

ARE NEW BANDITS

FORMER FILIPINO ARMY SCATTERED, BUT STILL FORMIDABLE OPPONENTS

HAVE BECOME ROVING OUTLAWS

DETERMINED TO HARASS AMERICANS AT ALL POINTS THROUGHOUT THE ISLANDS

JUNTA CONFIRMS THE STORY

Says the Filipinos Will Continue to Fight Until Their Independence is Acknowledged—Cannot Resist the American Forces as an Army, but Can Terrorize the Country in the Capacity of Guerrillas.

MANILA, Dec. 12.—Col. Smith, with a detachment of the Seventeenth infantry, surrounded and captured in a village near Malasag, a party of guerrillas, who had made their headquarters there. The party included the band which assassinated seven officials at Malasag for friendliness to the Americans. All the insurgents who became bandits when disintegration of the Filipino army began. They kept the country around Malos in a state of terror for several weeks, and committed twenty-five murders in less than that number of days. When they were caught they were promptly sent to Gen. MacArthur's headquarters, at Bayombong, by train. It is expected that they will be speedily tried and shot or hanged as an example, if convicted.

The whole country north of San Fernando and between San Fernando and Manila, except within the permanent line of troops around the city and the closely patrolled stretches of railroad, swarm with such bands. Probably they will be increased by Gen. Pilar's army, many of whom are making their way south to Cavite province.

These people, for the most part, succeeded in dodging Gen. Grant, Col. Bell and Col. Hood's troops, who are securing the country for them. They devote their energies to ambushing commissary wagons, and to picking up soldiers who leave their commands. Every day some wagon train is fired upon or some soldier disappears.

Gen. Wheeler's secretary, Mr. Garrett, was disarmed and slashed by a bolo man, almost within sight of headquarters, his assailant pursuing him nearly into the headquarters building.

OBJECT OF BANDITS.

The policy of these ruffians is to make the country uninhabitable for Americans and to frighten natives into refraining from giving assistance to the Americans, as well as to compel the inhabitants to support the insurrection. Frequently they raid and loot towns. The brother of the president of Imus went outside the town the other day to harvest some rice. He was captured by the guerrillas, accused of being a spy and executed.

Only a small proportion of the insurgents arms have been surrendered, and the problem of suppressing the guerrilla warfare is any day a very difficult one. Some of the American officers think it worse than fighting Indians, owing to the difficulties of the country, and the trouble of locating the guerrillas, who are hard-pressed, to the amlo dodge and hide their guns.

Some of the Americans favor the issuance of a proclamation declaring the natives found with arms to be bandits, punishable as criminals, instead of being treated as prisoners of war.

Information has been received at headquarters that 500 Spanish prisoners, who have been shipped from Manila, and that 1,500 others have been assembled in Manila, including Gen. Pena. Probably these are Spaniards released by Gen. Young's troops in the Benguet district, where they were concentrated by the insurgents.

SCHEME IS UNFOILED.

LONDON, Dec. 12.—Reuter's Telegram company has received the following from Hong Kong: The insurgent government (so-called) of the Philippines will be changed to a dictatorship, to continue hostilities against the American government, by the methods of guerrilla warfare. The Filipino army is being split up into small bands, the troops taking an oath before separating that they will fight until their country's rights are recognized.

A force of United States marines, who landed at Vigan, South Icos province, from the battleship Oregon, was defeated by the Filipinos under Gen. Pineda (who) on Dec. 4. The Manila newspapers, despite the censorship, admit that Gen. Lawton's military expedition was a failure.

WILL BE FINED.

Man Who Operated Excursion Boat Without a License. NEW YORK, Dec. 12.—The United States grand jury today handed down a verdict in the case of the late Captain Joseph Sterk, for operating without a license the Philadelphia excursion boat, Georgia, upon which the late Captain Sterk was killed in the harbor on Oct. 7 last, during the time of the international yacht races. The grand jury suggests that section 448 of the Revised Statutes should be amended to enlarge the penalty for such offenses, which at the present time is only punishable with a fine of \$100.

Colonial Sugar Company.

DOVER, Del., Dec. 12.—Preparations were begun here tonight for the incorporation of the Colonial Sugar Refining company, capital \$100,000. Large sugar making companies now outside the American territory are being organized. Its specific object is to extend the industry in Hawaii, Porto Rico and Cuba.

