

RECIPROCIITY IS NEXT

ONE OF THE MOST IMPORTANT MATTERS BEFORE CONGRESS. Leaders of the House Probably Will Confer This Week on What Is to Be Done for Cuba.

R. P. HOBSON TO BE RETIRED

MESSAGE BY THE PRESIDENT TO THE SENATE ON THE SUBJECT.

Two Immigration Inspectors Removed and Others Reprimanded—Promotions in the Army.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 17.—With the passage of the war revenue reduction bill in the House to-day informal plans are being considered on both sides of the chamber for consideration of the Cuban reciprocity question, now pending before the ways and means committee.

Representative H. C. Smith, of Michigan, to-day introduced a bill amending the act of July 21, 1897, by authorizing the President to negotiate a reciprocity treaty between the United States and Cuba for a period of ten years by which the United States shall refund the Cuban government quarterly 40 per cent. of duties on condition that Cuba shall grant a concession of all duties on articles imported by Cuba from the United States.

The President to-day sent to the Senate a message recommending the retirement of Naval Constructor Richmond P. Hobson, and, in accordance with this recommendation, Senator Gallinger immediately introduced a bill providing for Mr. Hobson's retirement.

The bill introduced by Senator Gallinger authorized for the four-year term and retired list of the navy as for disabilities incurred in the line of duty, Naval Constructors and other officers, and the rate of pay provided by Section 1558 of the Revised Statutes in the case of officers on an account of disability resulting from long and faithful service.

The secretary of the interior has sent to the Senate a letter from the acting Governor of Hawaii calling attention to the lack of a scheme of apportionment of the terms of the senators in the Hawaiian Legislature and announcing that the fallowing to adjust this question before the November elections may lead to serious friction in the organization of the succeeding territorial Legislature.

Secretary Long has approved the findings and sentence in the case of George H. Washburn, pay clerk U. S. N., recently tried by court-martial at the New York navy yard on the charge of embezzlement and scandalous conduct tending to the destruction of good morals.

Senator Turner is expected by request offered a resolution reciting that many of the Indian schools of the country are being conducted loosely, that pupils who are afflicted with tuberculosis and other diseases are admitted to the detriment of the health of the inmates of the schools.

A new national university bill was introduced in the Senate to-day by Senator Deboe, of Kentucky, chairman of the committee to establish the University of the United States.

ity. The terms of admission are so modified that candidates for the doctorate in any department must furnish evidence of attainments at least equal to those represented by the degree of master properly conferred at the time of application for appropriation from Congress.

The President has appointed the following as members of the board of visitors to attend the annual examination at the United States Military Academy in June, 1902: Gen. Charles F. Roe, New York; Prof. W. R. Harper, Chicago; Gen. H. Jackson, Nashville; Gen. Ed. T. Torrance, Minneapolis; Maj. R. W. Young, Salt Lake City; Montgomery, Schuyler, New York; Eugene Ware, Topeka, Kan.

The Senate committee on agriculture is considering the oleomargarine bill which recently passed the House and has been giving hearings to those for and against the measure.

Senator Cullom, chairman of the committee on foreign relations, to-day presented to the Senate resolutions of the American Chamber of Commerce of Paris in support of a treaty of reciprocity between the United States and France.

Mr. C. C. Coine, of Brooklyn, was before the Senate committee on interoceanic canals to-day. He was formerly financial agent of the old Panama Company and was examined in detail by Chairman Morgan in relation to that company's financial affairs. He testified particularly regarding the value of the stock of the Panama Railroad Company and the appropriations made annually by the company for disbursement in America.

Representative Foss, chairman of the House naval committee, to-night gave a dinner in honor of Secretary Long. The other guests included the German ambassador, Senator Perkins, Assistant Secretary Darling, Commander von Reibnitz-Paschwitz, of the German embassy, Rear Admirals Melville, O'Neill, Cromwell-Smith, Bradford, and Board of Surgeon General Rice, Paymaster General Kenney, Judge Advocate General Lemly, General Heywood, the members of the House naval committee, and E. N. Foss, of Boston.

LOST IN DEAD MAN'S CAVE.

An Explorer Wanders Four Days and Four Nights Without Food.

REDBUD, Ill., Feb. 17.—For four days and four nights, in the depths of the earth, wandering in absolute darkness through winding gorges, crawling on hands and knees through slimy passages in the jagged rocks, halting at times on the brink of precipices, growing faint from hunger, and almost crazy from hardships which he was forced to endure, are a few of the experiences that befell Caleb Johnson, Mississippi river pilot, when he attempted last week to explore the mysteries of Dead Man's cave, St. Genevieve, just across the river from this point.

The cave remains as much a mystery as ever, for Johnson was without a light for most of the way, and had no idea to-day how far or where he wandered. He only knows that he entered the hole on his farm four miles from the entrance, Johnson accomplished nothing, save, perhaps, to take away the superstition that no one could go far into the cave and come out alive.

