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THE COURT MOVES SOON

Chinese Royalty to Vacate Sian Fu for Peking After October 6.

THE EMPRESS MAY BE DECEIVING

Suspected of Being Too Fearful of Soldiers to Return at Once—Li Hung Chang is Ordered to Borrow 700,000 Taels to Pay for His Trip.

PEKIN, Oct. 3.—Dispatches from Sian Fu announce that the Chinese court is preparing to start about October 6. The temporary palace there is being dismantled and all the furnishings will be carried for use en route; the officials and servants will constitute a caravan numbering from 5,000 to 7,000 persons, with carts and several thousands of horses and mules that have been collected in the Sian Fu district.

Two parties of officials have already started to make preparations along the line. The towns through which the court will pass are engaged in decorating temporary palaces and collecting supplies. The emperor, or the empress dowager in his name, has issued an edict strictly commanding the officials to pay for all supplies. The native papers report that several eunuchs have been benighted for practicing extortion upon the people. An imperial edict commands Li Hung Chang, as governor of the province of Chi Li, to borrow 700,000 taels from the other provinces to defray the expenses of the court's journey. Special local taxes are being levied, which the people, already impoverished by bandits foreign punitive expeditions and missionary indemnities, are ill able to afford.

Li Hung Chang said today that the court will certainly arrive in Peking within two months. Despite such official statements many foreign officials here believe the empress dowager fears the foreign troops are kept to entrap and punish her and their theory is that she will pass the winter in Kai-Yuen-Fu, sending the emperor to Peking.

The continual broadside of reform edicts is the topic of much varied comment. Those best able to judge of their sincerity or effectiveness withhold judgment. Prince Ching, conversing with foreign officials today, asserted that the emperor and the empress dowager were agreed as to the necessity of changing the Chinese methods of government and that steps for the enforcement of edicts would be taken as soon as the court returned to Peking. Unquestionably the reform movement stronger among the upper classes than ever before. Prince Su, who was recently appointed collector of taxes on goods entering Peking—an office heretofore considered worth 100,000 taels per year—has announced that he proposes to deposit all the collections in the treasury and to request the emperor to pay him a fair salary. His subordinates resent this plan and Prince Su has been threatened with assassination.

INCOMPLETE RAILWAY LAWS.

Report of Industrial Commission Points Out Differences.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 3.—Railway legislation in this country is incomplete, especially as to stock issue, joint arrangements and provision for emergencies, according to a report issued today by the industrial commission on railway regulation under foreign and domestic laws. The report points out extraordinary differences among the laws of some of the states. It indicates, too, that our laws do not recognize differences of importance of different railroads; do not provide for adequate administrative machinery, qualifications and powers of commissioners, and lack power to compel compliance with the laws and other essentials of railway regulation. A characteristic of railway legislation in the United States, the report says, is the great extent to which special legislation was persisted in after general laws had been enacted by the respective legislatures. Some railroads have been organized on the basis of special charters granted many years before, although when organized there were general laws and constitutional provisions preventing special franchises.

Minister Uribe Resigns.
NEW YORK, Oct. 3.—A dispatch to the Herald from Bogota, Colombia via Bena Ventura, Colombia, and Galveston, Tex., says that Dr. Uribe minister of foreign affairs, has resigned.

Bid News Trails Prince Chun.
BERLIN, Oct. 3.—Prince Chun before leaving German territory sent long dispatches to Emperor William thanking him for the gracious reception extended to the exilary mission, for the hospitality bestowed and the decoration conferred upon him and expressing a hope that the powerful German empire may promote the culture and development of China by a gracious show of mercy toward the Chinese dynasty.

STRIKES BUCK AT GERMANY.

Austria Will Not Renew Commercial Treaty on Basis of New Law.

LONDON, Oct. 2.—The correspondent of the Times at Vienna gives many additional and interesting details concerning the statement published at Buda Pesth Hirlap and reproduced and confirmed by the Magyar Nemzet, the Hungarian semi-official organ, to the effect that Austria and Hungary will decline to renew the commercial treaties with Germany on the basis proposed by the Germans. The statement, which was given in the form of a communication from prominent Berlin politicians, says that the Hungarian premier, Koloman de Szell, in conjunction with the Austro-Hungarian minister of foreign affairs, Count Goluchowski, and the Austrian government, have intimated to the German government that no treaty of commerce can be concluded with Germany along the lines of the projected German customs tariff.

