

## TRACKS WERE LEFT UNSUPPORTED.

### TRAIN WRECKED.

Washout Weakens a Road Bed and a Passenger Train is Dashed to Pieces—Nine Persons Killed.

The through train from Chicago to Minneapolis over the Rock Island and Burlington, Cedar Rapids & Northern railways was wrecked Sunday morning at the crossing of Sink Creek, about four miles southeast of Waterloo, Ia. The train consisted of six coaches, including mail and baggage cars, smoking car, two passenger coaches and steamer. Nine persons were killed and twenty-two injured. The list of dead is as follows: E. L. Arnold, lumberman, Minneapolis; W. A. McLaughlin, Muskegon, Mich.; R. H. Schwette, Alton, Ill.; David Hall, Minneapolis; F. S. Carpenter, St. Louis; Hawkins, Pullman conductor; Geo. Wainright, train conductor; one unknown person; Will Schollman, Waterloo, Ia.

A cloudburst had washed the sand and gravel roadbed, leaving the track unsupported for a stretch of twenty feet. The rails and ties held together and there was nothing to indicate the insecurity of the road. The engine struck the washout and was derailed in the ditch beside the track and behind it the cars were piled up in a confused heap. The mail car tipped over and was telescoped by the baggage car behind, while the rear end of the baggage car in turn telescoped the smoker. The roof of the sleeper ploughed its way through the day coach, while the lower half of the latter crashed through the sleeper.

The engineer and fireman jumped from the train and escaped with slight injuries.

Mr. Schwette of Alton, Ill., was brought to the city alive, but died at 8 o'clock. He was badly cut about the head and it was evident from the beginning that his injuries were fatal. He was on his way to Minneapolis, where he was to be married Monday. He asked his physician to telegraph his father and his sweetheart, "Tell her," he gasped, "that I have been detained by a wreck and cannot keep the appointment on time. Don't say any more."

F. J. Day, of Allison, Ia., a passenger said: "The train was running at good speed, and at a point about three or four miles from Waterloo it left the track. The engine and baggage car were thrown about ten feet. The engineer evidently had his engine under excellent control, as I never saw such a sudden stop. The smoker, where I sat, telescoped the baggage car and I found myself with the brakeman on the roof of the day coach."

A striking example of cool nerve and fortitude was shown by Will Schollman, a drummer for a St. Louis tobacco house, who made his headquarters at Waterloo. He was found in the passenger coach, his feet crushed between the front end of the sleeper and the side of the coach. He did not lose consciousness, but begged that his arm be sawed off so as to release him.

It was found that there was no possibility of releasing the unfortunate man in any other way, so this was done. Schollman gritted his teeth and looked on while his arm was amputated with a common hand saw not a mean coming from the poor fellow as the cruel instrument crushed between through bone and sinew. After he was released Schollman walked, almost unassisted to a nearby farmhouse. He was terribly weakened by loss of blood, however, and died Sunday night.

S. H. Bacher, who received internal injuries, but whose recovery is expected, is one of the best known Democratic politicians of Iowa. As a Populist he ran for congress against Col. Henderson, being endorsed by the Democratic gubernatorial nomination.

### CHOKED WHILE SWINGING.

Boy Caught in the Strands of a Rope and is Cut Down Dead.

When swinging in the rear yard of a tenement house in New York Monday, Oscar Friske, 13 years old, had his neck caught in the strands of the rope and was choked to death before aid could reach him. After swinging while the boy began to revolve so that the swing would unwind itself, "letting the old cat die," as children call the sport.

It is believed that after several turns of the swing had been made Oscar shifted his body so that the weight was uneven, and the strands on the lighter side parted. Through the opening his head was thrust, and in his efforts to extricate himself he is believed to have lost his balance, and was held suspended by the strands of rope.

Mrs. Theresa Gesser, the housekeeper, found the boy hanging and rushed to notify his father, Mr. Friske, but he was then unconscious, but he soon died.

