

NO FIGHT AT ILOILO.

GEN. OTIS THINKS A CONFLICT CAN BE AVOIDED.

Advices from the Scene of Trouble. 1st California Regiment Embarks in Transports at Manila Presumably for Iloilo, Gunboat Castine to the Philippines.

Manila, Jan. 4.—Advices from Iloilo were received here yesterday by the steamship Bolinao which left there on Sunday.

At the time of the departure of the Bolinao the insurgents were still in control of the city and no American troops had been landed.

The First California regiment embarked here at four o'clock yesterday afternoon on board the steamships Campania and Martina, presumably to report to General Miller at Iloilo. The steamships were conveyed by the gunboat Concord.

Though it has not been officially announced, it is supposed that the extension of American occupation will now be systematically begun in the southern islands.

General Rios, the Spanish governor of the Visayas, who arrived here yesterday from Zamboanga, on the island of Mindanao, where he took the Spanish troops when he evacuated Iloilo, visited General Otis in the afternoon. General Rios denies the imputation of his collusion with the insurgents, saying that he gave up only when he was ordered to do so by the government at Madrid.

Aguinaldo is evidently organizing his followers to oppose the Americans. Yesterday he hastily summoned the Philippine cabinet and congress to assemble.

The British gunboat Rattler left here yesterday for Iloilo and Cebu to protect English interests at those places.

Washington, Jan. 4.—A dispatch from Major General Otis, dated at Manila, was read at the meeting of the cabinet yesterday morning, giving reassuring information in regard to the situation among the insurgents at Iloilo, island of Panay.

General Otis said that he believed the disquieting reports from the scene of the disturbance had already proved unwarranted, and he believed that a conflict of arms, at any rate, could be averted.

The dispatch was evidently based on direct and recent information from General Miller, the officer in charge of the United States troops sent from Manila to the Panay capital.

The belief now is that the moral effect of the presence of the United States soldiers will be sufficient to impress the insurgents with the folly of provoking an actual encounter with General Miller's forces, and that the native troops will therefore submit quietly to the authority of the United States.

In response to a suggestion from Admiral Dewey, and on account of the serious situation in the Philippines, the navy department yesterday ordered the gunboat Castine to Manila for use in shallow rivers and harbors. The Castine is at Havana and will proceed to the east by the Suex route.

Quay Carries Caucus.

Harrisburg, Pa., Jan. 4.—Despite the efforts of the opponents of Senator Quay to obtain a postponement of the senatorial caucus, the adherents of the senior senator carried their point last night and secured the endorsement of their favorite by 109 of the 154 Republicans of the Pennsylvania legislature.

This is nineteen less than the number necessary to elect a United States senator on joint ballot, the total membership being 255, of which 128 is a majority.

Senator Martin was not present, but Senator Magee was, and it was on his motion that the nomination was made unanimous.

The anti-Quay leaders are jubilant over the result of the caucus and assert that the man they are fighting can never succeed himself in the Senate.

To Manufacture Corduroy.

Pawtucket, R. I., Jan. 4.—The Charlton Manufacturing Company of this city, which has a mill at Ingrahamville, has leased a mill of the United States Cotton Company at Central Falls, and will fit it up for the manufacture of corduroy, and will considerably increase its production.

The mill will accommodate several hundred hands.

The Hartford Evening Post.

Hartford, Conn., Jan. 4.—The Times yesterday afternoon announced that the negotiations which have been pending for some time for the sale of the Hartford Evening Post have been practically completed.

An agreement is said to have been reached by which the controlling interest in the paper is to be transferred to E. L. and H. D. Clark of New Haven.

Fatal Fire at Providence.

Providence, R. I., Jan. 4.—A fire broke out in the building, No. 6 Lime street yesterday morning, and before all the eight families who were tenants in the house, could be rescued, Frank McDermott, twenty-four years of age, was suffocated, and Mr. and Mrs. John O'Brien were overcome by smoke.

McDermott was rescued alive, but he died on the way to the hospital. Mrs. O'Brien is in a serious condition.