M. de Szell has stated that he opposes the projected German tariff, in order to maintain the peace of Europe, as well as to protect the economic interests of Hungary. It is also asserted that M. de Szell's action may save from disaster the German imperial chancellor, Count von Buelow, "who would rejoice to be rescued from the tariff deadlock."

DR. RIXEY LEAVES CANTON

Says Mrs. McKinley's Health is as Good as a Year Ago.

CANTON, Oct. 2.—Dr. Rixey, Mrs. McKinley's physician, left Canton last night for Washington. In his absence she will be under the care of Drs. Phillips and Portman. Dr. Phillips has been for many years one of the family physicians of the late president and Mrs. McKinley and Dr. Portman has frequently been consulted by them. Dr. Rixey will be available at any time and will come to Canton whenever his services are needed.

Secretary Cortelyou returned to Washington last night, but will return in a few days. He will make frequent trips in the exercise of such supervision as may be required by the matters coming under his charge as one of the administrators of the McKinley estate.

Dr. Rixey said that Mrs. McKinley's condition is such that all her friends are very hopeful that no change for the worse will occur. He said he had no apprehension of the near future and that the general health of Mrs. McKinley is as good as it was a year ago.

RACE IS CALLED OFF

Lack of Wind Spoils Another of the International Yacht Triests.

NEW YORK, Oct. 2.—Yesterday's attempt to sail the second of the series of international yacht races for the blue ribbon of the sea was a dismal failure. Between 25,000 and 30,000 people, who crowded the pleasure fleet off Sandy Hook lightship in the hope of seeing a repetition of the thrilling sport of last Saturday, witnessed instead more of a drifting match than a race.

The wind was exceedingly light and variable, at times falling so low that the pennants, which are as light as thistle down, hung limp against the masts of the big single stickers. The wind, with crews lined up on the lee rails, was not sufficient at any time to make the racing machines heel to their lines. At the end of the four and a half hours the two yachts covered less than one-half of the prescribed course of thirty miles, and as there was no possibility of their finishing within the time limit the regatta committee declared the race off.

Ridgley Sworn In.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 2.—William B. Ridgley of Illinois, who was recently appointed comptroller of the currency to succeed Charles G. Dawes, resigned, took the prescribed oath today and entered upon the duties of his office. Mr. Dawes resigned to enter the campaign in Illinois for United States senator and will leave for that state tomorrow.

Shot Off From the World.
ST. AUGUSTINE, Fla., Oct. 2.—The cities of Dayton and Seabreeze, on the east coast, have been shut off from the world for four days by high water, which inundated a large part of the towns. Communication with them was only re-established today. Many persons were unable to leave their homes. Floods all through that section are heavier than in former years. It has wrought the most severe hardships this section has known for years.

Bianche Bates Has Malaria.
DETROIT, Mich., Oct. 2.—Miss Bianche Bates, who is playing the leading feminine role in Frohman's "Under Two Flags," at the Detroit opera house here, was taken to Grace hospital today. She is suffering from a severe attack of malarial fever. Her physician announced that it would be several days before she would be able to resume her work. In the meantime, Miss Helen Ware will fill her place in the company.

Funeral of Joe Haver.
SALT LAKE CITY, Oct. 2.—Funeral services over the body of Jack H. Haver, who died in this city Saturday, were held in the opera house this afternoon. Many friends of the former "minstrel king" and all the theatrical people of the city were in attendance. The stage was draped in crepe and the casket was literally covered with floral offerings. The remains will be taken to Philadelphia for interment.

LAST OF CROP REPORTS

The Bureau at Washington Gives Season's Final Report.

FAVORABLE FOR MATURING CORN

Heavy Rains However, Damage Hay and Stacked Grains in Nebraska and South Dakota — Cotton Conditions in the Southwestern States.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 2.—Following is the last weekly summary of the crop conditions to be issued by the weather bureau this season:

The temperature conditions of the week ending September 30 were highly favorable throughout the central valleys, lake region, middle Atlantic states and New England and no damaging frosts occurred in these districts. Heavy rains in the upper Missouri valley and Minnesota interfered with farm work and caused some damage to hay and stacked grain in South Dakota and Nebraska. Excessive rains also interfered with farm work in portions of the South Atlantic and East Gulf states. Rain is generally needed in Illinois, Indiana and southern Michigan, to put the soil in condition for plowing and fall seeding and also over the greater part of Texas for pastures and truck farms. On the North Pacific coast the week has been cool and wet, with damaging frosts in Oregon and Washington. Injurious frosts occurred over the middle Rocky mountain districts.