### ONE THOUSAND HOMELESS.

Destructive Fire Destroys \$500,000 Worth of Property at St. John, N. B.

Fire that broke out in a building adjoining the general warehouse of P. N. & S. Sons, Main street, St. John, N. B., last Friday did enormous damage. A leading underwriter estimates the loss at \$500,000, and insurance at \$300,000.

The area burned over comprises 15 blocks, or portions of blocks, and the buildings destroyed number 15.

The district ravaged by the fire was composed largely of tenement houses, and probably 1,000 persons are homeless, a majority of them laboring people.

Two deaths are to be set down to the fire. A Miss Cunard, an aged lady residing on Holly street, was burned in her house, and Mrs. Arnold Morrey, who resided a short distance from the scene died from shock.

### Status for Dewey.

Subscription books were opened at San Francisco for contributions to the statue it is proposed to erect in Golden Gate Park in honor of Admiral George Dewey. The subscriptions aggregated \$25,000, comprising \$10,000 from Claus Spreckels, and \$5,000 each from Mayor Phelan, John W. Mackay and "A Friend." It is the hope of the promoters to erect a suitable statue of California marble at a cost of \$100,000. A committee of artists is now at work on a design.

### Nine Persons Burned to Death.

Advices from Pardeeville, S. C., report the burning to death of Jacob Solomons, his wife and seven children in a fire which destroyed their house, near Hardersville. The house has been damaged by a storm and the Solomons built fires on the floor to keep warm. It is supposed a fire, which was left smouldering after the family had retired, was fanned into a blaze and ignited the structure.

Director of Posts Vallejo, at Manila has notified the postoffice department that he has established a railway post service between Manila and Malolos.

## TENSE TELEGRAMS.

J. E. Hysterley was killed by an electric car at Pittsburg last Sunday.

Admiral Dewey has cabled that he will reach the United States October 1. The Blaine mansion at Washington has been sold to Mr. Westinghouse of Pittsburg.

Peter Phelan, aged 40, died in a New York hospital from excessive tea drinking.

Controller H. I. Gourley of Pittsburg died suddenly of heart failure last Saturday, aged 60.

Gold, assaying from \$40 to \$60 per ton has been discovered in Central West New York.

Juliette Rafferty was killed outright a few days ago at a grade crossing near Singapore, N. J.

The general assembly of the Presbyterian church at Minneapolis adjourned last Sunday.

Frederick Ruppert, an Allentown (Pa.) blacksmith, choked his wife to death and killed himself.

Major Samuel Hazlett, the Washington (Pa.) banker, was acquitted on the charge of embezzlement.

An engine jumped the track the other day at Dennison, Tex., and Engineer John Isom was killed.

The Ohio naval militia starts July 5 for an eight-day cruise on the United States steamer Michigan on the great lakes.

Richard Manning, a colored porter was killed at Olweim, Ia., a few days ago. His train was derailed and wrecked.

Chris Bowman, aged 75, and Mrs. Doris Lang were fatally injured by the collision of an electric car with their buggy at Detroit, a few days ago.

Only seven Cuban soldiers presented themselves for their \$5 share of the \$3,000,000 to be distributed by the Government. None surrendered arms.

James C. Saunders and wife, Christian Scientists of Buffalo have been barred from allowing their son to die without procuring medical attention.

The senate of New York passed unanimously the bill appropriating \$75,000 for the expenses of the celebration of the return of Admiral Dewey.

Blood-poisoning caused the death of Peter Morningstar at Pittsburg a few days ago. He would not submit to having his foot amputated, preferring death.

In self defense, Mrs. Charles Hutchinson shot her husband at Peru, Ind., last Wednesday. The woman is 28 years of age and Hutchinson is her fifth husband.

Eulalia Morton, the 2-year-old daughter of Mrs. F. Morton, of Pittsburg died from eating two boxes of pills which had been prescribed by a doctor for her mother.

