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## SCHLEY MAKES MOVE CONDENSED DISPATCHES. Notable Events of the Week Briefly

Will Demand Court of Inquiry In Santiago Matter.

# HISTORIAN MACLAY'S HARSH CHARGES

## A Civil Action Likely to Follow Investigation-Probable Make Up of the Court to Be Named by Secretary Long.

WASHINGTON, July 24 .- The Wash ington Post telegraphed Admiral Schley that in an editorial it insisted that he owed it to himself as well as to his friends to begin proceedings against Mr. Maclay, the author of the "History of he United States Navy," to disprove the atter's charges, adding: "Will you do his? Please wire statement." It receivd the following telegram from Admiral Schley, dated Great Neck, N. Y., July 23:

"I believe the first step should be an in-estigation of all matter by a court, then a civil action afterward. I am preparing to take this course."

The Post this morning, as a result of extensive inquiries based upon the admiral's dispatch, says in part:

"Admiral Schley proposes to ask an investigation at the hands of a naval court of inquiry and then to sue Historian Mafor libel. His action is the sequel to the developments during the past week. when the entire country has been stirred by the publication of the unexampled abuse poured out upon him in the third volume of E. S. Maclay's 'History of the United States Navy,' in which publica-tion Schley is said to have run away 'in caltiff flight' and is in addition de nounced as a coward, a cur and a traitor.

The Schley court of inquiry will undoubtedly be one of the most celebrated cases in the naval or military history of the country. The high rank of the offi-cers involved in the controversy and the intense public feeling which has been aroused will combine to give to the investigation a dramatic interest. Nothing has occurred in Washington for many years that will compare with it.

The appointment of the court of in quiry is expected to be made by Secretary Long, though it would be in the powof the president to make the selections if he chose. This is hardly likely to occur, however.

Admiral Schley's letter asking for the appointment of the court will be address-ed to Secretary Long, who is his immediate chief. To address the communication to the president, ignoring Secretary Long, would not only be a breach of naval etiquette, but would be totally at variance with Schley's careful observance of punctilious procedure. The court, therefore, will be named by Secretary Long unless he shall prefer to refer the matter to the president.

Mr. Long has already stated that if Admiral Schley requested a court of inquiry he would grant the request and has also expressed his willingness to personally select the court. While he has not made any statement as to its person-nel, there is every reason to believe that he favors Admiral Dewey and Rear Admirals Ramsey and Benham, the two latter being now upon the retired list. The name of Admiral Walker has been suggested, but it is known that he has expressed views upon the Sampson-Schley controversy in antagonism to Schley, and his appointment would, therefore, be seriously questioned. It is said that Dewey. Ramsey or Benham have always carefully avoided giving an opinion as to the merits of the controver All these officers are residents of Washington, although temporarily out of the city to escape the summer heat, and could be quickly summoned to take their places around the table of the court.

A court of inquiry differs from a court martial in that it has no power to inflict It is organized simply for the a sentence. purpose of investigating questions of fact, but it has ample authority to make the

and Tersely Told. Hon, Eric Lascelles, a supposed Lon-don pauper, left £37,000.

Sixteen lives were lost on a burning oil ship at Stockholm, Sweden. The horses of William C. Whitney and

Richard Croker won English races. The Congregational church at Northville, N. Y., was destroyed by lightning. New York city's blind pensioners, to the nu \$49.47, number of 672, were each paid

Secretary Wilson has decided to urge Congress to establish Appalachian forest TOSCTVOS.

Mark Twain has declined to attend the Missouri statehood celebration, saying he will be 142 years old in 1977.

The New York appellate division holds that the antitieket scalping law passed by the last logislature is unconstitutional.

# Tuesday, July 23.

Thirty new school buildings were reorted under way in Porto Rico.

The sailing of the Shamrock II for America was postponed until July 27. The mayor of Santa Paula, Cal., was shot by a man he had ordered arrested. The Russian wheat crop was estimated by Mark Lane Express at 58,000,000

quarters. A prehistoric city has been discovered on the Navajoe Indian reservation, westeru Colorado

English railway unions have been enjoined from interfering with nonunion men during strikes.

A Slavic family was burned in Pittsburg by an explosion of oil. The mother and three children are dead.

