

RULING THE ISLANDS

Commission Soon to Assume Control in Philippines.

INSURGENTS INCREASINGLY ACTIVE.

Small Bands Ambush and Capture Parties of Americans—Manila Banks Form a Ring—Police Captain Shot.

MANILA, Aug. 6.—On Sept. 1 the commission headed by Judge Taft will become the legislative body of the Philippines, with power to take and appropriate insular moneys, to establish judicial and educational systems and to make and pass all laws.

No money will be permitted to be drawn from the insular funds except by authorization of the commission. Judge Taft and his colleagues will also exercise certain executive functions. For instance, they will appoint judges, officials in the educational department and officers of municipalities, which the commission will establish pending elections.

General MacArthur will be the executive head to enforce the laws of the commission, and he will conduct the government in accordance with the same until the commission recommends to President McKinley the appointment of a civil governor.

There has been an increase of insurgent activity during the last three weeks, especially in the way of ambushes and attacks upon small parties. First Lieutenant Alettaer of the engineer corps, with an escort of 15 men, was taken in ambush in the province of Nueva Ecija, Luzon, by a large force. The Americans fought until their ammunition was gone, and, as they were surrounded, there was nothing to do but surrender. One man was killed and three were wounded.

General Lacuna, who was in command of the insurgents, returned the wounded with a letter promising to treat the prisoners well.

Lieutenant Boeton Hulesberg (?) was ambushed and killed near Santa Cruz, province of Laguna.

Five men of the Twenty-fourth infantry were captured in Nueva Ecija, but Sergeant Schmidt of the Twelfth infantry, with seven men, trailed the captors and killed five.

The only three banks in Manila have formed a ring to reduce arbitrarily and without justification the rate of exchange for American gold. This has caused widespread indignation and many difficulties for commerce and minor business. The banks, however, are obdurate.

Captain Lara of the Manila native police was dangerously shot by an unknown assailant Saturday while on the street. He had been effectively enforcing regulations and had made enemies among the Filipinos, some of whom have long threatened vengeance.

North Carolina Elections.
CHARLOTTE, N. C., Aug. 4.—A special to The Observer from Raleigh says: "The Democrats rejoice quietly all over North Carolina. The returns show that Democratic majorities aggregate 64,678 and fusion majorities 5,125, making the net Democratic majority 59,553. There will be contests in several counties, there being alleged irregularities in Randolph and Harnett and smaller ones in Wilkes and Chatham. In the latter county at Congressman Atwater's precinct, the fusion stronghold, the fusionists are reported to have assaulted the election officers, smashed the ballot boxes and burned the ballots. The returns show that to the senate there are elected 38 Democrats and 9 fusionists, with three seats doubtful, and to the house 59 Democrats and 13 fusionists, while 12 seats are in doubt."

Largest Apple Crop Ever Known.
CLEVELAND, Aug. 4.—The sixth annual meeting of the National Apple Shippers' association came to an end last evening, and most of the 100 delegates have departed for their homes. The next meeting will be held at Toronto the first Wednesday in August, 1901. During the three days the convention was in session letters and telegrams were received from every fruit growing section of the country, and from these it is estimated that the apple crop this year will be the largest in the history of the United States, exceeding that of 1896, when 60,000,000 barrels were gathered.

Much Gold Received.
WASHINGTON, Aug. 3.—Reports to the bureau of the mint show that the receipts of gold at the Seattle assay office in the month of July from the Klondike amount to \$6,084,000 and from Alaska to \$236,000. At San Francisco the original receipts were \$2,150,032 from the Klondike and \$121,676 from Alaska. The total receipts of the San Francisco mint in July from all sources, including the Seattle assay office, amounted to \$18,400,000. The total receipts on the Pacific coast from the Klondike so far this season are about \$9,500,000, against \$7,630,000 at the same time last year.

Secretary Hay's Condition.
SUNAPEE LAKE, N. H., Aug. 7.—Secretary Hay, who reached here for his vacation last Saturday, is resting comfortably. The cold which he contracted on the way from Washington has caused a slight fever, and the strain of his duties in connection with the Chinese situation. Neither his physician nor the members of the family consider that he is suffering from anything more than a slight indisposition, and they say a few days' rest will thoroughly recuperate him.

