

MERRITT FINDS CONDITION UNSATISFACTORY.

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Condition Very Unsatisfactory.

Gen. Merritt has cabled the war department that he finds the situation in Manila very unsatisfactory and dangerous, owing to the attitude of the insurgents, which is similar to that assumed by Garcia's Cubans on the question of the right to enter and take possession of the city, though more formidable, being more numerous, better armed and flushed with the victories over the Spaniards.

Merritt says he will do his utmost to protect citizens from the insurgents' savagery, though the task is delicate and difficult, because, while fighting the Spaniard, he must be ready at any moment to repel the insurgents. Merritt said he was about to combine with Dewey in a demand for the surrender of the city, which may cause a rupture with the insurgents.

The governor general of Manila, telegraphing to the Spanish government under date of July 25, says aid is indispensable to resist the imminent attack of the American forces under Gen. Merritt.

A special dispatch to a London paper from Madrid says: Some of the leading members of the conservative party question the utility of preserving the Philippines, because of the enormous expense that a suppression of an insurrection would entail. El Nacional urges their sale. The latest dispatches from Capt. Gen. Augusti are so desponding about the resources at his disposal that it is surmised the fall of Manila is imminent.

THORNE IS ELECTROCUTED.

Murderer of William Guldenuppe Goes Coolly to His Death.

Martin Thorne was electrocuted at Sing Sing Monday morning for the murder of William Guldenuppe. Thorne showed no emotion. There was no special incident in connection with the execution.

The crime for which Martin Thorne paid the death penalty was the murder of William Guldenuppe, a bath house attendant, June 25, 1897. Mrs. Augusta Nack, charged with being an accomplice, turned state's evidence at the trial and told how she decoyed Guldenuppe to a cottage at Riverside, Long Island, where Thorne was waiting to take his life. Guldenuppe was shot and his head dismembered from his body to prevent identification. The body was then placed in a table cloth and thrown into the East River, where it was discovered floating by two youthful swimmers. Mrs. Nack was allowed to plead guilty to manslaughter and was sentenced to fifteen years' imprisonment. The motive for the crime was jealousy.

CAPTURE A GOOD PRIZE.

A Steamer Flying the French Flag Is Taken by the Hawk.

The steamship Tabasqueno, flying the French flag, was captured by the Hawk at Sagua la Grande Sunday and brought to Key West by a prize crew. She is a Mexican steamer of 830 tons, and was bound from Vera Cruz for Sagua loaded to the hatches with coal and provisions, and also carried a number of mules. Capt. Androca was in command, with a crew of 29. The Hawk took her without difficulty.

Terrors of the Klondike.

Frank Elliott of Rock Springs, Wyo., has reached San Francisco from the Klondike in a most pitiable condition. His legs have been so frozen that he has to walk on his knees. Besides this he was afflicted with scurvy. He came down from the Klondike by the Yukon River, the passengers taking up a collection to get him to San Francisco. He hopes that one leg will be saved, but the other will have to be amputated.

Pyrotechnics Explode.

Over a thousand people gathered at Milan, Mo., Monday, to celebrate the American army victories. Two imitation gunboats had been constructed as street floats and filled with fireworks. A sky rocket exploded, setting off the whole lot of pyrotechnics in one float and injuring a number of persons. The team hauling the wagon ran away and some persons were run over, but not seriously hurt.

Five Years in Prison.

In the Old Bailey court in London on Monday Alfred John Monson of Ardnamont murder mystery notoriety, who was arrested on July 1, charged with forgery, and Victor Honor, a money lender and confederate of Monson, were each sentenced to five years' penal servitude.

Skaguay to Dawson by Balloon.

A party of French scientists, headed by Dr. Terwagne, has left Vancouver for Skaguay with a balloon, in which they will attempt to reach Dawson City and incidentally look out for Andree.

Hawaii to Settle with Japan.

It is reported Hawaii has agreed to pay Japan \$40,000 as settlement of the dispute about the exclusion of Japanese emigrants from the Hawaiian Islands.