Cartridge Making in England.

London, Jan. 4.—It is announced that the Kynoch Company of Birmingham has begun making ten million cartridges for the United States, at the rate of one million weekly.

An American inspector examines the work, and profiting by the war experience, a special metal is used to prevent the cases from jamming in the barrels.

Drawing Trade to New York.

New York, Jan. 4.—The Merchants' Association has made arrangements with the railroads by which round trip tickets can be bought for country merchants at one and one-third the single fare rate.

It is hoped that this will bring a flood of spring buyers to New York city.

A GRAND DUKE'S VISIT.

Cyril of Russia Talks Interestingly of the World's Affairs.

New York, Jan. 4.—The Grand Duke Cyril Vladimirovitch, cousin of the czar of Russia, who arrived in New York Monday night on his way to Europe after two years' duty in Chinese waters, visited the Russian Orthodox church, at No. 323 Second avenue, yesterday.

The grand duke's stay will be brief. He sails on the Furst Bismarck today, to attend the wedding of his sister, the Grand Duchess Helena, to Prince Maximilian of Saxe. The duke received the representatives of the press in the state parlor of the Waldorf-Astoria, which was profusely decorated with palms and roses. Lieutenant Koubov was in attendance.

The duke looks to be 25 or 27 years old. He is six feet tall and good looking. His face is rather feminine in feature. It is almost too perfectly oval for a man, and the high cheek bones of the typical Russian are absent. His eyes are large and very intelligent. His mouth is small, and he wears a little brown moustache that is not at all Russian. His hair is straight and brown and he wears it short.

His highness speaks good English, and sneaks it as if bringing off orders—sharp, quick and curt.

The duke thinks that the American success in the late war with Spain, while it is a source of congratulation, will also bring about new obligations and burdens not easy to bear.

He believes that we will have much trouble with the natives in the Philippines. In fact, will have war with them sooner or later.

The presence of the United States in the Far East, he said, was entirely satisfactory to Russia, and would lead to peace in the Orient. The opposition of England to all Russian possession in China did not disturb his people. He thought the partition of China is only a question of time, and France, England, Russia and Germany will share the spoils.

The grand duke spoke enthusiastically about the Trans-Siberian Railway, and thought that it would be of the greatest value in colonizing Siberia, and also in affording easy access for troops to the Pacific.

The American women will be happy to hear that his highness considers them "the most beautiful in the world."

Bishop Nicholas, retiring prelate of the Russian church in America, who will take ship with the grand duke, to-day, presided at the church service yesterday and made an address.

The church, by the way, is the gift of the czar to the Russians of New York in return for the sympathy expressed at the death of his father. He sent the clergy over and pays the rentals and expenses to a great extent.

LYMAN ABBOTT'S SUCCESSOR.

The Reported Selection of the Rev. Dr. Hills of Chicago.

Brooklyn, N. Y., Jan. 4.—It is not unlikely that the Rev. Dr. Newell Dwight Hills, pastor of the Central Church of Chicago, will succeed the Rev. Dr. Lyman Abbott as pastor of Plymouth church.

It is very probable that the advisory committee of Plymouth church will recommend that Dr. Hills be called. It is generally believed that he will accept and that by spring the celebrated Chicago divine will be preaching in historic Plymouth.

Dr. Hills is a native of Iowa, and is forty years old. He was educated at Grinnell Academy, at Lake Forest University, and at McCormick Seminary.

For three years after leaving his theological studies he was pastor of the First Presbyterian Church of Peoria. From 1890 to 1894 he preached from the pulpit of the First church in Evanston, Ind.

In December, 1894, he succeeded Professor Swing at the Central Church. Dr. Hills, like his predecessors of Plymouth and Central churches, is a writer. The four books he has published are: "Foretokens of Immortality," "How the Inner Light Failed," "A Man's Value to Society," and "The Investment of Influence."

Slain by Desperadoes.

