

AMERICANS RETREATED Overwhelmed by Numbers of Filipinos.

BUT WHEATON TURNS THE TABLES

Takes the Aggressive and Chases the Insurgents Away.

MANILA, June 19.—Hard fighting took place south of Imus today. Wheaton sent a reconnoitering party to examine that territory. All went well until the Americans reached Perez Dasmarias where they were suddenly struck by the enemy in large force. After a sharp encounter the United States troops fell back slowly on Imus, carrying on a running fight with the insurgents over five miles of territory. The loss on the American side was five killed and twenty wounded. When Wheaton learned of the engagement he personally took two battalions and some artillery and chased the rebels back towards Perez Dasmarias, inflicting severe losses.

PARIS, June 19.—Waldeck-Rousseau this morning formally accepted the task of constructing a new cabinet.

TERRIBLE FATE OF GRADERS CARRIED A BALL IN HIS HEART

LITTLE ROCK, Ark., June 19.—It is reported here that a landslide occurred at Ross Hollow and engulfed 23 men, all of whom are supposed to have been killed.

Ross Hollow is a pass between two small mountain ranges about 23 miles west of Little Rock, on the line of the Choctaw & Memphis railroad, now under construction from Little Rock to Hoxey, I. T.

A large force of graders has been engaged in grading the road through the pass, and according to the report, it was a part of this force of men that were caught under the falling earth. The report cannot be confirmed tonight.

None of the officials of the road nor any of the contractors who are at present in this city have received news of the accident. The report was brought in by farmers traveling from the locality. The scene of the accident is 23 miles from here, over a rough stretch of country, and it is impossible to get news from there tonight.

According to the farmers bringing the news, a large force of men were engaged in excavating in a deep cut when the earth above, which had been loosened by heavy rains recently, suddenly came down upon them, burying 23 men and tons of earth.

ALL PREFER SAN FRANCISCO

WASHINGTON, D. C., June 19.—General Otis informs the War department today that all volunteer organizations in the Philippines desire to be mustered out at San Francisco. The Sixth infantry, which arrived at Manila this morning on the Sherman, leaves immediately to relieve the Californians, who depart for San Francisco as soon as they can be collected. The transport Indiana, with 134 officers and men, left for San Francisco yesterday.

MUST BE A WESTERN MAN

CHICAGO, June 19.—Western Republican congressmen are nearly a unit for the idea of selecting the vice presidential candidate who is to be McKinley's running mate next year from the region west of the Mississippi river. During Congressman Henderson's stay in Chicago the question of selecting a running mate for the president was discussed quite as fully as the speakership contest. Practically without exception the congressmen who conferred with Gen. Henderson were firm in the belief that Vice-President Hobart is out of the question as the party nominee to succeed himself. The single objection offered to Mr. Hobart was that he hails from the state of New Jersey, the home of the trusts. Senator Davis, of Minnesota; Thurston, of Nebraska; Wolcott, of Colorado, and ex-Senator Mander, of Nebraska, have been mentioned.

EXPORTS TO ALL PARTS GROWING

WASHINGTON, D. C., June 19.—American producers are already finding an enlarged market in Cuba, Puerto Rico, Hawaii and the Philippines. The figures of the treasury bureau of statistics, just issued, indicate that the exports of the fiscal year, which ends with this month, will show a larger exportation to Hawaii and the Philippines than ever before, and larger to Cuba and Puerto Rico than in any previous year except those in which the recip-

rocity features of the McKinley law were in operation. The exports to Cuba in the 19 months ending April 30, 1899, were worth \$1,000,000, more than double those of the same months of 1898, and more than double those of the same months of 1897. To Puerto Rico the exports were 33 per cent. in excess of the corresponding months of last year, and to Hawaii the exports of the 19 months are 27 per cent. in excess of those of the same months in 1898, and double those of the corresponding months of 1897. To the Philippines the exports, despite the continuous war conditions, are three times as much as in the corresponding months of any preceding year.

