

STARVING MILLIONS ARE WITHOUT HOPE

East Indian Natives Sell Their Daughters Into Slavery for the Price of One Day's Food.



ON THE ROAD TO THE RELIEF HOUSE—A SCRAMBLE FOR LEAKAGE.

BOSTON, April 16.—Rev. Rockwell Clancy, a missionary at Allahabad, who is visiting his brother in Medford, said today:

"The condition of famine-stricken India to-day is something awful to contemplate. I cannot tell anything about the number dying, but when I left Bombay last February there were some 60,000,000 people suffering and over 20,000,000 were in dire distress, and of these but 5,000,000 were receiving Government aid."

"It is not the cities but the country places which are stricken, and when you

HOUSE BEGINS CONSIDERATION OF NAVAL BILL

Measure Carries More Than Any Previous Appropriation for Warships.

Both the Chairman and the Ranking Minority Member of the Committee Urge Its Passage.

WASHINGTON, April 16.—The House to-day entered upon the consideration of the naval appropriation bill with a prospect there should be some general debate on the question of armor plate, the building of ships in Government yards and the provision in the bill for the coast geodetic survey. The bill carries \$15,000,000 more than any previous naval bill.

To-day Foss, the acting chairman, and Cummings, the ranking minority member of the committee, defended the bill. The latter declared himself in favor of paying \$46 for Krupp armor, at least until all the ships authorized were built, and said that the committee had information, the source of which he was not at liberty to reveal, showing that we could obtain Krupp armor at a price lower than any other country in the world.

Kitchin, of North Carolina, one of the members who signed the minority report, criticized what he termed the general extravagance of the bill and advocated the establishment of a Government armor-plate factory to protect the Government against extortion.

During the debate Cummings raised a burst of applause by stating that he believed in keeping the army and navy in the Philippines as long as a single rebel defied the authority of the United States.

"But when we have conquered them," he added, "I am in favor of treating them as we propose to treat Cuba. On the whole, I think the Philippines were more gained to the Cubans and certainly deserve as fair treatment."

Foss explained the bill.

Some difficulty arose in connection with the attempts to secure an agreement for closing general debate. Foss, acting chairman of the Naval Committee, suggested seven hours on a side. Underwood of Alabama and Wheeler of Kentucky thought that should be settled and agreed right. All efforts to secure an agreement failed and the House went into committee of the whole. Payne of New York in the chair, the committee carried a general debate ahead.

Foss made a general preliminary speech. In opening Foss paid a tribute to Soutelle of Maine, chairman of the committee, whose illness prevented him attending the sessions of the House since the Christmas holidays. The bill, Foss explained, carried a total appropriation of \$51,200,000, the largest naval appropriation bill ever reported to an American Congress. After explaining the various items of the bill Foss said:

"We are building for peace; we are building not to provoke war, but to conserve international concord; we are building in order that the nations may take warning that if Ameri-

can honor is assailed American valor will defend it. The nation which is armed and ready to fight is the least likely to be called upon to do so. The best peace conference is a strong and efficient navy. Sea power is recognized the world over as the strength of a great nation. We are building a navy to maintain our foreign policy; to defend the Monroe doctrine and to guard the rights and privileges of the most favored nations. The American navy will thus play an important part in securing our commercial supremacy.

The American battleship would also play, he said, a not inconsiderable part in the civilization of the Philippines. He continued:

The American school marm with her spelling book may enlighten the mind; the American missionary with his bible may soften the hearts of the heathen; the city physician with his quack remedies may cure the ailments of the natives; but the American merchantman goes to foreign ports and harbors in the world and actually attempts to force the powder-works of the natives to be civilized. It is necessary, by an American man-of-war to teach the natives that they have rights and privileges of the most favored nations. The American navy will thus play an important part in securing our commercial supremacy.

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GIVEN KNOCKOUT DROPS AND ROBBED

Young Farmer Nearly Dies From the Effects of a Drug Ministered to Him.

SACRAMENTO, April 15.—W. C. Montgomery, a young farmer who lives near Acampo, had a narrow escape from death yesterday as a result of having been dosed with "knockout drops" in a disorderly manner on lower L street. He was picked up at an unconscious condition near the railroad depot late yesterday afternoon and taken to the Receiving Hospital, where he was treated by the city physician. Montgomery said that he had \$105 when he went into the house, but did not have a cent when he came out. The police are investigating the matter.

The police this afternoon took Anita Segura and Blanche Roelster, notorious French women, into custody, and will hold them pending an investigation. Montgomery was in their company for a time yesterday afternoon.

CONFESSION WAS BOGUS.

George Wilson Not So Bad as He Declared Himself to Be.