The week has been favorable for maturing and gathering corn and reports from the principal corn states indicate that a much larger acreage than usual at this date has been cut. The crop is now practically safe from frost in all districts.

The weather conditions in the cotton belt have been more favorable for picking, except over portions of Georgia, Florida and North Carolina, where this work has been retarded to some extent by rains of the latter part of the week. Picking has progressed rapidly in the central and western districts, where cotton has opened rapidly, the bulk of the crop being gathered in some districts. Over the eastern portion of the cotton belt the low temperatures of the week were not favorable for the development of the top crop and heavy rains have damaged the staple in portions of North Carolina, Georgia and Florida, while the sea island crop of South Carolina suffered from drought. In Texas late cotton is being damaged by insects and the outlook for top crop is poor.

Only a small part of the tobacco crop, and that in Kentucky and Tennessee, remains unharmed. The reports generally indicate that this crop has been secured in satisfactory condition. In Kansas and portions of Missouri, Arkansas, Illinois and West Virginia, more particularly in the first named state, the reports respecting apples are encouraging, but no improvement is reported from other districts.

Plowing and seeding have progressed favorably in nearly all districts and the early sown wheat in the states of the lower Missouri valley has come up in excellent condition. In southern Michigan and portions of the Ohio and Mississippi valleys, however, plowing and seeding have been delayed on account of the dry condition of the soil, and in Ohio seeding has been purposely delayed on account of the Hessian fly.

MORE LANDS FOR SETTLERS.
Two Indian Reservations in the Northwest Soon to Be Opened.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 2.—The Interior department is rapidly completing plans for the opening of the Fort Hall (Idaho) Indian reservation. The date for the opening has not yet been fixed, as the preliminary work has not been completed, but it is expected that the reservation, which contains 400,000 acres, will be thrown open to settlement within a few weeks. The Quinault reservation in Washington, comprising 300,000 acres, probably will be thrown open to settlement next spring. The contract for surveying the reservation is about to be awarded. Commissioner Herman of the general land office said today that it was probable the old "sooner" system would be adopted at the opening of both of these reservations.

Attorney for Topeka District.
WASHINGTON, Oct. 2.—The president has decided to appoint J. S. Dean a United States attorney for the Topeka (Kan.) district, vice I. E. Lambert, resigned.

Queen of Denver Carnival.
DENVER, Colo., Oct. 1.—The city is crowded with visitors from all over Colorado and adjoining states, who have come to participate in the festivities attendant upon the annual Festival of Mountain and Plain. Tonight Miss Mary Malone, daughter of Judge H. Malone of the district court, was crowned queen in the presence of an immense concourse of people and surrounded by maids of honor from every county in the state.

Once Stationed in Omaha.
OMAHA, Neb., Oct. 1.—The Ninth regiment of United States infantry of which Company C was almost annihilated in the Philippine island of Samar, near Balingiga, Saturday morning, was formerly stationed at Omaha. In 1886 this command was at Fort Omaha, regimental headquarters and all. That was when the post was in its prime. Officials about army headquarters know many of the officers of the Ninth.

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HUGHES TO TAKE COMMAND.

General Starts With Expedition to Scene of the Recent Disaster.

MANILA, Oct. 1.—General Hughes, from the island of Samar, reports the arrival of Sergeant Markley and one private at Luning from the fight at Balangia, where over forty men of Company C, Ninth infantry, were killed by insurgents, who attacked the troops while at breakfast Saturday last. The men who have reached Luning say that the officers of the company, who were first reported to have escaped, were killed with the majority of the company. The troops were attacked while unprepared, by 400 bolomen, of whom the Americans killed about 140. Many of the soldiers were killed in their quarters before they had time to grasp their rifles.

General Hughes is going to the scene of the disaster and will personally command the troops. A new branch of the Katipunan has been discovered at Tarlac, capital of the province of that name. The object of the society is the slaughter of the whites. Marcelino Mariville, president of Banoang, is the chief of the new branch, which includes numbers of the native constabulary, who were recently armed. One policeman admits that he was taxed \$1 and was ordered to make bolos. A regular collection has been made by the organization from the natives, either by persuasions or threats and an uprising had been planned for an early date.

