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JEFFRIES STILL THE CHAMPION

He Defeats Jim Corbett in the Twenty-Third Round.

CLEAN AND FAST BATTLE

The Finishing Blow a Surprise and Is Greeted by Silence-Corbett Puts Up a Good Fight Until the Knock-Clean and Scientific, and the Crowd by Rounds.

Coney Island, May 11 .- In the fast it, prettiest and closest heavyweight ng battle ever fought in New York, ames J. Jeffries has reaffirmed his ight to the championship. In the arena of the Seaside Sporting club to light he decisively defeated Jim Corett, once champion of the world himelf, after 22 rounds of scientific fightng. It was a clean knockout that name so quickly that it dazed the sousands of keen, alert, intent specators and left them in doubt as to just how the winning blow was delivered. The knockout was done with a ight hand swing. There is credit for he victor and credit for the vanquished in this eleverest of ring batles. Jeff must be awarded the laurels of victory, yet his opponent is entitled to all honor for his most wonderful That feature of the contest stands out in relief as the most strik-

ing one of the battle. Corbett emerged from a year's rend fresh. He was fast and clever as ack in the days when people marvelled at his skill. His footwork was wonderful and his defense perfect. He outboxed his man at both long range and short range and if he had the strength necessary would have gained an early victory. A hundred times he ducked under left swings that would have ended him just as did the punch that knocked him out. At times he made the massive Jeffries look like a beginner in the art of offense and defense with the hands.

Won with Strength.

Jeffries won with his strength, both that strength that lies in the power of massive muscle and that strength | British at Zand river. Another estiwhich is the essence of vitality. He mate is that 6,000 Boers with six guns made the pace for most of the distance | made a rear guard action, while many and at the end was still strong and effective.

It is improbable that there was ever a more orderly affair under the Horton thousand infantry along a 20-mile law There was order in the assembling and handling of the great crowd advance toward Lord Roberts' comand other in the contest. The small army of police present was taskless | Brabant's colonials, General Rundle and the contestants themselves neither has no horsemen. The cavalry are all wrangled nor quarreled throughout the with Lord Roberts' advance. evening. The crowd gathered slowly.

There was but little betting on the outcome of the battle. There has been so much delay and interference in the earlier stages of the negotiations for the fight and so much doubt created by the former showing of the men that the betting was killed. In the small sums placed Jeffries was a clear fa-

vorite at odds of two to one. The contestants were slow to go to the ring and the fight, promised for 9.45, was nearly an hour late. The reception of the men at the ringside was warm, but not demonstrative. Jeffries looked burly in his blue sweater. Corbett was clean, white and trim. He said he weighed more than

he did not look it. The crowd showed its first enthusiasm over the announcement that Charley White would be the referee.

In the preliminary sparring Corbett showed to wondrous advantage. He much attention. was panther-like on his feet and darted in and out with confusing speed, He whipped his left into Jeffries' face and was either inside or away from the punch. Jeffries kept going in, however, but he seemed awkward. The pace made by the champion was fast.

Superb Exhibition

It made a superb exhibition and there were murmurs of approval that at times broadened into cheers, Corbett was out-boxing his man and outpointing him with his lefts to the face. were both fighting careful, for, while Corbett and the speed and cleverness, Jeffries was hard to get to. Jeffries fought in his crouching tude, which proved so hard for Fitzsimmons. Jeffries quickly began to use his strength and in the clinches threw a little of his strength on to his opponent. Corbett showed surprising bility against him and it was long before the strength of the champion began to tell. Jeff was grim and reolute and kept at his man relentlessly. He knew that he was outpointed and that his only chance was to rush in and mix it. Corbett kept his

wits and strength and avoided him. By the seventeenth round Jeffries, maddened by the danger of marring his reputation, began a series of desperate rushes in which he maintained it fiercely. He seemed angered by the jabbing at his face and wanted to end it all with a swing from left or right. Corbett had begun to show the pace, but while his punches lacked force, he was still speedy on his feet, fle contented himself with avoiding

At the twentieth round it looked as if Corbett would stay the limit, and popular judgment awarded him victory. He had up to that time avoided any serious punishment. Jeffries was hammering away, however, and was strong and game. The end came with the suddenness of a shock. The men had had two fierce rallies, followed

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MEMORIAL TABLET.

