

THE DUTIES ILLEGAL

Philippine Diamond Ring Case Decided Against Government.

ISLANDS ARE U. S. TERRITORY

Opinions Were Handed Down By United States Supreme Court In Insular Cases—Another Porto Rico Ruling.

Washington, Dec. 3.—Opinions were rendered in the United States supreme court yesterday in the last of the two insular test cases. One of them was that known as the "14 diamond rings" case, involving the relationship of the United States to the Philippine Islands from a tariff point of view, and the other what is known as the Dooley case, No. 2, involving the constitutionality of the collection of duty on goods shipped from New York to Porto Rico.

In the former case the court through Chief Justice Fuller held that the diamond rings brought in from the Philippines and over which the case arose should have been exempt from duty under the Paris treaty of peace, as that treaty made the Philippines American territory. The decision in the Philippine case followed closely that of the first Porto Rican case of last term. In the Dooley case decided yesterday it was held that the duty collected on goods carried from New York to Porto Rico was permissible, but that it was in reality a tax for the benefit of the Porto Ricans themselves rather than an export duty, as was claimed by the merchants who antagonized the government in the case.

In both cases there were dissenting opinions concurred in by four of the nine justices of the court. The decisions were rendered in the room of the senate committee on the judiciary, where the court is sitting temporarily, and owing to the limited space there were comparatively few persons, and those lawyers, present. The delivery of the opinions in chief, with the reading of the dissenting opinions, consumed a little more than an hour of time and were listened to with the closest attention.

It is generally believed that the finding in the Philippine case will lead to early efforts to secure legislation for the regulation of our commercial relations with those islands. As the Porto Rican opinion sustains the constitutionality of the Foraker act no such necessity will arise with reference to Porto Rico.

CROKER TIRED OF POLITICS

Practically Gives Up Being Boss of Tammany Hall.

New York, Dec. 4.—In an interview Richard Croker, the Tammany leader, says: "You won't see much more leading on my part in the future. I

am getting old and wornout and I can't be a field horse for everybody any longer. I admit that the leader of Tammany Hall should stay in New York all the year round, and I can't stay here for more than a part of the year. All this talk about my being state leader and trying to dictate in national politics is nonsense. I am in no condition to do any kind of leading."

When asked if he was training anybody to succeed him as leader he replied: "Oh, I haven't come to that yet, and I have not planned my future, except that I will go to England in January or February. The Tammany executive committee will meet next month, and you may hear more of the matter then."

Trolley Car Ran Into River.

Poughkeepsie, N. Y., Dec. 4.—During a snow storm here yesterday a trolley car became unmanageable and ran down a steep grade into the Hudson river. There were five passengers on the car, one of whom, B. Baruth, a commercial traveler, of New York city, was drowned. The others, County Judge S. K. Phillips, Deputy Sheriff Baumbusch, with an insane prisoner named Oliver, whom he was conveying to the Matteawan asylum, and Theodore Van Kleek, of Poughkeepsie, escaped without injury. During the excitement Oliver, the insane man, escaped.

Mail Robber Arrested.

Guthrie, I. T., Dec. 4.—Elmer Pecore, a half-breed, was placed in the Federal jail here yesterday, charged with having rifled the mail between the small towns near the Indian territory border. The officers suspected Pecore, and laid a trap for him by placing a red necktie and a pair of beaded gloves in one of the mail sacks. They apprehended him later, wearing these articles at a dance.

Virginia Will Hold Exposition.

Norfolk, Va., Dec. 3.—A meeting was held here yesterday for the purpose of perfecting a permanent organization of the Jamestown Centennial Exposition, to be held somewhere in Virginia in 1907. Norfolk, Portsmouth, Newport News and other towns in this vicinity were represented. It is proposed to ask the government for \$5,000,000, and those present favored a site near Norfolk.

To Bar Professional Jurors.

Cleveland, O., Dec. 4.—Cleveland lawyers will ask the coming session of the state legislature to prohibit professional jurors. Allegations that they are not impartial in the verdict in cases of which they are part of the jury are made.

