from Franklin, about 8 o'clock last night while sitting around his hearthstone with his wife and four children. He was fired upon through the window with a double-barreled gun heavily loaded with slugs and buckshot, and the entire top of his head was torn off. The distressed wife and children picked up the lifeless body, and, placing it on the bed, remained alone with it throughout the night, afraid to venture out to give an alarm lest they meet the same cruel fate.

Mr. Hall was forty-five years of age and one of the best known farmers in the county. There is absolutely no clue to the perpetrator of the crime. Bloodhounds have been sent for, and no effort will be spared to capture the assassin. Great excitement prevails, and if the guilty wretch is captured a lynching will undoubtedly follow.

FOUR ASPHYXIATED.

Husband, Wife, Son and a Girl All Victims of a Defective Meter.

HARTFORD, Conn., Jan. 5.—Anton Chaves, his wife and two-year-old boy Joseph and Miss Mary Devida, aged eighteen, were asphyxiated early this morning at their home in Newpark avenue. The gas escaped from a defective meter in the cellar.

SHOT AT MAN, HIT WOMAN.

Formerly Arrested for Fatally Wounding an "Overlander's" Wife.

NEW MOVE BY GOEBELITES.

Senator Deboe and Others to Be Summoned Before the Grand Jury.

LOUISVILLE, Ky., Jan. 5.—The Courier-Journal to-morrow will say: "Senator Deboe, former Lieutenant Governor John Marshall and David W. Farleigh have been summoned to appear before the Franklin county (Frankfort) grand jury to-day (Monday) to tell the details, it is said, of a secret meeting which was held at the Galt House, in Louisville, a short time before the shooting of Goebel and during the contest before the General Assembly. Senator Deboe said it had been suggested to him that he was expected to tell about the meeting. It is understood that others who attended the conference will also be summoned. The meeting was held in the parlors of the Galt House, and those who were present observed the strictest secrecy. It continued from 8 p. m. until 2 a. m.

THREE MEN KILLED.

Result of a Collision Between Southern Railway Freight Trains.

ATLANTA, Ga., Jan. 5.—As the result of a head-on collision between two freight trains of the Southern Railway early this morning near Rex, Ga., fourteen miles from this place, three trainmen were killed and a number of freight cars destroyed by fire. The dead:

ENGINEER C. C. WALLACE, Atlanta. FLAGMAN Z. H. HARRIS, Jackson, Ga. FIRMEN FRATHRER.

Engineer Whitley and Fireman Hicks of this city, were slightly injured. The two trains met on a sharp curve, the derailed cars catching fire. The collision, it is said, was caused by a disregard of signals by the crew of one of the two trains.

DENVER IS THUG-RIDDEN

AND CITIZENS HAVE DETERMINED TO PURIFY THE CITY.

"Committee of Safety" to Patrol the Streets and Protect the People from Criminals.

DENVER, Jan. 5.—This city will present a decidedly martial aspect if plans adopted at a mass meeting of citizens this afternoon are carried out, and the temper of the meeting would indicate that they will be.

Because of the many crimes that have been committed in this city during the past year or two, which have brought terror to Denver residents, the latter have organized a committee of safety for the purpose of protecting the people against criminals. The streets are to be patrolled during the night by armed citizens who will be expected to keep the town free of the criminal class.

All persons on the streets at night will be expected to give an account of themselves when called on, and, failing to satisfy the challenger of the authenticity of their reasons for being abroad, will be arrested. Police magistrates will be urged to make punishment for crime so heavy as to deter even the most desperate.

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MEN AND GUNS LANDED

"PIRATE" LIBERTADOR'S EXPEDITION PROBABLY SUCCESSFUL.

Three Venezuelan Warships Arrive, However, Watching for the Rebel Steamer-Bomb Explosion.

WILLEMSTAD, Curacao, Jan. 5.—The armed revolutionary steamer Libertador (formerly called the Ban Rig), which left Port de France, Island of Martinique, Dec. 21 for the Venezuelan coast with General Matos, 200 volunteers and a cargo of munitions of war, is now reported to have anchored early yesterday morning off Uchire, off the Venezuelan coast, near Rio Chico, and to have sailed from Uchire that same afternoon. It is believed here that the Libertador has been successful in executing the first part of her programme of landing men and war material in Venezuela.

Three Venezuelan war vessels are to-day cruising off the coast of Uchire. A report has reached here that last evening a bomb was exploded at the residence at Caracas, of the Venezuelan minister of finance, Tellez Mendonza. The explosion wrecked a considerable portion of the house, but no one was injured. The attempt has caused considerable excitement in Caracas.

Gen. Juan Pietri, who has been active in the present revolution against President Castro, and who was arrested Friday at Antimano was yesterday paraded as a prisoner on the Plaza de Bolivar at Caracas. Gen. Pietri is still hostile to Gen. Castro and he is also opposed to Gen. Castro.

