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TROOPS FIND THE ENEMY

They Occupy Both Sides of Road to Jaro in Large Force.

Town of Jaro Found to Be Deserted and All Portable Property Had Been Removed—Two Natives Failed to Respond When Hailed and Were Shot, One of Them Being Killed.

MANILA, Feb. 15.—11:15 a. m.—Lieutenant Colonel C. L. Potter of the Signal corps arrived from Iloilo yesterday evening with dispatches from Brigadier General M. D. Miller to Major General Otis. On Sunday afternoon General Miller ordered a reconnoissance in force to ascertain the enemy's position. Major Cheatham's battalion of the Tennessee volunteer regiment marched beyond Molo without finding the enemy and returned to Iloilo. A battalion of the Eighteenth United States infantry with two Hotchkiss guns and one Gatling gun marched toward Jaro. Midway between Iloilo and Jaro this battalion encountered a large body of the enemy, accupying both sides of the road, who met the advance of the American troops with a severe and well-directed fire. The Americans deployed and returned the fire with a number of volleys. The troops advanced steadily, supported by the Hotchkiss and Gatling guns, and drove the enemy through Jaro to the open country beyond. The town of Jaro was found to be deserted and all portable property has been removed. When the Americans entered the place there were only a few Chinese there.

At 4:10 p. m. Captain Griffiths raised the American flag over the presidencia. During the fighting outside of the town Lieutenant Frank Bowles of the Eighteenth infantry, while working with Keller's battery, was shot in the leg. In addition one private was seriously wounded and two were slightly injured. The rebel loss was severe.

All was quiet on Monday when Colonel Potter left Iloilo. Two natives attempted to slip past the United States cruiser Olympia during the night in a boat. They failed to respond when hailed, but kept paddling along. After a warning shot a sentry fired at the boat and killed one of the occupants and wounded the other.

Another Brush With the Rebels.

MANILA, Feb. 16.—11:45 a. m.—Four companies of volunteers which had been clearing the country in the vicinity of Pateros, ten miles southeast of Manila, and which had been recalled, were followed by the enemy today as they retired. On reaching San Pedro Macati the Americans made a stand near the churchyard and the rebels were driven back.

The Californians again advanced and are now occupying the same ridge, commanding the valley of the river, which they held yesterday.

A gunboat near the Pasig river is clearing the jungle.

Rebels Are Driven Back.

5:20 p. m.—Several rebels yesterday afternoon having fired from houses bearing white flags on the American outposts, Colonel Smith, with Companies L, D and K of the California volunteers, proceeded to clean out the enemy along his front. The rebels opposed him from the brush, and several skirmishes occurred, during which nine of the Californians were slightly wounded before the rebels were driven out.

The work proceeded today in a systematic manner, a gunboat shelling the villages and working its rapid fire guns very effectively on the jungle. The entire California regiment, with the exception of two companies, four companies of the Washington regiment, two companies of the Idaho regiment, and a battery of the Sixth artillery were engaged.

The rebels were driven toward Lake Laguna de Bayo. They held their fire, apparently being short of ammunition, but they fought desperately.

The American outposts in this direction are now fully twelve miles out. All is quiet along the rest of the line, with the exception that an occasional exchange of shots between the sharpshooters breaks the monotony of the day.

Sinking the Mercedes.

According to Lieut. Tejeiro, second in command of the naval force of the province of Santiago de Cuba, in an account written by him of the battle of Santiago, recently published, the Reina Mercedes was sunk by its own crew. This was done in order to close the mouth of the harbor, which had been left open by the removal of six torpedoes. All the wounded and the valuable papers and instruments were removed from the doomed ship to the steamer Mejico. The Mercedes left the harbor at 11:30 o'clock on the night of July 4. She was instantly discovered by the American fleet, which began a terrific fire. "Nevertheless," says the author, "the ship went down at the designated place. Unfortunately a shot from the enemy severed one of her anchor chains and she swung around to one side, leaving the port open and making her sacrifice a useless one However, the sinking of the Mercedes prevented her from falling into the hands of the enemy."

