

SHELLING THE TOWNS

Gunboats Drive the Rebels from Sosmoan and Guagua.

WORK OF LANDING PARTIES

They Capture a Number of Filipino Flags and a Quantity of Small Arms—General MacArthur and Captain Grant's Expedition Failed to Meet, So the Latter Returned Down the San Fernando River. Arms Captured.

GENERAL MILES HAS NOTHING TO SAY

He Refuses to Discuss the Findings of the Wade Court of Inquiry. The President His Superior.

Washington, May 8.—The president is commander in chief of the army and my superior. He has approved the findings of the Wade court of inquiry. Therefore I have no comment to make. It would be an insolently act were I to do so.

With these words General Miles stated to a Star reporter who saw him for a moment today with regard to the probable action he would take in view of the adverse report of the court.

At Sosmoan the landing party captured a number of Filipino flags and a quantity of arms, chiefly bolos and bows and arrows, besides a lot of hand instruments, which the men played as they marched back to the boats.

The Nobreaks regiment is being relieved from duty. Only 375 men of this regiment are left at the front.

The Casualties. Washington, May 8.—The war department today received the following cablegram from General Otis:

General Otis' Report of Deaths. Washington, May 8.—General Otis reports the following deaths:

Non-Union Men Are Switched Off at Bridgeton, N. J.

GLASSBLOWERS STRIKE.

Charters Granted.

War Veterans Dead.

PRESIDENT'S VACATION.

Will Enjoy a Week or Ten Days at Hot Springs.

Washington, May 8.—President and Mrs. McKinley left the city tonight for a vacation of a week or ten days at Hot Springs, Va. The trip was made in a handomely equipped special train which left here at 9:45 o'clock over the Chesapeake and Ohio railroad, and is scheduled to arrive at the Springs about 5 o'clock tomorrow morning.

The president and Mrs. McKinley occupied the private car Cleopatra, which was attached to the rear of the train, the remainder of the special being made up of the compartment car Patagonia and the combination smoking and baggage car Atlantic.

The president's health is good, but he feels the need of rest and recreation and he will attend to all official business during his absence will be attended to as far as possible at the white house.

While at the Springs the party will stay at "The Homestead," were Secretary and Mrs. Gage are now located for a week's stay.

Secretaries Alger and Wilson and Adjutant General Corbin and a few other friends were at the station and remained until the train departed.

STATE TICKET IS DISCUSSED

SENATOR QUAY CONFERS WITH LIEUTENANTS.

Senator Penrose, Congressman Bingham and Others Are Among His Callers—The Beaver Statesman Refuses to Talk for the Benefit of Newspapers.

Philadelphia, May 8.—Senator M. S. Quay, accompanied by his son, Major A. G. Curtin Quay, of the United States army, arrived here today and left this evening for Washington. Colonel Quay spent a busy day, shortly after his arrival he called upon Lawyers Shields and Shapely, two of the attorneys who defended him at his recent trial here, and later he visited President Frank Thomson, of the Pennsylvania railroad, at the latter's office.

It is generally understood that the make-up of the coming state ticket was discussed by Colonel Quay and his lieutenants. The Beaver statesman refused to discuss politics with the newspaper men, but he said he had no objection to his name being put on a fishing trip to Avalon, N. J., the latter part of the present week.

The senator will there be the guest of ex-State Senator Ellwood Becker, of this city, and will be accompanied by Messrs. Penrose, Elkin, Durham and others. It is believed that the date of the state convention will be decided upon during this trip.

PRISON LABOR.

John T. McDonough Gives an Opinion on the Subject.

Washington, May 8.—Hon. John T. McDonough, secretary of state of New York, and for some years commissioner of labor in that state, was invited to the industrial convention today. Mr. McDonough's testimony dealt with the improvements due to the amendment of the state constitution taking the products of prison labor out of the open market.

Mr. McDonough said that the products of prison labor out of the open market is a benefit to the state and that it has reduced the number of prisoners in the state penitentiaries. Under the old system of letting the prison labor out on contract the contractors were in the habit of offering rewards amounting to as much as \$100 for long-term prisoners, in good condition. Under the new order of things such conditions could not exist.

Mr. McDonough said that prison labor products should be identified as such, and their transportation between states should be prohibited by congressional enactment. Ex-President Adolph Strasser, of the International Cigar-makers' union, who was before the commission at its afternoon session, opposed the incorporation of the trades unions on the ground that by incorporating they would render themselves liable to be brought into the courts, "and," he said, "we can't expect justice at the hands of the courts."

TRANSFERS IN SILVER.

Sixty-eight Mills Will Be Moved at Philadelphia.

Philadelphia, May 8.—The \$68,000,000 of silver now in the vaults of the mint and post office building here, which secures the issue of silver certificates, will be transferred to the recently completed vaults on the new mint site, beginning tomorrow.

The money is enclosed in 65,000 boxes, \$1,000 to the box. The silver weighs 2,000 tons and each wagon carrying three tons, 680 loads will be necessary. Allowing six loads per day, 113 consecutive days will elapse before the final transfer shall be made.