The Yale corporation at its regular meeting last Friday elected Prof. Arthur Twining Hadley, M. A., president of Yale university, to succeed Timothy Dwight, resigned.

At Keokuk, Iowa, the city and county officers were closed to allow officials and employees to attend the funeral services of Mary Timberlake, the actress, who died in New York.

The Iowa State prohibition convention nominated W. Atwood Esterville for governor. Resolutions were adopted favoring woman suffrage and the election of senators by ballot.

A professional gang of burglars are successfully operating in Pittsburg. They put the occupants of a house to sleep by a liberal use of chloroform and then take everything of value.

The secretary of war has consented to the resumption of the annual football matches between the Annapolis and West Point eleven. These games have been suspended for two years.

Twenty thousand people gathered at Pittsburg, Ill., last Thursday to listen to William J. Bryan. One hundred guns were fired at sunrise in honor of the arrival of Mr. and Mrs. Bryan.

Colonel G. W. Cole, of Nashville, one of the best-known of the coal, iron and railroad capitalists of the South, dropped dead in the corridors of the Fifth Avenue Hotel, New York, Thursday.

A raft which was being used to transport the Twelfth infantry across the Pasig river in the Philippines last Thursday was overloaded and sank in mid-stream. Five of the soldiers were drowned.

A machine which will indicate the future of the stock market as the barometer foretells the weather is about to be placed in New York. The machine has been asked to take out stock in the alleged machine.

Editor William Stead, in a special cable message to "The Post," said that the week's work of the peace congress increased the prospects for establishing a permanent tribunal to settle international differences.

The board of tax commissioners at New York ruled that William Waldorf Astor, the Bradley-Martins and Mrs. Isaac Sherman, who have gone abroad to live, must pay their personal taxes as though living in this country.

The conference between the representatives of the trusts and the Amalgamated Association of Iron, Steel and Tin Workers at Detroit adjourned, having accomplished nothing, the trusts holding the demand of the men for raises in wages too exorbitant.

Seven persons were injured by the collision of two engines on the Pittsburg & Western railroad, Wittmer station, near Pittsburg. The collision was the result of another wreck in the morning, when a dozen cars were thrown from the tracks and a large quantity of live stock killed.

When the conference of members of the Democratic national committee adjourned at St. Louis Friday afternoon it had taken no action regarding the policy of the party in the coming presidential campaign, and planks for the platform were not even discussed. The meeting from first to last was one of discussion regarding methods of work of next year and the ways and means by which this work could be accomplished. The matters of "anti-trust" and "anti-imperialism" and silver were not touched upon.

### Deaths in the Recent War.

Adj. Gen. Corbin has prepared this statement of the number of deaths which have occurred in the army since the beginning of the war with Spain:

In Cuba, 1,399; in Porto Rico, 287; in the Philippines, 606; in the United States, 3,872; total, 6,264.

### Three White Men Lynched.

Three white men, James Humphries and his two sons, were lynched Friday night near the village of Aley, in Henderson county, a remote neighborhood, devoid of telegraph, telephone or railway connections and about 35 miles southwest of Dallas, Texas. The only charge against the men was that they harbored the murderer of a man named Melton.

Gov. Roosevelt has asked the New York state legislature to make an appropriation so that the state may take part in the reception to be accorded to Admiral Dewey.

## INSURGENTS FILLED WITH HOPE.

### WRONG IMPRESSIONS.

They Believe the Peace Negotiations Indicate That the Americans Have Weakened. Distress Now Prevails.

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The approach of the wet season finds the insurgents seemingly taking a new lease of life. All along the American lines the rebels are showing more aggressive activity in their guerrilla style than at any time before, since the fall of Malolos.

The United States troops in the trenches, sleeping in their clothing and constantly on the alert against dashes upon our outposts, and they make life warm for the American garrisons in the towns.

The hands of Gen. Luna, and Gen. MacArthur, which retreated toward Tulae when they feared they would be caught between Gen. MacArthur and Gen. Lawton, have returned in force to their old trenches around San Fernando, where there are really collisions.

