

MANILA'S DEATH RATE.

ONE OF THE MOST UNHEALTHY CITIES IN THE WORLD.

Due Largely to Bubonic Plague and Small Pox, Which Are Quite Common in the Philippines—A Fish and Rice Diet.

The census of Manila, just completed by the Health Department, gives the city an unpleasant high rank among the unhealthy cities of the world. It establishes a death rate of more than 40 per cent. Former estimates and censuses always had given Manila 300,000 population. This census was a careful count of natives and Chinese living in buildings and boats in the police district of Manila, and it gave a total of only 190,714, of whom 30,000 were Chinamen.

There are to be added the inhabitants of other villages within the city limits, Americans and Europeans and 1,400 priests in the monasteries. From reliable information the officials estimate their number at between 50,000 and 60,000.

The deaths in Manila during the six months from July 1 to December 31, last year, were 4,203. Of these 2,941 were children. Manila now has three diseases epidemic, which would throw the average community into a panic—bubonic plague, beriberi and smallpox. Beriberi results from a diet of fish and rice, so that whites do not fear it.

Smallpox and leprosy the Philippines always have and the people look upon them as a matter of course, avoiding direct contact, but hardly giving a second thought to their presence in the neighborhood. Smallpox flourishes in parts of Luzon constantly. Half of the natives in the country districts are pitted with it and mothers try to get their children infected with it under the belief that it is less dangerous to the young.

General Bell's famous volunteer regiment, the Thirty-sixth, is suffering from an epidemic. Lieutenant Toncray and Lieutenant Wing, both of whom were from Tennessee, and several soldiers have died.

The easy-going natives and Spaniards paid so little attention to leprosy that the Philippines never have been noted for that disease, yet there are more than a hundred lepers in the Manila Hospital.

Bubonic plague is a visitor to which distance lends terrors. Two months ago the first case was discovered in Manila. Since that time there have been 200 cases, according to the estimates of the health officers and at least 80 per cent. of them have resulted fatally.

EARLY ESSAYS.

Hanna on England and Rockefeller on St. Patrick.

Among the treasures which Andrew Freese of Cleveland, O., clings to in his old age are two essays, one written by John D. Rockefeller and the other by Marcus A. Hanna, when they were his pupils, nearly fifty years ago. Mr. Hanna's essay is entitled, "England and the United States." At eighteen he expressed his ideas as follows:

"Tis true that England has been for many years the unrivaled nation of the earth, but the United States has been like a soaring eagle, gradually but rapidly mounting on their flight to fame, and now that she has reached an exalted position in the eyes of the world, she gazes with indifference upon her mighty rival.

"In England the land is held by wealthy lords and nobles, who spend their time and money to gratify their own selfish desires, while hundreds of the poorer classes are struggling hard to gain a living and enduring all the privations of poverty can inflict. Not so in a land of liberty. Here every man is free and all enjoy equal rights and privileges, and every honest and industrious man can gain a comfortable livelihood."

Mr. Rockefeller's essay tells of the life of St. Patrick. Characteristic sentences in the essay are:

"From a poor shepherd boy he had become a Bishop, which was in those days a very high office. History gives instances of the power of a Bishop being equal to and greater than that of a King.

"St. Patrick was far superior to his countrymen in knowledge and had a great sway over their minds. They even thought him to be a saint."

COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY.

Latest News From the Active Business World.

Many strikes have been declared in various parts of the country, workmen demanding higher wages and shorter working hours. The men were generally successful in New York city, but in Westchester County building operations were stopped.

One thousand Orange, N. J., mechanics, about equally divided among the painters, masons, and carpenters, struck April 2. The masons and painters already have an eight-hour day, but they demand an increase in wages. The painters now receive \$2.50 a day. They ask that this be increased to \$2.75. The masons demand 45 cents an hour; they are now getting 40 1/2 cents. The carpenters demand \$2.75 for an eight-hour day. Their present rates are \$1.50 to \$2.50 for a working day of nine hours.

In Mount Vernon, N. Y., 1,300 carpenters and 500 plumbers and gas fitters are on strike.

Two hundred carpenters of Long Branch, N. J., have struck for eight hours work in a day.

Strikes in New England are frequent. They are mostly for the purpose of securing a shorter work day.

MISCELLANEOUS NEWS.

