

MOROS TREACHERY

UNITED STATES SOLDIER WAS MURDERED BY THEM.

MADE DEMAND FOR SURRENDER

Colonel Baldwin in Command of Large Force Sent After the Dattos Who Refuse to Deliver Up the Men.

(By Associated Press.) Washington, April 17.—The following cablegram from General Chaffee, dated at Manila, was made public at the war department yesterday:

"With reference to my telegram of the 23d ult., reporting the attack by Moros and reconnaissance under Forsyth, March 11, and a soldier of the Twenty-seventh regiment, U. S. A., murdered by Moros in the vicinity of Parang-Parang, March 30, two soldiers of the Twenty-seventh regiment of United States infantry, having one gun, were approached with a semblance of friendship by six Moros near Malabang.

"The rifle was seized, one soldier killed and the other severely wounded, but escaped. The murder was without provocation or justification in any way. The murderers are known and a demand has been made for their surrender. Thus far the dattos refused to deliver them. Have been at Malabang and tried to confer with them. The dattos failed to come or acknowledge the receipt of my request.

Baldwin's Expedition. The expedition of 1,200 men under Colonel Frank D. Baldwin, cavalry and artillery, is being formed, leaving for Lake Lanao about April 27, for the purpose of arresting the murderers and punishing the dattos.

"Every care is to be taken not to bring on a general war with Moros about the lake. It is absolutely important that our authority be respected by the people, and that the sovereignty of the United States be fully acknowledged. Have addressed a letter to this effect to the dattos, at the same time informing them of the friendly disposition of the government; that the purpose was to punish only those giving offense; that the government claims the right to explore the country between Ilana and Ilimar bay; that my purpose is to do so now or at any other time.

"The accomplishment of this object is necessary to retain a battalion of the Seventeenth two months longer. My belief at the present time is that a large majority of the dattos will not support those implicated in murders."

UPRISING IN HAYTI

PRIVATE ADVICES INDICATE SERIOUS STATE OF AFFAIRS.

PRESIDENT SAM TO ABDICATE

If He Persists in Holding the Place People Will Certainly Start Revolution—Many People Under Arrest.

(By Associated Press.)

New York, April 17.—Private advices from Port Au Prince via Kingston, Jamaica, are indicative of a far more serious state of affairs in Hayti than is generally known to the outside world.

The uprising in the vicinity of Jacmel, which was quickly suppressed, is merely a forerunner of more trouble for President Sam. The letter continues:

"The political situation here is most serious and every indication points to a general uprising of the people of Hayti. If President Simon Sam persists in his announced intention of attempting to remain in power after May 15, on which date his term expires, many persons have been imprisoned throughout the republic.

"In Port Au Prince the prisons were not sufficiently large and the government gunboats were used.

"The entire city of Port Au Prince is in a state of great excitement. All doors of buildings are kept closed whenever possible, in fear of a conflict between the opponents of President Sam and the soldiery."

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THE STEEL RAIL SITUATION

Many Large Contracts Are in Sight and the Stringency in the Iron and Steel Market Shows No Abatement.

(By Associated Press.)

New York, April 17.—Buying of pig iron is restricted, says the Iron Age, to urgent requirements, since the greater number of foundries have now covered their requirements far into the future.

In some cases, apparently the profit obtainable by re-selling is too tempting and odd lots are coming into the market in that way.

Both foundry and Bessemer iron prices are from \$2 to \$3 above the "official" figures which have ceased to be any basis of current transactions. The attempt to feel the foreign market by inquiries for a round lot of Bessemer pig, has developed the fact that no iron can be laid down in this country during the period, at prices anywhere near the market, and the effort to seek relief in that direction has been abandoned.

The steel rail situation is reflected by the fact that recently a 10,000-ton order was placed in Germany for a trolley road in New York state, the rails fetching \$33 ex-ship as against \$28 at the mill—the "official" quotation.

Old Rails for Sale.

As a matter of fact rails for relay have been sold by railroads at \$28. There have been large offerings of old steel rails from Europe.

In the heavy line of finished iron and steel ships, continue favorable. The tonnage of structural work which is being closed is large. Thus, this week, seven new buildings in Philadelphia, Pittsburgh, New York and Brooklyn call for 12,000 tons of material and a large additional contract is in sight.

The plate mills, too, are being pushed. Orders are being placed in some instances for 1903 delivery. In the pipe trade an interesting contract involving 11,000 tons of pipe for an oil line has been let, which is to be followed by 3,000 tons more.

Pressure for delivery on bars, sheets, wire and other lighter lines continue.