Suit for Heavy Damages.

William J. Waite, living near Milan, Mo., has brought suit against the Omaha, Kansas City & Eastern Railroad Company (Port Arthur route) for \$30,000 damages received while a passenger on one of the company's trains.

Great British Storm.

The northeast coast of Great Britain has been swept by a great storm. The fishing fleets had a narrow escape, being obliged to relinquish all their gear and to run to the harbors for shelter.

PICNIC TRAGEDY.

Five Persons Drowned—Tallyho Accident Injures Ten.

Five persons attending the picnic of the Chicago Clockmakers' Union at Columbia Park, Chicago, Sunday, were drowned in the Desplaines River. Thirteen of the merry-makers were rowing about the river in three small boats. In the center of the stream the boats collided and the whole party was soon struggling in the water. Rescuers hurried from the shore, a quarter of a mile distant, but before they could reach the boats five persons had gone down for the last time.

Ten young people were also seriously injured by the overturning of a tallyho at the foot of Gooden Avenue. Fifteen persons were riding in the vehicle bound for a day's outing at Riverside. While crossing the viaduct at Ogden Avenue the horses became unmanageable and rushed down the steep incline, bringing up against the curbing. The bus was smashed to pieces and those on it miraculously escaped fatal injuries.

POLITICAL CONVENTION.

Ticket Nominated by North Dakota Fusionists.

The fusion committee of the Populist and Democratic parties of North Dakota met at Fargo and placed the following state ticket in the field:

Congress—Col. H. M. Creel, Devil's Lake.

Governor—F. D. Holmes, Grand Forks.

Lieutenant Governor—Dr. Bentley, Bismarck.

Supreme Court—C. J. Fisk.

Treasurer—Thomas Bolton.

Auditor—Charles B. Bate.

Secretary of State—Samuel Torgerson.

Insurance Commissioner—W. M. Campbell.

Superintendent of Public Instruction—C. C. Schmid.

Commissioner of Agriculture and Labor—Alfred Whipple.

Attorney General—S. B. Bartlett.

Railroad Commissioners—Harvey Nevenier, N. Horastadt and Robert Fleming.

MUST PAY THE STAMP TAX.

Judge Tuley Passes on Cases Against Express Company.

Judge Tuley of Chicago has ruled in favor of the shippers in the test case brought by the Illinois Manufacturers' Association, granting a writ of mandamus compelling the United States Express Company to accept for transportation packages for shipment without the payment of 1 cent in excess of the regular rate. The case will be appealed by the defendants. The court held it was not within the domain of the shipper to issue the bill and that the law expressly provides that the person issuing the receipt shall affix the stamp. Three million dollars annually is the estimated sum which the express companies will have to pay in case the opinion is sustained by the higher courts.

BAD MICHIGAN FIRE.

Escanaba Suffers a Loss of a Quarter Million.

About 7:30 Sunday evening fire was discovered in the rear part of Patrick Fogarty's flour and feed store at Escanaba, Mich. A strong northeast wind was blowing and the flames spread rapidly and destroyed the stores of Patrick Fogarty, Bert Ellsworth, drugs; the Soo Line ticket office and Western Express; Kratz's double clothing store; Paul Hoelfeldt's jewelry store; M. L. Young & Co.'s tea store and John O'Mara's bakery. The losses, not half covered by insurance, will reach the \$200,000 mark. Electric light wires are all burned and the city is in darkness. At 12 o'clock the fire was gotten under control. Fourteen buildings were completely destroyed. Two firemen were injured.

Given Twenty Days' Time.

Admiral Candiani, it is announced in a dispatch received in Rome from Cartagena, Colombia, formally demanded that the Colombian government accept former President Cleveland's award in the Cerutti case in its entirety and to guarantee its full execution. The Italian admiral insists upon a definite reply in twenty days. In the meanwhile, the Italian warships will visit other Colombian ports.

Germany Makes Demands.