The government will have two representatives at each vault and will also be represented by one guard on every wagon.

OPINION OF CUBANS.

Dr. Warden Believes That They Are Unfit for Self-Government.

Philadelphia, May 8.—Rev. Dr. James A. Warden, secretary of the Sabbath school department of the Presbyterian board of publication, of the United States, who has spent much time in Cuba, today at a meeting of Presbyterian ministers, said that while he was in Cuba he was impressed by three things:

FIGHTING AT UNYORO.

Col. Evatt Attacks Chief Kabarega and Defeats Him.

London, May 8.—The foreign office has received news from Unyoro that Colonel Evatt attacked Chief Kabarega on the east bank of the Nile on April 9 and completely defeated him. Three hundred of the enemy were killed and Kabarega himself, who was severely wounded, and King Mwangwa were taken prisoners. Colonel Evatt's losses were two killed and twenty wounded Uganda soldiers.

Supreme Court Decisions.

Philadelphia, May 8.—Among decisions handed down by the state Supreme court today are the following: Card v. township of Columbia, C. P. Bradford; judgment reversed and venire facias de novo awarded. Commonwealth v. T. Erie; the judgment is affirmed and it is directed that the record be remitted to the court below, that the sentence may be carried into execution according to law. Berry v. Sugar Notch borough, C. P. Luzerne; judgment affirmed. Ruster Holtz vs. New York Chicago and St. Louis Railroad company, C. P. Luzerne; judgment affirmed. Perry, et al. vs. Livingston, C. P. Luzerne; decree affirmed and dismissed at appellant's costs.

Will Employ 500 People.

Hasterton, May 8.—The Hasterton board of trade today concluded negotiations for the establishment of the Duplan silk mill in this city. Work of erecting the new mill, which is to employ 500 people, will be started in a few weeks.

HEIDLER MUST HANG.

Supreme Court Opinion in a Singular Case at Erie.

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TWELVE HUNDRED ITALIANS STRIKE

Serious Trouble Is Feared at Jerome Park—One Hundred Policemen Sent to Guard the Works.

New York, May 8.—Twelve hundred Italians at work on the Jerome Park reservoir were on strike today. The contractor asked for assistance and 100 policemen were sent to the reservoir. The men struck for \$1.50 instead of \$1.25 a day. A large quantity of dynamite is stored around the reservoir and it was to protect this that the police were called.

The strikers attempted to coerce the men who would not go out with them and for a time there seemed imminent danger of trouble. The Italians were driven from the surroundings of the reservoir about 10 o'clock. Some of the police were allowed to remain near where they were. They went to bed at the park, where there is an Italian settlement and where some of them live. Indignation meetings were held in saloons. A number of police in citizens' clothing were ordered to go among the Italians and if possible, stir up their plans. The police remained at the reservoir in force during the night.

WORLD'S DUMPING GROUND.

America the Market for Adulterated Food of All Kinds.

Chicago, May 8.—Further evidence that the United States at present is being used by other countries as a "dumping ground" for adulterated products of food and drink was given today before the senatorial pure food investigating committee by Isaac Stuart, of William Hoag company, of this city. Mr. Stuart suggested to the committee that a national food law was necessary in this country to protect honest merchants as well as the consumer from the adulterated foods which were being imported.

According to witnesses the grades of coffee which we receive from Germany in large quantities and which is known as "black jack" was nothing more than a mixture of dead and green berries, either of which was not only of the poorest quality, but was unfit for consumption. The man to use in Brazil, he declared, was picking over coffee beans, keeping the best for home use and shipping to America the grades which were inferior.

JOHNSON KNOCKED OUT.

He Is Easy Game for Joe Walcott, of Boston.

Philadelphia, May 8.—Joe Walcott, of Boston, tonight practically knocked out Charley Johnson, of this city, in the tenth round of what was to have been a 15 round fight at the Ariel Athletic club, a suburb of this city. Johnson was in no condition to fight and was completely outclassed by his colored opponent, who was in prime condition. During the entire ten rounds Johnson made but five leads and landed only three times.

WILL RELIEVE DEWEY.

Rear Admiral Watson Is to Command the Asiatic Squadron.

Washington, May 8.—The navy department has elected a successor to Admiral Dewey to command the Asiatic station. Orders were issued today detaching Rear Admiral Watson from the command of the Mare Island navy yard and ordering him to report to Admiral Dewey at Manila to relieve that officer when he feels that he can be spared there.

THE CHICAGO AT TANGIER.

Admiral Howison Seeks a Settlement of American Claims.

Tangier, May 8.—The United States cruiser Chicago has arrived here to support the claims of the United States government against the sultanate of Morocco.

Rear Admiral Henry L. Howison of the United States consul, Mr. Samuel R. Gunnors, paid a visit to the foreign minister of Morocco, Sid Hamed Ben Musa.

Will of Rev. George Fox.

