CAPTURE OF

General Miller's Forces in Complete Control of the Situation.

SWISS CONSULATE BURNED.

The Sixth United States Artillery Occur ples Positions on Both Bridges Leading Into the Town-Tennessee Volunteers Occupy the Trenches Vacated.

MANILA, Feb. 15 .- The second city of the Philippines, Iloilo, was captured by the American forces under General Miller Saturday without the loss of a man.

On the morning of Friday, February 10, General Miller sent an ultimatum to the commander of the rebels on shore, notifying him that it was the intention to take Iloilo, by force if necessary.

Non-combatants and foreigners were ordered to leave the town within twenty-four hours. The rebels were also warned that they must make no further belligerent preparations.

The gunboat Petrel was then moved rebel fort, while the cruiser Boston the town.

Friday passed quietly. During the day many refugees left the town of taken on board foreign ships lying in

Searchlights from the United States war ships were kept moving all night long, illuminating the town and its defenses. The rebels, so far as the lookouts upon the ship could discover, remained quiescent throughout the

At 3 o'clock Saturday morning the ganboat Petrel signaled to the cruiser Boston that the rebels were working in their trenches. In return the Petrel was ordered to fire warning shots upon the town from her 3-pounders. This was done and the rebels replied with a harmless fusilade. The Boston and the Petrel then bombarded the rebels' trenches, completely clearing them of their occupants in a very short space of time.

Soon after the bombardment began flames broke out simultaneously in various parts of the town. Thereupon forty-eight marines, acting as infantry and artillery, were landed from the cruiser Boston, and a company was sent ashore from the gunboat Petrel. These detachments marched straight into the town of Iloilo, and, hoisting the Stars and Stripes over the fort, took possession of the place in the name of the United States.

The capture of the town and its defenses having been accomplished, the marines and soldiers who had been sent ashore proceeded to the task of saving the American, English and German consulates from destruction by the fire which was raging among the frail and inflammable buildings of

was in the same row as the consulates named, was burned. The entire Chinese and native sections of the town were destroyed, but foreign mercantile property escaped with slight dam-

There was some desultory firing by the enemy in the outskirts of Iloilo, but not an American was injured.

General Miller's force had complete control of the situation when the gunboat Petrel sailed from Ioilo for Manila. The Sixth United States artillery regiment occupied a position commanding both the bridges leading into the town, and the Tennessee volunteers and Eighteenth United States infantry were occupying the trenches that had been constructed by the rebels.

WHAT MANILA GENERALS SAY.

Otis, Anderson and MacArthur Interviewed on the Situation.

NEW YORK, Feb. 15-A dispatch to the New York Herald from Manila

Major General Otis, commanding American troops in the Philippines, said to the correspondent for the Herald: "The situation is excellent now. A few days ago Filipinos under Kapunan and Dolomen came down the river strong on the Tondo district, in the rear of General MacArthur's division. At that time the situation was alarming. I ordered an attack upon Calocan. The order was to clear out the enemy, at least in front, so we would not be taken between the Filipins army and the forces of Kapunan

and Dolom "Aguinaldo is collecting forces somewhere near Polo. His present estimated strength is 30,000. How many more he will be able to collect it is impossible to tell, perchance as many as 12,000. The more he brings together the more satisfied we will be, for we had rather have him attack us than to

hunt for him." General Anderson, commanding the First division, said: "General Oxis, in congratulating me on behalf of the Piret division, said there were 6,000 Pilipines opposed to my division, and

that we cleared out 3,000 of them. "I think we shall have to give them denoral MacArthur said: "The mil-

itary situation is executent in the vicinity of Manila. We have obtained olded strategical advantages.

"There are remote consequences ch, however, depend quite as much thick, however, depend quite as much pen statesmanship at generalship. disapprehensious as to the terms of he treaty of peace with Spain, growing out of difference in language and he previous political evolution of the clands make the diplomacy of the disade make the diplomacy of the ituation of the very first importance. Involves our policy has been considered.

erably embarrassed by too long delay in reaching results. Under the treaty now we are approaching the conclusion that the future conduct of affairs will be much easier, and it is believed the war will be concluded with honor and credit to the United States and to the permanent benefit of the people of the islands."