Daniel Frohman has engaged Kubelik, the Hungarian violinist, to play in America next winter for not less than \$100, 000

# Monday, July 22.

Count Toistoi is reported to be out of dauger.

One little girl was killed and another maimed by Brooklyn trolley cars. Encouraging reports regarding the mines in South Africa have been re-

ceived. Sir Henry Irving and Miss Ellen Terry have closed their season at the Lyceum theater, London.

The missionaries of the American board will return to north China to resume work in the early fall.

Moonshiners attacked a party of reve-nue officers from ambush in Tennessee, killing one and wounding two.

Dispatches from Siberia say that the crops, owing to the two months' drought, are almost a total loss. Measures have been taken to avert famine.

A Tarrytown (N. Y.) bank, with \$40,-000 in its vaults, was unable to unlock the door and was forced to borrow money with which to conduct its business.

### Saturday, July 20.

The army transport Rawlins was sold for \$200,000.

Two syndicates acquired mines and will build iron mills in Kentucky.

The United States training ship Enterprise has reached St. Petersburg.

A report came from Paris of a plot to make Louis Napoleon emperor of France. Mr. Rockhill has postponed his departure from Peking, owing to a deadlock in negotiations,

The shortage of \$30,000 at the San Francisco mint was found not to be the result of a miscount.

Lord Rosebery's Epsom Lad won the Eclipse stakes of 10,000 sovereigns at Sandown park, England.

Friday, July 19, Count Tolstoi was reported much bet-

England is suffering from heat and drought.

The presence of a volcano under Hawaiian waters is suspected. The case of Mrs. Cordelia Botkin went

to the United States supreme court. The battleship Maine will be launched

PHILIPPINE REFORMS

Generals Corbin and Chaffee Make Plans.

LARGE REDUCTION OF ARMED FORCE.

New Barracks to Be Built Near Manila as a Matter of Economy-Hospitals to Be Consolidated-Government Fleet Reduced.

MANILA, July 23 .- The concentration of the troops to Manila, Dagupan, Hollo or Cebu will begin at the close of the rainy season next November.

As a further measure of economy ar-rangements are being perfected to stop the buying by various civilians and civil government employees of commissary stores heretofore sold to them at the army rates.

Adjutant General Corbin will sail for the southern archipelago on the transport Lawton. From there he will go direct to China, returning to the United States via Vancouver.

Various important changes in the army will be made soon. The principal change will be the reduction of the present force to between 20,000 and 30,000 men. The abolishment of the Present army districts is contemplated, and three brigades, with permanent headquarters at Manila, Dagupan and Ilollo or Cebu, will be instituted in their stead. The troops will be concentrated at the three points selected, abandoning all minor posts. - These changes will result in an enormous sav-ing in the transportation of supplies and the paying of rental for barracks for the soldiers. At present in most towns the troops are quartered in churches, convents and public and private buildings, for the use of which considerable centals are paid. In the majority of other cases, where the troops do not occupy public buildings, it is believed rental should be paid for the soldiers' quarters if their ecupancy is continued, since these regions are pacified and their inhabitants have sworn allegiance to the United States

Adjutant General Corbin and General Chaffee have decided upon the construction of barracks at the pumping station, about six miles from Manila and the source of the city's water supply, to accommodate three regiments of infantry, one of cavalry and eight batteries of artillery, as well as a general commissary and martermaster's storehouse, to cost \$100,000. The erection of this Intter building will reduce expenses by \$20,000 a month, being the rentals paid for the commissary and quartermaster's storehouses in Manila alone. An electric rail-road connecting the docks on the Pasig river and the new storehouse will be constructed.

Generals Corbin and Chaffee have also decided upon one single general military hospital to replace the seven military hospitals in Manila and vicinity. One of the latter buildings will be converted into a public hospital.

The reduction of the great fleet of government launches and small government steamers has already begun.