LOS ANGELES, April 16.—George Wilson, the youthful burglar who was arrested here for burglary and identified as the boy who held up W. H. Monroe at Monrovia, was to-day sentenced to twelve years' imprisonment at San Quentin by Judge Smith. The lad had made a confession in which he claimed to have assaulted a man at Oakland and killed a tramp at Whittier, besides committing numerous other crimes, but to-day he confessed that the confession was bogus. He had been reading dime novels and wanted to be considered a bad man.

Death of J. M. Dillard.

Special Dispatch to the Call.

ROSBURG, Or., April 15.—J. M. Dillard, an old and respected pioneer of this county and the founder of the town of Dillard, died at his home at this place to-day. He leaves a widow and several grown children.

REBELS ATTACK A GARRISON, BUT ARE DEFEATED

One Hundred and Six Are Killed at Batoo, North Ilocos.

Recruiting Post in the Village of Remuth Is Burned and the Entire Garrison Is Dispersed.

MANILA, April 17.—General Young reports that 300 insurgent riflemen and bolomen attacked the American garrison at Batoo, province of North Ilocos, yesterday, but were repulsed, losing 106 men. The Americans had no casualties.

Captain Dodd, with a squadron of the Third Cavalry, recently surrounded a village in Remuth Province and surprised 200 insurgents living in barracks and apartments serving as the recruiting center for the province. The enemy lost fifty-three men killed while our troops also captured forty-four men and burned the village. One American was wounded.

MAJOR CASE'S BATTALION DRIVES BACK REBELS

MANILA, April 17, 10:45 a. m.—News has just reached here that at sunrise, April 7, 1150 natives, 150 armed with rifles and the rest with bolos, attacked Major Case's battalion, Fortieth Infantry, stationed at Gagayan, Mindanao. The rebels were commanded by Tagalog and Moro leaders and many were on horseback. They used scaling ladders in attempts to climb into the streets of the town. Some used scaling ladders in attempts to climb into the streets of the town. Some used scaling ladders in attempts to climb into the streets of the town. Some used scaling ladders in attempts to climb into the streets of the town.

SACRAMENTO AT WORK ON THE STREET FAIR

Streets Bordering the Capitol Now Closed to Traffic and Carpenters at Work on Booths.

SACRAMENTO, April 15.—Beginning this morning the work preparatory to the Sacramento street fair, which takes place April 30 to May 5, will be put through with a rush. The streets bordering the Capitol grounds, to the north and the south, have been closed to travel and several booths have already been erected. To-day the force of men at work on booths has been quadrupled. Many of them will be very elaborate in design and it is expected that every foot of space on L and N streets from Tenth to Fifteenth street will be taken. The work on the arches is being pushed along rapidly and a fair idea of the elaborateness of the design can be obtained. In addition to the booths along the two streets mentioned, the Midway is to extend across the grounds, opposite Thirteenth street. The throne of the May queen, which will be an imposing affair, will be at the middle point of the Midway, and opposite it will be the main grand stand, capable of holding 2500 people.

NEGOTIATING FOR A RAILWAY.

NEW YORK, April 15.—J. P. Morgan & Co. has authorized the announcement that its company is negotiating for the acquisition of the Louisville, Nashville and St. Louis Air Line, and a plan for the reorganization of that company will be discussed based on an agreement by the Southern Railway to take over the property after the reorganization.

EARLY HEARING FOR KENTUCKY'S ELECTION CASES

The United States Supreme Court Names April 30 as the Day.

Counsel for Both Taylor and Beckham Appeal to the Justices Against Undue Delay.

WASHINGTON, April 15.—The cases involving the Kentucky Governorship were docketed in the United States Supreme Court to-day. A brief in which the counsel for Taylor and Beckham joined was filed at the same time asking for an early hearing. In the agreed statement it is set forth that both Taylor and Beckham as Governor, John Marshall as Lieutenant Governor on the Republican side and L. H. Carter as President pro tem, of the Senate and John B. Castleman as Adjutant General on the Democratic side are each and all claiming the right to and actually attempt to exercise the powers of the respective offices severally claimed by them, thus producing great confusion in Kentucky by reason of doubts as to which of the persons named has the lawful right to exercise the authority pertaining to the several offices named, all to the great injury and detriment of the people of the State.

Bruce presented a statement of facts and his authorized the announcement that the court should grant a motion to dismiss for lack of jurisdiction that result would, of course, end the controversy. If the opinion on such motion should be adverse to dismissal it would probably be too late to hear the case on its merits.

After Bruce concluded this statement the case was assigned.