Hornet Sting Fatal.
WESTFIELD, N. I., Aug. 4.—An unusual fatality is reported from the village of Woodville, ten miles east from here. Frank Barton, a farmer, 70 years of age, while mowing was stung by a black hornet and died four hours afterward. A physician was called, but he failed to reach the man in time to relieve his sufferings.

Another Pole Seeker.
BERLIN, Aug. 6.—Captain Banendahl of the imperial navy, who has been arranging for an expedition in search of the north pole, will set sail from Hamburg Aug. 11 on the Matador, a fishing schooner of 44 tons burden. He now intends to enter the pack ice east of Spitzbergen.

Great Storm in England.
LONDON, Aug. 7.—A regular cyclone has prevailed throughout the United Kingdom since early last evening. Loss of life on land and sea and the destruction of shipping and other property are reported.

CONDENSED DISPATCHES.

Notable Events of the Week Briefly and tersely told.

William Clark, the thread manufacturer, died at Watch Hill, R. I. The weather bureau at Washington predicted that the hot wave would last several days.

The Italian foreign office announced that the funeral of King Humbert would take place at Rome Aug. 9.

Investigation of the alleged shortage in accounts of three Pittsburg building and loan associations has begun.

The postal commission at Washington recommended an allowance for 40 additional letter carriers for New York city.

The Adickes faction of the Delaware Republicans nominated a ticket including several of the regular wing of the party.

The Kongo Free State authorities have apologized to England for a raid on British African territory above Lake Nyanza.

The Powers conspiracy trial in Georgetown, Ky., was continued, the prosecution announcing that testimony would close by Saturday.

Monday, Aug. 6.
No further cases of yellow fever occurred at Tampa.

Four thousand cab drivers went on a strike in Paris.

Bishop Healy of the Roman Catholic diocese of Maine died at Portland.

Five persons were injured in a trolley accident near Paterson, N. J.

Mount Marcy, in the Adirondacks, was reported to be showing volcanic tendencies.

Andrew D. White, ambassador to Germany, arrived at New York on the Deutschland.

Saturday, Aug. 4.
The new Japanese minister presented his credentials to President McKinley.

The passengers of the wrecked steamer Prins Willem I arrived at Cape Haitien.

Forest fires threatened to do immense damage in the Sierra Madre mountains, California.

The president has appointed 48 enlisted men in the regular army as second lieutenants.

The character of witnesses for the prosecution in the Goebel murder trial was attacked.

Daniel Howell resigned his position in the New York postoffice after continuous service of 47 years.

In the first of the series for the Seawanhaka cup the Canadian boat Red Coat had no trouble showing her superiority over the Minneapolis, the American challenger.

Friday, Aug. 3.
Gilman, a mining town in Eagle county, Colo., was wiped out by fire.

United States Consul M. Irving Shaw died at Barranquilla, Colombia.

The sultan of Turkey has conferred the Order of the Medjidie upon Mr. Charles Steinway.

The driver boys at No. 2 shaft of the Susquehanna Coal company at Nanticoke, Pa., went on strike.

The extensive chrome works of the Baltimore Chrome company at Fairfield, Md., have been destroyed by fire.

Thursday, Aug. 2.
West Australia voted overwhelmingly for federation.

Ex-Governor Wolcott has accepted the ambassadorship to Italy.

John Bowles died beside the engine he had not left a single day for 24 years.

The Nicaraguan government seized the property of the Maritime Canal company.

By a decision of the Hartford probate court Charles H. Hoyt will be released from the insane asylum.

Edward Jarvis Cave, a building contractor in London, failed, with liabilities of \$500,000 and assets amounting to \$47,000.

Caleb Powers, on trial at Georgetown, Ky., for alleged complicity in the murder of William Goebel, continued his testimony in his own defense.

Wednesday, Aug. 1.
A cloudburst in Arizona caused much damage.

Hailstones "as large as golf balls" fell near Binghamton, N. Y., last night.

Several explosions of dynamite occurred on street car lines in St. Louis.

The battleship Wyoming will be launched Sept. 8 at San Francisco.