The total exports to Cuba, Puerto Rico, Hawaii and the Philippines in the full fiscal year, which ends with this month, will reach about \$30,000,000, against \$17,000,000 last year. Our sales in these islands in the fiscal year 1899, of 27 per cent. in excess of those of the same months of 1898, and double those of the corresponding months of 1897. To the Philippines the exports, despite the continuous war conditions, are three times as much as in the corresponding months of any preceding year.

It is also interesting to note that the exports to Spain are approaching their normal conditions, those for the 19 months ending with May 1 being \$8,000,000, against \$10,000,000 in the corresponding months of last year, and less than \$10,000,000 in the corresponding months of the fiscal year 1897.

REPORT NOT CONFIRMED

WASHINGTON, D. C., June 19.—The report of wholesale prostrations of American troops in the Philippines cannot be confirmed at headquarters here. Officers on duty say that the condition of the troops is as satisfactory as could be expected in any army engaged in a campaign.

A MYSTERY FOR NEW YORK

NEW YORK, June 19.—The headless body of a man was fished out of the water off Bay Ridge this morning, and boys saw the ghastly human remnant bobbing along with the tide and screaming from the sight. Several members of the Crescent Athletic club hauled the mutilated trunk ashore and notified the police, who probably have another mysterious murder case on their hands. A cursory examination of the body disclosed no marks by which it could be identified. About half of the body, including the head and parts of the legs, was missing. From the appearance of the trunk the man to whom it belonged could not have been dead more than a week. The body was well nourished and apparently that of a man of considerable stature.

FIVE BIG EVENTS

This will be a Convention Week.

SEATTLE TO ENTERTAIN GUESTS

Delegates to Grand Army and Auxiliaries, Women's Clubs and the C. E. Societies.

CAUGHT AFTER SEVEN YEARS

ST. LOUIS, June 19.—George B. Howard, convicted of pension frauds at Mound City, Ill., in 1891, and sentenced to fourteen years in the penitentiary and who escaped after being sent to the government hospital in Washington in 1892, was recaptured at Arkansas City, Kan., taken through St. Louis this morning in charge of deputy marshals and lodged in prison at Chester, Ill., to serve the remaining thirteen years of his term.

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MISSIONARIES ARE ALIVE

HONGKONG, June 19.—News has been received here contradicting the report that three Christian missionaries were murdered recently in Nagan Whel.

OFFER OF INFANTRY

Californians Would Go to Manila

AND HELP CRUSH THE REBELS

Senators Telegraph the Offer of the Regiment to the President at Washington.

WASHINGTON, D. C., June 19.—The War department received a telegram this morning from Senators Perkins and Stanford, in which they said that Southern California supports the administration in its efforts to suppress the Philippine insurrection, and tenders the president for immediate service, a well organized and thoroughly disciplined regiment of infantry. The officers and men are ready to embark for Manila as soon as the necessary field equipment can be furnished.

PRAIRIE FIRE A BLESSING

SIOUX FALLS, S. D., June 19.—The proposition that a bounty be offered for the killing of rattlesnakes, which for several seasons have been very numerous in a particular locality in Aurora county, may be withdrawn. A recent prairie fire, which swept over a portion of that part of the state, burned over the favorite lurking place of these venomous reptiles, and the result is that the snakes, not having advantage of the shelter of the heavy tufts of old grass and underbrush for hiding places, are easily detected, and are being killed by the wholesale by farmers living in the vicinity. In this particular at least the prairie fire proved a benefit.

WATCH OUT FOR THIS MAN

His Express Package is Only a Gold Brick.

A man representing himself to be E. E. Almsworth, the well-known canneryman, has been making the rounds lately of the different business houses collecting money. The man's system is to ask for a sum of money, stating that he has a package at the express office, and does not want to take time to go to the cannery for money. The police has been notified to keep a look-out for him.