A special from Washington says: Germany, through Ambassador Von Hollen, has declared she will not sanction the giving of the Philippines into the keeping of the insurgents. She demands that the United States establish a stable government over the Islands, either by the formation of a joint protectorate or alone.

Killed by a Harvester.

A man named Yeater, living near Milan, Mo., was instantly killed. He was mowing and stepped in front of the sickle bar to fix his harness, when the horses started and ran him down. He was literally hacked to death by the sickle.

Britisher Declared a Prize of War.

The British steamship Adula, captured off Guantanamo bay by the Marblehead, has been declared a lawful prize of war by Judge Emory Speer. It was chartered by a Spaniard and was on the way to Guantanamo to take out refugees.

Price of Chicago Papers Advance.

All the morning papers in Chicago print an announcement that on and after August 1 the price will be 2 cents a copy. The increased cost of white paper and the enhanced general expense due to the war are the reasons for the advance.

Heavy Losses of Sheep Men.

The dry season has caused great loss to stockmen on the Sierra foothills in California. Some of the herders assert that as there is no grass and little water at least 100,000 sheep must perish of starvation and thirst.

Linotype Factory Burned.

The factory of the Merchants Linotype Company, at Montreal, was entirely destroyed by fire Saturday night. The loss was placed at \$57,000.

Oil in Wisconsin.

In drilling for water at Peshtigo, Wis., a vein of black oil was discovered at a depth of 45 feet. There are indications of an enormous yield. Great excitement exists.

AID THE AMERICANS

PORTO RICANS FURNISH FOOD AND OTHER SUPPLIES.

Are Eager to Join the Army—Two Thousand from One Place Volunteer to Serve America—Islanders Are Enthusiastic.

Aid the Americans. Gen. Miles, in command of the Porto Rican expedition, sent the following dispatch to Secretary Alger, which was made public at the war department Sunday:

"Ponce, Porto Rico—Secretary of War, Washington: Your cablegram received and answered by letter. Volunteers are surrendering themselves with arms and ammunition. Four-fifths of the people are overjoyed at the arrival of the army. Two thousand from one place have volunteered to serve with it. They are bringing in transportation beef cattle and other needed supplies. The custom house has already yielded \$14,000. As soon as all the troops are disembarked they will be in readiness to move. Please send any national colors that can be spared to be given to the different municipalities. As to the government and military occupation, I have already given instructions based upon the instructions issued by the president in the case of the Philippine Islands and similar to those issued at Santiago de Cuba.

Miles, "Major General Commanding."

IRON CHANCELLOR IS DEAD.

Bismarck Receives His Final Call Saturday Night.

Berlin, July 30: Prince Bismarck died shortly before 11 o'clock to-night. He passed away peacefully.

The news of Prince Bismarck's death, which became generally known only through special editions of the papers, produced profound sorrow, as so sudden a realization of the fears of his demise was not expected. Several papers published special articles with mourning borders, expressing in feeling terms the national sorrow and dwelling on the brilliant and immortal services of the prince to the fatherland, his heroic greatness and his truly German character.

Sorrowful sympathy over Prince Bismarck's death is manifested in many ways. The news is constantly discussed in public places and a feeling of sadness prevails among all classes of people. Particulars of the last moments of the prince and other circumstances attending his death are eagerly sought. Many private houses show flags at half mast. Secretary of State von Buelow will return from Semmering, Austria, immediately.

ASK DU BOSQ TO DEPART.

Action Taken by Canadian Premier at Request of Crown.

The English secretary of state for the colonies, Joseph Chamberlain, speaking in the house of commons, said Senor Du Bosc, the former Spanish charge d'affaires at Washington, was formally requested by the Canadian premier, Sir Wilfrid Laurier, to leave Canada. This, Mr. Chamberlain added, was done at the direction of the imperial government and on the ground that there was reason to believe Senor Du Bosc was using Canada for the purpose of belligerent operations against the United States. Mr. Chamberlain said that the authority to expel aliens from Canada, in such cases, rests with the crown.

A Regular Mail from Cuba.