Turner Achtung.

Narchsten Sountag, 10 a. m., Debatienstunde. Alle Turner sind eingeladen. DAS COMMITTE.

INTERESTING COUNTY CULLINGS.

Clippings From County Exchanges Dished Up for "News" Readers.

From the Weeping Water Republican.

Fred Gorder, our happy implement man and ex-mayor, says that his month was up yesterday, but that Dar Johnson hasn't got the house ready yet. This is a serious disappointment to Fred's friends who smoke.

After an enforced vacation of three weeks, on account of the smallpox scare and the sore arm epidemic, the public schools were opened last Monday. The weather having moderated the attendance was good, and the teachers and pupils went to work with a determination to make up as far as possible for the time lost.

The smallpox scare has subsided entirely, and business has resumed its normal condition. The Gray residence will continue under quarantine for a few days yet, but it is not thought that Mrs. Gray will have the disease. She has recovered from the grip and is feeling well. Will has fully recovered from the smallpox and is anxious to have the quarantine raised so that he can get out

H. G. Race, while on the hill side near his home Tuesday at dusk, heard a clatter of hoofs coming down the hill and saw a horse coming his way on the run. The animal stopped as it came in contact with a strand of barb wire and turned back up the hill only to come back again on the run. This time the horse went on down the hill, taking the barb wire, which caught in Harry's trousers, tangled him up and dragged him to the bottom of the hill, where he landed in the ravine with pants in ribbons and some deep wire cuts on one leg.

A PORTRAIT OF CHRIST.

Physiognomy of an Old Coin Which Is Presumably Authentic.

For centuries past the physiognomy of Christ has been the subject of speculation, and, it may be said, of hot discussion, says a Paris correspondent of the London Standard. In the early times it was considered that He would have regarded it as unworthy of Him to use the vain seductions of form to assist Him in His mission. The beauty of His doctrine was, it was urged, alone suitable for a god in the accomplishment of His mission of self-sacrifice. Others, later on, contended that the irradiation of divinity must have prevented Jesus from being ugly. The dispute has continued for centuries, and our Savior has been depicted with a different physiognomy by various masters of the art. The Christ of Velasquez does not resemble that of Rembrandt and others, but now a new image is forthcoming. A Frenchman named Boyer d'Agen, who, I believe, is the author of a work on Lourdes, discovered a curious bronze medal among a number of old coins for sale in a curiosity shop in Rome. He bought it for 10 centimes because he thought he discovered on it Hebrew characters dating back from the primitive times of the Christian era. On close examination, it has been declared that it bears the effigy of Jesus. The portrait is a profile, with the head slightly inclined forward. The forehead is high, the nose rather long, slightly pointed at the tip; the mustaches are slightly marked, and the beard is pointed. As for the hair, it is long and curly. The physiognomy, taken as a whole, cannot be called regular, but it is extremely fascinating. On returning to Paris with his purchase, M. Boyer d'Agen showed the medal to numerous numismatists, who pronounced it to be at least of the greatest antiquity, though, of course, it would have been too much to expect they should guarantee its authenticity. The Hebrew inscription it bears on the reverse, translated into English, is "The Messiah, the King, will come in peace. He is the light of men, incarnate and living." Replicas of this medal, in bronze and silver, are being struck.

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La Grippe is again epidemic. Every precaution should be taken to avoid it. Its specific cure is One Minute Cough Cure. A. J. Sheperd, publisher Agricultural Journal and Advertiser, Elden. Mo., says: "No one will be disappointed in using One Minute Cough Cure for La Grippe." Pleasant to take, quick to act. F. G. Fricke & Co.

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THEY SEEK PROTECTION

Rebels Realize Their Only Safety Is Within American Lines.

Americans Not Advancing, But Hold the Defenses of Manila and Are Content to Keep Quiet for the Time Being—Quick Retreat of the Rebels—Other Telegraphic News.

