



# PRISONS IN THE PHILIPPINES. Spanish Tortures.—Graphic Description. NOW AMERICAN JAILS. Skill of the Filipinos.—Trouble for the American Army.

MANILA, P. I., Sept. 13, 1900. To Editor of the PLANT, Dear Sir:—

Allow me space in one of your weekly editions of your noble paper to publish the following description of the Spanish prisons, the Philippine and this country. A great deal has been written and published concerning Manila and the customs of the people over here. Manila is a prison itself and within its very walls that make it such a hub-prison and dungeons where the light of day has never shone and where in many an unlucky and miserable offender against Spanish honor has met death on the rack, death from starvation, death from drawing, death in a thousand different forms but death invariably.

Even the houses are built more like prisons than dwellings, their stout mahogany doors burdened with enormous iron shackles, and their windows elevated and barred with the same material. The whole city bristles with warlike defenses and barriers as if suspicious of everything and every one. In such a city it is but natural that one would look for prisons galore, and they are here, principal among them is the Presidio de Manila or Philippine Penitentiary, situated on the corner of San Pedro and Calle De Aliz, this prison contains with the Carcel de Bilibid and the bilibid military prison has been standing in its present position for nearly two hundred years, and with its moss covered walls has probably witnessed as much suffering and misery as within ten times its area the world over.

The Presidio corresponds with our state prison. In it are incarcerated prisoners who have been sentenced to serve two years or more. At present it contains 766 prisoners, this being a far less number than at any date of its history, the difference being occasioned by pardons given by Uncle Sam.

Several prisoners' terms have expired since the Americans came in charge, and it has not been considered necessary to fill their places as the Spaniards did by fair means or foul. The buildings are called barracks and are numbered. In the different barracks are confined the various classes of criminals. For instance, the first building contains prisoners serving from 2 to 4 years; the second from 4 to 8, and so on. All the prisoners are Filipinos, with the exception of two or three Chinamen, and the five Spanish officers who were formerly in charge of the prison, three of the latter are charged with embezzling the sum of \$18,233.32 from the funds of the prison between the 13th day of August 1898 and the 1st day of October, 1898, on which latter date the prison was taken possession of by the American forces. The first steps of reform contemplated by the Americans were to free the miserable culprits who had for years carried with them the crude shackles of the Spanish yoke. This was done on the 1st day of October and upward of 800 men took their first unfettered steps for years. One poor old decrepit native had been thus hampered for twenty years and he had actually forgotten how to walk. The last of the Spanish officers confined here except the Spanish officers before mentioned had been in the prison for ten years and a half without even having been given the privilege of trial and without having any official charges preferred against him. He has a family in Porto Rico and left for there on the transport Sandia with a life long gratitudo for his American rescuers. The routine which the prisoners have to undergo is military. All calls are from bugle and all movements and inspection executed with military precision, at call is at 5:25 a. m., they are given a breakfast of rice and native coffee prepared in an enormous cauldron by the prisoners' cooks, at 6 a. m. they go to their work and are kept busy un-

til 11:30 when they assemble for dinner of soup, rice and sugar. They are then locked up until 2 p. m. when they again resume work until 5:30 p. m. when they are inspected and paraded, standing at parade rest as the strains of the Star Spangled Banner echoes between the walls, and as "Old Glory" glides to its sunset rest. The prisoners have their own band and a good one too. They are allowed 2 hours each day to practice.

**INGENUITY OF THE PRISONERS.** A visit to the Presidio will surprise one as to the ingenuity displayed in the various workshops in the manufacture of almost everything conceivable. They make trunks, valises and baskets, chairs, tables, carved, silverware of all kinds, statuary of clay and plaster paris, in fact it would be hopeless to enumerate the labors of the prison.

They run a first class laundry taking in clothes at the rate of \$1 per hundred pieces, and the clothes are not pounded as many an American has ascertained it to be the custom, through his apparel becoming decayed and thin and somewhat broken by texture. At present the prison is overwhelmed with work, all available men being put to work on a large order for bamboo cots from the government. They are turning out from seventy-five to eighty of these cots a day, and the cots are delivered to their different destinations by the prisoners themselves under guard, in this way many of the prisoners have seen their first sight of the outside world in years.