Bursting Boiler Kills Three.

Bedford, Ind., Dec. 4.—In a boiler explosion in a sawmill near Yellowstone yesterday Marion Litz, Perry Marchill and Ellis Henderson were instantly killed. Six other persons were injured, some of them seriously.

WEEK'S NEWS CONDENSED

Friday, November 29.

Philadelphia's third annual Dog Show opened in Horticultural Hall on Wednesday evening.

Admiral Dewey will attend the Annapolis-West Point football game at Philadelphia tomorrow.

The Thanksgiving dinner of the American Society in London was attended by over 300 guests.

Fire in Michael Doyle's evaporated fruit establishment at Rochester, N. Y., caused a loss of \$50,000.

It is announced from Washington that the Twelfth Cavalry will be sent to Manila in the near future.

Dr. William Rainey Harper, of Chicago, has accepted the offer to be director of Educational Congress at World's Fair at St. Louis.

Saturday, November 30.

The north part of the village of Waukeech, Ia., was destroyed by fire last night.

The Clear River Mills, at Burrillville, R. I., were burned, causing a loss of \$100,000.

Tom Jenkins, champion wrestler, has turned pugilist and challenged James J. Jeffries.

It was announced yesterday that the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad company will issue \$75,000,000 of bonds for improvement.

Governor Stone appointed Dr. Geo. M. Stiles, of Conshohocken, Pa., a trustee of the Norristown State Insane Hospital.

At a meeting of Pittsburg Republicans last night resolutions thanking Governor Stone for appointing J. O. Brown recorder were passed.

The operation performed on Governor Taft, at Manila, yesterday morning was successful, and he will start for Washington December 10.

Monday, December 2.

Mrs. Theodore Roosevelt left Philadelphia for New York yesterday.

Sousa and his band played last night before England's royal family at Sandringham Palace.

Senator Hanna has given \$5,000 as his subscription to the National McKinley Memorial Association.

Arthur W. Soper, president of the Pintach Compressing company, the safety car lighting company, died in New York.

The Pennsylvania Railroad company will spend \$20,000,000 to abolish grade crossings between Philadelphia and New York.

Former Canadians residing in America are again trying to have Mrs. Florence Maybrick released from her English prison.

Tuesday, December 3.

Fire destroyed the entire stock of the Croke-Thorne Carpet company, at Denver, Colo., causing \$100,000 loss.

"La Belle Russe," David Belasco's first successful play, was revived at Murray Hill Theatre, N. Y., last night.

Beginning next Monday, the United States supreme court will take a recess of four weeks, to reconvene on January 6.

The convention of the Brotherhood of Painters, Decorators and Paper-hangers of America began at Detroit, Mich., yesterday.

Pennsylvania railroad officials deny the rumor that the company has bought real estate in New York for a terminal station.

Mayor-elect Seth Low of New York, several senators and Ambassador Choate will lunch with President Roosevelt tomorrow.

Wednesday, December 4.

The Southern Conference of the Unitarian Church is in session at Chattanooga, Tenn.

The State National and National Hide and Leather Banks, of Boston, have consolidated.

General Russell A. Alger, former secretary of war, is seriously ill at his home in Detroit, Mich.

Governor Stone, of Pennsylvania, and a party of friends started last night for a tour to Mexico.

A new steamship service was inaugurated yesterday between New York, Halifax, N. S., and Jamaica ports.

The will of Hon. Clem Studebaker, of South Bend, Ind., disposing of several million dollars, was admitted to probate yesterday.

GENERAL MARKETS.