Lost in China Sea.

LONDON, Dec. 12.—A dispatch from the United States to the Paris exposition, tonight delivered an address before the contemporary club, in the banquet hall of the club on the great French enterprise.

Thomas Collins Held for Murder. OMAHA, Neb., Dec. 12.—The coroner's jury today investigated the case of the killing of Charles R. Grove, in this city, that was Groves' son. The verdict was that Grove came to his death from a wound inflicted by a gun in the hands of Thomas Collins, that Collins had premeditated the murder, and that Collins be held without bail.

BOERS FEAR STEEL

CARE LESS FOR THE BULLETS OF THE BRITONS THAN FOR THE DEADLY BAYONET

WAS DISCLOSED BY A TRICK

BOERS STOOD THEIR GROUND UNTIL SOME ONE SHOUTED TO FIX BAYONETS FOR A CHARGE

SORTIES ARE DANGEROUS

London Press Advises Against Them, Save Where Absolutely Necessary—Gravity of the Situation in South Africa Is Dwelt Upon in London, and Government Is Urged to Prepare to Send More Troops.

SPANIARDS RELEASED.

Two Thousand Additional Prisoners Freed From Philippines.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 12.—The war department has received the following dispatch: "Manila, Dec. 12.—Two thousand additional Spanish prisoners secured in Northern Luzon, making over 3,000 released within a month. Several hundred now en route from Vigan and transports will be sent for remainder. "Otis."

THOUSANDS WERE KILLED.

Details of Disaster That Overtook Island of Ceram.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 12.—The disaster that overtook the island of Ceram the 2d of last month cost the people of that district immense loss of life and property. The steamship American Maru, which arrived yesterday from the Orient, brought advices from Ceram, and reports that 5,000 people were destroyed on that island alone when the dreadful earthquake of Nov. 17, 1898, struck the island and agitated the islands adjacent to the empire.

On the night of the 2d the people of Ceram were awakened by a terrific shock of earthquake, the waves of which worked from north to south. All fled from their houses and took up places in the public square. A few hours later it was reported that the sea was rising in the bay of Ambonia. The sea came forward in the shape of a huge tidal wave, and forced the water into the bay entrance. It came first as a huge white wall, and then as a series of smaller waves, which were everywhere. Broken trees and portions of houses were buried in the ooze.

HE IS FOR GOLD.

Former Senator Mitchell, of Wisconsin, Talks in Berlin.

BERLIN, Dec. 12.—Former United States Senator L. Mitchell, of Wisconsin, who is visiting Berlin, said in the course of an interview today: "President McKinley and Mr. Bryan will be the Republican and Democratic candidates next year. The Ohio and Nebraska elections insured this. The president's message, in my opinion, dealt too much in generalities, except on the money question. There was no light was thrown on the Philippines. Everything was left to congress, and we know no more than we knew before."

"The plan for the non-payment of greenbacks except on gold deposits is right, and agrees with the Republican platform of 1888. The world has settled the money question in favor of gold. You can no more have a double standard than you can hitch a rule and a thoroughbred to the same wagon, and make them keep together. The Republicans are right on the money question. Personally I am for gold."

HAVANA WIDOWS' HOME.

Right of Americans to Control It Is Disputed.

HAVANA, Dec. 12.—For several weeks the local papers have been asserting that the United States government is planning to manage the widows' home in Havana, are interfering with the control of private property. Those who make this charge assert that the institution was built by private subscription for the widows of Spanish officers. Senor Sarragino, the Spanish consul general, representative for the Cuban government, Gen. Ludlow. The latter sent him the following reply: "All the available archives and records show that the institution was built at the expense of the public, and until 1888 the building was used for public offices. Will you kindly furnish proof to the contrary? It is a matter of record that the home seems to have been forgotten in the pressure of business at the time of the governmental transfer, as otherwise the widows would not have been left in the hands of the Cuban government, which was the condition from which the Americans rescued them."

Man Who Operated Excursion Boat Without a License.

NEW YORK, Dec. 12.—The United States grand jury today handed down a verdict in the case of the late Captain Joseph Sterk, for operating without a license the Philadelphia excursion boat, Georgia, upon which the late Captain Sterk was killed in the harbor on Oct. 7 last, during the time of the international yacht races. The grand jury suggests that section 448 of the Revised Statutes should be amended to enlarge the penalty for such offenses, which at the present time is only punishable with a fine of \$100.