Unveiled at the Armory of the Ninth Regiment at Wilkes-Barre.

Wilkes-Barre, May 11.-A bronze memorial tablet in memory of the members of the Ninth regiment, N. G. P., who died while the regiment was encamped in the south during the Spanish-American war, was unveiled at the armory here this evening. The tablet is the gift of Major I. A. Stearns, whose son, Captain Dennison Stearns, died of typhold fever while serving with his regiment at Chickamauga. Besides young Stearns two other captains and 27 privates died. Nearly all were fever victims.

Governor Stone and staff, General I. P. S. Gobin and staff, and Adjutant General Thomas J. Stewart arrived in town this afternoon from Easton. They were escorted to the armory by the Ninth regiment. The parade passed over the principal streets of the city. Later the governor reviewed the soldiers.

The exercises at the armory were opened by prayer by the chaplain of the regiment, Rev. W. F. Johnson. Hon. Stanley W. Woodward, president Out Blow Is Received-The Battle | judge of the county courts, introduced Governor Stone, who delivered an ad-dress eulogistic of the citizen soldiery of Spectators Orderly-The Fight of the commonwealth. He was followed by General Gobin, who spoke at length on the services rendered the state and country by the National

> On behalf of Major Stearns, ex-Attorney General Palmer presented the regiment with the tablet. Colonel C. B. Dougherty, commanding the regiment, accepted the gift. General Stewart delivered a patriotic address and the exercises were brought to a close by benediction by the chaplain.

BRITISH AT VRYSBURG.

Advance Column Arrives Within 100 Miles of Mafeking-Harrassed by the Boers-The Pick of General Hunter's Mounted Men Pressing Rapidly Forward Into the Enemy's Country.

London, May 12 (4.30 a. m.) .- A British column, 3,000 strong, has arrived at Vryburg, 100 miles from Mafeking. tirement from the ring rejuvenated It reached there Thursday, and though harrassed by the Boers, is rushing swiftly forward. Fifty miles south of Vryburg at Taungs, is General Hunter's main body, moving slowly and contending with considerable forces. The pick of his mounted men are the 3,000 who are going without wheeled transport and at a rate that may possibly bring them to Mafeking on Monday or Tuesday next. Lord Roberts' narrative closes with

Thursday evening, but he continued his march yesterday toward Kroonstad, twenty miles distant, and by this time he must know whether the Boers intend to fight there. Winston Churchill says there were

only 2,000 Boers who opposed the other thousands, with convoys, retired without firing a shot.

General Rundle has disposed ten front in such a way as to bar a Boer munications. With the exception of

HOUSE BREAKS RECORD.

Passes 180 Private Pension Bills Discussion of the Proposed Armor Plate Factory in the Senate.

Washington, May 11 .- No disposition has been made as yet of the naval appropriation bill by the senate, but after an all-day discussion an agreement was reached to vote on the armor plate section at 3 o'clock tomorrow after-

During the day's discussion a notable speech was delivered by Mr. Lodge, of on the day he defeated Sullivan, but Massachusetts, upon the necessity of building up the United States navy without delay. The speech was delivered with the vigor and earnestness characteristic of Mr. Lodge's discussion of public questions, and attracted

> Mr. Daniel, of Virginia, presented an extended argument in support of the immediate construction by the government of an armor factory, while Mr. Allison, of Iowa, opposed the project of a government armor plate factory

> on the score of economy. The house today broke all records by passing 180 private pension bills. Among them was the senate bill to pension the widow of the late General Guy V. Henry, the house reducing the amount from \$100 to \$50 per month. The house adjourned utnil Monday.

LADIES OF GOLDEN EAGLE. Committees Appointed at Allentown Yesterday.

Allentown, May 11 .- The grand temple, Ladies of the Golden Eagle, adjourned this afternoon. An appropri ation of \$50 was made to the Knights of Golden Eagle paper. Grand Templar Rodgers appointed the following

committees:

Appeals-Mrs. Flora Lobst, Mrs. Es ther Pixley, Mrs. Annie Roberts, Mrs. Bertha Hopl, Sarah Miller, Marie Koons. Law-Mrs. Caroline Truchses, Flora Frick, Ida Shick, Flora Kern Emma Cook. Credentials.-Mrs. Annie R. Hummel, Mrs. Hammer, Mrs. Hauk. Elections-Miss May F. Adams, Mrs. Jennie Chubb, Mrs. Madeline Taylor, Mrs. Owens, Lydia Kemmerline. Printing-Mrs. Johanna Leasner Mrs. Lizzle Lockhart, Mrs. Rudhart, Mrs. Obertander, Mrs. Downey.

