

REBELS URGE THEIR REQUEST.

For Cessation of Hostilities. MAKE NO NEW PROPOSALS.

The Commissioners Declare That Aguinaldo has no Authority to Surrender the Arms Without the Consent of the Congress.

Manila, May 2.—Major Manuel Arguelles and Lieutenant Jose Bernal, of the staff of General Antonio Luna, returned here today to renew and press the request of General Luna for a cessation of hostilities.

The envoys presented a letter from Senor Mabini, president and Minister of Foreign Affairs in the cabinet of Aguinaldo, and who is the backbone of the Filipino organization.

WEATHER CONFERENCE TODAY. The envoys will see General Otis again tomorrow. They will sleep tonight in Manila.

Whether or not General Luna is sincere in his overtures, the negotiations are giving the insurgents a much needed opportunity to rehabilitate their forces.

In the course of the conference with the Filipino envoys, General Otis agreed with the statement of Major Arguelles that the people of the Philippine Islands wanted peace, and he added that requests for protection are pouring in upon him from all parts of the country.

Major General Lawton was engaged in hard fighting early this morning. Telegraphic communication was cut at 9 o'clock a. m., and there have been no reports from General Lawton since that time.

MESSAGE FROM DEWEY. The Admiral Says He Can Obtain No Further Information of Gilmore Party.

Washington, May 2.—Admiral Dewey cables that he cannot get any further information of the Gilmore party, but that as soon as this information is obtained he will telegraph it. He further says, "Information reached me to-day from Guam, dated March 10, that the inhabitants were quiet and contented under the American flag."

GEN. WHEELER TO MARRY. Positive Statement That Mrs. Childs Will Become the Bride of Fighting Joe.

Washington, May 2.—It is now stated on information from Philadelphia that Gen. Joseph Wheeler and Mrs. Geo. W. Childs will be married in this city in the course of the present month. Only his closest friends know the date of the wedding. This statement of the marriage is made very positively.

CURRENCY REFORM. The Republican House Committee Do Not Make Conclusion Known.

Atlantic City, N. J., May 1.—The National House of Representatives Currency Committee closed its session to-day. To an Associated Press reporter, Mr. Henderson, of Iowa, the chairman of the committee said: "The committee appointed by the Republican Caucus Committee to recommend financial legislation, met at Atlantic City on April 17th and has worked steadily and earnestly for two weeks. To-day the committee reported unanimous agreement and is ready to meet the Republican members of the Finance Committee of the Senate to set its views to the consideration of the joint committee."

Oldest Firm Here. The oldest firm in paint manufacture in the United States, F. W. Devoe & Co., is represented here by J. E. JACKSON. Also the largest and best—its paint, which last twice as long as a first-rate lead and job oil, is used by railroad companies generally. Devoe lead and zinc is the name and description of it.

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DEWEY AS A PROPHET.

He Predicts a Republican Walkover in 1900.

Cleveland, Ohio, May 3.—In an interview here to-day, Hon. Chauncey M. Depew said that he favored the continuance of Senator M. A. Hanna as chairman of the Republican National Committee.

Speaking of the campaign of 1900, Senator Depew said the Republican party practically would have no opposition. "Bryan has read the New York Democrats out of the party, and they will not again get together," said he.

"What will be the Republican issue of 1900?" was asked.

"The platform will reassert everything the party has ever said, and the party will declare in favor of expansion."

"How about trusts?"

"Undoubtedly, the Republican party will adopt a plank condemning trusts, and I also think the Democrats will adopt a similar plank. The Republicans will reaffirm their declaration for the gold standard, and there is no doubt the Democrats will again take up silver."

Notice.

To the members, stock and policy holders of the Tazewell Division of the Mutual Benefit Association. Pursuant to the following notice:

Tazewell, Va., Nov. 22, 1897. A meeting of the stockholders of the Mutual Benefit Association of Tazewell, Va., is hereby called to be held at 11 o'clock, a. m., Saturday, Nov. 22, 1897, in the court house at Tazewell, Va., for the purpose of re-organization, or for the purpose of dissolving the Tazewell division of the corporation. You are urged to be present, as the existing officers will decline re-election, and something must be done. By order of the president.