The conditions in Tayabas and Batangas are not encouraging. The worst form of guerrilla warfare prevails there. The insurgent forces are distributed, under cover, along every road and trail and wait for travelers in ambush. The insurgent leader Caballos (who formerly belonged to General Cailles' command, but who refused to surrender with Cailles) is retreating to the mountains. The main forces of the insurgents are scattered in bands over the province, where they dig up rifles when there is an opportunity to use them.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 1.—In addition to the enlisted men, three commissioned officers of Company C, Ninth infantry, are supposed now to have been killed in the action at Samar, Philippine islands, last Saturday. The officers are: CAPTAIN THOMAS W. CONNELLY, FIRST LIEUTENANT EDWARD A. BUMPUS, MAJOR SURGEON R. S. GRISWOLD.

M'KINLEY'S WILL IS PROBATED
Messrs. Day and Cortelyou Are Appointed Administrators.

CANTON, O., Oct. 1.—The will of President McKinley was admitted to probate at the conclusion of the formal hearing yesterday by Probate Judge Maurice E. Augst. In pursuance of the wishes of Mrs. McKinley and upon her signed recommendation, the court appointed Judge William R. Day and Secretary George B. Cortelyou administrators of the estate. A joint administrators' bonds of \$100,000 was filed.

In their applications for letters testamentary Judge Day and Secretary Cortelyou say that the amount of personal property left by the late president will be about \$140,000, and of real estate about \$70,000, aggregating about \$210,000.

Kills Judge Lemley's Sister.
CHARLESTON, S. C., Oct. 1.—Miss Laura Lemley, 45 years of age, sister of Judge Advocate Lemley of the navy, was burned to death in her home in Salem, N. C., today. Her clothing caught fire from a kitchen stove and she was so badly burned that she died in a few hours.

For the President's Salary.
WASHINGTON, Oct. 1.—Warrants were drawn at the treasury department in settlement of the salary due the late president at the time of his death.

Warrants were also drawn covering Mr. Roosevelt's salary to October 1, or seventeen days, and aggregating \$2,300.78.

Harriman Succeeds May.
NEW YORK, Oct. 1.—It is announced that E. H. Harriman has been elected president of the Southern Pacific.

He has been chairman of the executive committee of the Southern Pacific. He will direct the affairs of the company for this city.

The United States transport Buford, which recently went aground on a sandbar off the island of Mindanao, has been safely floated.

Iowa Elevator Burned.
RIVERTON, Ia., Oct. 1.—J. B. Samuels' large elevator at this place burned. The fire was discovered at about 11 o'clock, but had gained such headway that nothing could be done to stay it.

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THE GUARD IS PUZZLED

Incident at President McKinley's Vault Still Cloaked in Mystery.

DEPREND'S NERVES ARE AFFECTED

Captain Biddle Thinks Sentry the Victim of Surroundings—White Another Officer. Thinks There Was an Attack Prompted by "Cussedness."

CANTON, O., Oct. 1.—The officers and men of Company C of the Fourteenth United States infantry, on duty at West Lawn cemetery, guarding the resting place of President McKinley, worked diligently investigating the strange story of Private Deprend, which happened Sunday night.

The military regulations which prevented the officers and men from making detailed statements concerning the incident last night were as rigidly observed today. The representative of the Associated Press saw all of the commissioned officers, several non-commissioned officers and a number of privates and gleaned the following:

All of the commissioned officers and the members of the company in general last night accepted fully the story related by Private Deprend and really believed that the proviers were about the vault, with no good purpose. Today only one of the commissioned officers adhered to the belief that an attempt had been made on the sentry for ghoulish purposes. He said: "It was the real thing. It was prompted by the pure cussedness of some people who thought to bring reproach upon the nation by doing damage to the resting place of the dead president."

All the men who were seen expressed the belief that Private Deprend acted in good faith and that he related only what he believed to be the real circumstances.

With the captain and others he went over the details of the whole affair at least a dozen times, and it is said, never varied in a matter of importance. Particular inquiry was made as to his sobriety at the time and it is said that it is established beyond all reasonable doubt that he had not been drinking and that he was in his normal condition.