MANILA, Feb. 17.—11:50 a. m.—Ex-Consul of the United States O. F. Williams is in receipt of an application from a member of the insurgent congress at Malolos for a pass through the American lines for a family of twelve persons, who are desirous of taking refuge in Manila.

This is regarded as significant as showing the most intelligent rebels realize that their families are safe only within American territory.

With the exception of a few shots fired into a small body of rebels, who were attempting to destroy a railroad bridge near Caloocan, all has been quiet along the line.

Last night the heat affected the men in the open country to some extent, but otherwise the health of the troops showed a marked improvement since the beginning of hostilities.

Americans Not Advancing.

MANILA. Feb. 16.—11:20 a. m.—Since the American lines reached the natural defenses of Manila they have made no further advance, and the troops are now encamped along the line. Many places have been temporarily entrenched. Occasional brushes with small bodies of the enemy by scouting parties have been the only cause for excitement. Troops K and L of the Fourth cavalry encountered the enemy's scouts yesterday near Paranaque and exchanged a few volleys with them. During the firing Trooper Wiltner of Troop K was wounded in the right arm. The cruiser Buffalo fired four small shells at a party of the enemy which the cruiser's searchlight showed to be mounting a battery near Paranaque last hight. The enemy made no reply and withdrew their guns to Paranaque.

The steamers Brutus and Romulus have arrived from Iloilo, but brought no later news, except that the Americans are clearing vessels thence, assuming control of the port. The rebels had all the records burned before vacating the town. It is rumored that the Filipinos in the interior are in sore straits and are now quarreling among themselves, but it is impossible to confirm those reports, as all communication is cut off.

Quick Retreat of Rebels.

MANILA, Feb.—16 —3:35 p. m.—A large body of the enemy, presumably reconnoitering, was discovered on the right of Brigadier General King's position, near San Pedro Macati, this morning. The entire brigade turned out and after an exchange of volleys the rebels ran into the jungle and disappeared.

HE EARNED HIS MEDAL.

Heroic Act of a Stoker on a British Warship.

Towards the end of the year 1897 the British torpedo-boat Thrasher, with its mates Lynx and Sunfish, left St. Ives on a passage to Falmouth. On the way the Thrasher grounded on a point, causing serious injury to the boilers and the bursting of the main feed-pipe. The burst pipe instantly filled the stokehold with scalding steam. In it were two stokers, Edward Lynch and James Paul. All the rest of the boat's company were landed on the rocks, but the doubling up of the deck had prevented the egress of the stokers by the starboard hatchway. There was still a port hatchway, which was partially closed, and towards this the two men made their way, Lynch in the lead. Directly under the hatchway and discharging through it, was the break in the steam-pipe. Lynch rush through it safely, and turned to help his mate Paul. But an instant convinced him that Paul was unable to follow. Then Lynch lay down on the deck with his head and face in the escaping steam, seized hold of the sinking Paul, and by a remarkable exercise of force and tenacity drew him up on the deck. Lynch then rose to his feet, but it was observed that he was badly scalded about the head, arms and upper part of the body. The surgeon began to apply oil and wool to his burns, but he repelled the attention. "I'm all right," he exclaimed; "look after my chum! He's very bad!" He had said nothing about the way he had rescued Paul, but his manly conduct led the surgeon to investigate, and it was ascertained that, in order to rescue his comrade, he had plunged the whole upper part of his body into what was practically a boiling cauldron. More than this, it appeared that Lynch had previously sacrificed his own chance of escaping from the stokehold the other way in order to stay with Paul. In recognition of this act of selfsacrifice and bravery, Lynch was presented with the Albert Medal of the first class, which is given primarily for gallantry in saving or attempting to save life at sea, and in some cases, for similar acts ashore.

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A Right of Burial.