Such has always been the reputation of the cavern, or Dead Man's cave, and it has been borne out by the disappearance of not less than four venturesome men, if the tradition on the town is true, who went in to explore and failed to return. Johnson was equipped with everything that a man could carry which would serve to make such a trip easy. When he came to the mysterious river which runs through the cavern he embarked in a canoe, and when he effected a landing on the other side he was in absolute darkness. Still following the river, keeping in touch with it by the noise of the rapidly running water, Johnson walked all that night with no signs of a place of exit. Day followed day, and at last when he had given up all hope of rescue he came to a turn and saw ahead a glimmer of light. Crawling down a narrow passage he emerged into the open air and lay faint from exhaustion, helpless in a hollow, where he was found late on Thursday afternoon by a farmer, who conveyed him to a house in the neighborhood, where he is being treated for the nervous shock caused by his terrible experience.

The minority report on the Pacific cable bill, filed to-day, dissents from the view that the government should build the cable and states that a private organization, the Commercial Cable Company, already has contracted to lay a cable to Hawaii by Nov. 1 next, intending to extend its line to the Philippines within two years thereafter.

The minority report adds: "We believe the government can obtain all the advantages of government ownership and avoid the risks and disadvantages of governmental ownership by allowing a complete franchise to a private corporation. Moreover, we do not think it right for the government to lay this cable after a private corporation has started to lay such a cable."

Radical changes in the Chicago postal service have been arranged by General Superintendent George W. Beavers, of the salary and allowance division of the Post-office Department, and J. H. Masten, chief clerk of the first assistant postmaster general, who returned to Washington to-day from Chicago, where they spent most of last week. They arranged that on and after Feb. 20 the postoffice shall be put on an eight-hour basis. The postmaster general has directed that the Chicago postoffice shall be put on an eight-hour basis. The postmaster general has directed that the Chicago postoffice shall be put on an eight-hour basis.

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Report from Captain Allen on the Philippine Constabulary—Force of Five Thousand Recommended.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 17.—Governor Taft, in his testimony before the Senate committee on the Philippines to-day, stated more succinctly than he has heretofore done his theory—which is, he said, also the theory of the Philippine commission—as to what Congress should do in the way of supplying the Philippine people with a form of government. His plan is, first, to give the people a qualified suffrage, with a gradual growth in popular government, which should be enlarged through education in the English language and in American institutions. Second, to institute with-

PHILIPPINE CONSTABULARY.

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Captain Allen says that the general condition of the islands as regards pacification has never been so favorable as now, when the "crumbling of the top" is duly manifest. In his opinion the campaign in progress in Batangas and Laguna will be the coup de grace of the insurrection. The better class of people, he says, are tired of the struggle and desire peace. The recently enacted sedition law, he says, has had a potent value in bringing the rebels to a realization of their allegiance to law and order. In a recapitulation of the work of the constabulary for a little over four months he shows that in fifteen engagements twenty outlaws have been killed, twenty wounded and 35 captured.

Captain Allen says that while the municipal police have in large part aided both the army and the constabulary in their organization, armament and instruction, and cannot be reckoned on for serious work, these subdivisions of the force, he believes, that the present force of 2,500 men in the constabulary should be increased to 5,000 men, and that the maintenance of such a force, including subsistence, transportation, quarters and equippage, of \$1,250,000 a year.

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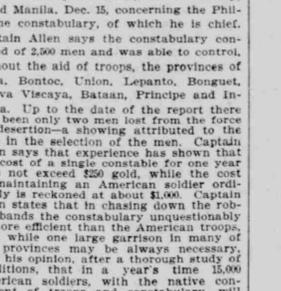
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In reply to questions Governor Taft said that he agreed with General Funston that the establishment of a popular assemblage would give opportunity to demagogues to stir up the people, but that he did not include in this designation all persons who are opposed to American control. There are, he said, many men in the islands who conscientiously oppose the domination of the United States. To grant independence would, he thought, have the effect of consigning 90 per cent. of the uneducated people to the islands to the same servile position they held under Spanish rule. He thought there should be a declaration on the part of the United States of its intention to hold the islands indefinitely, with the understanding that when they are suitable for such a condition they may be given a quasi independence. Such a pronouncement by this country would be welcomed by many and would do much good. Many of the common people do not, he said, know the difference between independence and dependence, and many of the better informed have not the agitation for independence to its last end. He said that the agitators seem, he said, to count upon a protectorate by the United States. If the government of the islands should not be turned over to the islands themselves there would be nothing less than an absolute oligarchy, they having no idea of civil government.

Replying to Senator Rawlins, Governor Taft advanced the idea that on account of the fact that the Philippines have for 30 years been under the influence of the Christian religion they would prove to be different from other Malay races, and that in time under the influence of American education the people might become capable of self-government. He did not consider the case as parallel with that presented in India. He thought that we could bring the case as parallel with that presented in India. He thought that we could bring the case as parallel with that presented in India.