The most common belief is that the sentry was overpowered by the loneliness of his position; that his nerves were overtaxed and that imagination contributed some of the details related in good faith. The post was regarded by all as particularly isolated and depressing to the man guarding it at night and it is understood that more sentinels will be stationed at the point in the future.

Captain Biddle thanked the reporters for what he called the fair manner in which the incident had been described in the morning reports, saying they gave a full and complete statement of facts, as far as revealed last night. He was fully convinced last night of the truth of the story as related, but after investigation entertained doubts, not of the sincerity of Private Deprend, but of the correctness of the conclusions.

CUBANS AGREE WITH WOOD.

Sanction His Plan for Two Elections and a Commission.

HAVANA, Oct. 1.—The constitutional convention held a private session and considered a letter from Governor General Wood advising the appointment of a commission of five members to have charge of the forthcoming elections and also advising that two elections be held instead of four. The attendance did not amount to a quorum, but General Wood's suggestions were approved by all present. Another session will be held today for the purpose of appointing the committee and making the necessary change in the election law.

A manifesto has been issued by prominent revolutionists approving the recent letter of T. Estrada Palma as the program for the future republic and strongly recommending his election to the presidency.

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STAB M'KINLEY GUARD

Ghouls or Grave Diggers Reported to Have Made an Attack.

CANTON, O., Sept. 30.—A strange story comes tonight from West Lawn cemetery, where a company of regulars from Fort Wayne, Mich., is guarding the vault in which the body of President McKinley lies.

It is to the effect that the guard on duty on top of the vault fired a shot at one man who refused to heed his challenge and that the shot was diverted by another man who appeared from another direction. Also that an effort was made to stab the guard.

Military regulations prevent either the officers or the men of the post from being quoted on any matter connected with their service, and for this reason Captain Biddle, who is in command, was obliged to decline to be quoted at the camp tonight. He will make a full report to his superiors at once.

Reliable authorities made the following statement: Private Deprend was on guard duty on top of the vault at a point commanding the entrance below and the approach from the rear. Shortly before 7:30 he saw what he took to be the face of a man peering from behind a tree about forty feet from his post. He watched it for twenty minutes, he says, and at 7:45 saw the man hurry to a tree ten feet nearer. He challenged the man to halt, but this was not heeded and the fellow approached nearer. Deprend leveled his gun and aimed to shoot for effect, but just at that instant another man who came toward him from the opposite side caught the gun, threw it up and the bullet was spent in the air.

PRELIMINARY TO MESSAGE

President Requests Cabinet Members to Prepare Their Report.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 30.—At the cabinet meeting yesterday only routine matters were discussed. The meeting was attended by Secretaries Hitchcock and Wilson, Postmaster General Smith and Attorney General Knox, the only cabinet member in the city.

It was determined that the cabinet officials should begin at once the preparations of their annual reports, in order that the president might have at an early date such information regarding the executive department as would enable him to prepare his first message to congress.

Regarding the action of the Hawaiian legislature in providing for an additional district court in Hawaii, the president and attorney general are in some doubt. The question of the validity of the act has been raised. Nothing about it will be done at present, but Attorney General Knox will examine it for the guidance of the president.

Columbia Takes First Prize.
NEW YORK, Sept. 30.—In the closest and most soul-stirring race ever sailed for the old Americas' cup, the white flyer Columbia Saturday beat the British challenger over a windward and leeward course of over thirty nautical miles by the narrow, heart-breaking margin of 39 seconds. As Lipton's latest aspirant for cup honors must allow the defender forty-three seconds on account of the extra 833 square feet of canvas in her sail area, gives Columbia the victory by one minute and twenty-two seconds.

Labor Riot in France.
RHEIMS, France, Sept. 30.—The gen d'armes have been called out to suppress an outbreak of the grape pickers, who are dissatisfied with the pay they are receiving, and overrunning the Ay district, in the department of Marne, waving red flags, singing the Carmagnole and attacking travelers. The strikers seized one employer whom they wished to hang, but he was rescued by the gen d'armes. Many arrests have been made.

Kitchener Wants More Horses.
LONDON, Sept. 30.—The Daily Express publishes a report that Lord Kitchener has asked for 25,000 more seasoned mounted men and for power to hang rebels, traitors and murderers without reference to the home government.