Despite the growing difficulty of finding space for the interment of public men within the walls of Westminster, at least one noble family still enjoys a prescriptive right of burial there. These are the Dukes of Northumberland, who have the exclusive use of a spacious vault in the Chapel of St. Nicholas. This vault, which was the last resting place of the Seymours, was opened as recently as 1883 to receive the remains of Lady Louise Percy, the elder sister of the present duke.

SEES VIRTUE IN A PIPE.

One Wife Knows Her Husband Takes Comfort Out of Tobacco.

Even though window curtains and other draperies do become impregnated with tobacco smoke, it is in many cases very unwise in wives to object to their husbands using tobacco in the house. No woman can fully realize the unspeakable amount of comfort a man extracts from a pipe or a cigar after a hard day's work, followed by a good dinner. An English feminine writer has seen a great light in this matter and is distinctly in favor of smoking—for her husband. To this woman home would not be home without the man who smokes, without the odor of tobacco, and she gives reasons why she likes to see her husband smoke. He is not one of those men who never have a pipe out of their mouth, but a nice, sensible, temperate fellow, who, when business is over, settles into an easy chair, fills his pipe, lights it and unfolds his evening paper. "Then, to my fancy, a man is at his best," she declares, "for while I work he reads aloud the choice parts of the news which he thinks will interest me. Should he have encountered more than an ordinary share of difficulties or trouble he forgets them all after he has finished a nicely cooked and carefully served dinner, and is ready for his pipe."

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In an interesting history of his parish, the Rev. James Murray of Kilmalcolm, Renfrewshire, mentions that "amid the enjoyments of the people we must not fail to notice funerals," and he calls attention to a curious custom which was prevalent in connection with them. It appears a sieve containing clay pipes, filled with tobacco, was handed round just before the cortege started. Then the mourners smoked, and when the kirkyard was reached, as the grave was being filled, each stepped solemnly forward and cast his pipe "amang the mools." —Notes and Queries.

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ARCHDUKE AT POSTOFFICE.

Lordly Officials Compelled to Exhibit Courtesy to a Peasant.

From the London Daily News: An amusing incident has occurred at Trieste. A peasant presented a parcel for dispatch to an official in the central postoffice of that town, and was roughly told it could not be received, as it was improperly done up. The peasant inquired how it ought to be done up, and the official sharply replied that it was not his business to tell him. Here a gentleman intervened on the peasant's behalf, but was told by the official that if he had any fault to find he had better complain to the superintendent. The gentleman did so, but was told that postal officials could not be expected to teach the public, and that if he was not satisfied he had better complain to the director. The gentleman hereupon pulled out a card and said: "I have no time to go to the director. I request you to go to him yourself and tell him that I order him to come here instantly and himself instruct this man how to make up this parcel." The superintendent looked at the card and trembled when he read the name of the archduke Louis Salvator. The director lost no time in coming. He stormed at the superintendent, who in turn stormed at the official, and all three nearly fell over each other in their zeal to show the peasant how to do up his parcel. A more carefully made up package probably never passed through the Austrian postoffice.

The incident, however, has excited a grave question. All the newspapers approve of the archduke's intervention, but some pertinently ask whether he had any right to "order" the director to do anything. The champions of the constitution are exercised, but after all the important thing is that the peasant got his parcel off.

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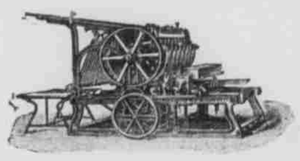

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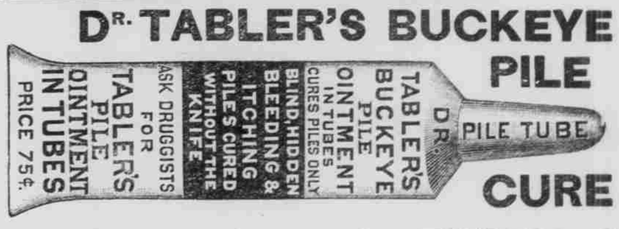

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