The tallyho of a coaching party at Racine, Wis., caught fire from a cigarette.

A daughter was born to Princess Cantacuzene, formerly Miss Julia Dent Grant.

Ex-Governor Wolcott was reported as saying that he would not accept the Italian mission.

The head was wrenched from the queen's statue in Elswick park, Newcastle, England.

A robber got \$470 and escaped from the Central Railroad of New Jersey station at Newark.

Richard Croker's horse American ran second in the race for Stewards' cup at Goodwood, England.

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Fasted Forty-one Days.
TRENTON, Aug. 7.—There comes to this city an apparently truthful story telling how Thomas Good of New Brighton township, Bucks county, Pa., a hamlet several miles up the Delaware river, fasted and refrained from drink for 41 days. Mr. Good is 79 years old, a Quaker and well known. He has been a sufferer from stomach trouble for years. Physicians say that no human being can live without drink for 41 days, and this part of the story makes it appear improbable. But an official of a bank in this city declares he personally knows that the old gentleman went without food or drink for many days.

British War Bonds.
NEW YORK, Aug. 4.—Subscriptions will be taken in this country for a new issue of \$10,000,000 in 3 per cent exchequer bonds, issued for the Bank of England. The bonds are to be for three years and will be issued at 98. Subscriptions are authorized to be taken in this country by J. P. Morgan & Co. and Baring, Magoun & Co. of New York, Kidder, Peabody & Co. of Boston and Drexel & Co. of Philadelphia.

Buffalo's Good Showing.
WASHINGTON, Aug. 7.—The population of the city of Buffalo, according to the official count of the returns of the twelfth census, is as follows: 1900, 352,219; 1890, 255,964. These figures show for the city as a whole an increase in population of 96,555, or 37.77 per cent, from 1890 to 1900.

DE WET, SURROUNDED.

Boers in a Trap Near Reitzberg. Baden-Powell Wounded.

LONDON, Aug. 6.—A special dispatch from Pretoria, dated Saturday, says: "General Christian De Wet is completely surrounded near Reitzberg, and it is impossible for his forces to escape through the strong British cordons.

"The Boers say they will make a stand at Machadodorp. They are short of ammunition and food. General Hamilton by the rapidity of his movements prevents reinforcements reaching Commandant General Botha.

"It appears that after the train carrying United States Consul Stowe and flying the stars and stripes was derailed at Honigspruit, south of Kroonstad, concealed Boers fired, killing four.

"Many residents of Pretoria have been sent into exile for having behaved cruelly or shamefully to British subjects before or during the war. The terms of exile vary, in one instance reaching 25 years."

The Laurence Marques correspondent of The Daily Express, writing Saturday, says: "Transvaal advices declare that General Baden-Powell was wounded during a recent engagement at Rustenburg, when the Boers, according to their account, took some prisoners and captured 324 wagons."

BASEBALL SCORES.
Results of Yesterday's Games in the National League.

At St. Louis—
St. Louis..... 0 1 0 0 0 0 2 0 *—3
New York..... 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0—0
Hits—St. Louis, 13; New York, 4. Errors—St. Louis, 9; New York, 0. Batteries—Powell and Criger; Hawley and Bowerman.

At Chicago—
Chicago..... 1 1 0 5 0 0 0 0 1—8
Brooklyn..... 2 0 2 0 3 0 0 0 0—7
Hits—Chicago, 9; Brooklyn, 12. Errors—Chicago, 1; Brooklyn, 2. Batteries—Cunningham and Chance; Kennedy and Farrell.

At Pittsburg—
Pittsburg..... 0 2 0 0 3 0 2 0 *—7
Philadelphia..... 0 1 0 0 0 1 0 0 1—3
Hits—Pittsburg, 10; Philadelphia, 12. Errors—Pittsburg, 1; Philadelphia, 4. Batteries—Cheabro and O'Connor; Donahue and Douglas.

At Cincinnati—
Cincinnati..... 0 1 0 0 0 0 0 0 0—1
Boston..... 0 0 0 0 0 0 1 0 0 0—4
Hits—Cincinnati, 5; Boston, 11. Errors—Cincinnati, 6; Boston, 3. Batteries—Phillips and Pettit; Dineen and Clarke.