Almost all the Venezuelan revolutionists who have lately been here have left this island to join insurgent forces in Venezuela.

Riera, who left here last Thursday to join insurgent forces on the Venezuelan coast, near Vela de Coro, and who unexpectedly returned two days later, is still here.

Andrade to Return to New York. COLON, Colombia, Jan. 5.—Gen. Andrade, a former president of Venezuela, who arrived here from Willemstad, Curacao, on the Italian steamer Piemonte, expects to sail for New York next Tuesday.

The Colombian gunboat Gen. Pinzon was at Savannah last Friday.

Protocol Not Ratified by Argentina. SANTIAGO DE CHILE, Jan. 5.—Argentina has not yet officially ratified the protocol signed by Senor Yanes, the Chilean minister for foreign affairs, and Senor Pottella, the Argentine minister to Chile, and has asked the Chilean government for further explanations.

ENGLAND AROUSED

STIRRED BY KIPLING'S LATEST POEM, "THE ISLANDERS."

Sons of Albion Scored for Lack of Energy and Patriotism in Facing the Realities of War.

TOO MUCH EASE AND WEALTH

AND TOO LITTLE CARE FOR THE SOLDIERS IN SOUTH AFRICA.

Miss Stone's Bulgarian Captors Imperiling Her Life by Warring with Turks on the Border.

PRINCESS LOUISE INSANE

ECENTRIC DAUGHTER OF KING LEOPOLD HOPELESSLY MAD.

The Rockefeller Said to Be Anxious to Supply the City of Paris with Gas—La Liberte in Arms.

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Not Sure the Palestine Colonization Scheme Will Cure the Evils That Surround His Race.

CHICAGO, Jan. 5.—Impetus to the movement to establish the Jewish race home in Palestine was given to-night at a mass meeting of Zionists, at the Midway Temple Theater. Two thousand Hebrews, for the most part supporters of the plan to open again the promised land to the chosen people, crowded the hall.

The meeting was presided over by the Rev. Dr. J. H. Hirsch, rabbi of the Western Zionists, whose organization embraces the States. The plan, determined on at the Basle, Switzerland, conference, was outlined by Leon Zoloff, grand master of the Knights of Zion, who said that the idea was to create a legally assured home for the Jews, and a refuge for Jews who could not be assimilated by the people among whom they now live.

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LA LIBERTE OBJECTS.

Does Not Want the Rockefeller to Supply Paris with Gas.

PARIS, Jan. 5.—La Liberte has published a report to the effect that the Rockefellers intend to apply for a concession to supply gas to the city of Paris. The paper vigorously opposes this scheme and says it would be an act of mental aberration to accept such a proposition which would be disastrous to national production and a powerful help to the designs of the Americans, who wish not only to expel foreign industry from their own country, but who seek to supplant foreigners on their own ground.

La Liberte says the Rockefellers would not use a ton of French coal and that the granting of this concession to them would be a mighty weapon for the realization of the economic schemes of American imperialism in Europe.

PRINCESS LOUISE MAD.

Daughter of the Belgian King Pronounced Hopelessly Insane.

BERLIN, Jan. 5.—Princess Louise, the eccentric daughter of King Leopold of Belgium, who was divorced from her husband, Prince Philip of Saxe-Coburg-Gotha, and who has been held practically a prisoner in retreat near Dresden for the last two years, has been pronounced hopelessly insane by a committee of experts.

She was married to Ernest Gendler, Duke of Saxe-Altenburg, who died in 1897. (CONTINUED ON PAGE 3, COL. 6.)

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All Finely Uniformed and Armed with Modern Weapons—Concession to the Legionnaires.

PEKING, Jan. 5.—The Chinese capital, on the eve of the court's return, presents an animated and gaudy scene never before witnessed in its history. All the palaces, pagodas and temples have been repaired and painted to form a glittering spectacle.

The roofs of these buildings, viewed from the city walls, are patches of shining, yellow tiles and brick. The walls about the Imperial City are a vivid crimson and the gates have been repaired and gilded.

On the towers above the Chen-Meng gate stands a gorgeous structure of wood, cloth and paper, with a yellow painted dragon entwined about the massive cloth pillars. Hundreds of Chinese officials clad in furs and embroidered silks ride about the streets of Peking and parties of foreign soldiers, bent on sightseeing, roam everywhere.

Thousands of new soldiers from the province of Shan-Tung, who are finely uniformed and equipped with modern weapons, entered Peking this morning and marched through Legation street.

The ministers of the foreign powers have received notice from the Chinese Foreign Office that all the streets on which the Chinese court will pass will be closed on Monday and Tuesday. Two buildings on the principal streets of the line of procession have been provided from which the members of the legations will be permitted to witness the re-entry of the court.

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