Philadelphia, Pa., Dec. 3.—Flour was quiet; winter superfine, \$2.50@2.70; Pennsylvania roller, clear, \$3.15@3.25; city mills, extra, \$2.75@3. Rye flour firm, at \$3.15@3.25 per barrel. Wheat firm; No. 2 Pennsylvania red, 80½¢@81¢. Corn easy; No. 2 yellow, local, 70¢. Oats firm; No. 2 white, clipped, 52¢; lower grades, 49¢. Hay weak; No. 1 timothy sold at \$16@16.50 for large bales. Beef firm; beef hams, \$18.50@19. Pork firm; family, \$18@18.50. Live poultry at 9½¢ for hens and 6½¢ for old roosters. Dressed poultry at 10½¢ for choice fowls, 6½¢ for old roosters. Butter was steady; creamery, 26¢. Eggs steady; New York and Pennsylvania, 30¢. Potatoes were steady; Eastern, 95¢ per bushel.

Live Stock Markets.

East Liberty, Pa., Dec. 3.—Cattle steady; choice, \$5.75@6; prime, \$5.50@5.75; good, \$5.15@5.45. Hogs active; prime heavies, \$6.10@6.20; heavy mediums, \$5@6.05; light do., \$5.55@5.65; heavy Yorkers, \$5.75@5.80; light do., \$5.55@5.65; pigs, as to weight and quality, \$5.25@5.40; roughs, \$4.50@5.60. Sheep steady; best wethers, \$3.50@3.65; culls and common, \$1@2; yearlings, \$2.50@3.75; veal calves, \$6@7.

East Buffalo, N. Y., Dec. 3.—Cattle strong; light steers, \$4.20@4.40; fair heifers, \$3.50@4; veals, \$4@5. Hogs active, mixed packers, \$5.90@6; heavy, \$6@6.10; pigs, \$5.40@5.65; roughs, \$5@5.40; stags, \$3.35@4.25. Lambs, top natives, \$5.10@5.20; culls to good, \$3.75@5.05. Sheep, mixed culls to good, \$1.75@2.50; wethers and yearlings, \$3.50@3.75; prime yearlings, \$4.

Cattle Quarantined.

Salem, O., Dec. 4.—Dr. E. F. Vogelmann, of the Buffalo United States bureau of animal industry, has arrived here and placed in quarantine a herd of 28 thoroughbred short-horn cattle imported from Canada. The whole herd, the inspector says, is subject to confiscation, and he is awaiting instructions from the treasury department.

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Lemons, finest Mediterranean juicy fruit... 30 and 40c per doz

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Bananas, the finest fruit we can buy.

Fresh Biscuits, Cakes and Crackers.

Sweet, Mild Cured Hams, Breakfast Bacon and Dried Beef.

Canned Meats, Salmon and Sardines.

Table Oils, home-made and imported.

Pickles, sweet and sour, in bulk and various sizes and styles of packages.

Pure Extracts, Ginger Ale and Root Beer.

New Cheese now coming to us in elegant shape.

Cereal Preparations. We carry a fine line of the most popular ones.

Pure Cider Vinegar, the kind you can depend on.

Our Store is always open until 8 p. m. and on Saturday until 10 p. m.

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MAIN STREET, TYRONE, PA.
AL. S. GARMAN, Proprietor.

Sim, The Clothier.

NECKWEAR. Our Snappy Neckwear rivals the autumn leaves in their dress of variegated hues—to say our new neck dressings are handsome is putting it mildly. They are more than that—they are beautiful, Imperials, Four-in-hands, Tecks, Bows, Shield or Band, and Batwing Ties of better quality than prices denote 25c. Ascots, Imperials, Four-in-hands, Tecks, Puffs, and Batwing Ties in rich weaves of Silk and Satins.....50c.

GLOVES. If you are undecided over Xmas Gifts let us solve it for you by suggesting Gloves. Such a present combines thoughtfulness with usefulness, comfort and health. We have just what your judgment and taste demand for swell affairs or nicest street wear. Fleece lined or Unlined Dress Kid in three shades—some with fur tops; in sizes for the small tot, the boy and the young man.....50c. Silk Lined or Unlined, Dress or Undressed Kid Gloves, well sewn, elegantly fitting—a guarantee with each one. All sizes.....\$1.00. Boys' and Men's Woolen Gloves—large assortments, all colors.....25c.