Carcel de Bilibid contains 520 prisoners, mostly natives, but a few Chinamen. The prison is similar to our work house, in plain confinement all prisoners here are serving terms less than two years. At present this prison is not as much Americanized as the Presidio de Manila, and no work is being done, then the prisoners are all sentenced to hard labor however and will be put to work as soon as it becomes practicable to begin this branch of institution. The saddest and most gruesome prison I have yet visited is the Bilibid military prison I found 162 American soldiers incarcerated for crimes against their oath of service to the U. S. It is here that all soldiers are imprisoned for failure to obey important orders or for insults to officers or the flag. Their routine duties are much the same as in the quarters, but they are closely guarded and during the time of their sentence they are not permitted to see or talk to any one; they can write but one letter each month which has to be read by the officer in charge before mailing; all letters addressed to a prisoner must also be read and if it is from the man's immediate relatives and contains more than ordinary gossip it is returned to the sender. All persons are here admitted in what is called the second class, their clothing is brown and in the second class the prisoners are labeled with a large letter put on the back of his coat and the same letter on the front of the trouser leg and on the back of the other. The color of the letter is changed to white or blue as the conduct of the prisoner places him in the 1st or 3rd class.

**BRUTAL TORTURE OF CONVICTS.** As to the past disgraces, those prisoners who were tortured in the second class the horror of their tortures. One old prisoner told me that it was the custom of the Spanish soldiers to amuse themselves by torturing the prisoners. They would ask for a number of them when time hung heavy and take them to the court yard where they were tortured in the most cruel way that a corrupt Spanish mind could conceive of. Their shinbones are scraped with a bayonet, pins are driven in the fingers under the nails, their eye balls are scraped with sand paper, they were suspended by their toes or thumbs, their shoulders were dislocated by opposing sides each pulling the prisoners' arms at the end of a rope in opposite directions until Spanish's noble sons' are tired of their sport. Executions were performed on Manila's fashionable drive, the Luneta. On the 20th day of December, 1898 seventy-seven prisoners were shot as a matter of discipline according to the records but ostensibly to make room for more wretched culprits, many of whom were convicted of no greater crime than some trifling offense against priestly dignity or Spanish honor.

Now that the Philippine Islands are in the hands of Uncle Sam it occurs to the average American that we have taken our first fold at least temporarily, one of the races of earth regarding which but little is known, and that little showing that it is a people as ignorant as our nation are advanced in civilization. For while Manila has a population composed of Spanish largely there is a vast extent of surrounding land almost unexplored. The few travelers who compose mostly of the U. S. troops however who have penetrated this island through can give some most interesting description of the nation and people of distant mountains and plains. I will end a paper for your publication, I will write more in my next letter on the same topic. I remain very truly yours, Sergt Wm. H. Cox, Jr., Co. I 48th Infantry, U. S. V.

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**REPORT ON THE GRAND OPENING BAZAAR.** At the meeting of the Past Worthy Councilors Assembly held Friday, Oct. 28th at the Pthian Castle Hall, Miss M. L. Child, chairman, made the following excellent report: The total amount cleared up to Oct. 26th, 1900, was \$244.10. The first prizes for ticket selling was a handsome rug for Mr. E. J. B. sold 231 tickets. Mrs. Elizabeth Robinson of Unity Court sold 57 and received a bread box. Mrs. Georgia Foster of Planet Court sold 52 and received a lamp. Mrs. Lizzie Taylor, Planet Court sold 50 and received china plates also Miss America Harris of Excelsior Court sold 50 and received china plates. Miss Mary Taylor (Mrs. Anna Taylor's daughter) received a handsome parlor lamp for votes, also Miss Drusilla Marks a handsome toilet set. No uniform was awarded as no gentleman brought in the required amount of money.