Invited to Attend Miners' Conference. SHAMOKIN, Pa., Feb. 17.—President John Mitchell notified the Ninth district miners' conference to-day that he had issued invitations to the miners to carry roads to attend a proposed joint conference of representatives of employers and employes to be held Wednesday, March 12, at a place to be selected later in the anthracite region. Secretary George Hartlin, of this place, was ordered to go to New York to-morrow to see Pierpont Morgan and others to attend the convention or to send representatives.

Whisky Tax Law Invalid. BUTLER, Mo., Feb. 17.—Judge W. W. Graves, in the Circuit Court, to-day, held the whiskey-tax law passed by the National Assembly to be unconstitutional. This is the act that provides for the collection of the tax on the sale of whiskey, and is the act that provides for the collection of the tax on the sale of whiskey.

Herd and Ranch Sold for \$481,000. KANSAS CITY, Mo., Feb. 17.—The Riverside Herd Cattle Company to-day sold its ranch and herd of pure blood Hereford cattle at Ashland, Neb., to George A. Eicker, a banker here, for \$481,000. The cattle sold compose the largest herd of pure blood Herefords in the world, and are estimated as being worth \$300,000. The ranch consists of 3,500 acres of land.

E. R. Thomas Exonerated. NEW YORK, Feb. 17.—Edward R. Thomas, son of Capt. Sam Thomas, was exonerated from blame to-day by the coroner's jury which investigated the death of seven-year-old Henry Thelin, who was killed on Feb. 12 by an automobile driven by Mr. Thomas.

These Soap

one-sixth pure glycerin, most exquisite for toilet and bath. Odor of natural flowers. It is soothing and pleasant to the skin. Will not injure baby's delicate cuticle. Laboratory experiments without number have been made in perfecting ap Rose.

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On the 31st day of December, 1901

It is located at 761-769 Broad street, Newark, N. J.

JOHN F. DRYDEN, President. FORREST F. DRYDEN, Secretary.

The amount of its capital is \$2,000,000. The amount of its capital paid up is 2,000,000.

The Assets of the Company in the United States are as follows:

Table with columns for Assets and Liabilities. Assets include Cash on hand, Real estate, Bonds, Stocks, Loans, etc. Liabilities include Losses adjusted, Losses in suspense, etc.

Total assets \$48,630,571.33. Total liabilities \$41,765,966.69. The greatest amount in any one risk, \$100,000.

State of Indiana, Office of Auditor of State. I, the undersigned, auditor of state of the above-mentioned company, do hereby certify that the above is a true and correct copy of the statement of the condition of the above-mentioned company as of the 31st day of December, 1901, as shown by the original statement, and that the said original statement is now on file in this office.

In testimony whereof I hereunto subscribe my name and affix my official seal this 17th day of January, 1902. W. H. HART, Auditor of State.

11 and 13 Claypool Building.

That the signal service would establish a station at this point on the coast, and obtained one. I was made a sergeant in the signal service, and in 1871 came to Indiana. They have instruments loaned to them by the government and receive no pay. In summer there are ten extra observers scattered over the State, who report on this office once a day and are paid 20 cents an observation. The observers out over the State make a weekly report on the condition of the crops, and from these reports our weekly summary is made up. We send out 200,000 postal cards every six months.

You have never found that the work lacked interest? I asked the visitor. "No," replied Mr. Wappenhans. "You see, there are two branches of meteorology, the theoretical and the practical. Europe has many scientists that probe all phases of science, and there are some such students in Washington. Here we are engaged in practical meteorology—warning the public of storms and forecasting the varied changes in the weather. You notice—Mr. Wappenhans smiled contentedly at the torrent of rain—'my forecast of yesterday has come true. He paused a moment, and then his voice assumed a matter-of-fact tone. "But these local showers will not bring much relief from the heat; the high temperature has been heavily over the country from its southern limit to Canada."

He was a member of the Royal Legion, and he enlisted as a master's mate in the United States navy Dec. 1, 1862, and was promoted to ensign Jan. 3, 1865, and made acting master May 3, 1865, in which position he served until Oct. 8, 1865, when he was discharged to enlist Jan. 1, 1866, in the 10th Michigan Infantry. He was a member of the Local League April 9, 1861.

Mr. Wappenhans was also a Mason and belonged to all the Scottish Rite bodies. He found that the investigation was defective and had only an inch of water into the magazine. If the fire had been in the magazine it would have been all up with us.

We had another close shave returning to the United States at the close of the war. We were on the Huron. I was lying on a chest. I felt the ship strike something and the water had risen up to the floor. A little more and we should have sunk. I didn't succeed in getting into the regular navy, but I got into the United States navy. I had no political influence to support my application, and when the list came out my name did not appear.

I went into business in New York, and at the end of two years a friend told me that the relationship might continue perpetually. The committee then advised for the best of the world for the Philippine Constabulary.

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