The most prominent English business men here say the Filipinos received a most severe lesson during the last week. Were it not that their military leaders are men who know they must lose all power once the fighting is over and consequently are deceiving the natives into the belief that they have got the best of the recent fighting, these Englishmen do not think there would be much trouble in bringing the Filipino government to terms.

In the opinion of English observers the campaign should be carried on energetically.

NEBRASKA OFFICE UNDER FIRE

Corruption Charges Against the State Auditor to Be Investigated.

LINCOLS, Neb., Feb. 15.-When the Legislature convened this morning a message from the governor was read in both Houses. It referred to a position close inshore and near the to the charges of corruption in the state auditor's office made by the took up her station at the other end of Omaha Bee, and asked that a joint committee of the two houses be appointed to investigate. Both houses promply adopted the governor's sug-Hoilo. The majority of them were gestion, and a committee was appointed which will immediately take up the work. The charges were that the state auditor, J. F. Cornell, through the medium of the insurance examiners of his office, had been guilty of holding up insurance companies by charging excessive fees for examina-

THE CIGARETTE BILL KILLED.

Kansas House Members Stood by the Paper Rolls

TOPEKA, Kan., Feb. 15 .- The antieigarette bill appeared in the House this morning in the regular order of business. A difference of opinion on the recommendations of the committee of hygiene attached to the bill arose between Marks of Jefferson and Benifiel of Montgomery. Marks charged that the wrong recommendations had been placed on the bill. Benefiel, the author of the bill, insisted that there had been no mistake in printing the bill and called for the records. At the afternoon session the House committee of the whole killed the bill prohibiting the sale of cigar-

ONLY THE MOTHER ESCAPED.

A Man and His Six Children Burned to

Death in Their House in Arkansas. PINE BLUFF, Ark., Feb. 15.-Silas Jones and his six children have been burned to death on the Richardson & May plantation at Corner Stone. The house and all its contents have been destroyed and none of the inmates aped. It is thought the ho caught fire after its occupants had gone to sleep. Mr. Jones' wife was away from home for the night and so escaped.

Favored Two-Cent Railroad Fare. JEFFERSON CITY, Mo., Feb. 15 .- The House committee on railroads and internal improvements listened to Colonel Phelps, and this morning reported unfavorably on a bill by Williams of Scott to reduce passenger fares to two cents a mile. Williams asked the House to place it on the calendar for engrossment and said he had not been given a chance to talk to the committee. A very general argument followed, in which Wilson of Hickory, Tubbs and Kneisley championed the cause of Williams on the ground that it was no more than fair play to him. The roll call on the motion to place the bill on the calendar for engross ment resulted: Ayes 77, noes 43.

Suicide of a Bride That Was to Be. GIRARD, Kan., Feb. 15 .- Miss Jennie Jones, a young woman who has lived here from childhood, shot and killed herself while in her room this morning at 3 o'clock, the ball passing through her heart. She was to have been married to William Kaemmerling Thursday of this week. He was with her until half past 1 o'clock this morning, No cause is known for the suicide. A note was left sealed for him, the contents of which he has not revealed

The Barber Hill Passes Kansas Senata

TOPEKA, Kan., Feb. 1c .- The Senate ust before adjournment, passed the barber bill, introduced by Householder of Cherokee, this morning. The bill is similar to the one killed by the legslature two years ago. It creates a state board which regulates the trade and fixes prices to be charged for shaving, hair cutting, dyeing and tatha There were seven votes in opposition to the measure. It is not believed that the bill will pass the House.

French Hopes for Panama

LONDON, Feb. 15 -The Paris corrependent of the London Morning Post says: In financial circles it is persistently rumored that negotiations between the Panama company and the Washington government, whereby the latter is to complete the causi, are in fair way of successful conclusion. It is said that the Pausma company would receive a large percentage of the canal receipts and that the Nicar-agua route would be abandoned.

To Frakibit Bustors Advertising. JEFFERSON CITY, Ful. 14. Senator Rollins introduced a bill prohibiting doctors of medicine and surgeons from advertising and providing a penalty

Kansas Seeds



Clippings.

NOT AN IMPERIALIST.