CONDITION OF THE HOP CROP

The Puget Sound Chronicle in its issue last week gives some hop news that will be of interest to the dealers and growers of this vicinity, and it is as follows:

"There is nothing of importance in the hop market to report this week. The warm days are pushing the vine along, and the indications still point to a good crop. There are more lice through the yards than in former years at this time, owing to the recent cool weather, but the growers are spraying for them and will be spraying in a few days. Where spraying is taken in time and thorough work done the louse can be gotten rid of.

A ROMANCE IN CHICAGO

CHICAGO, June 19.—The romance of a miner who returned from Alaska with a bronzed face and a bank account to claim his South Chicago sweetheart, a former school mistress, only to find that she was tired of teaching the young idea and had married a widower with three children, came to light yesterday at the Phil Sheridan school. The scholars had just taken their seats when a knock was heard at the door of the eighth grade room. Miss Ida Donovan, the teacher, answered the knock and was brought face to face with the miner.

ARRIVALS IN SEATTLE

Many Come From Frisco On the Umatilla.

S. McDonald, C. Greenwood, G. T. Bennett, J. S. McMillan, W. L. Williams, W. Ruan, R. Roe, J. Robertson, J. J. Corry, P. Barry, C. McCulloch, J. S. Cottle, A. Gregg, Mrs. Eastman, J. Burke, Mrs. B. Travis, John Graham, Cora Olsen, A. Grimes, H. O. Crump, Mrs. E. Hopkins, T. Mull, A. DeSuis, James Smith, T. Thompson, Two Japanese, J. Dinkelspiel, W. H. Butler, Mrs. A. Bentley, A. Schule, N. H. Hasel, F. S. Sellers, B. G. Sagee, George Roberts, W. Peterson, A. Japanese, D. K. Thomas, W. A. Muller, B. Parry, F. Ryan, J. Graham, Comen Campbell, J. B. Campbell.

COLLISION ON THE N. P.

Occurs Between Portland and Tacoma.

TACOMA, June 19.—A Northern Pacific train collided with an excursion train returning from Astoria to Portland last night, one mile east of Linton. Both engines were demolished and several cars badly smashed. The accident occurred at 9 p. m.

The Northern Pacific train, No. 54, contained 13 freight cars and was in charge of O. A. Clough, conductor; O. O. Jennings, engineer. The engine was No. 498. The Astoria & Columbia River excursion train contained seven coaches and was in charge of Conductor Lowe and Engineer Mallon, engine No. 17. Linton, where the accident occurred, is 10 miles north of Portland. A wrecking train was dispatched from Tacoma on receipt of the news.

One man on the Astoria train was killed and five persons injured. The man killed is D. P. Bell, of Portland, who was engaged in serving lunches to the excursionists.

The injured are: Homer Darling, severe; Birdie Putman; Mrs. Bell, wife of D. P. Bell; James Mallon, engineer; E. R. Barnes, brakeman. Two cars containing livestock were demolished, all of the stock being killed.

ATTEMPT AT MURDER

Shot Fired at Jailer Corning

WHICH BARELY MISSED HIS HEAD

An Affair That is Involved in the Deepest Mystery.

An attempt was made yesterday morning to murder jailer Corning at police headquarters, but the bullet intended for him went wide of its mark and struck one of the lockers in the assembly room.

The shot was fired by an unknown assailant, and the weapon used was a .22 caliber rifle. Corning was standing in one of the toilet rooms, leaning out of the window. He stepped to one side and raised the window. As he did so, a bullet crashed through the window within a few inches of Corning's, scattering glass in all directions.

Corning went off watch about 7 o'clock that morning, and the matter has been kept quiet. This morning there were a number of officers expressing different opinions as to which direction the bullet could have come from.

There is not the least doubt but what the shot was fired with evil intent, and officers think it was done by some enemy of the jailer. No arrests have been made.

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