Grand Master of Records Barnes re ported to the grand castle a membership of 40,286, a gain of 1,869 during the year.

DEATHS OF A DAY.

Harrisburg, May 11 .- Dr. George H. Markley, a well known citizen and one of the managers of the Harrisburg Opera house, died today at his residence in this city. He was engaged in the drug busultiess in Harrisburg from 1866 until three years ago, He was born at Lancaster, at the works of L. Schmidt C. Schmi

WANAMAKER'S WOE IS MADE PUBLIC

CLAIMSTO HAVE BEEN THREAT. ENED BY ABE L. ENGLISH.

He States That the Director of Public Safety Has Tried to Gag the Criticisms of His Son's Paper-In the Interest of Good Order He Feels It | kell. His Duty to Make the Matter Public.

Philadelphia, May 11 .- John Wana maker gave out for publication tonight a letter and statement in which he makes the sensational charge that Director of Public Safety Abraham L English, in an attempt to silence the attacks of the North American upon the administration of Mayor Ashbridge, threatened to retaliate by publishing affidavits directed against the personal character of Mr. Wanamaker. The letter is as follows:

Philadelphia, May 11, 1990.

I deem it my duty to submit to the public the following narration of an incident which took place in my office on Thursday morning last-Under ordinary circumstances there possibly could be no excuse made for the infrusion of such a private matter on the public attention; but when a powerful city official, the chief ccut cillor of the mayor, controlling the police force of a municipality, threatens a citizen with deliberately concocted and scandalous attack of his character, unless he silences the criticism of a newspaper upon the acts of public officials he occurrence is more than a private grievane -it is an incident of far reaching and menacing importance. No more insidious and terrorizing form of blackmail could be devised. The threat of the chief of police of a great city, speaking for a mayor and municipal administration, is be idle boast; it is a monstrous and audactous attempt to intimidate and coerce by an unlawful and revolting abuse of power. To be silent under such circumstances would be an encouragement to lawless and truculent officials, reserved converses, it would not have can harass and converses, it would converse the converse to the converse t and oppress. It would embolden the perpetrators of such practices and put weak men at their mercy. I regard it, therefore, as a duty to the newspaper press of the city and country, as well as to the entire community, to lay before the public the following facts. John Wanamaker.

This is followed by a circumstantial account of a remarkable interview between Director English and Mr. Wanamaker, alleged to have taken place yesterday in the latter's office in his store. Mr. Wanamaker says Director English's secretary called on him soon after 9 a. m. and stated that the director would like an interview. In about twenty minutes the director arrived, accompanied by Commissioner of City

Property George G. Pierie. After an exchange of greetings, Director English said: "I have come over here to talk to you about these attacks on the mayor and the administration in the North American. After the talk he and I had with you last December, I thought there would be no more trouble about it, and the paper did apparently stop for awhile, but it was only a little while, and they have been going on ever since. The mayor and I have stood it now for a year, and we are not going to stand it any longer. He then said to me: "Have you seen

the North American this morning?"

Did Not Read the Paper. I said, "Yes, but I have not read it.

'Well," he replied, "there these atacks appear again in a big double column editorial, and we are going to stand it no longer." (This editorial referred to was

criticism of the mayor's approval of the Keystone telephone ordinance.) At this point, I said to him: "Wel!, Mr. Director, in view of the character of this conversation which you have entered upon, as you have brought a witness along with you, I think I shall ask some one to come in to be present upon my part to hear what takes I thereupon stepped to an outer office and requested my secretary, Mr. Meyers, to come in, which he

Mr. Wanamaker then informed Mr English that the North American is the property of his son, Thomas B. Wanamaker, and is controlled and managed by him alone, and that he (Mr. Wanamaker) had nothing to do with its publication. Continuing, he said he would not interfere in any way with whatever his son intended to do with his paper, and furthermore, he would not permit the director of public safety or the mayor himself to dictate to him on a question like this.