Admiral Dewey, it would appear, is not an imperialist. A Hong Kong dispatch says that the admiral is not favorable to the annexation of the Philippines, but believes in the general withdrawal of the United States troops from the islands, the United States being morally bound, previous to this withdrawal, to secure the establishment in the islands

of a stable government. This is a plan similar to that we are pushing in respect to Cuba. This is virtually the plan advocated by Mr. Bryan. With such a policy laid down the appear ance of a war of conquest would not attach to the forcible efforts now being made to create a thorough respect for American authority and establish order under the regime of American military government.—Buffalo Times.

NOT WORTH IT.

The blood of a single Nebraska volunteer soldier boy, poured out on the altar of imperialism in the faraway Philip-pines, is worth more than the entire Philippine group of islands,-Papillion

The American people have gathered their first barvest from the field of im-perialism, and the bands of the barvesters are red with the blood of a people struggling for freedom, and with the priceless blood of our own volunteers. who from patriotic impulses went out against a cruel foe, only to be buncoed into conflict with a weak and helpless people, whose only sin lay in the fact that they would not stand and deliver at the command of the imperialistic free-booters who hide behind President Mc-Kinley's administration.—The Papillion

BUNCOED AGAIN.

Dr. Leonard Woolsey Bacon, in an article in the Congressionalist, points out one difficulty in the treaty with Spain to which, so far as we know, public at-tention has not before been called. It is found in articles 8 and 13. The first declares that the "relinquishment or cession, as the case may be, to which the preceding paragraph refers, cannot in any respect impair the property rights which by law belong to the peaceful possession of property by all kinds of provinces, municipalities, public or private establishments, eclesiastic or civic bodies, or any other associations;" and article 13 declares "the rights of property secured by copyrights and patents by Spaniards in the island of Cuba and in Porto Rico, the Philippines, and other seded territories at the time of the exchange or the ratification of this treaty, shall continue to be respected." It is matter of public repute that one principal cause of the revolution of the Filipinos against Spanish authority has been the control exercised over them by mon astic establishments, and the landed mo nopoly which the latter enjoyed. Do these clauses in the treaty commit us to a policy of sustaining this landed mo nopoly and the consequent power of the monastic orders?—The Outlook.

THE HORROR OF IT.

A monstrous crime has been com-mitted in the Philippine islands. Within a stone's throw, almost, of Dewey's triumph at Manila, and one of the most brilliant naval achievements ever recorded by the pen of man, and which brought the flush of pride to the cheek of every American, freemen and men struggling to be free are weltering in each other's blood. The soldier of a country whose declaration of independence promulgated the doctrine that "governments derive their just powers from the consent of the governed" have met death on the battlefield with their faces toward the soldiers of a people who believe in the same doctrine. on, the horror of it all!-Grand Island Democrat.

McKINLEY DID IT.

A long and bloody war is before us and that war is uncalled for and unnecessary. A word from McKinley thirty days ago, saying that in a reasonble time the independence of the Philippines should be declared, would have stopped the effusion of blood. An act of congress saying that those islands should be treated just as Cuba will be treated, would have saved ten thousand human lives. Why didn't the president say that word? W-y did congress not pass that act? Why did they attempt to make political capital at the cost of so much blood and treasure? The president of the United States is directly responsible to God and man for all the horrors of the present war.-Central City Democrat.

REWARDING TREACHERY.

That the beastly treachery of some men to the people, is appreciated and rewarded by the present gang in control of affairs at Washington, is now being magnificently proven in the attempt being made by the friends of John M. Palmer, who played the skunk act in 1896 to defeat the will of the people, by running for president on the hankers assistant republican ticket, to have congreen pension the old renegad—as pros-perity of the vellow brand has not atruck him and his finances are running low. There are many others, alea, whose

Roney Hay Fork Returner



finances are running low, and who are worthy citizens, but no one thinks of asking congress to pension them! Is it not rather ungrateful of the bankers and Mr. Cleveland and his friends that they do not provide for their tool?-Grand Island Democrat.

LACK OF CONFIDENCE.

Administration organs complain that the Filipinos and Cubans do not show proper confidence in President McKinley. 'Confidence' has been a great game with republicans. They have prescribed

others of the same kind are developing independence of Cuba, which we virtually a large lack of con0dence, and they are had liberated. This commission, advised

A NATIONAL DISGRACE.