MARTIN WESTLAKE IS HAILED INTO COURT

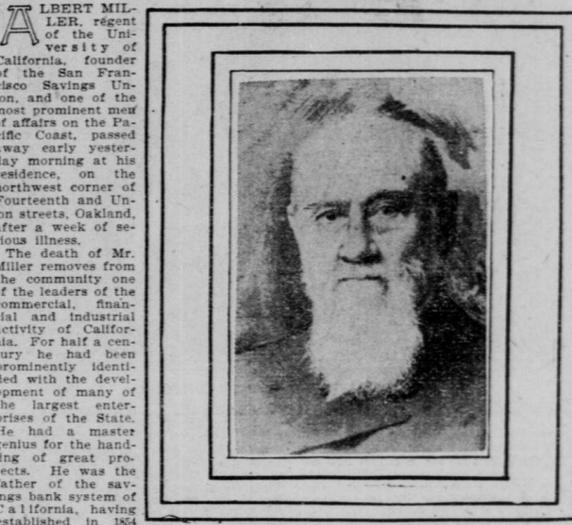
SACRAMENTO, April 15.—Martin Westlake, who is accused of the murder of Watts last month, and his brother Frank, arrested at the same time, were in the Justice's Court this morning in connection with a charge of felony embezzlement. Frank was arraigned on the charge last week and his hearing set for this morning, but owing to the inability of the defense to reach certain witnesses, a continuance was granted until next Monday.

Martin was brought in to plead to the charge. He pleaded not guilty, and the case was set for Wednesday of next week.

The Westlakes are accused of selling a lot of lot of horses they were engaged to drive from Chico to San Francisco just after the murder. There is a previous conviction against Frank on a charge of perjury. He is now awaiting trial on the charge of murder.

ALBERT MILLER'S LONG LIFE ENDED

Passing of One of the Leaders in Commercial Affairs of the Pacific Coast.



ALBERT MILLER, regent of the University of California, founder of the San Francisco Savings Union and one of the most prominent men of affairs on the Pacific Coast, passed away early yesterday morning at his residence, on the northwest corner of Fourteenth and Union streets, Oakland, after a week of serious illness.

The death of Mr. Miller removes from the community one of the leaders of the commercial, financial and industrial activity of California. For half a century he had been prominently identified with the development of many of the largest enterprises of the State. He had a master genius for the handling of great projects. He was the father of the savings bank system of California, having established in 1854 the San Francisco Building and Loan Association, the earliest savings institution of San Francisco.

To Mr. Miller's skill as a financier was mainly due the superb success of the San Francisco Savings Union, established in 1862, of which he had been first vice president and then president. His life was marked by a steadfast devotion to a standard of principle which was as high as human mind could establish.

Born February 1833, in the little town of Paine, Kingdom of Hanover, Germany, Mr. Miller descended from a long line of ancestors of rank and estate, but who, like many others, forfeited all during the religious wars of the fifteenth century. In his youth Mr. Miller was given a liberal education in the schools of Germany. He studied English and French, and later adopted a commercial career, taking a course of training at a famous commercial college at Braunschweig. There he laid the foundation which enabled him in later life to so successfully organize and carry into execution the large business enterprises with which his name has been connected in this country.

At the age of 20 Mr. Miller came to the United States, arriving in San Francisco in 1851, after staying three years in New York. Eight years later he was at the head of the San Francisco Savings Union.

During the troublous days in which the Vigilantes restored order to the city, Mr. Miller was one of their leaders.

During the early years of his activity Mr. Miller's health broke down, and in 1867, with his family, he made a tour of

Europe, returning in 1870 completely restored to health. He was at the head of the Atlantic Dynamite Company, the Giant Powder Company and the Judson Powder Company for years. He was also the organizer of the Presidio and Ferries Railroad and had large interests in the Pacific Surety Company.

During the past ten or fifteen years Mr. Miller had given special attention to the development of some expensive electric and gas lighting enterprises. The Pacific Gas Improvement Company and the Pacific Lighting Company were created by him.

Mr. Miller became identified with the University of California in 1880, when he was appointed a regent by Governor Bartlett to fill an unexpired term. Later he was reappointed for the full term of sixteen years, and for seven years he had given constant attention to the affairs of the university, most of that time being a member of the finance committee, of which at the time of his death he was acting chairman.

In 1884 Mr. Miller was married in San Francisco to Miss Mary Ann Kendall. Eight children were born to them, of whom seven survive, being Mrs. John B. Moon, Miss Annie Miller, H. M. A. Miller, Harry East Miller, C. O. G. Miller, Horace H. Miller and Paul L. Miller. Mrs. Miller also survives.

Mr. Miller had been slowly arranging his affairs to retire from active life. During his last illness he was attended by Dr. Lillencrantz. The announcement for the funeral will not be made until to-morrow.

Waiter Shoots Himself.

SAN BERNARDINO, April 16.—Frank Calace, a waiter in a restaurant, shot himself with a revolver, the ball entering under the jaw and passing out through the bridge of his nose. He left home yesterday afternoon to go to the springs, and returned about 10 o'clock last evening. His wounded organs of speech are paralyzed, and as he cannot read or write there is no way of determining whether the shot was accidental or otherwise. The wound is not necessarily fatal.

No Exposition for Toledo.

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