Events of the Week Told in a Few Words.

The recent heavy floods in Uruguay have caused great destruction of cattle and wheat. Two bridges on the Central Railway have been swept away, with a loss of \$50,000.

The first electric tram car ever operated in Santiago de Chile went over the lines April 1.

The Committee of Senators which visited Cuba has returned to Washington well satisfied with their visit. All classes of people on the island are declared to be anxious for independence, the only difference of opinion being as to the haste with which it should come.

It is reported in Lima, Peru, that Colonel Parra, on his return from an expedition to the interior, will take the Portfolio of War and Marine, in succession to Senor Carrillo.

The body of Ed Hembrick, the trapper boy, has been recovered from the Red Ash mine, in West Virginia, where there was a disastrous explosion on March 6. This is the last body of the fifty victims.

The University of Chicago is richer by nearly \$5,000,000 than it has ever been before. John D. Rockefeller has confirmed his gift of \$2,000,000 to the university, and President Harper, Secretary Goodspeed and the trustees supplemented it with the announcement of gifts in cash and land received aggregating in value more than \$2,000,000.

The Maroons are again threatening disturbance in Jamaica. Armed police have been sent to quiet them, and the military authorities have been notified to hold troops in readiness.

Jacob Kopple, a miser, who was found dead in a dilapidated house on his farm in Lewistown, Pa., where he lived alone, has been buried at Middleport. He lived in squalor, but relatives found in the house bonds and securities worth \$30,000. It was also found that he owned property at Jersey City worth \$20,000.

The Duke of York has accepted from a resident of Cork a thousand packets of shamrock seed, which will be sown upon the graves of Irish soldiers in South Africa.

Announcement has been made that the lectures on "Public Affairs," to be delivered before the students of Princeton University by ex-President Cleveland, would be given on the evenings of April 9 and 10, in University Hall.

The Right Rev. Alexander Burgess, the venerable Bishop of Quincy, Ill., of the Episcopal Church, has for the third time asked for a Coadjutor Bishop.

J. P. Morgan & Co., of New York, announce that only a little over \$3,000,000 of the English war bonds will come to this country. Over \$50,000,000 were subscribed for.

Miner, Beal & Co., wholesale clothiers of Boston, who recently made an assignment, have made a proposition of settlement on a basis of 55 per cent. in five instalments.

The Government of Mexico has decided, in view of reports that the bubonic plague has appeared at San Francisco, that the city shall be regarded as suspicious in a sanitary sense.

James McBeth, master car builder of the New York Central Railroad, has announced an increase of 10 per cent. in the wages of the 1,000 men employed under him in the East Buffalo shops.

Lafayette Post, G. A. R., of New York city, has arranged for the transportation on the transport Summer of 500 United States flags to Manila, for free distribution among the native officials and citizens of that city.

The State Department has issued papers for the extradition of Nathan Musher, detained in London, England, charged with forging notes in New York city and securing \$20,000 on them.

Alexis E. Frye, Superintendent of the Cuban schools, has left Havana for Boston. He will go to Harvard to make arrangements for the trip of the Cuban school teachers to the United States.

Hon. W. S. Fielding, Canadian Minister of Finance, in his Budget speech showed that the revenue collected last year was \$46,741,249, and the expenditures, \$41,903,500, leaving a surplus of \$4,837,749. There was added to the public debt during the year a little over two million dollars. For the current year Mr. Fielding estimated that the revenue would be over \$50,000,000, and that there would be on June 30 next a surplus of \$7,525,000.

It is reported in Chicago that notice has been given by the Michigan Central and other Vanderbilt lines that the Albany gateway will be opened and kept open. This means that there is little hope of settling the differences that have arisen between the Vanderbilt lines and the northern roads.

A graduate department of pedagogy and a summer school for teachers are to be established at Dartmouth College.

The State Bank of Hardy, Neb., has been visited by burglars. They blew open the safe with dynamite and secured \$4,000.

Assistant Treasurer Vanderlip has advised the House Committee on Coinage, that at most one additional Mint would suffice for all Government needs.

The negotiations looking to a parcels post convention between this country and Nicaragua, which have been in progress for several months, have been completed and the treaty will go into effect June 1.