J. A. GRAYSON, Sec'y and Treas. given to each stockholder of said Association, the stockholders of the above named company met at Tazewell, Va., on Nov. 27, 1897 and passed the following Resolutions. Resolution: "On motion it was unanimously carried to dissolve J. A. Greever, Sec'y and Treas., was directed to pay H. W. Stowers the amount collected." It was further ordered that a notice of these proceedings be published in the county papers.

J. A. GRAYSON, Sec'y, and Treas.

Gen. Hampton's Home Burned. Columbia, Ga., May 2.—The home of General Wade Hampton in the suburbs of Columbia was burned at an early hour this morning. There was no insurance on the property, and a fine library, containing of about six thousand volumes, was lost.

In attempting to save a dog, the general was scorched about the face. Among his papers were several hundred unanswered letters from persons in all parts of the country.

Globe Mower and Bonnie Binder. The celebrated "Globe Mower" is still actively on this market, and is being handled again this year by R. J. Hoke, traveling salesman for Wildasin & Fletcher. He is having a big trade, as the machines he handles have been so thoroughly tested and are so well known to our best farmers that they sell themselves. The "Bonnie Binder," which is also manufactured by the Johnson Harvesting Company, is at the head of them all, and is being introduced here by Mr. Hoke. He has already this season sold one of the binders to Mr. Walter Sanders and one to Mr. G. M. Graybeal. Mr. Hoke sold a carload of machines in Tazewell county last year and his prospects are better this year.

Davis Acquitted. As we predicted, in a paragraph elsewhere, George E. Davis was acquitted yesterday for shooting General Walker. One of his counsel declared in his speech that Davis was a peacemaker; and "the world has always applauded the peacemaker" what will the world think of a peacemaker whose friends at first boldly denied that Davis did the shooting and then had him to come into court and confess it?

Matrimonial. Yesterday Mr. C. E. Lawrence and Miss Belle Lambert, daughter of Mr. John Lambert, were married at the residence of the bride's father at Pounding Mill. The marriage took place at three o'clock in the afternoon and the ceremony was performed by Rev. J. N. Harman. Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence took the afternoon train for Norfolk, Va., where they will spend several days.

Quarterly Meeting. The third quarterly meeting for the Tazewell Station will be held at Tazewell M. E. church, on Main street, Saturday and Sunday next. Rev. J. Tyler Frazier will be present and conduct the meeting.

Knights Templar Gathering. On last Friday night Clinch Valley Commandery K. T. met in regular convocation and conferred the Orders of Knighthood on the following gentlemen: James O. Clendennin, James F. Hurt, J. N. Harman, R. A. Mills, W. D. Robinson, J. B. Robinson and C. A. Thompson. By those members of the Commandery who were in attendance, the meeting was pronounced one of the best ever held in its asylum.

The work began at about 8 o'clock and at 11 o'clock work was called off and the Commandery repaired to the Central Hotel, where an excellent supper was served. Mr. W. B. F. White, who got up the supper, was highly complimented for his excellent judgment and taste in arranging the bill of fare. After the supper was over work was again taken up, and at about 1:45 a. m. seven more Knights had been created and added to the rolls of Clinch Valley Commandery. Among the Knights in attendance were, H. W. O'Keefe and W. N. White, of Bluefield; James H. Davenport, of Graham; and Martin Marra, of Elk Horn, West Va.

It was the pleasure of the editor to participate in the work of the convocation, and we do not remember to have participated in a more successful and enjoyable gathering of Knights Templar.

LATEST PHILIPPINE NEWS.

Envoys Came Direct From Aguinaldo.

THEIR MISSION FRUITLESS.

They Ask for a Truce of Ninety Days, But the Conference Barren of Results. Aguinaldo Wants "Peace With Dignity."

On yesterday there was another conference between General Otis and the envoys, who confessed that they came direct from Aguinaldo. The Filipinos asked for a truce of three months so that their Congress could assemble and consult with insurgent leaders. Otis declined to accede to the proposition.

The exodus from the insurgent lines continues. Small skirmishes are still taking place between the opposing forces. It is thought that Aguinaldo will yield or that his support will fall away from him.

Tough Paint. Zinc and grinding make Dovee wear twice as long as lead and oil.

Christian Endeavors and Epworth Leaguers.