Second game—
Cincinnati..... 2 0 0 1 0 0 0 0 0—3
Boston..... 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0—3
Hits—Cincinnati, 4; Boston, 3. Errors—Cincinnati, 2; Boston, 1. Batteries—Newton and Pettit; Lewis and Sullivan.

Table of Percentages.

	W.	L.	P.C.
Brooklyn.....	53	30	639
Philadelphia.....	48	54	542
Pittsburg.....	45	40	530
Chicago.....	42	42	500
Boston.....	42	42	500
St. Louis.....	37	44	457
Cincinnati.....	38	48	441
New York.....	31	49	387

Alabama Election.
BIRMINGHAM, Ala., Aug. 7.—A general state election for state and county officials and for members of the general assembly was held in Alabama yesterday, and a large majority was returned for the Democratic ticket, headed by William J. Samford of Lee county, who will be inaugurated as governor on Dec. 1. The Republicans, Populists and Prohibitionists had tickets in the field, but returns so far indicate a victory for the Democrats by an overwhelming majority. The Populists and Republicans will together possibly have 12 of the 133 members of the legislature, a loss of about 50 per cent. The Democrats have elected county officers in several counties which heretofore have been Populist. General apathy marked the election, and a light vote was cast.

Attempt to Kill the Shah.
PARIS, Aug. 3.—Muzaffer-ed-din, shah of Persia, who has been a visitor to the exposition since Saturday as the guest of France, narrowly escaped an assassin's bullet yesterday. It had been arranged that he should visit Sevres and see the national pottery works, going afterward to Versailles, and it was just after he had left the Sovereign's palace on his way to the Seine to go on board a yacht placed at his disposal for the trip that the attempt upon his life was made.

Poisoned His Father at Thirteen.
FRESNO, Cal., Aug. 6.—Fred Hines, 13 years old, has confessed that he poisoned his father, who is lying dangerously ill at the county hospital. The boy said that his father treated him cruelly and had refused to allow him to drive his team. He concluded to kill him. He and his younger brother bought the poison, which Fred put in his father's coffee.

Chicago Anarchists Arrested.
CHICAGO, Aug. 6.—Lucy Parsons and five other anarchists were arrested here yesterday while attempting to hold a meeting. The police had been informed of the gathering in advance and arrested the principals as soon as they appeared on the platform. A considerable amount of incendiary literature was confiscated.

Swindler Arrested.
MALONE, N. Y., Aug. 6.—A gold brick swindler who has been operating under the names of Smith, Ogden, Pratt and Flower is under arrest in the Franklin county jail at this place. About a month ago he swindled a Massachusetts farmer out of \$4,000 by means of the old game.

Hot in Chicago.
CHICAGO, Aug. 7.—Eleven deaths and several prostrations were reported yesterday as the result of the intense heat which is prevailing here.

He Bit a Torpedo.
NEW YORK, Aug. 7.—A number of youngsters playing on Mulberry street, near Prince, found a railroad torpedo. Peter Guclio, 6 years old, put it between his teeth and bit hard. Peter is in St. Vincent's hospital minus several teeth and a portion of his jawbone.

Christian Workers at Northfield.
EAST NORTHFIELD, Mass., Aug. 3.—The eighteenth annual general conference of Christian Workers opened here last evening. All day guests had been coming from all parts of the country to attend these meetings. There were over 1,000 persons in the auditorium, the largest gathering for an opening evening in the history of the conference. William R. Moody presided at the meeting, which was opened, as has long been the custom, by a song service conducted by Mrs. D. Sankey, who for over a quarter of a century was coworker of the late Dwight L. Moody. Mr. Moody said in opening that prayer should have the important place in this conference, and he called upon a number of prominent clergymen and laymen to lead in divine ancestral. Rev. G.

Campbell Morgan of London opened the addresses. It was a memorial address to Dwight L. Moody.

The Sultan Falling.
CONSTANTINOPLE, Aug. 7.—The sultan's health is falling fast, and his weakness is increased by his fear of assassination. He fainted yesterday morning, and this caused a rumor that he had been poisoned. He has ordered the dismissal of all Italians connected with his household or employed near the imperial palace. Just before the last selamlk the sultan gave orders that all visitors withdraw from the ceremony. Every stranger was removed from the palace and its vicinity. Among those excluded were several prominent Germans and Russians. The embassy officials are indignant over the expulsion.