Home Seekers May Cause Trouble. FORT SILL, O. T., July 22,-Disor-der and distress will, it is feared, follow the actual opening of the Kiowa-Comanche lands on Aug. 6. It is now estimat-ed that fully 150,000 people will have registered for a chance to secure one of the 13,000 claims to be awarded by lottery when the registration booths close on July 26. Thousands of persons now on the reservation who are neither me-chanics nor artisans and who have little or no money announce their intention of locating around Lawton if they shall fail to win a claim. Campers who came in prairie schooners by the thousands generally brought with them provisions sufficient to last only five to ten days. Continued drought has caused the water to be restricted, and for days a hot

MACHINISTS SEEK WORK. Strikers Give Up the Fight-Places

of Many Have Been Filled. WILKESBARRE, Pa., July 23 .- The striking machinists employed at the Dick son works, this city, and the shops of the Lehigh Valley railroad at Coxton, Wilkesbarro and Sayre have made applications for reinstatement, the leaders having come to the conclusion that it would be useless to carry on the strike any longer. At the Dickson works all the old hands were taken back. At the Lehigh Valley railrond shops in this city the superintendent said he had received applications from many of the old employees. These applications were placed on file, and it there are any vacancies the men will be given work. There are quite a number of nonunion men employed at the shops now, and some of the strikers will have to go elsewhere for employment. The 800 machinists employed at the

Ashley shops of the Central Railroad of New Jersey who went out on May 20 have not yet made a move to return to work, but they may in a day or two. When they do, the company will not receive them in a body, but as individuals, as the Lehigh Valley railroad has done.

## PRAYING FOR RAIN.

Missopri Observes the Day Appointed by the Governor.

ST. LOUIS, July 22 .- Yesterday, the day that Governor Dockery designated for fasting and prayer to God that the present drought might be broken in Missouri, all records for hot weather in St. Louis were broken, the weather bureau thermometer on the custom house reg istering 108 degrees. On the streets and in exposed places the mercury weat degrees higher. The record broken many was that of 106 degrees, made in the early eighties.

The governor's proclamation was very generally heeded, nearly every church in the city holding well attended services, up to proyer that the drought. given which has prevailed for several months and threatens the destruction of all vegetation, might be broken.

BRITISH REVERSES.

Lord Kitchener Reports a Supply Train Lost and Mountain Disaster. LONDON, July 24 .- The British war office has received the following dispatch from Lord Kitchener, dated Pretoria, July 23 "A train from Cape Town, with 113

details and stores, was held up, caj tured and burned at Scheepers, eight miles north of Beaufort West, on the morning of July 21. Our casualties were three killed and 1S wounded. An inquiry is proceeding.

"French reports that Crabbe, with 300 men, was attacked in the mountains near Cradock by Kritzinger at dawn July 21. The horses stampeded. An all day fight followed. Crabbe fell back on Mortimer. Our loss was slight."

### Crescens Lowers Records.

DETROIT, July 19 .- Cresceus, 2:04, the world's champion trotting stallion, yesterday over the Grosse Pointe track gave a wonderful performance. He trotted two heats in 2:06% and 2:05, the greatest race miles ever attained by any trotter. They lower his own two heat world's race record of 2:061/2 and 2:071/2, made last year at Chicago. His second heat in 2:05 is the fastest mile ever trotted in a race, the previous record being 2:05¼, held jointly by Directum and Alix in 1893 and 1894 respectively. It also beats the best record for a second heat of 2:051/2, made by Azote at New York in 1895. When Cresceus accomplished his remarkable feat yesterday, it was under circumstances which greatly enhanced the merit of the performance.

Jump From Brooklyn Bridge Fatal NEW YORK, July 24.-A small man of 40 years jumped last night from the center of the north roadway of the Brooklyn bridge. His body has not been re-covered. Whether he was killed by the



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inquiry complete and exhaustive. The naval regulations say courts of inquiry 'shall have power to summon witnesses, administer oaths and punish contempts in the same manner as courts martial, but they shall only state facts and shall not give their opinion unless expressly re-quired so to do in the order for conven-

#### Spain's Drydock Bought.

WASHINGTON, July 19 .-- The navy department has at last effected the purchase from the Spanish government of the floating steel drydock at Havana, which was turned back to Spain with the other movable government property after the occupation of Cuba by the United Spain offered to sell the States forces. dock to the United States for \$270,000, but the offer was declined because the was badly in need of repairs that would cost a great deal of money. Con-gress at its last session appropriated \$275,000 to cover the purchase of the dock and cost of repairs.