NEWS STORIES BRIEFLY TOLD

NEW YORK.—Aaron Lovell, head of the well-known publishing house of that name, is dead at his home in Brooklyn. He was born in 1826.

CHRISTIANA.—At today's session of the council of state the Norwegian premier, Johannes W. C. Steen, resigned, and a new cabinet will be formed.

LONDON.—The American Tobacco company is reported to be endeavoring to obtain a controlling interest in the Imperial Tobacco company of Great Britain.

LONDON.—An American syndicate is said to be seeking sites near Manchester upon which to erect two mammoth mills for the spinning of American grown cotton.

NEW YORK.—At the dedication of the new First Reformed church of Long Branch, N. J., a memorial window was unveiled to the late President McKinley and Vice President Hobart.

VANCOUVER, B. C.—The steamer Moana arrived today from Sidney, lowering the record from Australia ports to this city by one day. She made the run from Sydney in 22 days 10 1/2 hours.

NEW YORK.—John T. McKeever, treasurer of Wallack's theater and well known among members of the profession, is seriously ill from cirrhosis of the liver. Chances for his recovery are said to be slight.

LAKE CHARLES, La.—The trial of A. E. Batson for the murder of seven members of the Earl family was begun today. Intense interest is manifested in the case, but the law will probably be allowed to take its course.

NEW YORK.—The Long Island Railway company has decided to advance the wages of all passenger train men 7 per cent, beginning May 1. A smaller increase will be made in the wages of the freight train hands.

NORFOLK, Va.—At the navy yard it was reported yesterday that repairs on the training ship at Buffalo would be made at once and that the vessel will depart May 1 for Manila for the purpose of distributing recruits among the vessels of the Asiatic squadron.

NEW YORK.—A meeting, projected several weeks ago of natives and former residents of Minnesota, will be held next Wednesday evening at the Waldorf-Astoria, for the purpose of forming a Minnesota society. It is expected the society will start with a membership of 250.

Dowie Handsomely Lodged. John Alexander Dowie is a guest of the Auditorium hotel.

Elijah H. Mrs. Dowie, and Miss Dowie have a suite on the fifth floor. It is right next to that occupied by Maurice Grau, manager of the grand opera company, and the rooms of a lot of other wicked show people.

The reincarnated prophet has made no complaint against his neighbors, although some of them smoke and others drink claret with their meals.

He is paying only \$25 a day for the flat in which he is living. As the collection at Zion City yesterday was \$1,150.50, he will be able to remain for some time.

The 200 followers of Dowie quarantined in old Hotel Norwood are in good health and no new cases of smallpox have been reported to the health department.

CONSTRUCTION OF ST. MARY'S CANAL IN NORTHERN MONTANA

The St. Mary project is designed to store flood waters in the St. Mary lakes, in Teton county, Northern Montana, and conduct these easterly by a canal through the ridges at the head of Milk River.

The construction of the dam and canal was recommended to congress by the secretary of the interior in his last report, and the following is an extract from a progress report on the subject made to the division of hydrography of the United States geological survey, by Mr. Cyrus C. Babb.

These St. Mary lakes receive the drainage from the high peaks of the Rocky mountains, but instead of continuing easterly across the plains as do the rivers further south, the waters overflow northerly by St. Mary river to the Saskatchewan river, and are lost in Hudson Bay. The easterly course, which appears to be the original or natural direction for the waters to pursue, has been blocked by the glacial debris left near the foot of the mountains.

In this low, irregular country, are a number of small streams, most of which are tributary to Milk river. The proposed canal will restore what may be called the original pre-glacial drainage, and allow the waters from the Rocky mountains to continue eastward down the slope of the country. Milk river, heading in the low, rolling country, east of the foot of the mountains, has a general northeasterly direction, the two principal branches, North Fork and South Fork, uniting after crossing the Canadian line.

On Milk River. The stream thus formed flows easterly for 150 miles or more, where it bends to the southward, and again returns to Montana, finally emptying into the Missouri river. The broad Milk river valley in Montana consists of a generally rolling country, adapted to irrigation.

The water supply from the river is, however, deficient, owing to the lack of high mountain area at the headwaters. The diversion canal, as planned, will restore the mountain catchment area to this stream. It is proposed to build a low storage dam at a point about three-fourths of a mile below the present outlet of lower St. Mary's lake. This dam will have a maximum elevation of 50 feet above the bottom of the river and will form a reservoir of a capacity of 250,000 acre-feet.