Last Thursday night the Christian Endeavor Society, of the Christian Baptist church, and the Epworth League, of the Methodist church, held a union meeting in the Methodist church, which was attended by a large audience and was quite an interesting affair. Music was supplied by a choir made up from members of the two societies and of the two congregations. Miss Mamie Stone presided at the organ. The programme was made up as follows: Recitation, "No Sects in Heaven," by little Mollie Hoover; Recitation, "Am I my Brother's Keeper," by Miss Hattie Harman; History of Christian Endeavors, a paper read by Mr. M. M. Higginbotham, of West Va.; History of Epworth League, a paper by Miss Polly Peery. Address by Prof. Philip Johnson. The meeting was presided over by Rev. J. S. French.

NOTICE. All parties having old prescriptions which they wish refilled can do so by sending the number of the same to Pocahontas Drug Co., Pocahontas, Va. We have all the old files of Tazewell Drug Co.'s prescriptions.

POCAHONTAS DRUG CO., Pocahontas, Va.

For Overseer of the Poor. To the voters of Maiden Spring District: I hereby announce myself a candidate for re-election as Overseer of the Poor for Maiden Spring District and ask the support of my fellow-citizens.

JOSEPH WHITE.

LUCULLUS AND NAPOLEON. Famous Generals Whose Appetites Overruled Their Better Judgment.

In his "Bright Sides of History," E. H. House has something to say about the appetites of famous people. "You know already," Uncle Claxton began, "that Lucullus was a great general at one period, and that he led his armies victoriously through many parts of Asia Minor. The kingdom of Pontus was completely subjected by him, and the spoils collected from his principal cities formed the basis of his enormous fortune with which he afterward enjoyed himself and entertained his companions in Rome. But gold and jewels were not the only things that attracted the attention of this man of varied tastes. The city of Cerasus, on the shore of the Euxine sea, was celebrated for its cherries, specimens of which were offered to him as the choicest delicacies of the region. He was so delighted with them that he ordered the fruit to be cultivated on his estates at home, and from that time cherries began to be known in Italy. You may be sure that Lucullus the soldier was a different being from Lucullus the Sybarite. It needs a clear head to win battles and govern kingdoms, and while he was busy with those pursuits he could not have wasted many hours in revelry. He had before him as a warning the fate of Alexander, who threw away his life in dissipation while he was yet young, in almost exactly the same part of the world."

"You were telling us the other day," said Percy, "that Napoleon Bonaparte had no time to think about what he ate."

"That was often the case," Uncle Claxton replied, "when he was out campaigning. He had very little time, and not much inclination. Even in the peaceful intervals of his reign he was extremely abstemious. But he had his fancies in the way of food, and it has been said that he was punished terribly for indulging one of these at the wrong time. Boiled mutton was often tempted to eat too much, and on the day of the battle of Leipzig, when he should have been especially careful of his diet, he chose it for his principal meal, and dined so heavily that within a few hours a violent colic seized him, and he was compelled to leave the field at a moment when all his skill was needed to avert disaster. Other causes have been assigned for his defeat, but the story which I give you was believed at the time, and I do not know that it has ever been proved false. The harm may have come from his habit of eating too fast, for which Napoleon was notorious. He did not ordinarily allow himself leisure enough to enjoy the few dishes he liked best. His famous rival, Wellington, was just as careless, and even more indifferent."—St. Nicholas.

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S. W. VIRGINIA LOCAL ITEMS.

WHAT HAS RECENTLY TRANSPIRED IN THE COUNTIES OF THIS SECTION.

The regular May term of the United States District Court is now being held at Abingdon, Judge Paul presiding.

Mr. Truman Bollard, a prominent young business man at Radford, met with a very painful accident Saturday night about midnight. He had just returned from a country dance, and, having taken his horse from the buggy, the animal in some way became excited and suddenly kicked Mr. Bollard in the face, breaking his nose and knocking the right eye entirely out.

Abingdon Presbytery met for its Spring session at Abingdon on Tuesday and is still in session.

Mr. Wm. S. Battle, Jr., from Pulaski, Va., has gone to Bristol and entered upon the duties of superintendent of the Virginia and Southwestern Railway.