SMOKING JACKETS. A suggestion of luxury and comfort. Men's Smoking Jackets, plain fronts and neat mixed Oxfords with plaid backs; edges, sleeves and pockets bound and trimmed with silk cord. All sizes.....\$4.00

Men's Smoking Jackets in Garnet, Brown, Tan, Blue, Oxford Mixtures; Satin and Plaid trimmings, Plaid backs. All Sizes.....\$6.00.

BATH ROBES. Bath Robes in three colors of outing cloth. Various grades starting at.....\$4.00.

UMBRELLAS. Umbrellas at \$1.00—a fine assortment of Umbrellas for Men, Women and Children. Union, Taffeta and Gloria—natural wood handles at \$1.50. Men's and Women's Umbrellas, of extra quality Union, Taffeta, with covers and beautiful fancy handles of Pearl, Silver and Ivory Horn. Better ones at \$2.00, \$2.50, \$3.00, \$4.00 and \$5.00.

Sim, The Clothier,

In Lewsn's Former Rooms - - - Next Door to Old Stand.

The Fever of Xmas

is in the air—a delightful, contagious fever is upon old and young, rich and poor. The only remedy, is giving, giving, giving.

There are no misers in this world—not at Christmas time.

To give tokens of love and friendship once a year is a pleasure as to receive them. Buy within your means and you'll be happy. It's easy enough if you buy carefully, but don't wait until the last minute.

SIM, THE CLOTHIER, is ready as never before. The store, the stock is three times as large as last year—as any in Bellefonte.

Every department has taken on a Holiday spirit. The store is overflowing with gift things, and everything fairly priced. We are trying to make this large store still larger, to keep it growing the same as it has in the past. We are trying hard to make this month's business just thrice that of last December, so rest assured we shall not take advantage to ask high prices for things most in demand—as in every month our prices will be the lowest in Central Pennsylvania.

Goods Delivered Free.

Goods attended to promptly as directed. Gifts kept until and delivered on Christmas eve or Christmas day—on any day you desire. Gifts not meeting approval of recipient exchangeable at any time for others or money.

Sim, The Clothier.

PAJAMAS. In Domet Flannels, Cheviots, and French Flannels—some military cut, fastening with cord—others fastening with buttons. All sizes.....\$1.25, \$1.50, \$2.00 and \$3.00.

BOYS' LONG OVERCOATS.

Horizontal pockets; some with cuffs on sleeves; well trimmed—in Blue, Black and Gray Mixtures.....\$3.75. Also some better ones with or without yokes, in all the popular shades.

Young Men's Long Overcoats

With or without yokes—Horizontal, Vertical, and Slash Pockets; in Blue, Black, Gray, Brown, and Olive. \$8.00 \$10.00 and \$12.00.

HANDKERCHIEFS. The line is most complete from the child's school handkerchiefs to the affair of sheerest linen. Our special Japonette Handkerchiefs of extra quality, with large silk worked initial—all widths of hem, large size only.....15 cents each 2 for 25. Silk Handkerchiefs, hemstitched and handsomely embroidered initial 25c. Linen Handkerchiefs—four widths of hem, all sizes, 15c each two for 25c. Linen Handkerchiefs—in finer quality, large sizes and very desirable 25c.

MEN'S SUITS. In Black, Unfinished Worsted, Green Casimeres, Blue Serges, etc.—a line that has brought us many new customers and made the old ones firmer. If you are thinking of buying a suit, a look at this line and you will have one in a package in ten minutes—not a suit but all wool, well trimmed; all sizes \$10.00

SWEATERS. Men's Heavy Ribbed Blue and Maroon Sweaters, all sizes.....50c. Better ones at.....\$1.00, \$1.50, \$2.00 and \$2.50. Boys Sweaters, in plain colors, stripes, etc.....50c, \$1.00 up to \$2.25. A line of Men's Sweaters, without collar, in Maroon, Cardinal, Gray, and Blue.....\$1.50 to \$3.00.

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