The war department has received large numbers of complaints from persons all over the country of the non-receipt of mail from soldiers in Cuba. The postmaster general has just completed an arrangement for regular trips for carrying mail, and will not depend as heretofore upon the irregular trips of transports. Mail deliveries, however, are retarded by the quarantine regulations, owing to yellow fever.

Machine to Make Needles.

A number of Cleveland capitalists are organizing a company to be capitalized at \$1,000,000 to manufacture needles in this country by machinery. Heretofore all needles have been made in Europe by hand. Eugene Fontaine, of Cleveland, is the man who, after nineteen years hard work and study, has invented a needle-making machine which, it is asserted, will revolutionize the needle-making industry.

To Die in Electric Chair.

Unless Gov. Black interposes Mrs. Martha Page will be electrocuted during the week beginning August 29. She will be the first woman to die in the electric chair at Sing Sing, N. Y. Every effort is being made to prevent the execution of the death sentence pronounced by Judge Hunt.

Killed by Falling Building.

By the collapse of a building being erected in Boston for the Boston Elevated Railway Company, two men were killed and five injured, two fatally. The recent rains had softened the masonry and the great weight upon it caused the structure to fall without warning.

Charged With Embezzlement.

Rev. F. F. Johnigan, president of the Electrolytic Marine Salts Company, Boston, is charged with embezzlement and obtaining money under false pretenses and the police have wired the authorities at Havre, France, to arrest him on his arrival.

Irrigation Congress Called.

The seventh annual session of the national irrigation congress has been called by the executive committee, through its chairman, ex-United States Senator Joseph M. Carey, to meet in Cheyenne, Wyo., on September 1.

Two Boys Burned to Death.

Carroll and Roy Meyers, aged 5 and 7 years, were burned to death in their father's barn near Marshall, Mo. Playing with matches caused the fire.

Receivers for Bicycle Works.

Receivers have been appointed for the Charles H. Seig Bicycle Manufacturing Company, at Racine, Wis., with bonds of \$200,000.

ANSWER TO SPAIN.

Must Give Up Islands of Cuba and Porto Rico.

The cabinet on Friday reached the following conclusions touching the answer to Spain's peace proposals:

Absolute surrender of Porto Rico to the United States.

Recognition of the independence of Cuba.

Cession of one of the Ladrones islands to the United States as a coaling station.

Cession to the United States of at least a coaling station in the Philippines.

The question undecided is, what disposition shall be made of the Philippines as a whole? It can be stated that there is practically no difference of opinion in the cabinet on the question of the retention of the Philippines as a whole, all being opposed to our acquisition of these islands.

Our answer will make no mention of money indemnity. Neither will there be any armistice at all. The answer will be in the nature of an ultimatum, and if Spain does not accept it she will fare worse in the future.

LOOK FOR SUCCESSFUL ISSUE.

British Diplomats Expect to See an Agreement Reached.

A London dispatch says: Under Secretary Curzon, speaking presumably on the strength of advice from the British ambassador at Madrid concerning the disposition of the Spanish government, said to a leading member of Parliament: "There is every reason to hope that peace overtures will have a successful issue. Spain having broken the ice it will be impossible for her to withdraw if the United States is reasonable in its demands."

Pleds for Mrs. Maybrick.

In the British house of commons Saturday during the debate on the home office vote, Michael Davitt, member for South Mayo, broached the question of the imprisonment of Mrs. Florence Maybrick, and represented that she was in ill health. Mr. Davitt said in the course of his remarks that to "release this American woman would be a small step in the direction of establishing good feeling between England and the United States." Sir Matthew White Ridley, home secretary, replied that he thought the reports of ill health were exaggerated, but he promised to make inquiries.

Utes on the Hunt.

Game Warden Swan has notified Colonel Sumner, commanding the department of the Colorado, that the Ute Indians have left the White Rock Agency, Utah, in large numbers for the Colorado deer trail, and are threatening to kill all the whites who interfere with them, and also threatening to have revenge for the shooting of their tribesmen by game wardens last fall. Game Warden Swan has asked Colonel Sumner to send a detachment of regular troops to patrol the border.