Our lines on the south projecting toward Manila, all the way around to San Pedro Macati, the Filipinos have three rows of trenches most of the distance.

Reports from prisoners indicate that the insurgents construe the peace negotiations to mean that the Americans have had enough of fighting. The Filipinos are also encouraged by the belief that the Americans are preparing for an interval of inactivity during the wet season.

This period is sure to be followed by much suffering. Thousands of acres that were under cultivation last year have not been plowed this year, and the government will probably be obliged to feed thousands just as it fed the Cubans.

Friendly natives, Amigos, continue to pour into the American lines by land and river routes, coming from the territory of insurrection into the country.

The United States transport Morgan City, which arrived here from San Francisco with recruits for various regiments sailed Monday for Iloilo with the troops.

### HONORS FOR SCHLEY.

Formed by State Two Speeches While Attending a Theatre.

The tributes that Omaha people have been paying to Rear Admiral W. S. Schley during the past few days reached a culmination Wednesday night at Boyd's opera house when the admiral, as the guest of Sen. Manderson, occupied a box to witness Richard Mansfield's production of "Cyrano de Bergerac."

The admiral entered the theater about ten minutes before the curtain rose, and the immense audience kept up the applause until he rose and made a brief speech.

His first act was to first act the ovation began again and continued for fully ten minutes. It culminated when Mayor Moore leaped upon the stage and proposed three cheers for the hero of Santiago. The response nearly raised the roof and Schley had to make another speech.

The jury in the Exeter, Pa., railroad accident found the accident was due to negligence of certain employees of the company. The engineer, George C. Boyer, trainmaster, of Philadelphia, with equipping the special train with a crew unfamiliar with the main line; Engineer Orrell and Conductor Magee for reckless running, and Engineer Wilderman for having backed the signal at Exeter and the backing of 236 feet, and Train Dispatcher James J. Rourke is declared negligent in not notifying the special crew of the delay of the express.

### A Small Boy Tortured.

Morris Broggraf, a 4-year-old New York boy, was tortured by the letters "Hicg" branded on his right hip. In the Essex market court the boy told Magistrate Kuldich that while passing John Masterson's blacksmithshop some men called him inside and burned the letters on him. He picked out William Masterson, son of the proprietor as the person who burned him, and Masterson was held in \$1,000 bail. The police say the brand bore the word "Chicago," but that the first and last letters did not touch the boy.

### AT THE NATIONAL CAPITAL.

Gen. Otis notified the war department of the death Monday at Manila of Lieut. Pierce C. Foster, Third infantry, of typhoid fever.

The subscriptions for the Dewey home fund so far received by the national committee amount to \$3,709. Among those received was one of \$100 from vice-president Hobart.

The Anglo-American joint high commission is probably permanently off because Canada has demanded Pyramid harbor and a strip of land on the Lynn canal now in American territory near the Alaska coast.

The war department is in possession of 140 pieces of artillery captured from the Spaniards during the last war. Under the law the distribution can only be made to G. A. R. posts, soldiers' memorial associations or municipalities.

General Greeley has received a cablegram from Major Thompson, at Manila, reporting that a party landing for the repair of the cable at Escalante, island of Negros, had been treacherously attacked by natives.

Captain George H. Tilley, signal corps, is missing, and that the worst is feared.

Preliminary steps have been taken by the Washington board of trade for a welcome to Admiral Dewey on his return to that city. The district commissioners have been requested to appoint a committee to make an appropriation of the matter and also to represent the district in all questions pertaining to the reception of the admiral on his return to this country.

## AS LARGE AS GOOSE EGGS.

Big Hailstones Accompany a Tornado in Which Sixteen Persons Were Killed.

A disastrous and fatal tornado passed over the country in the vicinity of Bijou Hills, 25 miles south of Chambers, S. D., a few days ago, resulting in the death of seven persons and the serious injury of three others.