**MANCHESTER, VA., Oct. 23, 1900.** To the People's Relief Association, R. J. Bass, Pres. Dear Sir:— Please accept my heartfelt thanks for the kind and courteous manner in which your Association treated my sister, Sarah Eggleston; also for the prompt payment of the weekly dues and the death claim. I speak in high praise of your Association, and recommend it to the people of this State and elsewhere. Respectfully, AMELIA HICKMAN JONES, 202 21st St., Manchester, Va.

**A Fine Showing.** The 34th Annual meeting of the Good Shepherd of Bethlehem was held on the 17th of Sept. After routine business the Sec'y read the annual report which showed the collection for the year, \$10,050, disbursements \$30,500 increase \$29,550, in bank and Treasury \$134.55. The following officers were installed for the ensuing year: Pres., William D. Poindexter, Vice-Pres., Richard H. Hueles, Sec'y, John H. Braxton, Treasurer, Samuel Walker, Chaplain, Harrison Archer, Chairman, James Braxton, Assistant Chairman, James T. Brown, Marshall, Thomas S. Hueles, Assistant Marshall, James S. Bland, after which they were invited to partake of the festivities with their visiting guest, the President and staff of the Loving Daughters of Bethlehem. Long may the noble society live to spread its beneficence over the land. WILLIAM D. POINDEXTER, Pres. JOHN H. BRAXTON, Sec'y.

## ANOTHER COMPANY ORGANIZED.

Fine Showing—Much Enjoyment There. BRACKLEY, VA., Oct. 31, 1900. Brigadier General John Mitchell, Jr., arrived in Norfolk last night and came to organize in this town a body of Sir Knights, to be known as the Order of Berkley Co., Uniform Rank, Knights of Pythias, N. A., S. A., E., A., A. and A. Gen. Mitchell was met in Norfolk by Capt. Alexander Jones, who secured a carriage and conveyed the commanding officer to his residence, 844 Brewer St., where his Madam served supper, which was heartily enjoyed by the guest.

They then came to Berkley. There were eight initiated. National Co., No. 5, assisted in the exercises. The officers present were Capt. Alexander Jones; 1st Lieutenant, Geo. B. Clark; 2nd Lieutenant, John H. Bernard and Sir Knight Guard, B. J. Holloway. Capt. Edward Langley, Adjutant of the Second Regiment, was present. The following are the members and officers of the new company: M. Perry, Captain; James A. Wright, 1st Lieutenant; C. S. Burks, 2nd Lieutenant; Wm. Mabrey, Sir Knight Guard; George Grady, Sentinel; J. T. Boyd, Recorder; Rev. J. M. Powell, Treasurer. The members of the company are J. T. Berry, Freeman Rayve, Alon Owens, Thomas Clark, J. Deioach, Lewis Jenkins, John E. Price, John O'Leary, Irvin Daughery, James H. Wright, James Wiggins, Samuel Linder, E. H. Anderson, Ishmael Hill, Jackson Rodgers, William Corpew, Thomas F. Paige. Deputy Grand Chancellor J. W. Randolph was present. This company was organized through the efforts of Sir R. E. Kiddred and Sir Alexander Jones.

Andrew J. Smith, who has been in this locality working in the interest of the PLANT was his present. The Sir Knights repaired to the dining hall where Messames Clark, Brown and other ladies had prepared a bounteous repast. It was heartily enjoyed and all were outspoken in their praise of the patients' efforts. Col. M. D. Meekins greeted Sir Mitchell at the wharf upon his farewell at Norfolk.

**A GREAT REPORT.** General Manager John T. Taylor of the Richmond Beneficial Insurance Co. is issuing a great quarterly report. Nothing like it has been seen in this section. He gives the names and address of the policy holders who have received benefits from July 1, 1900, to October 1, 1900. The total amount paid has been (\$7,625.04) seven thousand, six hundred and twenty-five and four cents.