St. Paul, Jan. 4.—John Wellmer of Lafayette, Nicolette county, was shot in the head and hip by two tramps whom he had given shelter.

They bound Mrs. Wellmer to a lounge with a clothesline and escaped with Wellmer's team.

Mrs. Wellmer began gnawing at the rope with her teeth, and after several hours of struggle succeeded in biting the cord in two and liberating herself. In the yard she found her husband dead and his body frozen.

A posse of farmers, armed with the rope with which Mrs. Wellmer had been tied, have gone in pursuit of the desperadoes.

Chinese Troops Fled.

London, Jan. 4.—According to a dispatch from Han Kow, there are alarming reports from the upper Yang-tse-Kiang region. Disturbances are increasing in the provinces of Szechuan, Hunan and Hupe.

A body of Chinese troops was sent to attack the rebels, but they are said to have fled before the enemy.

The viceroy has been reinforced by three gunboats and three thousand men.

The dowager empress, it is asserted, is curtailing the authority of the viceroys, especially in the Yang-tse-Kiang districts.

Washington in the Grasp of the Grip.

Washington, D. C., Jan. 4.—The grip is now raging here with all its force. Following are some of the prominent persons who are ill:

Justice Gray of the supreme court, former Secretary of State Foster, Justice Weldon of the United States court of claims, Chief Justice Alvey and Justice Morris of the district court of appeals, Chief Justice Bingham and Justice Fox of the district supreme court, Senators Allison, Carter, Sewell, Cockrell and Turpie, and Colonel Schuyler Crosby.

Senor Sagasta Recovering.

Madrid, January 2.—The premier, Senor Sagasta, sat up for four hours yesterday and received successively the minister of war, the president of the chamber and the prefect of the city of Madrid.

OUR FLAG ON THE MAINE

Raised Over the Wreck in Havana by Capt. Sigbee's Men.

Havana, Jan. 3.—It developed yesterday that the company of the Indiana volunteer infantry which waved Cuban flags during the parade Sunday was not placed under arrest as at first reported.

Investigation proved that the flag were given to members of the company by Cubans in the crowd and that the flags were thoughtlessly waved by the cheering volunteers.

Twenty-five Cubans, well mounted and armed, joined the column at the Prado and rode to Central Park turning into a side street. They aroused much enthusiasm.

The seamen of the battleship Texas at 12.30 Sunday afternoon rowed to the Stars and Stripes to the fore peak of the wrecked battleship. The flag was saluted by the ships in the harbor. A large American flag was also hoisted to the top of the shears at the nava dock. It could be seen for miles.

Burrows Beats Pingree.

Detroit, Mich., Jan. 4.—Governor Pingree has given up hope of defeating Senator Burrows for re-election and is now bending every effort to save his candidate for speaker of the house.

Seventy-three legislators have signed the Burrows call for a caucus to-night and there is no question that all the signers will vote for him. Sixty-seven votes are all that is required to elect Pingree.

Pingree is trying to arrange an open ballot for the speakership when the house is organized, hoping to swing the votes of Democratic members for his candidate, John J. Carton of Flint. Representative Adams of Grand Rapids is supposed to have the support of Burrows members.

New Horticultural Buildings.

New York, Jan. 4.—Ground was broken for a range of horticultural buildings at Bronx Park yesterday. Park Commissioner August Moebius dug the first spadeful of earth, and members of the Botanical Society delivered addresses.

The city granted the lands in Bronx Park for a botanical garden, and the buildings were designed by Lord and Burnham.

John C. Sheehan has the contract for building the buildings, and it is expected the work will be completed in eleven months.

The city has appropriated \$375,000 to complete them.

Senator Allison Out Again.

Washington, D. C., Jan. 4.—Senator Allison of Iowa, who has been confined to his home with the grip, was able to be at the Capitol yesterday afternoon.

BITS OF NEWS.

An earthquake shock was felt in Freehold, N. J., Monday.

The state of Colorado mined \$27,501,460 worth of gold during 1898.

Diebler, who for forty years has been public executioner at Paris, has resigned.