There was an exciting scene in Judge Moore's court, Frankfort, Kentucky, March 29, during the examination of the Goebel murder suspects. Sharp words passed between counsel, causing the spectators to precipitately flee for the doors and windows. Order was restored.

THE WASHINGTON NEWS

WHAT OUR NATIONAL LAW MAKERS ARE CONSIDERING.

Some of the More Important Work of the National Congress—Bills that the Committees Report Favorably Upon—Washington Topics.

Representative Hay, of Virginia, has prepared a bill to create out of the militia of the several States a reserve volunteer army for use in time of war. There will be a Government appropriation and a measure of Governmental control. The bill is designed to obviate the necessity of a large standing army after the present law expires in July, 1901.

The Secretary of State and the Spanish Minister in Washington have signed a protocol extending for six months, the time allowed Spanish residents in the Philippines to elect whether they shall remain Spanish subjects or adopt the nationality of the territory in which they reside.

The United States Senate continues the consideration of the Porto Rican measure, Mr. Beveridge, of Indiana, advocates reciprocity between the United States and Porto Rico, but announces that if all efforts to secure free trade should fail he would support the pending bill.

Senator Platt has introduced an amendment to the Indian Appropriation bill, providing for a congress of the various Indian tribes of the United States at the Buffalo Pan-American Exposition, and appropriating \$40,000 therefor.

The House Committee on Commerce directed a favorable report on the Sherman bill, to prevent the false branding or marking of food and dairy products.

The secretary of war has created a new military "Division of the Pacific," embracing all of the Philippine Islands, under the command of General Otis. It will be sub-divided in four departments—Northern Luzon, under General Bates; the Visayas, under General Hughes, and Mindanao and Jolo, under General Kobbe.

Fifty-one senators, under pressure from the Administration, will vote for the Porto Rican Tariff bill.

LABOR TROUBLE SETTLED.

A Strike Avoided and Terms of Union Conceded.

An agreement has been reached by the Carpenters' Union and the Carpenter Contractors' Association of Buffalo, whereby the threatened strike of carpenters on Monday has been averted. The carpenters demanded a minimum scale of 30 cents an hour, eight hours to constitute a day's work. The agreement reached provides for an eight hour day, the men to receive 25 cents an hour for rough work and 30 cents an hour for finishing. Time and a half will be paid for overtime, and double time for Sundays and holidays.

The machinists' strike at Columbus, Ohio, has been settled. The employers agree to take back all the old men, but they are left free to employ non-union labor on equal terms with union labor.

Chicago pattern makers have secured the signatures of twenty job shop bosses to their new agreement, and by so doing avoided a strike and won every point for which they contended. The agreement becomes effective April 15, and expires February 1, 1901.

CRIMINAL.

Charles H. Cole, formerly President of the Globe National Bank in Boston, appeared in the United States District Court March 29 and pleaded not guilty to an indictment charging embezzlement and misapplication.

Three convicts in North Carolina, who were serving out their sentences on the county roads, made a break for liberty the other day. The guard fired, and the bullet passed entirely through one of them, killing him instantly and wounding another mortally. The third escaped.

W. H. Culton, charged with complicity in the murder of Goebel, is said to have confessed.

Ellsworth Evans shot and instantly killed Assistant City Marshal William Hennecke, at Booneville, Missouri, while Hennecke was attempting to arrest Evans after he had robbed a cigar store March 27.

Mrs. W. W. Rice, of Worcester, Massachusetts, wife of ex-Congressman Rice, and sister to Mrs. Senator Hoar, is dead at Washington.

The Merchants' National Bank of Rutland, Vermont, has been placed in the hands of a receiver. The cashier was arrested, his shortage being estimated at \$145,000.

CASUALTIES.

By the burning of the High School building at Owosso, Michigan, April 1, two firemen were killed by falling walls and four other persons injured.

The Columbus and Wheeling express train on the Baltimore & Ohio Railroad crashed into a freight train at Whiting, Indiana, March 29. The engine of the passenger train was thrown into a ditch and Engineer Reniman was killed.

Three children were burned to death in a fire which destroyed the farm house of John Brassill, in East Providence, R. I., March 29. The mother succeeded in rescuing one, an infant, from its burning cradle, but it lived only a few hours.

The winter has been unprecedentedly mild at Cape Nome; all necessities of life are plentiful and cheap.

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