The killed are Charles Peterson and his six children, ranging in age from 3 to 15 years. The wife and two remaining children were so badly injured they may die also.

The tornado formed in plain view of hundreds of people and moved in a southerly course. The first place reached was that of Ara Codon, which was totally destroyed. The storm then destroyed a church and a schoolhouse, after which it reached the Peterson place.

The dead and injured there were strewn all about the premises, all being bruised and maimed in a shocking manner, while the buildings were smashed to atoms.

The tornado next destroyed the Greger premises, then passed into the range of hills skirting the Missouri where it appears to have been dissipated.

The path covered by the storm was only about 20 rods wide, and about three miles in length, but everything within that section was completely annihilated. Much live stock was killed.

The wind was accompanied by a heavy fall of rain and hail, the latter being as large as goose eggs.

### FEW CUBANS APPLY.

Only Thirty Were Allowed Their Share of the \$3,000,000.

There were 111 applicants Sunday for shares in the \$3,000,000 which the United States has offered as a gratuity to the Cuban troops. Thirty were given \$5 each. The others were not on the rolls, although they had guns which they were ready to turn in, and certificates of service.

The United States military authorities consider that the rolls are unreliable. Indeed, the opinion is freely expressed that a large proportion of the names are fictitious and that the rolls omit a majority of the names of those rightly entitled to share in the gratuity. The object of this, apparently, is to discredit the entire proceedings and to show the Cuban public that a large number of the troops refused to take American money.

Lieutenant Colonel George M. Randall pointed out 34 names of men, who are dead, and names of others who had not been heard of outside the rolls. Of those paid 25 turned in arms—Mauzers, Remingtons and carbines—the other five showed receipts from the alcalde, vouching for the delivery of their arms.

### COUNTERFEIT PLATES SEIZED.

Hiding Place Revealed by Those Charged With Making Them.

Chief Wikke of the treasury secret service has received information from Special Agent William J. Burns that he has secured the counterfeit face and back plates of a \$10 legal tender United States note, with the portrait of Gen. Sheridan, made by Baldwin S. Bredell, the Philadelphia engraver, who, with his pal, Taylor, is under arrest, charged with being the maker of the wholesale counterfeiting scheme recently unperished in Philadelphia and Lancaster, Pa.

Their possession was secured through a confession made last week by Taylor and Bredell, in which Bredell said that the plates were buried in the care of Snow Hill, Md., where he formerly lived, where his father now resides, the prisoner confessing that he had promptly went to the place described engraved the plates himself. Acting upon this information, Agent Burns and without difficulty secured the plates.

The royal family gathered at Windsor castle Wednesday and celebrated the eightieth birthday of Queen Victoria. Four generations in succession were present, and there was a great gathering of children and grandchildren of her majesty.

The one sad and pathetic feature of the celebration was the fact that the aged queen is about blind, and that an operation for cataract is inevitable. It is stated on good authority that her majesty has just consulted Prof. Pagenstecker, of Wiesbaden, who guarantees the success of the operation, and that the queen will enter the hospital until recently.

Paris Still on the Rocks.

The ninth attempt to float the American line steamer Paris was made Sunday evening and proved an utter failure. Her bow is absolutely impaled by the rocks. Five tugs were used in the endeavor to tow her off, three others standing by for an emergency. Her boilers, excepting those used for the pumps, were emptied to lighten the ship.

The effect of the strain of last week's attempts is apparent in the increase of water in the engine room. Efforts to pump her off will have to be discontinued, and it is proposed to construct some new plan for lightening the vessel.

### Practical Test of Theosophy.

Howard Kretz, about 22 years old, who says he is an art student of the Academy of Design in New York, made a thrilling and successful jump from the Brooklyn bridge just before dusk Monday evening, and came out of the river uninjured.

Kretz is about 5 feet 8 inches tall, and weighs about 140 pounds. He said that he had been reading a book on theosophy, and that he wanted to demonstrate that a man, by exercising his will power, could do anything he wished without injury to himself.