David Bennett, a farmer, living near Sharon, Pa., was killed by a vicious bull Monday.

The receipts of the New York city postoffice, exclusive of money orders were \$5,560,206.85.

A \$2,000,000 fire visited Brooklyn on Monday. It started in Curley & Co.'s carriage factory.

Applications for space at the Paris exposition already exceed the allotment by 483,000 square feet.

Fire destroyed much of the business portion of Carthage, N. Y., Sunday. The loss will reach \$150,000.

Judge Day has received many offers from magazine publishers for articles on the work of the peace commission.

A fund is being raised in England for the family of the late Harold Frederic, who are said to be in destitute circumstances.

There were taken from the Lake Superior copper mines during the year 1898, 158,250,000 pounds of ore. This is the largest amount on record.

A swindler has worked Yonkers people to the tune of \$1,000 by representing that he was raising money to purchase an organ for a local church.

Editor Wardner of the Boston Traveler has been released from Dedham jail, where he was placed for contempt of court, having made a written apology.

Mrs. C. P. Huntington of New York has given the means for a new girls' dormitory at the Tuskegee Normal and Industrial Institute, Tuskegee, Alabama.

Professor Gardener, one of the instructors at Groton School, Groton, Conn., has presented the school with \$75,000, to be used for building a new chapel.

The Chinese government has included in the Russian concession at Hankow property belonging to British owners. The latter have refused to surrender the land.

Andrew Carnegie is to give a \$3,000 organ to the Presbyterian church in Boulder, Col. The pastor of the church the Rev. Dr. Notman, was born near Mr. Carnegie's old home in Scotland.

Mayor Bass, the first Socialist ever elected mayor of an American city, was installed in office Monday, at Haverhill, Mass., and in his inaugural address he gave an outline of his policy.

According to official figures, Great Britain expends ninety million dollars a year on the support of the poor, and Germany about twenty-five million dollars. This does not include private charities.

A fast mail on the Chicago, Burlington and Quincy Railroad has just made the run from Omaha to Chicago, 562 miles, in ten and one-half hours. A speed of ninety miles per hour was attained.

Seven young people were injured two fatally, while enjoying a new year sleighride near South New Berlin, N. Y., by being struck by an express train on the New York and Ogdensburg Railroad.

Paid for Doing Good Work.

The Swedes have a custom which might profitably be copied by other nations. In the mines of that country the workmen have their tools sharpened by a special blacksmith, and he is paid, not by the number of tools sharpened, but by the number of yards bored by the miners whose instruments he has sharpened during the month. Thus, when the smith is skillful and does his best he makes more money than he does when his work is not well done, and there is a decided gain all around.

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Bobby (at the breakfast table)—"Maud, did Mr. Jules take any of the umbrellas or hats from the hall last night?"

Maud—Why, of course not! Why should he?"

Bobby—"That's just what I'd like to know. I thought he did, because I heard him say when he was going out: 'I am going to steal just one,' and—why what's the matter, Maud?"—774-Bits.

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The Preacher—"And do you always say your prayers before you go to bed at night?"

Johnny—"Yes, sir."

The Preacher—"What are the things that you mostly pray for?"

Johnny—"Well, mostly that pa won't find out what I have been doing through the day."—Chicago News.

Rev. John Reid, Jr., of Great Falls, Mont., recommended Ely's Cream Balm to me. I can emphasize his statement, "It is a positive cure for catarrh if used as directed."—Rev. Francis W. Poole, Pastor of Central Pres. Church, Helena, Mont.

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A 10c. trial size or the 50c. size of Ely's Cream Balm will be mailed. Kept by druggists. Ely Brothers, 56 Warren St., N. Y.

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Sold by C. A. Klein.

"It looks kinder queer, Malindy," said the new millionaire to his wife after the guest had departed, "that the count would't take his coat off at dinner like the rest of us, don't it?"

"Maybe he didn't have no shirt," suggested the lady. "I've seen fellers fixed up thataway in the shows."—Indianapolis Journal.

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