**RICHMOND MINISTERS UNION.** The above Union held its regular week's meeting Monday at 5 o'clock P. M., at No. 728 N. 2nd St., in the Richmond Beneficial Insurance Company's building. The Union will hold its regular weekly meetings at the said place each Wednesday hereafter at 4 o'clock p. m. The president, the Rev. Dr. Graham, presided and several very important topics were considered. Mr. C. Cassell is now in the military, setting forth the causes and object of the Union, which letter will appear in due time. Sunday services:—Second Baptist Church, Manchester, Va., Rev. D. Webster Davis, A. M., pastor; Sunday, November 4th, 8:30 a. m., "Hearing and Doing"; 7:45 evening, "The Redeemer in Heaven."

**NOTICE.** MANCHESTER, VA., Oct. 25, 1900. To All Whom It May Concern: The First Baptist Church, Manchester, Va., at its regular official meeting held on Friday night, Oct. 12th, 1900, ordered a re-registration of all its members by the payment of 25 cents each; and for the said sum each member will receive a certificate of membership. Said registration to continue for 60 days. All members failing to comply with the decision of the church will no longer be retained on the roll as such. Done by order of the church, A. BINGA, Jr., D. D., Pastor. C. H. MURPHY, Clerk. Lynched Him Quickly.

**THE EARTH CAVED.** By the caving in of an embankment at Fifteenth and Franklin Streets, just before 2 p. m. Wednesday three men were buried. One was taken out dead, another painfully injured, the third was only slightly hurt. All three were colored men. A gang of men, under Edward Mook, was engaged in removing the sheathing, which had been placed around the concrete used in the construction of the pedestal for the Seaboard Air Line at the point named. The sheathing consisted of very heavy timbers about thirty feet in length. Two of the men were at work above and three below. Suddenly the

embankment caved in and James Ransom who lived at Twenty-eighth and Leigh, was buried under tons of timber and earth. It took twenty minutes to dig him out. He was quite dead when found. John Smith, of No. 916 West Broad Street, was also buried, though not so deeply. He was quickly rescued and will recover. Edward Lindsay was buried to the waist. He escaped almost uninjured.

## FROM WEST POINT.

WEST POINT, VA., Oct. 23, 1900. The West Point Sunday School Union met on the above named date at Mt. Nebo Baptist Church, Rev. R. J. Bass, President, presiding. The following took part in the exercises: Recitation, Miss Poshonias Parks; Recitation, Miss Dula Higgins; Solo, "The Palms," Mrs. Addie Burrell; Select Reading, Mrs. Addie Burrell; Duet, Misses Mary B. and Edna Allen. Misses M. Burrell and Edna Allen gave an "Autumn Outing" Saturday afternoon for the little folks. All who went enjoyed the beautiful scenery and also the luncheon. At Salem Church at 8 o'clock the pastor, Rev. R. J. Bass gave a good talk on Christian War fare. Struggling for the cause of the Master, keeping the faith, he sees the crown that the Judge will give at that day. After services the church elected three deacons: Brothers Charles Clark, George Davis and William Barrell, Sr. They are good earnest workers for the Master.

## HOSPITAL REPORT.

The League Hospital has opened and the staff is daily performing operations and presenting interesting cases to the Nurse Class. The following is the list of operations and cases presented for the week ending, Oct. 27th, 1900: Excision of Tonsils; Avulsion of Toe Nail (1 year's standing); Interesting case of Ovaritis; Cancer of the Face (sarcoma); Protrusion of Rectum.

## FROM PORTSMOUTH.

PORTSMOUTH, VA., Oct. 29, 1900. Mr. Henry Peal and Miss Mary Ramure were quietly married at the residence of the groom's aunt, Thursday evening at 8:30 o'clock, Rev. F. C. Campbell officiating. They received quite a number of handsome presents. Mr. C. Cassell is now in the oyster business, corner of Pearl and King Sts. Mrs. Maggie Ray of Newark, N. J., who has been visiting her aunt, Mrs. Violet Durden in Taylorsville, left Monday for her home. Mrs. Robinson, the daughter of Rev. Daniel F. Benson is visiting her father, Mr. Ochsley V. Ash has launched out into the tonsorial business on Glasgow St., near Hatton St.