#### Tornado In Mississippi.

VICKSBURG, Miss., July 24 .- Hundreds of shade trees were prostrated, many roofs lifted and the walls of half a dozen buildings caved in by a tornado which passed over the southern section of this city. The storm was accompanied by severe thunder and lightning and a downpour of rain. Telephone, electric light and car services are badly The wind reached a velocity crippled. of 60 miles an hour. There were no casualties.

#### Tailors' Strike Was Brief.

NEW YORK, July 24.-It is now be-lieved that the big tailors' strike is practically at an end in Manhattan and that the garment workes have won a signal victory. Thirty-one Brondway manufacturers have come forth with an offer to back up the union men and to give no work to contractors who do not live up to agreements which they, the manufac. Lackawanna Employees to Stay Out. turers, declare they are willing to enter into.

Boat Four Thousand Years Old. NEW YORK, July 28 .- Securely lashed on the forward deck of the German steamship Hohenfels, which arrived from leutta, was an Egyptian boat said to he 4,000 years old. It was recently dug up from the bed of the Nile. The boat is stontly boxed up and was shipped at Port Said. The freight charges were paid there, amounting to 2,000 marks. The boat is consigned to a New York man.

### Kansas City Still Sweltering.

KANSAS CITY, July 24.-The thermometer in Kansas City remained at or above 101 for five hours yesterday, reach ing 102, the maximum, at 4 o'clock. A slight breeze from the northeast made conditions more bearable. Six prostrations were re, orted, one fatal.

at Cramps' shipyard, Philadelphia, on July 27. It was suggested in Washington that

Dewey take a squadron to England for the coronation. Kitchener reported that Captain Botha, son of Philip Botha, has been killed in Orange River Colony.

Thursday, July 18.

Heavy rains have caused fatal floods in Lightning did much damage at Middle-

town, N. Y. The town of Marshall, Mo., was visited

by a \$120,000 fire. The United States training ship Hart-

ford reached Stockholm. Four persons were killed in an explo-

sion of Swedish powder works.

Rain fell in parts of Nebraska and Kansas, but Iowa is still drought strick-

Sumatra eclipse expeditions were pro-

nounced comparatively futile by Professor Barnard. E. D. Fulford of Utica, N. Y., outshot a field of 78 at Interstate park, New York,

breaking 95 targets out of 100, A veteran railway engineer ran his train into Rochester notwithstanding an accident in which he broke his hip.

#### American Buys Famous Diamond. LONDON, July 20 .- The Prince Edward of York diamond, found in South Africa in 1894 and weighing 60% carats, white, perfect stone of astonishing fire, has been purchased, according to

The Daily Express, of the diamond syndicate, its holder since it was discov-ered, by the agent of a New York firm for the sum of \$100,000. It will be forwarded to the United States next Wednesday. The Daily Express says Wednesday. The Daily Express says that some English gentlemen had planned to purchase the stone for a coronation present to King Edward.

SCRANTON, Pa., July 24.-The strik-ing car builders of the Delaware, Lackawanna and Western railroad met and heard the report of Secretary Coyne, who, with State Senator Vaughan, attempted to have President Truesdale agree to grant a moderate increase in wages if the men receded from the nine hour demand. When they learned that President Truesdale rejected the proposition, they voted unanimously to stay out until the company agrees to this proposition.

Terrific Heat In Spain. LONDON, July 24.-"The shade temperature in Madrid yesterday was 108 degrees," says a dispatch to The Daily Express from the Spanish capital. "The heat was so overpowering Monday that parliament had to be closed hastily. In Seville, Cordova and Cadiz the shade temperature was J25 degrees."

wind has blown over the prairies, and the temperature has averaged above the 100 mark. With these conditions before them many are already begining to grumble, and when this shall be followed by disappointment by failure to draw a lucky number the hopes of many will doubtless give way to more serious conditions.

#### Our Chinese Population,

WASHINGTON, July 19 .- A preliminary statement of the Chinese population derived from the returns of the twelfth census just issued by Director Merriam shows that there are approximately 89,-800 Chinese in the United States proper as against 107,475 in 1800. About 67,-700, or 75 per cent, are contained in the western division of states and territories as against 96,844, or 90 per cent, in 1890. There were 72,472 Chinese in California alone in 1890, but this number has been reduced in 1900 to 45,753. There has been a loss since 1890 of about 29, 100 Chinese in the western division of states and territories and a net loss for the United States proper of over 17,500, The states and territories outside of the western division show as a whole a gain since 1890 of about 11,500 Chinese.