Teachers' Examinations.
The regular examinations for teacher's provisional certificates will occur as follows: For Laporte, Boro. and Twp., at Laporte, Aug. 11. For Davidson, Shrewsbury and Eagles Mere, at Muncy Valley, Aug. 13. For Forks, Hills Grove, Elkland and Forksville, at Forksville, Aug. 14. For Fox, at Shunk, Aug. 15. For Colley, at Lopez, Aug. 17. For Dushore and Cherry, at Dushore, Aug. 18.

All examinations begin at 9:30 a. m. Teachers should be provided with a sufficient supply of paper and paper fasteners.

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Therefore, notice is hereby given to the Justices of the Peace and Constables within the county, that they be then and there in their proper places, on the 17th day of said day, with their records, inquisitions, examinations and other remembrances to those things to which their offices appertain to be done. And to those who are bound by their recognizance to prosecute against prisoners who are or shall be in the jail of said county of Sullivan, are hereby notified to be and there to prosecute against them as will be just.

H. W. OSLER, Sheriff.
heriff's Office, Laporte, Pa., Aug. 14, 1900.

Incorporation Notice.
Notice is hereby given that an application for the incorporation of a Borough, to be called the Borough of South Laporte, has been presented to the Board of Supervisors of the County of Sullivan, setting forth, inter alia, that the Borough of Laporte includes within its limits two villages, and that a majority of the freeholders residing in the most southerly of said villages, desire to have said Borough divided, and the part in which they reside, and which in said application is fully described, set off and incorporated into a new Borough; which application by order of the Court has been filed by the clerk, and the same will be heard by said Court at the next regular term following the presentation of the application to write at the term commencing on the third Monday of September, 1900, in accordance with the provisions of the Act of Assembly in such case made and provided.

August 8, 1900. T. J. & F. H. INGHAM,
Attorneys for Applicants.

Trial List for September Term, 1900.
Return day, September 17, 1900, at 2 o'clock p. m.

Dennis Dorsey vs Ann Lewis and Albert Lewis. No. 60. May term 1895. Piffs declaration plea, non assumpsit, and want of consideration. Mullen for Piff. Inghams for Deft.

F. H. Tomlinson vs David Marks, No. 144. Defendant's answer to the County of September term, 1897. Piff's statement, plea, non assumpsit. Mullen for Deft.

Henry L. Middendorf vs Mrs. Winifred Sturdevant. No. 49. Defendant's answer to the County of September term, 1897. Piff's statement, plea, non assumpsit. Mullen, Inghams.

Russel Karns vs A. L. Smith, No. 2, Feb. T. 1900. Defendants appeal. Piff, non assumpsit, payment with leave to give special matter in evidence, the bar of the statute of limitation and contract against public policy. Mullen for defendant.

T. L. Baro vs W. G. Little, No. 28 February term, 1900. Deft. appeal, plea, non assumpsit, payment etc. Inghams, Shoemaker.

Lewis Keeler vs James McFarlane, No. 55 February term, 1900. Deft. appeal, plea, payment and set off with leave etc. Mullen, Inghams.

Mary Middendorf (use) vs J. W. Carroll and D. E. Carroll, No. 49, May term 1900. Assumpsit, plea, payment etc. Mullen and Walsh for Piff; Cronin for defendant.

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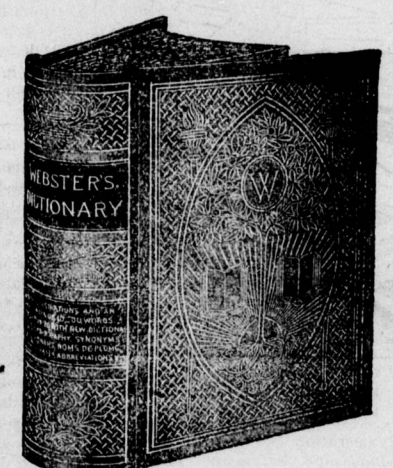
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