Mr. English answered that no one will believe that Mr. Wanamaker did not own and run the paper. "That is as much as to say that you think I am a liar?" rejoined Mr. Wan-

amaker. Mr. English replied that he had not said he was a liar, and when Mr. Wanamaker reiterated that he would not interfere with the paper, Mr. English

said: "Very well. Then I want to give you notice that for eight months we have been looking up your personal record from the time you were postmaster general. We have followed you throughout Washington, Philadelphia New York and even in Europe, and we have fortified ourselves with affidavits against you and since you have been attacking other people we will now turn on you."

After some further controversy Di-rector English said: "Well, sir, I insist that you shall stop these attacks of the North American on the administration. If you do not you will have no one to blame for the consequences but yourself. We will not stand it any longer and we give you notice. You can stop it .. you want to.'

Mr. Wanamaker-"Your language is offensive and very insulting. You come to me in my private office and practically call me a liar, and threaten me with the use of affidavits which you say you have collected against my character, if I do not comply with your wishes and stop the publication of a certain newspaper in criticism of your administration. I can hold no further conversation with you and I request you to leave my office at once." Mr. English then left the office with his companion.

Chain Makers Strike. York, May 11 .- The chain makers, employed at the works of J. C. Schmidt & Co. iber, went on strike this morning. A deman for an increase of ten cents per hundred links was made and refused. The men have joine

STRIKERS ARRESTED.

Alleged Ringleaders of the Riots at Buttonwood Are in the Hands of the Sheriff.

Wilkes-Barre, May 11 .- Four of the alleged ringleaders of the miners' riot at the Buttonwood mine on Wednesday were arrested today by deputy sheriffs. They gave their names as Louis Newtatious, William Rovinski, Mathias Wukulskie and Michael Harr-

The prisoners were arraigned before Magistrate Chase for a hearing. William T. Smythe, general superintendent of the Buttonwood mine, was the principal witness for the prosecution. He said on the morning of the riot he tried to reason peacefully with the strikers, when they set upon him. Two men struck him with clubs and another man dealt him a blow with a stone. The blood was streaming from his wounds when he was rescued from the mob and carried away. Other employes of the mine who were assaulted by the strikers gave similar testimony.

Magistrate Chase held the defendants in \$1,090 ball for trial at court. The strikers gathered in large num-bers in the vicinity of the mine today, but made no demonstration. The company had a large number of coal and iron policemen on hand and all who wanted to go to work were given ample protection. The colliery was in operation all day.

HAMILTON'S DEFENSE.

Claims the Attacks Upon His Department by Grange Committee Were Made Without Authority.

Harrisburg, May 11.-Secretary of Agriculture Hamilton issued a statement today defending himself against the attacks upon his department by the legislative committee of the state grange. He says the resolutions adopted by the committee was precisely the kind of action that a body. composed as it was, would be likely to adopt. He claims to be informed by prominent grangers that this committee has no authority to act and speak for the grange in matters of that sort and that its action will be reviewed by the state grange at its next meeting.

"I wish to say," Secretary Hamilton concludes, "that if these men or any others know of anything that I have done that is wrong, let him say so, and not try to create prejudice by insinuations of things that they are afraid to plainly state. When Governor Stone wants my resignation he will ask for it without any prompting by the Democratic members of the ex ecutive committee of the state grange."

DISORDER AT MADRID.

Trouble Due to the Anti-Taxation -Gendarmes Hit by Rioters-A Number of Arrests Made.

Madrid, May 11.-Dispatches just received here show that disorders due to the anti-taxation agitation, similar to those which took place at Valencia yesterday, occurred last night at Barcelona and at Seville. The rioting was particularly severe in Barceiona, where a crowd threw up barricades in the streets and exchanged musketry fire with a body of gendermes. Shots were also fired from the verandas and balconies of a number of houses. Sev-

eral gendarmes were nit. A number of the rioters were arrested. Order has now been restored in the city, but it is rumored that martial law will be proclaimed there. At Seville a mob threw stones at the building of the military club, shattering the windows and the gas lamps. The gendarmes only succeeded in dispersing the rioters after a hard fight, during which several citizens, two gendarmes, a police inspector and two members of the municipal guard were wounded. A force of infantry and cavalry was summoned which soon cleared up and occupied the streets.