Heard Nothing of Incident.

The officials of the British admiralty say that they have heard nothing of the report, circulated by the London Daily Mail, that a British transport having on board a detachment of Grenadier Guards, bound for Gibraltar, was recently stopped in the Bay of Biscay by an American cruiser. They say that if such a thing had occurred they would undoubtedly have heard of it.

Tramps Capture a Train.

A west-bound Wisconsin Central freight was boarded at Thorpe, thirty miles east of Chippewa Falls, Wis., last Wednesday by fifty tramps, who immediately took possession. The train crew was overpowered and the train was run to suit the gang to within a mile of the latter city, when the men dropped off and fled.

Fatal San Francisco Fire.

A fire in the Lexington house at San Francisco Sunday night caused a loss of five lives and badly burned five persons, one of whom is not expected to survive.

To Patrol the Bering Sea.

Great Britain has notified the state department that she has selected the ships Amphion and Icarus for service in Bering Sea during the present season.

MARKET QUOTATIONS.

Chicago—Cattle, common to prime, \$3.00 to \$5.40; hogs, shipping grades, \$3.00 to \$4.25; sheep, fair to choice, \$2.50 to \$5.25; wheat, No. 2 red, 75c to 77c; corn, No. 2, 33c to 35c; oats, No. 2, 23c to 24c; rye, No. 2, 46c to 48c; butter, choice creamery, 10c to 17c; eggs, fresh, 11c to 12c; potatoes, choice, 40c to 48c; per bushel.

Indianapolis—Cattle, shipping, \$3.00 to \$5.25; hogs, choice light, \$3.00 to \$4.00; sheep, common to choice, \$3.00 to \$4.25; wheat, No. 2 red, 74c to 76c; corn, No. 2 white, 34c to 35c; oats, No. 2 white, 27c to 28c.

St. Louis—Cattle, \$3.00 to \$5.30; hogs, \$3.00 to \$4.00; sheep, \$3.75 to \$4.75; wheat, No. 2, 74c to 76c; corn, No. 2 yellow, 32c to 33c; oats, No. 2, 24c to 26c; rye, No. 2, 47c to 49c.

Cincinnati—Cattle, \$2.50 to \$5.00; hogs, \$3.00 to \$4.00; sheep, \$2.50 to \$4.15; wheat, No. 2, 73c to 75c; corn, No. 2 mixed, 35c to 36c; oats, No. 2 mixed, 26c to 27c; rye, No. 2, 41c to 42c.

Detroit—Cattle, \$2.50 to \$5.25; hogs, \$3.25 to \$4.25; sheep, \$2.50 to \$4.75; wheat, No. 2, 74c to 76c; corn, No. 2 yellow, 32c to 34c; oats, No. 2 white, 29c to 30c; rye, 46c to 47c.

Toledo—Wheat, No. 2 mixed, 77c to 79c; corn, No. 2 mixed, 33c to 34c; oats, No. 2 white, 23c to 25c; rye, No. 2, 47c to 48c; clover seed, \$3.20 to \$3.30.

Milwaukee—Wheat, No. 2 spring, 88c to 90c; corn, No. 3, 33c to 35c; oats, No. 2 white, 25c to 27c; rye, No. 2, 47c to 49c; barley, No. 2, 43c to 44c; pork, mess, \$9.75 to \$10.25.

Buffalo—Cattle, good shipping steers, \$3.00 to \$5.50; hogs, common to choice, \$3.50 to \$4.50; sheep, fair to choice wethers, \$3.50 to \$5.00; lambs, common to extra, \$5.00 to \$6.50.

New York—Cattle, \$3.00 to \$5.50; hogs, \$3.00 to \$4.50; sheep, \$3.00 to \$4.50; wheat, No. 2 red, 81c to 82c; corn, No. 2, 33c to 40c; oats, No. 2 white, 30c to 32c; butter, creamery, 14c to 18c; eggs, Western, 13c to 15c.

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