Mr. F. J. Lucas, superintendent of the brine wells of the Matheson Alkali Works at Saltville, was accidentally killed on the 27th ult. He was superintending the cleaning out of one of the reservoirs where the brine is emptied after it has been purified. A colored man was lying on a board which had been thrown across one of these reservoirs cleaning out the escape pipe. Mr. Lucas walked out on the plank, it suddenly snapped in two, and threw him back, his head striking against the hard cemented wall. The blow caused concussion of the brain, from which he died in about one hour.

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VIRGINIA: In the Circuit Court of Tazewell County, in vacation, April 27th, 1899.

T. G. Neel and Ebenezer Neel, plaintiffs, vs. John W. Crockett, sheriff of Tazewell county, and as such administrator of J. E. Neel, deceased, Peggy Neel (widow), W. E. Neel, Georgia Lester, Thomas Lester, Lena Reimes, Thomas Reimes, Willie Whitte and Frank Whitte, the said Georgia Lester, Lena Reimes and Willie Whitte being infants, and the said Willie Whitte and Frank Whitte being non-residents, defendants.

The object of this suit is to order an account, if necessary, and to assign down to the widow of J. E. Neel, deceased, and have partition in 20 acres of land on the south side of the Maiden Spring fork of Clinch River, situated about fourteen miles west of the town of Tazewell, between the heirs at law of J. E. Neel, deceased. And it appearing from affidavit that Willie Whitte and Frank Whitte are non-residents it is ordered that they appear here within fifteen days after due publication of this order and do what is necessary to protect their interests in this suit, and that copies hereof be published and posted as prescribed by law.

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EDITORIAL PARAGRAPHS.

The sacred Constitution, shall it be changed? That is the question about which the Virginia Democracy is to-day most excited. So it is and ever has been with Democracy. It will go wild over some sentiment and be perfectly dead to practical, living issues.

A writer from Tazewell publishes a communication in the Lynchburg "News" which is a strong argument against the "May conference" men. He says: "A few individuals have resolved themselves into a committee on credentials. The countersign is not 'the good of all the people,' but 'of the few.'"

May Day brought joy to thousands of workmen, who on that day had an advance of wages. The Sloss Iron and Steel Company, of Birmingham, Ala., advanced the wages of 4,000 employes, and the Tennessee Coal and Iron Co., made an advance for 6,000 men. At Cleveland, Ohio, 3,500 mechanics had their wages increased, while at Springfield, Ohio, 1,500 employes of a large harvesting manufacturing received an advance of 10 per cent. in their wages. The same thing occurred at many other points in the United States.

Senator Martin's plum tree has been yielding so much fruit that it will be hard to get the Virginia Democracy to desert him.

Col. Funston, the Kansas hero, who has been doing such good service in the Philippines has been made a Brigadier General by President McKinley. His ancestors went west from Southwestern Virginia to the West.

As soon as Aguinaldo realizes that the United States Government will not bribe him to quit fighting, he will bring hostilities to a close.

Dr. John D. Quackenbos, emeritus professor at Columbia University, has recently conducted some interesting experiments in hypnosis. He has succeeded in these experiments in curing boys of the cigarette habit. If such experiments are successful, hypnosis will be a great blessing to the human race.

The Richmond papers, the Times and Dispatch, seem to have different views of the plans and purposes of the May conference.

Colonel Henry Watterson has not mentioned any new name for the Democratic nomination for President in 1900. What's the matter with Funston?

The outlook this year for the farmers of the United States is rather bright, and still we hear of no famines in Europe.

The expansion which is most terrifying to the calamity howlers, is the constant expansion of the wages of the men who work in the shops and mines of the country.

Have the Virginia Democrats ever considered whether Thomas Jefferson was in favor of an honest election law? The Richmond Times says: "The May convention is running under a full head of steam this week." Look out! that Martin does not "but the biler."

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We do not say 25 cents worth 50 cents—only 25 cents. The items marked \$1 are more than twice as good as those marked 50 cents, even though there may be a shade more profit in some of the last.

These little dresses come in all the popular shades of lawns, percales, ginghams, and calicoes, trimmed with laces and braids. The white ones of figured piques, plain nansooks and India linsens, are trimmed with ruffles finished with lace; also ribbon and novelty braids. The verdict of the ladies who have seen them is: "They are beautifully made." The sizes are from 1 to 12 years, prices from 40 cents to \$4.50 each, and not a garment in the whole lot that is not good value.

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