This reservoir will serve to hold the floodwaters and the supply received from the melting snow in the mountains. The head of the diversion canal will be on the right-hand or eastern side of the dam. It will continue down along the right bank of the river for about seven miles, then turn easterly through a low gap.

The water of the St. Mary river is not used in the United States; but in Canadian territory, seven miles north of the international line, is a canal completed in 1900.

Between the site of the proposed dam at the foot of St. Mary's lake and the head of the Canadian canal, a considerable number of large streams discharge into St. Mary river, furnishing an ample supply for the land irrigated in Canada. It is not believed that any international complications can arise concerning water rights, since the water which it is proposed to store and divert occurs wholly within Montana, and it would be impossible for the Canadians to store and utilize this water, even if needed in their canal.

Length of Canal. The length of the proposed St. Mary canal, from its head on St. Mary river to the north fork of Milk river, is 27.4 miles, and the cost of construction, including dam and headgates, and the drop at the north fork, will be \$637,000.

The canal has been planned to carry 1,200 cubic feet per second, and the amount of acreage to be reclaimed is estimated at 120,000 acres of public land, which would have a probable value of \$35 per acre, or \$4,200,000, and would sustain a population of 20,000. By storage in the lower Milk River valley the area of reclaimed land, including the use of Milk River, can be increased to 300,000 acres.

The extension of the canal from North Fork to South Fork, and turning it into this latter stream will have certain advantages over the plan for stopping the canal at the North Fork. The total cost of the canal, from the head to the south fork of Milk river will be \$1,173,000, and its length will be 43.8 miles.

If the water is turned into either the north or the south fork of Milk river, it first finds its way into Canada before it can be used in the lower basin. The valley proper of Milk river in Canada is comparatively narrow, and has little irrigable land, so that any proposition on a large scale must contemplate using the high bench lands above.

Milk river, in Canada, from the junction of the north and south forks down stream, has a very slight fall—not more than two feet to the mile, and a canal of 100 miles or more in length would be necessary before the water could be brought to the upper benches. It is not, therefore, considered feasible to divert the waters from Milk river in Canada.

In case this should ever be attempted, it is entirely practicable to keep the water in American territory by an extension of the canal from the south fork to the Marias river.

The canal from the south fork could be carried around the ridge between the basin of this stream and that of the Marias drainage, and after running for a distance of about 45 miles from South Fork it could be turned into Cutbank creek.

Cost of Construction. The cost of construction from the head to this point will approximate \$1,623,000, and the distance will be 90 miles. The canal has not yet been located from the south fork to Cutbank creek, and the latter figure of cost is a rough estimate. The water could then be allowed to continue down the natural channel of this stream and the Marias for 100 miles or more, when it could be diverted from the latter, near the mouth of Willow creek in Choteau county, and in the course of about 75 miles turned into Big Sandy creek, a tributary of lower Milk River.

This plan keeps the canal in United States territory for its entire course until it reaches lower Milk river, where the water can be most advantageously used. The total cost from the head on St. Mary river to Big Sandy Creek, by the Marias diversion, is placed at \$2,500,000. This location has not been surveyed, however, and the above estimate is simply a rough approximation.

Plans have also been considered for a secondary system of storage reservoirs in the lower Milk river basin.

If the plan is adopted of turning the water of St. Mary lake into the south fork of Milk river, allowing it to continue down through Canada, and then utilizing it through the secondary storage system in lower Milk river valley, 200,000 acres can be reclaimed at an estimated cost of from \$7 to \$9 per acre.

In the complete development of the system, including the utilization of St. Mary and Marias waters and the construction of the secondary storage system, about 500,000 acres can be reclaimed, at a cost not to exceed \$10 per acre.

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(By Associated Press.)

New York, April 17.—Another palatial hotel is planned for Fifth avenue-ground has just been purchased at Forty-fourth street, opposite Delmonico's, on which stood the residence of the late Paron Stevens.

The price of the plot was a trifle under \$1,000,000, and the cost of the new hotel will be in the neighborhood of \$2,500,000.

The syndicate behind the deal is headed by P. W. Clement, president of the Rutland railroad.

The new hotel will be 20 stories high, according to present plans, and will be of the most advanced type of architecture yet attempted.

The plans contemplate an underground hallway connecting the hotel with Delmonico's.

RID OF SMOKE NUISANCE. New Service Not Only Consumes Smoke But Saves Coal.

(By Associated Press.) Chicago, April 17.—Officials of the Lake Shore railroad have decided to do away with the smoke nuisance on its entire road, by the use of a new smoke-consuming device.

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