SHAMOKIN BRIBERY TRIAL.

Councilman Who Accepted Bribes to Trap Others Gives Testimony. Sunbury, Pa., May 11 .- In the Shamokin bribery trial. Robert V. Thompon, one of the councilmen who accepted bribes to trap the others, was on the stand all day. He testified that the Montello Brick company and the Canton, O., brick people offered and gave money in sums ranging from \$15 to \$1.500 to the members of council under indictment for their votes and influence for the adoption of their bricks to pave Market, Commerce, Mt. Carmel and other streets in Shamokin. The proceedings were frequently interrupted by vigorous objections on the part of counsel for the accused in an effort to exclude from the evidence conversations which were alleged to have taken place during the last ten

Thompson gave dates and the places where he received money to vote and use his influence to have the Montello brick adopted; that he also received a suit of clothes from Mayer Rothschild, a clothier, who was interested in the adoption of the Montello brick. He stated that some of the transactions took place in hotels, on the streets and in secluded places, as the occasion required; that money was still due him from the accused councilmen, whom he testified receive the amounts agreed upon as soon as the deals were carried out. At 4 o'clock the witness was turned over to the de fense for cross-examination. Aside from getting the dates mixed occasionally, his testimony was unshaken By the consent of all concerned court was acjourned until Tuesday morning, when the cross-examination of Thompson will be renewed.

Golden Eagle Per Capita Tax. Allentown, May 11.-The Golden Eagle grand castle today fixed the per capita tax at 15 cents semi-annually, and devided to n-eet next year in Lebanon, the vote on the latter question be-ing: Lebanon, 168; Eric, 33; Hellefontc, 23.

Jack Bonner Outclassed

Philadelphia, May 11 .- Joe Walcott, of Bostor tonight, at the Industrial Athletic club, clearly outclassed Jack Bonner, of Summit Hill, I'a., in a six-round bout. At no stage of the fight did Bonner bave a show.

ON THE WAY TO THE BOERS' CAPITAL FILIPINOS



In spite of loss of comrades, danger from an alert and wily foe, and the risk of contracting the deadly fevers of South Africa, Tommy Atkins keeps his spirits up. The greatest enthusiasm prevails when two regiments that were neighbors at home meet amid the dan-thirty seven of the insurgents. gers of conflict. For a moment discipline is relaxed and the soldier becomes an excited, wildly cheering madman.

CONFERENCE ON WOMEN DELEGATES

QUESTION BRINGS OUT LARGEST CROWD AT CHICAGO.

Consideration Finally Postponed for Seven Days-Delegate Leonard Makes Report for Commission Appointed to Consider Consolidation of Freedmen's Aid Society with Other Organizations - Objections Are Made to the British Flag for Decorative Purposes.

Chicago, May 11.-Anticipation of a spirited debate on the women delegate question brought out the largest crowd oday that has yet attended the Methodist general conference. The veterans, who oppose the admission of women to the annual conference on scriptural grounds, were ready for further aggressive warfare, as were also the champions of the woman delegate.

Rev. J. W. Butler, of Mexico, presided over the devotional service, and Bishop Fowler took charge of the business session. Consideration of the question of ad-

mitting women as delegates to the general conference was at once taken up as the special order of the day. Considerable feeling developed among

the contending speakers during the discussion that followed, but before any action could be taken a motion offered Delegate Charles W. Smith, of Pittsburg, to postpone consideration of the matter for seven days, was car-

Delegate A. B. Leonard, chairman of the joint committee of fifteen appointed from the Mission society, Church Extension society and Freedmen's Aid and Southern Education society, tw consider plans for the consolidation of those three organizations, presented the commission's report. The report considers consolidation neither advisable nor practicable, but directs that the bishops nominate a commission, to consist of three bishops, six ministers and six laymen, said commission to submit its plan of consolidation to the next general conference.

After a brief debate the report of the committee was adopted. Delegate Emmons, of California, had a 'resolution adopted endorsing the movement to secure an amendment to the constitution of California, so as to exempt church property from taxation.

The conference then adjourned for the day.

Objected to British Flag.