Mr. A. W. Trueheart of Hampton, Va., the new Chief of Portsmouth's Division of True Reformers arrived in the city this week. He will enter immediately upon the duties awaiting his attention. Editor J. W. Holley and family spent several days in Hampton, Va., this week visiting his father. The supposed "justifiable homicide" was the verdict rendered last night by a coroner's jury in the case of J. Hope Ivery, white, who on Saturday night last shot and killed William Sampson, colored. The shooting took place at a bar room near the crossing of the Deep Creek and old Gosport roads. At the office of Justice E. P. Bunting the coroner's jury held its investigation. A number of witnesses testified, to sum up the evidence advanced showed that Sampson was a Negro of bad character. Upon this, J. Hope Ivery was acquitted.

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**SAMARITAN NEWS.** J. W. Thompson Grand Chief visited Newport News, Va., Back River, River, Hampton, Norfolk and Portsmouth last week, flading the work in excellent condition. St. Mary's class of Juveniles of Norfolk had their 9th anniversary on the 28th inst, the affair was grand under the direction of their guardian, Miss Mary Bradford. Deputies E. R. Butler of Newport News, Back River and Hampton, J. W. Randolph of Norfolk and David Jones of Portsmouth are doing splendid work. Monday night, Oct. 29th, Deputy J. E. Taylor of 1st district set up a new lodge of Good Samaritans at Price's Hall on Monday night before last, and Deputy W. H. Hatcher had a public meeting of Samaritans in Manchester at the First Baptist Church. He had an excellent house. The 2nd Wednesday night in November Deputy Towns of 2nd District will have a public meeting in Fulton. The Samaritans and public are cordially invited. Y. M. C. A. Notes. Members of the Y. M. C. A. Reading Circle were well prepared for the hour, every one took an active part last Friday night, subject: "Resolved,

## THE TROUBLE AT THE THIRD ST. A. M. E. CHURCH.

To Repair the Damage.—Guards Appointed.—Would Not Offer a Reward. The excitement over the destruction of the carpet and other property at the Third St. A. M. E. Church has in a measure abated. Nearly \$100 more was raised at the Sunday services. New carpet will be purchased, the pulpit furniture upholstered and possibly one of the organs repaired. The lower windows will be provided with heavy outside blinds and all of the entrances to the church strengthened. It has been decided to assign to twenty members of the body the duty of guarding the church building. No progress seems to have been made towards ascertaining the names of the perpetrators of the outrage.

## WAITED ON THE M. Y. O.

Rev. W. R. Gulliss waited on Mayor Richard M. Taylor and requested that he offer an additional \$100 for the arrest and conviction of the guilty party. His Honor was outspoken in his condemnation of the desecration of the property, and said he would comply with the request if the Chief of Police would recommend it. Chief Howard was of the opinion that it was not the best thing to do, establishing as it would be a questionable precedent at this time. Rumors of every description have been circulated. Rev. W. R. Gulliss secured the services of Photographer J. C. Farley, and had the church photographed. It is indeed a scene of destruction. The photographs will be sold for the benefit of the church.

**FRAYSER—Died Friday, Oct. 26th, 1900 at 8:30 a. m., at the residence of her parents, 12 1/2 St. Jam. St. M. Lillie Carter Frayser in the full triumph of faith. She was the devoted daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Scott Carter and the loving wife of Mr. Arthur Frayser. Her funeral took place Sunday Oct. 28th, 1900 at 3:30 p. m. from 1st Baptist Church. Her husband, who had been a consistent member for six years, conducted by Revs. Holmes and White. The lovely lavender casket was covered with many costly floral designs. She leaves a father, mother, husband, sister, brother and a host of relatives and friends. Funeral Director W. B. Harris officiated in his usual manner.**

Sleep on dear Lillie, sleep and take thy rest, Lay down thy head upon thy Saviour's breast, We loved thee well, but Jesus loved thee best. Farewell, farewell, farewell.

**WINSTON—Died in New York City, Wednesday, October 24th, 1900, at his residence, 12 1/2 St. James St., the son of the late William and Mary Winston, in the 88th year of his age. His remains were brought to Richmond to the residence of Mrs. Martha Johnson, his aunt in N. 6th Street, and his funeral took place from the Ebenezer Baptist Church on Sunday, October 29th, 1900. He was a member of the Theobald Lodge of Odd Fellows of New York and the Invisible Lodge of Richmond, and accompanied his remains to the last resting place, in Evergreen Cemetery. He was also a member of quite a large number of other organizations. Funeral Director A. D. Price officiated.**

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## NOTICE.