Will Soon Have Protectorate.
BOMBAY, Sept. 30.—The Bombay Gazette says it believes a British protectorate will soon be proclaimed over Koweyt, the proposed terminus of the Bagdad railroad on the Persian gulf as a result of the Anglo-Turkish dispute.

Foot Race is Too Slow.
FORT SCOTT, Kan., Sept. 30.—O. G. Stanbury, a professional foot racer, who is charged with having conspired with "Bud" Gillett, another professional sprinter, now in jail here, to defraud State Representative Jonathan Davis out of \$5,000 by inducing him to bet that amount on a race and then throwing the race, was arrested and is now in jail. Officers are now after E. E. Ellis and "Bob" Boatright of Webb City.

Walderssee's Leg Pains Him.
BERLIN, Sept. 30.—Count von Walderssee, who is ailing, is worse. He suffers from a painful sore on the leg and has no appetite. He is still near Nekarsulm, Wurtemberg, on the estate of his sister-in-law.

Christians in Conflict.
PARIS, Sept. 30.—A dispatch from Constantinople reports that a bloody fight has taken place between Mussulmans and Christians at Beirut, Syria. No details are given.

A COMPANY WIPED OUT

Infantrymen of Ninth Regiment Surprised While at Breakfast.

NEARLY FIFTY MEN ARE KILLED

Besides This Many Are Wounded—A Force of Seventy-Two Men Overcome by Greater Number—Insurgents Secure a Rich Prize.

MANILA, Sept. 30.—A disastrous fight between United States troops and insurgents occurred yesterday in the island of Samar, near Balingiga. A large body of insurgents attacked Company C, Ninth infantry, only twenty-four members of the company escaping. All the others are reported to have been killed.

The company was at breakfast when attacked and made a determined resistance, but the overwhelming numbers of the insurgents compelled retreats.

Of the survivors, who have arrived at Basey, eleven are wounded.

According to the latest returns the strength of the company was seventy-two. The survivors include Captain Thomas W. Connelly, First Lieutenant Edward A. Bumpus and Dr. R. S. Griswold, surgeon.

Captain Edwin V. Bookmiller of the Ninth infantry reports that General Hughes is assembling a force to attack the insurgents.

The insurgents captured all the stores and ammunition of the company and all the rifles except twenty-six.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 30.—News of the disastrous fight between troops of the Ninth infantry and the insurgents in the island of Samar yesterday was sent promptly by General Hughes, commanding in that island, to General Chaffee, at Manila, and by him transmitted to the War department. It reached the department during the early hours today and Adjutant General Corbin, realizing the importance, at once made it public, after sending a copy to the White House. General Chaffee's dispatch, which agrees with the Associated Press, is as follows:

"MANILA, Sept. 29.—Adjutant General, Washington: Hughes reports following from Basey, Southern Samar: "Twenty-four men Ninth regiment, United States infantry, many wounded, have just arrived from Balingiga; remainder company killed. Insurgents secured all company supplies and all rifles except twelve. Company was attacked during breakfast, morning September 28; company, seventy-two strong. Officers, Thomas W. Connelly, captain; Edward A. Bumpus, first lieutenant; Dr. R. S. Griswold, major, surgeon, escaped. CHAFFEE."

The news created a sensation in official circles. It was the first severe reverse that has occurred for a long time. Still the officials were not unprepared for news of just this character from Samar, in which the revolution started by Aguinaldo still continues. Samar is a country about as large as the state of Ohio and the American forces of occupation number in all between 2,000 and 2,500 men. These are distributed among various posts in the island, a large number being located at the more important centers. Spain never made any efforts to occupy Samar and it only has been for probably three months past that the United States has undertaken that work. The latest report made by General Hughes to the War department was that the number of insurgent rifles in the island aggregated about 300. The Filipinos carried on a guerrilla warfare and operations against them were difficult. The disaster to Company C of the Ninth infantry occurred, it is believed, while it was engaged in an expedition to clear the country of roving bands of these insurgents.

The fact that the Americans were attacked while at breakfast indicates the daring and pluck of the insurgents.

Mrs. McKinley Drives Out.
CANTON, O., Sept. 30.—Mrs. McKinley had two drives again yesterday. On account of dismal weather and the rain of yesterday and last night, the outing was confined to the streets in the city. It was said at the McKinley home last night that there had been no material change in her condition and that she continues to bear up remarkably well.

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