#### Firemen's Strike Declared Off.

WILKESBARRE, Pa., July 23 .- The strike of the stationary firemen has been officially declared off at a joint meeting of the strikers and executive boards of United Mine Workers. The meeting was a stormy one. The committees appointed by the joint conference to call on the coal operators and ascertain how many of the strikers could hope for reinstate-ment reported that 16 of the companies were in favor of taking back the old men and that seven refused. Among the latter was the Lehigh Valley Coal company, which employs in this district about 3,000 men, all told. The Traders' Coal company, it is said, refused to reinstate its old firemen unless they consented to work for a decrease in wages.

#### Fatally Hurt at a Ball Game,

OGDENSBURG, N. Y., July 28. Newell B. Lake, while playing in a baseball game here, was fatally injured. Aft-er batting a ball he started for first base, but fell over a broken bat which had been carelessly thrown on the ground. The sharp end of the splintered bat entered his side below the ribs and, passing up ward, protruded from his neck.

# Collector of Customs For Philippines

WASHINGTON, July 24 .- W. Morgan Shuster has been appointed collector of customs for the Philippines and left here for his post of duty today. For two years he was deputy collector of Cuba, and his work has so impressed Secretary Root that he was selected for this more important duty. He is 25 years old and a resident of this city.

fall or by the steamer H. W. Whitney, which passed over his body soon after it entered the water, is not known. The crew of the tug Walter Tracy searched waters for his body in vain. The bridge jumper was a man of about 5 feet 7 inches and weighing 135 pounds. He wore black trousers and a light shirt. Many persons saw the leap, the man dismounting from a trolley car bound for New York

# Hunt Will Succeed Allen.

WASHINGTON, July 24 .- William H. Hunt, the present secretary of Porto Rico, has been selected to succeed Govcal mile longer than a statute mile? ernor Charles H. Allen upon the retirement of the latter from the insular gov ernment. Governor Allen brought with him to Boston all of his household effects when he came from San Juan, and he does not expect to return to Porto Rico, The formal announcement of the selection of Hunt as governor is withheld until the along, Willie .- Brooklyn Eagle. regular appointment is made, and this cannot be before the expiration of the eave of Governor Allon next September.

# Constitution Again Leads.

NEW HAVEN, July 24.-Again did the Constitution prove speedier than the Columbia in light airs and fluky weather. It was in the first squadron run of the New York Yacht club from Huntington to Morris cove. The wind was so gentle that it barely filled the lower sails of the big sloops, and they seemed to derive most of their headway from the huge club topsails, which were full when the other sails were flapping.

#### New York Markets,

FLOUR-State and western quiet and unsettled, but no lower; Minnesota pat-ents, 33.00(23.90; winter straights, 33.2559 3.50; winter extras, 52.70(02.80; winter pat-ents, 33.356(3.80; WHEAT-Broke sharply under the col-

WHEAT-Broke sharply under the col-lapse in corn, together with unloading and reported rains in the northwest; Sep-tember, 554577c.; October, 76%c. RYE-Quiet; state, 54455c.; No. 2 west-ern, 62c. f. o. b., alloat, CORN - Demoralized and %c. lower through unloading, based on reports of good rains in Kansas and Nebraska, Sep-tember, 5554694c.; October, 55% 50%4c. OATS-Weak and lower on the rains and with corn; track, white, state, 42948c.; track white, western, 42%48c. PORK-Steady; mess, \$15.50%16.50; famil-ly, \$15.50.

ly, 116.50. LARD-Steady; prime western steam, 9.65c

9.65c. BUTTER-Strong; state dairy, 14@14%c.; creamery, 15@19%c. CHEESE-Firmer; fancy, large, color-ed, 9%c.; fancy, large, white, 9c.; fancy, small, colored, 9%c.; fancy, small, white,

<sup>9% c</sup> EGGS-Firm; state and Pennsylvania, 16677c. western, candjad, 14815c.
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