Imperialism as taught by the McKiney administration has finally brought the American forces at Manila and the Filipino forces together in bloody combat and a horrible slaughter of human life is the result.

Men who enlisted to free the Cubans

from Spanish cruelty have been forced by the imperialists to slaughter those who are in revolt against the same Spanish cruelty in the Philippines. Liberty loving Americans compelled to fire upon liberty seeking Filipinos whose only offense was their desire for inde-

To follow this policy of imperialism and conquest longers in the Phillipines will be to give the lie to our liberty loving professions, and disgrace to our national life. It will bring ignominity to our army, dishonor to our flag.—Hall County Independent.

A REPUBLICAN KICK.

We regret that the Philippine problem was ever incorporated into the peace treaty, but now that it has been done the president is exhibiting his usual good good judgment by authorizing Otis and Dewey to proceed aggressively and vigorously to stamp out in its in sipiency all resistance on the part of the natives. The trouble is one of our own making, but we cannot well crawfish at this time, and the quicker the Filipinos are made to understand that we have no intention of so doing the better it will be for all concerned. While we do not favor the slaughter house method of civilizing a people and believe the whole Philippine trouble could and should have been averted by the peace commissioners, we realize that the United States is in a position just now where necessity seems to justify heroic measures .- Wil ber Republican.

THEY "HOLLERED 'NUFF." A lot of protection newspapers

beginning to "holler nuff" paper trust has advanced the cost of print paper almost out of sight. This 'infant industry" needs no more protection than any band of robbers. They have bought up all water powers, pulp supplies and aided by our laws are en abled to strangle weak competition and keep out honest foreign competition, though they go into foreign markets and undersell them on their own land. Over a few missionaries.—Topeka Advo-Their big profits go into the hands of a cate. many.-Oakland Independent.

THEY WOULDN'T WAIT.

The Filipinos want their liberty and continued encroachments upon their territory without any definite policy announced is suspicious. They are some thing like the patriots in colonial times. who did not want to wait until a British guard was stationed in every house and they do not want to wait until every staategic point, is garrisoned and guarded by American soldiers before they know what the policy is to be-Minden Courier.

NOT A GOOD REASON.

It may be true that we are better able to govern the Filipinos than they are to govern themselves but that does not justify us any more than it would to commence a general war to conquer the republicans of South America because they cannot govern themselves as well as we could do the job for them .- Hutchison Gazette.

ENGLAND'S BUNCO GAME.

The American people are sure to find out the details of the secret understanding between the administration and the British ministry in regard to the Philppines. It looks very much as though John Bull had worked a Banco game, and that the name of the gentleman from the rural district was McKinley-Silver Knight.

LIBERTY A CRIME,

The Filipinos are fighting for liberty, but in these days of industrial slavery it is a crime. Men were eager to enlist for humanity's sake, but for "benevolent assimilation" as it is administered they all prefer staying at home.—Minden Courier.

A DISGUSTED REPUBLICAN.

Many of our republican newspapers give us the "disgust" fever when they continually harp about the "silver issue" being dead. The single gold standard will have to make another fight against silver in 1900 which compared to the '96 campaiga will be ten times harder to win, especially if they merely say "silver is dead" and lay down their arms. The six million voters who railed to the battle cry of silver, in '96 will be up and in fighting trim in 1900, unless it is proved to them that the single standard is better than bimetalliam. We sanout change their views by proclaiming "silver is dead," or" Bryan is a cooked gross." The American people want argument and now let the republican editors get at it and endeavor to prove that the single gold standard is a suc-cess and that himetallism would be a failure.—Lyons Mirror. (Rep.)

Manios, Ohio, Feb. 13 - A repre-mentative of Chicago capital to making negotiations looking to the consoli-tion of all the threshing machine forces in the country and advance

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McKINLEY RESPONSIBLE.

Not many months ago the country celebrated a peace jubilee, and President McKinley swung about the circle telling of our great accession of territory. His with "confidence," while hoarding the cash for their own use.