Restored to Consciousness by the Kaiser.

In the Thiergarten at Berlin last Thursday a cab horse bolted and its driver was thrown from the box. The emperor, accompanied by an aide de camp, was passing at the time, and they immediately dismounted from their horses, and his majesty superintended the work of picking up the cab driver and restoring him to consciousness. The emperor also took the name and address of the man, with the view of assisting him.

Struck, Crossing the Railroad Tracks.

Joseph Keller and Roy Sherman, of Alden, N. Y., and Louis Carey, of Auburn Four Corners, Pa., were killed at Wenden station near Buffalo, Monday, while driving across the New York Central railroad tracks. Their carriage was struck by an eastbound express train.

Three Were Dashed to Death.

An entire family, consisting of Wm. Evans, his wife and three children, were dashed to death by a train near Gadsden, Ala., in a sensational runaway down a mountain slide. Evans took his family out in a carriage for a drive.

## BOARD OF ARBITRATION ASSURED.

### THE PEACE CONGRESS.

Sir Julian Paucote of England Calls for a Permanent Tribunal to Deal With International Disputes.

Peace prospects touched high-water mark at The Hague last Saturday when the conference found itself face to face with arbitration in a practicable and acceptable form and as a permanent international achievement. This honor is mainly due to Sir Julian Paucote. When the members of the arbitration section had finished reading the Russian proposals on this subject, Sir Julian expressed his approval of them, but said it would be a great pity if the conference failed to embody the principle of arbitration in some permanent shape.

"I now beg to propose," he said, "the formal establishment of a permanent arbitration tribunal, empowered to deal with all matters in dispute capable of reference to the judgment of an umpire. I do not intend to trouble you with details as to its mechanism today, nor until you accept the principle of my proposal. Therefore, I ask you to accept the principle now."

M. De Staal at once declared: "Sir Julian Paucote having presented his proposal, we are prepared to supplement and to complete the printed suggestions just distributed by others, dealing with a permanent arbitration board."

Thereupon the Russian president of the conference drew a paper from his pocket and laid it upon the table. The paper contained the foundation of a permanent tribunal. The amazed delegates crowded around Sir Julian, congratulating him upon having played the winning card, which had so quickly precipitated the Russian alternative scheme. Some stood aghast, as the treaty was not contemplated in their instructions. Finally it was decided to refer the matter to a sub-committee.

The deliberations of the peace congress now assembled at The Hague, are to be conducted in secret. Uniformed officers will demand tickets and pass words from all delegates entering the council chambers. There have been no discussions as yet, the work thus far consisting of placing the delegates upon the various committees.

The correspondent of the London Morning Post at The Hague says: "The question of international law is likely to be discussed by the conference. An eminent professor says that international jurisdiction has never been officially recognized, despite the resolutions of peace congresses, nor can an international agreement bind nations to enforce decrees pronounced according to such law."

"The code prepared for submission to the conference provides that the autonomy of nations is inviolable; that there is no right of conquest as between them; that they possess the right of legitimate defense, and are equal before the law; that no nation has a right to declare war upon another, and that disputes between nations are to be settled by legal methods."

The colonial section of the code deals with the formation of colonies. It recognizes their right to claim autonomy or independence, though other nations may intervene when, in their opinion, the administration is unsatisfactory or the mother country does not heed the colonial representations."

### REFUSED A DINNER.

Admiral Dewey Too Ill to Attend a Birthday Party.

The United States cruiser Olympia with Admiral Dewey on board has arrived at Hong Kong from Manila. She was saluted by the ships of all nationalities.

Admiral Dewey, Capt. Lambertson, Lieut. Brumby and United States Consul Wildman were received with a guard of honor of the royal Welsh fusiliers when they landed to visit the governor of Hong Kong, Sir Henry A. Blake, Maj. Gen. Gascoigne in command of the troops, and Commodore Powell, commanding the naval forces.