The conference hall was draped in the national colors today. A delegate from India called attention to the fact that all of the members were not American citizens, and asked to have the British flag displayed on the platform with the Stars and Stripes. The suggestion was greeted with shouts of disapproval and Bishop Fowler prevented trouble by ruling it out of or-When quiet was restored the consid-

eration of the question of admitting women as delegates to the general conference was taken up as the special order of the day. A large audience was assembled in anticipation of a spirited

TO PURCHASE BRIDGES. Four Steel Magnates Arrive in Phil-

adelphia from England.

Philadelphia, May 11.-Four millionaire iron and steel manufacturers arrived in this city from England today and are said to be on an important mission for the British government. They are: R. Hedly, Spennymoor: Harry Crow, West Liverpool: Charles T. Bagley, Stockton-on-ter and F. M. Wistgarth, Middleford. They were met by a representative of the Pencoyd iron works, who escorted them to the company's plant.

The visitors are supposed to have ome here to make arrangements with the Pencoyd Iron company for the construction of several bridges to be built in South Africa after peace has been

restored. Oppose Revision of Doctrines. Philadelphia, May 11 - The Presbytery of Philadelphia declared itself today as overwhelmingly opposed to any revision of the fundamen tal doctrines of the Presbyterian church.

THE NEWS THIS MORNING

Weather Indications Tolay:

FAIR; WARMER.

General-Champion Jeffries Defeats Corbett British Advance at Vrysburg. Filipinos Attack the Americans, John Wanamaker's Latest Grievane Methodist Conference and Women Delegate

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Court Proceedings. 7 Local—Saloon Men Will Close on Sunday. Annual Session of Pennsylvania Odd Fellow

8 Local-West Scratton and Suburban 9 Round About the County,

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12 Local-Live News of the Industrial World. DUN'S REVIEW OF TRADE.

The Country Is Recovering from the Embarrassments of Unnaturally

New York, May 11.-R. G. Dun Company's Weekly Review of Trade

will say tomorrow; With wholesome promptness country is recovering from the embarrassment of unnaturally high prices. No disturbance or stringency of credits result, nor any sign of alarm. The proportions of work and of hands unemployed is quite small and the volof business transacted, less than last year in New England and middle state cities is larger than ever before at fifty-four out of sixty three clearing houses in the entire region west of Pennsylvania and south of the Potomac. Production stimulated by high prices rises above the consumption retarded by them. The weekly output of pig Iron May 1 was 293,850 tons, against 289,482 April 1, while unsold stocks not held by the great steel makers increased 44,645 tons. This would indicate a daily consumption of 40,641 tons, against 41,642 in January, hitherto the largest, but for the fact that considerable stocks have also ac cumulated in the hands of consuming more than 1,000 tons daily are now idle. Bessemer pig at Philadelphia and Lehigh Valley No. 1 are quoted at \$22 per ton and the market wire has been reduced in correspondence with

barbed and plain. Wool yields a little more, chiefly in the finer grades. Cotton goods are also irregular and in unsatisfactory condition. Shipments of boots and shoes from the east for the first week of May were small. Accounts indicate that dealers' stocks throughout the county are unusually large and many shops are closed, while many more

have but little work ahead. In spite of good exports, wheat prospects suffice to cause a decline of 1% cents, while corn has declined 2% Corn exports still run much beyond last year's, in two weeks 6,850.503 bushels, against 4,720,666 last year, and Atlantic exports of wheat, flour included, have been in two weeks 5,199,-508 bushels, against 5,236,705 last year, with Pacific exports 1,094,679 bushels, against 1.089,132 last year. Of both grains the movement from the farms is large enough to dispel all fear that

the supply will run short. Failures for the week have been 192 in the United States, against 165 last year, and fifteen in Canada, against twenty last year.

Paint Mills Burned.

Allentown, May 11. - The paint works at Alburtis. Pa., were burned today. Loss, \$15,000 urance, \$7,800. The buildings destroyed the new three story frame paint mill, cipped and fully stocked, the copper shor oil mill. The fire started in the boiler he The works employed forty men.

Corporations Chartered.

Harrisburg, May 11.--Charters were granted at the state department today to these corpora-tions: The Spece Box and Lumber company, Pittaburg, capital \$200,000; Consmaugh Stone company, Philadelphia, capital \$60,000; The Crystal Springs Brewing company, Conshohoc capital \$50,000. +++++++++++++++

FIGHTING

A Body of 500 Attacks Twenty-Five American Scouts.