They are not altogether to blame for their lack of "confidence" in the president. Even such men as Senator Hoar, Andrew Carnegie and a large number of others of the service of the ser expansion theories raised a regular horothers of the same kind are developing a large lack of conodence, and they are certainly past masters in the art of dispensing the article.—Butler County Press.

had liberated. This commission, advised by the administration, gives twenty million dollars to Spain for the Philippine Islands, something she did not own or hold even by force of arms. It would even by force of arms. seem, even to the ordinary man, that we were like a lot of babes in the hands of Spanish diplomats. The whole transaction seems rediculous now that war has broken out when we attempt to take possesion of the slaves we purchased. These Filipinos have been fighting and struggling for independence for a century, and all Spain ever held dominion over was the ports of entry, and these we had when Dewey captured the Span-ish fleet at Manila. Almost every citizen was aware of these facts but the administration was not. Two months ago it was known that the Filipmos were gradually surrounding Manila and that General Otis had to throw out his lines to check the advance of the insurgents. The First Nebraska led the army in checking the advance of the Filipinos, but there was no necessity for this last slaughter of brave boys, and President McKinley is responsible for the murder of every man that was killed .- Fremont

FILIPINOS UNREASONABLE,

It seems that we are to have another war for humanity. After driving out Spain from their colonies, and securing the Cubans and Filpinos from Spanish tyranny we are to complete the transfer to American rule. It was naturally feared that the insurgents, after their long and energetic fight for freedom, coupled with a slight acquaintance with the American Declaration of independence, would rather like the idea of governing their own country. After getting this idea in their heads of course they became unreasonable. They could not see why, since it had not been a part of the original plan of the United States to include the Philippines in the Spanish war question, that they should be bought and sold by peace commissions. Therefore they have objected vigorously to American domination in spite of our protests that they are unfit to govern themselves, and our assurance of anxiety to develope them into good Americas subjects for the benefit and paternal care of the trusts of this country. We will give them a good drubing and when they become submissive, introduce them to the beer and whiskey influence of this country, the Standard Oil company, General Alger, and the other necessary and enjoyable benefits of a free country. It is possible that when they have been

GIVES THE JOB TO RIXEY.

Governor Stephens Names Him for Labor Commissioner.

JEFFERSON CITY, Mo., Feb. 15 .-Thomas P. Rixey of St. Louis has been appointed state labor commissioner. Rixey's name was sent to the senate yesterday by the governor. The senate received the appointment in executive session and without comment referred it to the committee on labor, mines and mining. Rixey is at present sergeant-at-arms of the St. Louis investigating committee. He is a relative of the governor's family.

O'BRIEN BESTS GARDNER.

New Yorker Was Aggressive From Start and Put It All Over the "Kid."

Youngstown, Ohlo, Feb. 15. -Oscar Gardner lost the decision to Jack O'Brien of New York in a twenty round bout here last night for a purse of \$1,000. O'Brien was aggressive from the start and Gardner loafed for fifteen rounds. In the last three rounds O'Brien had decidedly the best of it and when the bout closed Gardner was groggy and one of his eyes was

KANSAS REGIMENT RECALLED.

Is Now Intrenched in Front of Caloocan-Filipinos Throwing Up Intrenchments. MANILA, Feb. 15. - The Twentieth Kansas and the First Idaho volunteers have been recalled from the marsh lands north of Malabons, and the former regiment is now intrenched in front of Caloocan. The American lines form a complete cor-

the coast north almost to Pasaqua, south of Manila. The enemy are busily throwing up intrenchments on the left, sharp-shooters in the jungle covering their operations.

don, twenty-two miles in length, from

Several Americans were wounded in the trench. Second Lieutenant George A. Seamon of Battery B, Utah artillery. was shot in the leg while standing near his gun. Four men of the Twentieth Kansas volunteers were wounded slightly. Last night Private Brinton, Company B, and Private Stevens, Company G, of the Twentieth Kansas, were wounded.

All the enemy's dead at Calocan have been buried-127 last Sunday and 300 yesterday. The United States cruiser Charleston has moved up the coast and is now off Malolos, the seat of the so-called Filipino government, at a dis-tance of about eight miles.

Chinese to Be Kept Out.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 15. -Senator Fairbanks, from the Senate committee on immigration, reported back to the Senate the bill extending the anticontract labor laws of the United States to Hawaii, with amendments making the bill cover all immigration questions. The amendments specifically include the Chinese exclusion act

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