Colonial Sugar Company.

DOVER, Del., Dec. 12.—Preparations were begun here tonight for the incorporation of the Colonial Sugar Refining company, capital \$100,000. Large sugar making companies now outside the American territory are being organized. Its specific object is to extend the industry in Hawaii, Porto Rico and Cuba.

Lost in China Sea.

LONDON, Dec. 12.—A dispatch from the United States to the Paris exposition, tonight delivered an address before the contemporary club, in the banquet hall of the club on the great French enterprise.

Thomas Collins Held for Murder.

OMAHA, Neb., Dec. 12.—The coroner's jury today investigated the case of the killing of Charles R. Grove, in this city, that was Groves' son. The verdict was that Grove came to his death from a wound inflicted by a gun in the hands of Thomas Collins, that Collins had premeditated the murder, and that Collins be held without bail.

ALL STAND AGHAST

GERMANS IN BERLIN EXCITED OVER DEBATE IN REICHSTAG ON NAVAL MEASURE

WORDS OF A DARING MEMBER

THEY ELECTRICITY THOSE WHO HAVE DUE REVERENCE FOR KAISER WILLIAM

PRESIDENT SUSTAINS SPEECH

Maintains the Dignity of the Reichstag, and Asserts that Published Utterances of the Emperor Are Open to Debate and Criticism—Fate of the Naval Bill Is Considered Injured by the Incident.

STUCK TO HER STORY.

Marie Robertson Testifies Against Mrs. Sanderson.

MARSHALL, Mich., Dec. 12.—Marie Robertson, the star witness for the prosecution in the Sanderson attempted murder trial, took the stand at the opening of court today and finished her testimony begun yesterday. She testified that Mrs. Sanderson began feeding pounded glass to her husband two weeks before he died, giving him a teaspoonful in his porridge every morning. When Mr. Sanderson's trouble was pronounced paralytic by the attending physician she quoted Mrs. Sanderson as saying: "He has eaten so much glass that he had a slight stroke of paralysis and is liable to live ten years."

She swore that despite the complaints of her husband Mrs. Sanderson did not call a physician until two days before his death. At the conclusion of her story Mrs. Robertson was prostrated, and compelled to leave the court room and rest before she could stand a cross-examination.

In her cross-examination it was shown by Mrs. Sanderson's attorney that the piece where the glass was alleged to have been ground up was out of doors, in plain sight of the neighbors. It was also shown by her testimony that the glass was kept on top of the stove, in the kitchen, in plain sight of the husband, for three weeks. Her testimony as to alleged misconduct of Mrs. Sanderson with other men was refuted. Miss Robertson admitted that she thought it was strange for Mrs. Sanderson to feed her husband glass, but that she had never interfered nor mentioned the fact until after his death. When asked if she knew she was equally guilty with Mrs. Sanderson if her evidence was true, she broke down and the examination had to be postponed until tomorrow.

DUE TO KNIFING.

Defeat of Patrick A. Collins for Boston Mayoralty.

BOSTON, Dec. 12.—After a spirited campaign the Republicans won a net victory in the municipal elections today. Thomas N. Hart, defeating ex-Congressman Patrick A. Collins, the Democratic nominee for mayor by 1,994 votes. The total vote was, Hart (Rep.), 40,881; Collins (Dem.), 38,781. The Democrats, however, still control both branches of the city government, the board of aldermen by a small majority. The board stands, eight Democrats, five Republicans. The city as usual voted for license.

BRITONS CAPTURE A GUN.

The war office publishes the following dispatch from Gen. Buller: "Dispatch from Gen. Buller, dated Dec. 11, says: 'Last night Col. Metcalf and 500 of the Second rifle brigade arrived to capture a Boer howitzer on a hill. They reached the crest without being discovered, drove the enemy off and then destroyed the howitzer with gun cotton.'

SPANISH FLAG BARRED.

Cannot Be Displayed on Public Buildings in Porto Rico.

SAN JUAN, Porto Rico, Dec. 12.—Gov. Davis has issued an order governing the display of flags in Porto Rico by which the Spanish flag is not to be allowed on public buildings. It has been customary for municipal authorities in interior towns to display the American and Spanish flags together on municipal buildings.

Fatal Accident on Norfolk Line.