ARE FORCED TO RETIRE

Town of Trocin, Near Bulan, Sacked and Burned by the Rebels-Three Hours' Battle on the Island of Leyte-Major Andrews Drives General Mojicas from a Stronghold

Manila, May 11 .- A force of 500 insurgents attacked twenty-five scouts of the Forty-eighth regiment near San Jacinto, province of Pangasinan, on Monday, but were routed by the scouts, ten of their number being killed. The Americans fort two killed.

On April 26 the rebels burned and sacked the town of Trocin, near Bulan, and murdered natives who were friendly to the Americans as well as two Spaniards. The Americans killed

On the same date Major Andrews, with two companies of troops, attacked General Mojica's stronghold near Ormee, Leyte island. Mojleas had brass cannon and plenty of ammunition, but after three hours of fighting the insurgents fled. Their loss is not known. The Americans lost two killed and eleven wounded. They destroyed the enemy's rifles, powder and stores The islanders of Masbete received Colonel Hardin's expendition in a different manner from that in which hose of Marinduque received it. At the latter place only a few insurgents were found, and Colonel Hardin left one company of the Twenty-ninth regiment there. On approaching Palanoc, the principal town of Masbete, however, Colonel Hardin found the insurgents' trenches fully occupied. The gunboat Helena accordingly bombarded them vigorously, after which three companies of soldiers were landed. The latter took the trenches with little resistance. One Filipino was killed. Two or three hundred insurgents hold the neighboring towns, and the natives are apparently unfriendly.

BACK FROM THE PHILIPPINES. Battalion of Fourteenth Infantry

Welcomed to Detroit. Detroit, May 11.-A battalion composed of 220 members of the Fourteenth United States infantry arrived in Detroit today, after a long, wearying journey from the Philippine islands. Although it was raining steadily the veterans were warmly welcomed by Mayor Maybury and other citi-Escorted by local volunteers zens. who had seen service in the Spanish war, the battalion marched to the Light Guard armory, where refreshments were served and speeches of welcome delivered. The battalion then proceeded to Fort Wayne, to which it has been assigned.

ARMY RECOGNIZES THE NAVY.

Gen. Young Thanks Rear Admiral Watson for Aid in Philippines.

Washington, May 11.-One of the last official acts of Admiral Watson prior to surrendering command of the Asiatic station was to acknowledge the receipt from General Young of a cordial recognition of the effective co-operation of the navy in the campaign conducted by General Young's forces in northern Luzon in the last pursuit of Aguinaldo. Secretary Long indorsed the admiral's letter as follows: "The department is pleased to note this evidence of cordial co-operation between the two branches of the government

PRESIDENT SPARES A LIFE.

concerns of which enough to use much | Private Miller's Sentence Commuted to Imprisonment.

Washington, May 11 .- In the case of Private Frank Miller, Company Twenty-third infantry, who was tried by general court martial and convicted of assaulting a woman near San Nicolas, island of Cebu, and sentenced to be shot, the president has, upon the recommendation of the major general commanding the army and concurrence by the secretary of war, commuted the sentence to dishonorable discharge, forfeiture of all pay and allowances, and confinement at hard labor in a penitentiary for the period

of twenty years. EXPERTS GO TO HAVANA

Inspectors Fosness and Gregory Will

Examine Accounts of Neely. Philadelphia, May 11.-Postal Inspectors Fosness and Gregory, of this city, accompanied by two expert accountants from the auditor's office in Washington, left this city today for New York, where they will take a steamer

They are under orders to make a omplete examination of the postal acounts with a view of learning the extent of the alleged frauds for which C. F. W. Neely is now under heavy

Hanged by a Mob.

bail.

Hinton, W. Va., May 11 .- Will Lea, the negro the attempted to assault Mrs. H. Diefenbuch he telegraph operator at Sandate from the jail tonight, and hanged by a mob of

*************** WEATHER FORECAST.

Washington, May 11.-Forecast for Sat urday and Sunday: Eastern Pennsylvania - Fair, warmer, Saturday; Sunday, fair; variable winds becoming fresh southerly.