The visit was afterwards returned by the officials mentioned.

Admiral Dewey is in bad health, being too ill to attend the queen's birthday dinner last Wednesday. The Olympia is going to dock here and will remain 19 days at this port.

### PLEASURE RESORT BURNED.

One Million Dollars' Worth of Amusement Property Destroyed at Coney Island.

Coney Island property of the value of \$1,000,000 was destroyed by fire early Friday morning, 20 acres in the heart of the summer resort section, the district known as "The Bowers" being reduced to ashes. The fire made shelterless for a time a native and transient population of about 3,500, including 500 men and women, classed as comedians and soubrettes, employed in the district, and silenced no less than 100 pianos which have for years assisted in merry-making at Coney Island.

Scores of thieves broke through the fire lines and entered the district from the ocean side and their work of looting was wholesale. A crowd carrying off a piano was one sight which taught the police what kind of crooks they had to deal with.

### McKinley's Greeting to Victoria.

The president has addressed the following message to Queen Victoria on the occasion of the anniversary of her birthday: Executive Mansion, Washington, May 24.

Her Majesty, the Queen, Windsor Castle, England.

Madam—It gives me great pleasure to convey on this happy anniversary the expression of the sentiments of regard and affection which the American people cherish towards your majesty and to add the assurance of my own cordial respect and esteem. May God grant to your majesty and to the countries under your government many years of happiness and prosperity.

### WILLIAM MCKINLEY.

Postmaster Found Murdered.

Jackson Close, postmaster of the little village of West Stanwick, several miles from Greenwich, Conn., was murdered early Tuesday morning. He was killed in the old house which served as a general store, postoffice and living apartment. His body was found on the floor and the brains battered out with an iron bar or club. The store and postoffice had been rifled.

### CABLE FLASHES.

A shell exploded in a military laboratory at Copenhagen a few days ago. Seven men were killed.

One hundred persons are dying daily from the cholera at Karachi, India, near the Persian frontier.

Three German officers were killed on May 20 by the Chinese at Kiao-Chou (the German port in the Shun-Tung peninsula).

## BARBAROUS FILIPINOS.

Gen. Lawton Learns that the Yorktown's Men Have Suffered Indignities at the Hands of Aguinaldo's Men.

The first information about the shocking manner in which the men from the Yorktown have been treated by their Filipino captors has been obtained by the New York Journal correspondent. It is furnished in an interview with General Lawton, who found melancholy evidence when he captured San Isidro, that the American prisoners had been cruelly abused and subjected to outrageous indignities at the hands of Aguinaldo's barbarous soldiers.

General Lawton, after 30 days of successful campaigning, is resting with 6,500 men in Canada. He said in describing his victorious march of a month's duration:

"It pained me when we got into San Isidro to see on the walls of the prison there the skulls of the 15 Americans from the Yorktown. From Colonel Ray, the Spanish officer whom we rescued, I learned that one of the American prisoners escaped from his captors. His freedom was short lived, for he was afterwards recaptured. He was stretched on the ground before his fellow prisoners and 20 lashes were given to him. We found a letter near San Isidro, written by one of the Yorktown crew, saying that they were being kicked, that their hair was being pulled and that they were cruelly treated in various other ways, and praying their fellow countrymen to hurry their release."

"The insurgents make a practice of murdering Chinamen who fall into their hands, and our men, I suppose, considered themselves fortunate that they have not been similarly treated. Though the cruelties and indignities heaped upon them must be hard to bear."

"I would have advanced to Tarlac, but was informed that I was north of the insurgents' main forces. Hence I asked for Koblet's brigade. I can advance and reach Tarlac in six days, unless the present negotiations between the Filipinos and our commission accomplish peace. The whole country is nothing but intrenchments."

"I have been in the last month 23 engagements. Six of my men have been killed in the field. Two have died from wounds, and 35 have been wounded. The losses of the insurgents were about 1,000 men. I have taken 1,900 prisoners