HUNTINGTON, W. Va., Dec. 12.—Norfolk & Western Passenger Train No. 3 ran into a freight train today. Engineer W. S. Bishop of Huntington was killed and Fireman Koonitz, of Bluefield, was fatally injured.

WINTRY WEATHER.

Damage Done by Storms in Various Sections.

HOUGHTON, Mich., Dec. 12.—A heavy northeaster washed out 1,000 feet of the Duluth, South Shore & Atlantic track near Houghton, on the Keweenaw bay, today. The early passenger train passed over it in safety, but the freight following, consisting of an engine and ten loaded cars, went into the water. A big force of men has been busy all day building a track about the scene of the wreck, which, luckily, was without fatalities.

BLOOMINGTON, Ill., Dec. 12.—A storm in the nature of a cyclone swept this country last evening. At Cooksville the Christian church was lifted from its foundation and completely demolished. The bell of the schoolhouse was blown off and the windows smashed. Several roofs were blown off and many chimneys wrecked. At Lexington two big chimneys, containing 5,000 bricks, were blown over and crashed through the roof. A number of other buildings were unroofed.

CLEVELAND, O., Dec. 12.—One of the heaviest gales of the year prevailed on Lake Erie today. The wind blew at the rate of forty miles an hour. Very few vessels ventured out since last evening, the weather bureau having sent out warning. Telegraph and telephone lines are prostrated.

RETURNING TO CUBA.

Senora Lopez, Brave Widow of a Cuban Hero.

NEW YORK, Dec. 12.—Senora Carmina Lopez, who was the wife of a Cuban general and who, in 1875, escaped from the fort of San Juan, in the guise of a nun, and who took refuge on an Argentine warship, which conveyed her to Buenos Ayres, was held with her four children at the large office today, having arrived here from Rio Janeiro on the steamer Woodworth, en route for Cuba. The family is returning to its old home in long exile.

Sen. Juan Lopez was five years ago, a wealthy planter worth \$200,000. He was arrested and sent as a political prisoner to Cabanas fortress, where, three years ago, with other prisoners, he was shot. Shortly after this his widow was apprehended and cast into a prison set apart for women. Her four children were taken in charge by the Sisters of Charity. After Senora Lopez had been in prison two months she effected her escape by the aid of two American Sisters of Charity. Senora Lopez is returning to Cuba to try to regain her estate.

NINE YEARS FOR MORPHY.

Young Man Who Was Taken Back to Mexico From America.

CITY OF MEXICO, Dec. 12.—Santiago Morphy, a young man of good family, who was a trusted clerk of the National Bank of Mexico, and robbed it of \$75,000, has been sentenced, after a long trial, to nine years in prison. The case attracted much attention, for Morphy fled after the robbery to the United States and was finally captured by American detectives, once escaping in New Orleans from Mexican officers sent to bring him back here. Influence had been brought to bear to save Morphy from his fate, but the law took its usual rigorous course. His crime was forgery and robbery.

ALASKA BOUNDARY.

America and Great Britain Have Named Representatives.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 12.—The government of Great Britain has designated Dr. King, the government astronomer at Ottawa, as the representative of her majesty's government in the delimitation of the provisional boundary line between Alaska and Canada, about the head of Ilnn canal, under the terms of the modus vivendi of Oct. 20 last, and the government of the United States has designated O. H. Titman, assistant superintendent of the coast and geodetic survey, to act in a similar capacity for the government of the United States.

Robert Tabor in London.

LONDON, Dec. 12.—It is announced that Robert Tabor will manage the Adelphi theater from the spring of 1900 to 1901, starting in romantic roles.

ST. PAUL GETS IT

NEXT CONVENTION OF THE NATIONAL REPUBLICAN LEAGUE OF CLUBS

DAR REESE WAS ELOQUENT

HIS ORATORY AND UNEQUALLED ADVANTAGES OF THE SAINTLY CITY IRRESISTIBLE

OTHERS WERE NOT IN IT

Executive Committee of the League Listened to What Galveston, Indianapolis, Sioux Falls and Other Aspirants Had to Offer, and Then Accepted the Invitation Extended by St. Paul.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 12.—(Special.)—The unequalled advantages of St. Paul, presented in eloquent oratory by Dar Reese, won the day before the National Republican League of Clubs, and the next meeting of the organization will be held in that city the third Tuesday in July.