Easton, Pa., May 8.—The will of the Rev. George J. Fox, who died recently, and which left an estate valued at \$60,000, was probated here today. Among his bequests is one of \$1,000 to the First Baptist church, of this city, which he was past.

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THE NEWS THIS MORNING

Weather Indications Today: FAIR, WARMER.

1 General-American Furber's Compel Filippine Exports. 2 General-Proceses Further Restrictions on America. Conference of Republican Leaders at Philadelphia. Convocation of the Knights of Malta. 3 General-Base Ball Results. Financial and Commercial. 4 Local-Gala Day for Scranton and Visiting Firemen. 5 Editorial. Notorious Victims of Megalomania. 6 Local-Shorter Course Adopted for the Training School. 7 Story-"The Surviving Heart." 8 News Round About Scranton.

BIG VANDERBILT RAILROAD TRUST

Now Controls All of the Lines Between New York and Buffalo Except the Erie.

Cleveland, May 8.—The Leader will say tomorrow: According to a high official of the Vanderbilt lines in this city, the details of a big railroad trust, which is to include all the lines between Boston and Chicago, are now being worked out and the consolidation may be completed within the next few weeks. The recent purchase of short lines in New York, Pennsylvania, Ohio, Indiana and Illinois is in line with the consolidation which is in contemplation. It is not the purpose to have all the lines under one management exactly, but to apportion them among the Pennsylvania company, the Vanderbilt interests and the Baltimore and Ohio company, when it shall have been reorganized, giving to each system the lines that it can use to the best advantage.

The Vanderbilts now control all the trunk lines between Buffalo and New York with the exception of the Erie, the Lackawanna and the Lehigh Valley with the Erie, it is said, will come under the control of the Vanderbilts through the influence of the Morgans, while the Lehigh Valley may go to the Burlington system. The Lackawanna is now operated in connection with the Nickel Plate, a Vanderbilt line.

The Pennsylvania, which has an immense system already under its control, is expected to acquire the Cleveland, Akron and Columbus, with which it has a traffic arrangement at present, the Wheeling and Lake Erie, the Cleveland, Canton and Southern, and the Ohio Southern, as well as some minor lines. The Burlington and Ohio is allotted among others, the Lehigh Valley (possibly) the Cherry Creek road, which with the Philadelphia and Reading will form a through line from Pittsburgh to New York.

The purpose of the consolidation is said to be to prevent rate-cutting and to accomplish the organization into Joint Traffic association was originated to do.

GO-AS-YOU-PLEASE RACE.

Seventy-Two-Hour Event Begins in New York City.

New York, May 8.—A seventy-two-hour go-as-you-please race began at 1 o'clock this afternoon in Grand Central Palace, with sixteen starters. The men will be on the track twelve hours a day until Saturday night. The prizes are \$500, \$200, \$100, \$75 and \$50, for first, second, third, fourth and fifth, respectively.

The attendance in the evening was more encouraging than during the day, although not many persons appeared before 10 o'clock. The contestants appeared to be taking it easy, evidently saving their strength for the last days. Deming left the course at 5:47 p. m. and did not return until 12:30 p. m. at 12 o'clock was: Hoggman, 70 mile; Cox and Guerrero, 66; Glick, 63; Day, 62; Hansen and Edwards, 60; Dawson, 58; Igo, 57; Barnes, 55; Craig, 54; Geary, 54; Martin, 52; Tracey, 49; Noremac, 48. Deming withdrew.

VETO AXE FALLS AGAIN.

Bills That Fail to Receive Governor Stone's Approval.

Harrisburg, May 8.—Governor Stone tonight announced the veto of the following bills:

Providing for the transfer of judgments and mortgages by the holder thereof at maturity upon the request of the debtor. The governor does not see any useful purpose to be served by such a law.

Fixing the salary of the treasurer of Northampton county. Vetoed on constitutional grounds.

Exempting buildings in boroughs and townships from theatrical and circus purposes from the license tax under the provisions of the act of 1895. He thinks the present law equitable.

Repealing the act of 1896 providing for the collection of the amounts due the commonwealth for the purchase of money, interest and fees due on patented lands.

The governor has approved a bill which remedies the evils complained of.

SWIFT JUSTICE.

Wm. Parrish Shot While Attempting to Assault an Old Lady.

Cumberland, Md., May 8.—William Parrish, a negro, 18 years of age, was shot and killed today by John Meyers, white. Meyers, it is said, caught the negro attempting a felonious assault upon Mrs. Katie Haler, an aged white woman, of Sulphur Spring Hollow.

WEATHER FORECAST.

Washington, May 8.—Forecast for Tuesday: For eastern Pennsylvania, fair and warmer; brisk and southerly shifting to north-westerly winds.

GERMANY'S MEAT BILL

Further Restriction on American Exports Arc Proposed.

AGAINST OUR INTERESTS

The Measure Agreed Upon Between Washington and Berlin Rejected by the Reichstag Committee and New Provisions Proposed Very Averse to American Interests. Some Hope That the New Bill Will Fail and the Government Measure Prevail.

Berlin,