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## NOTICE.

The Sundry School Union will convene with Moore St. Baptist Church Sunday School, Rev. R. O. Johnson, B. D., pastor on Sunday evening, Nov. 4th at 8 o'clock. The popular Supt. has prepared a fine program. R. H. THURSTON, Pres. E. A. WASHINGTON, Cor. Sec'y. Convention Virginia Christian Missionary Society, Richmond, Va. Nov. 13-16, 1900. For the above occasion Southern Railway will sell tickets from all ticket stations on its lines in Virginia and Richmond, Va., and return at face and a third for the round trip on certificate plan. Those coming to Richmond in attendance to this meeting will purchase tickets at full rate, obtaining certificate agents certificate which will entitle them to purchase tickets returning at one-third rate, after such certificates have been properly filed at Richmond. C. W. WESTBURY, T. P. A. L O T or strayed—Tan retterried d answers to name of Nero, Naxing and collar on same. Buy. Libse reward if returned to H. D. Siley, 217 E Marshall St.

That the Press has done more to advance Christianity than the Pulpit." This was an open discussion, led by Messrs. E. H. Allen, and A. Hobbs. The discussion was in favor of the Press. New members were out in large numbers last Saturday to hear the explanation of the Sunday School lesson by Prof. G. R. Hovey. This is the result of personal work. C. H. Hovey. The committees on religious work last Sunday were active in all the meetings which were held. Results were good. The boys counted themselves very fortunate in having Mrs. Rebecca Smith of the Byrd St. Mission to address them. The boys were very much interested in what the Madam said. They gave the very best of attention. Another straight address was given to the men last Sunday by Deacon J. J. Carter, subject, "The Influence of Character." So, addresses will help to make our men strong and to stand up for something. The Deacon must come again. The solos by Madam S. Alice Kemp Burrell were appreciated by the men and will be remembered, particularly "Saved by Grace."

You are expected to be present to the celebration on the Sunday School lesson Saturday 5 p. m. Free. Invite your friends. Meeting in the city jail and Aalms-house Sunday 11 a. m. Wanted by the Y. M. C. A. Sunday, 3:30 p. m., 1000 men to witness the exercises of the Eleventh Anniversary at the Ebenezer Baptist Church. Annual address by Lawyer Thomas Hewin, subject, "Is this a yug man safe?" Special music by the choir of the church leader, W. A. Trent. Everybody is invited. Seats are free. Every mother and sister are invited and requested to be a committee on invitations to the husbands and brothers. Let all volunteer that we may have a good number to the honor and glory of G. d.

—Mr. E. S. Holmes of Portsmouth, Va. called on us last week.

—Rev. R. Beecher Taylor will preach a special sermon at 11 a. m., at the Mt. Olivet Baptist Church to-morrow, Sunday.

Rev. J. Andrew Bowler, the pastor continues indisposed at his residence.

Mr. Andrew J. Smith, our solicitor arrived in the city Wednesday evening from Norfolk where he has been laboring in interest of the Planet.

Rev. Jas. H. Holmes, D. D. arrive in the city last Saturday. He visited New York Newark, N. J., Philadelphia and Washington, and looks the picture of health.

Miss Florence, daughter of Col Augustus Taylor, visited Mountcastle, Va. Tuesday to attend the marriage of Mr. Johnson, son of Rev. T. H. Johnson.

## KILLED SUDDENLY.

COOPERS, W. VA., Oct. 30, 1900. Early this morning, London Walker, a colored man 26 years old was found by the railroad track dead. He was terribly mangled, his head being severed from the body; his head, body, and one foot were lying along the track in different spots. London was cut down in his wickedness, besides being a sharp gambler, and otherwise wicked, he was a blasphemer. A few days before he met his death he told his companions the Lord did not know all of his business.

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