The executive committee of the National Republican League of Clubs met today for the purpose of deciding upon a city for holding the next convention of the league. President George Steen, of San Francisco, presided, and the roll call by Secretary D. H. Stine, of Newport, Ky., showed forty-four members present, the largest on record at such a meeting.

A resolution was unanimously adopted reciting that in the death of Vice President Hobart A. Lybrand, a warm friend and supporter, the senate a wise and impartial presiding officer and the nation an irreparable loss.

FEATURE OF THE DAY.

The main feature today was the discussion of a resolution for the repeal of article 13 of the constitution, which prohibits it from influencing the nomination of any candidate, or adoption of any policy by any state or national convention.

Those favoring repeal urged that a change such as that proposed would lead to efficient holding politicians controlling the machinery of the clubs in favor of particular persons.

L. J. Crawford, of Kentucky, offered a resolution providing that a committee of five be appointed to present to the next national convention of the league a revision of the constitution and by-laws, and to incorporate into such revision an article providing for revenues, so that the league may be self-sustaining.

CITIES PRESENT CLAIMS.

The claims of cities which are anxious to entertain the next national convention were presented.

The advantages of St. Paul, Minn., were set forth by D. M. Reese, clerk of the Minnesota supreme court, and Representative Burke, of South Dakota, on behalf of the Republicans and league of that state, and the Business Men's League of Sioux Falls invited the league to hold its convention at Sioux Falls.

ST. PAUL GETS IT.

After listening to the claims of Galveston and Indianapolis, St. Paul, Minn., was chosen as the place for holding the next convention of Republican clubs, receiving twenty-eight votes to three for Indianapolis, and sixteen for Sioux Falls.

The date for the convention was fixed for the third Tuesday in July.

A resolution declaring in favor of selecting delegates to the national Republican convention on basis of Republican votes cast in several states was laid on the table, as was also one declaring it unwise to make a change at this time.

ON MOTION OF MELVILLE HAYES, OF OHIO,

a resolution was adopted expressing the sympathy of the league with the Republicans of North Carolina in their struggle against the adoption of a proposed amendment to the constitution of that state which, it is alleged, violates the fourteenth and fifteenth amendments to the constitution.

The resolution offered during the day by Mr. Crawford, of Kentucky, for the appointment of a committee of five to present to the national convention of the league a revision of the constitution and by-laws, and to incorporate into such revision an article providing for revenues, was adopted.

The committee adopted a resolution offering to Melville Hayes, of Ohio, to be the president and to express in his hearty endorsement of "this wise and patriotic administration."

FORTUNE IS INVOLVED.

Litigation Over Guardianship of a Wealthy Young Woman.

CAMBRIDGE, Mass., Dec. 12.—A case involving the guardianship of the daughter of Joseph Wright, a wealthy resident of Philadelphia, Miss Wright for some time having been a patient at the McLean asylum, was tried today in the Middlesex probate court today. Mrs. T. A. Boggs, a nurse, and Peter S. Maher, a lawyer, acting for Mrs. Boggs, today presented an application for appointment as guardian of the young woman. Mr. Wright, father of the girl, opposed the application.

Miss Wright is twenty-three years old. She is reputed to have a fortune of \$400,000, besides being the daughter of a millionaire. The young woman was prominent in Philadelphia society until her mental condition became such as to make imperative her withdrawal. She was sent to Waverly, where it was thought she would soon recover. For some time the young woman resided at the main institution. Then she was taken into a cottage by the nurse, who subsequently married Mrs. Boggs. About four months ago, it is said, Mrs. Boggs caused an affidavit in connection with the case, but the action was not taken until very recently, when application was filed for guardianship proceedings, and Dec. 12 was set for the hearing.

Ex-Mayor Nathan Matthews, of Boston, who appeared for Mr. Wright, claimed that a conspiracy existed to get possession of the girl's property. Dr. Edward Cowles, superintendent of the McLean asylum, testified that Miss Wright was committed to the asylum Aug. 25, 1888, by her father and the late William H. Wright, who was not then in an advanced stage of acute mania. During the few months before she left the asylum in May, this year, there was a gradual advancement of her excited condition.

At the afternoon sitting Judge McIntyre suspended the hearing pending an attempt which will be made to settle the case in Philadelphia, where it is understood the case is also before the courts. The young woman will be permitted to go to Philadelphia.



HE WON'T BE HAPPY TILL HE GETS IT.