OUTLOOK IN PHILIPPINES

Governor Taft Says Want and Ruin the State People in the P...

WARS' EFFECT ON AGRICULTURE

Its Greatest Blow Was Destruction of 90 Per Cent. of Water Buffalo, On Which Cultivation of Rice Depends.

Commission's Recommendations.

Washington, Jan. 5.—The annual report of the Philippine commission, and a separate report by Governor William H. Taft, made public at the war department yesterday, gives a review of the results of the year's work by the committee and contains recommendations for legislative action by congress deemed essential to the welfare of the islands.

After reciting a history of the establishment of civil government throughout the various provinces Governor Taft in his report says it has not definitely determined what must be done with respect to Mindanao, which he says, is hostile to the American does not extend beyond the Lanao Moros. The Moros do not understand a popular government and do not desire it, preferring to be ruled by datties. "Possibly for a long time," he says, "control by datties may be necessary. For the present, however, it is necessary to provide a stronger, but at the same time not oppressive government for these followers of Mohammed."

Governor Taft tells of the measures that have made it necessary for the islands to purchase about $1,000,000 worth of food annually, and of the effects war has had on agriculture, almost the entire wealth in the islands. The greatest blow to agriculture, he says, was the destruction of about 90 per cent. of the water buffalo on which the cultivation of rice in almost all its independent. After speaking of the ravages of Asiatic cholera, Governor Taft says: "The issue of Philippine civilization in the past was intimately with the present conditions are wonderfully favorable for its growth and maturity. Were there temptations to corruption were there present conditions of the country it would still be a blessing matter to deal with. The want and famine are plainly written on the face, the life of the people forms to the desperate and very great straits.

The influence of those who have terland as organized thieves. They are now largely stamped out. Governor Taft says that unless cavalry can be provided for other methods of suppression will be tried which will result in the people being indefinitely benefited in the future for several years to come, he says, the outlook.

Governor Taft says that the figures show that for the year ending June 30, 1902, the insular and provincial quartermaster's stores and supplies were furnished, and that there were about $17,000,000 of private capital has come to the Philippines during the year. The increase in the value of imports and exports in all branches, so that the commerce is very satisfactory.

The Philippine commission recommends the following changes in the laws of congress: The retention of the present standard in the coinage of silver, 75 per cent. of the foreign goods imported in the Philippines are from the United States, and an amendment to the present law so that the same duties shall be collected on goods imported from the United States as from foreign countries. The establishment of a civil service in the Philippines, so that the employes of the government shall be selected by competitive examination. The establishment of a system of apprentices, and that the present poll tax shall be changed to a property tax. Also that no person shall be required to perform military service.

THREE KILLED AT OAK HILL MINE

Disastrous Dynamite Explosion in Coal Mine Near Mineralville, Pa.

Pottsville, Pa., Jan. 5.—A quantity of dynamite exploded in one of the galleries of the Oak Hill colliery, three miles north of Minersville, yesterday morning and three miners were killed and a dozen more or less seriously injured by the explosion. The dead are: Michael Snyder, aged 45 years, married; Joseph Snyder, aged 18, and Michael Snyder, aged 16, all sons of Michael Snyder. The injured are: Thomas Davis, Thomas Powell, Joseph Davis, Thomas Powell, all of Pottsville; George Snyder, Minersville; John Stanton, Edward Kelly, Mt. Laffee, and Michael Ryndo, Dunmore.

The explosion occurred while one of the men was removing a stick of the explosive.

CARRIAGE STRUCK BY TROLLEY

One Killed and Two Injured when Driving to Church.

Lancaster, Pa., Jan. 5.—Jacob Zook, an Amish farmer residing near Kinzer, two miles east of Lancaster, was driving from church with his two daughters, Fanny, aged 18, and Katie, aged 9, at noon yesterday and was in view of his home when a trolley car crashed into his team, killing Fanny instantly and inflicting serious injuries on Mr. Zook and his youngest daughter.

The accident occurred at a grade crossing, where the view is obstructed by a house. The motorman sounded his gong as he approached the crossing but Mr. Zook did not hear it until too late to stop his horse, which was a spirited animal and going at a fast pace. The horse crossed the track safely, but the car struck the wagon fairly. Mr. Zook, who was on the front seat, fell clear of the tracks and Katie, seated with her sister in the rear of the wagon, was thrown out of reach of the wheels. Fanny was caught in the wagon and shoved along the track for several hundred feet before the car could be stopped. Her body was horribly mutilated and the skull crushed and both legs cut off. Katie sustained a fracture of the leg and severe scalp wounds. She and her father, who is badly cut about the head, were brought to St. Joseph's hospital in this city. Both are believed to be hurt internally.

Last summer Mr. Zook's barn was struck by lightning and destroyed, and a short time ago his wife died.

Well-Known Philadelphia Banker Dead

Philadelphia, Jan. 5.—A private dispatch received here yesterday from Camden, S. C., announces the death in that city of Henry Lester Townsend, senior member of the banking firm of De Haven & Townsend, of this city, and one of the leading financiers of the country. The firm has branches in New York, Boston and London. Mr. Townsend had been in ill health for two years and went south on the advice of his physician.

STOCK LAW EXHIBIT

An official statement of receipts and disbursements of Stock Law permit rides [illegible] County, from the 1st Monday in December 1901, to the 1st [illegible] in December 1902.

[illegible] CHECK TERRITORY.

Dr A Fuller, L-F on plaintiff in Co. $6.97
F F Smith tax refunded 09
Rod Hodges, 2d & 3d taxes 1901 ..... 1.00
" " 1st tax and fee orders '01 ..... 1.00
Alonzo Wells, road, hearing etc 3.00
Courier pub account exhibit '01 ..... 1.00
J Sadler tax refunded '01 ..... 1.12
S B Goodbread, tax taker '02 ..... 1.00
Hugh McLain " " " 2.00
L. Phillips " " " 1.00
Total 30.28

RANDOLPH TERRITORY.

W H Cheshire building election $1.00
[illegible] Cheek, ring voters etc 7.50
J M Coggins building etc 2.00
J H Craven " " 2.00
[illegible] Fuller, judge election 4.00
[illegible] Fuller, clerk " 6.17
[illegible] Allen, judge " 1.00
[illegible] Allen, clerk " 1.00
[illegible] notice 8.00
[illegible] Bell, tax taker '02 ..... 1.00
W H Kinney, building election 1.00
[illegible] " " 1.00
[illegible] Cheshire, tax taker '02 ..... 3.10
[illegible] election notice 60
[illegible] Cheshire, " 2.00
[illegible] Cheshire, tax taker '02 ..... 3.10
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