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## GEN. MILES' PLAN TO STOP WAR

HIS CORRESPONDENCE WITH  
SECRETARY ROOT SENT TO  
CONGRESS.

President in Endorsing the Pa-  
pers Say they Prove the  
Wisdom of Denying Miles'  
Request.

MILES ASKED FOR SUPREME  
AUTHORITY IN ISLANDS

REFLECTIONS OF THE GENERAL  
ON THE MILITARY AUTHORI-  
TIES OF THE ISLAND—PAPERS  
GO TO COMMITTEE.

Washington, March 29.—In response  
to a resolution adopted by the house of  
representatives, the president today  
forwarded to that body the full text of  
the correspondence between Lieut.-  
Gen. Nelson A. Miles, commanding the  
army, and Secretary Root, concerning  
a plan outlined by the former to bring  
about a cessation of hostilities in the  
Philippines. A resume of the corres-  
pondence together with the endorse-  
ment upon it of President Roosevelt  
follows:

Under date of February 17, 1902, Gen.  
Miles transmitted to the secretary of  
war a memorandum outlining his plan  
to secure a cessation of hostilities in  
the Philippines, with a request that it  
be forwarded to the president. After  
directing attention to the situation in  
the Philippines and to the enormous  
expenditures of money and lives in the  
islands, he says that during the past  
century Indian wars have been averted  
by consultation with chiefs of the var-  
ious tribes. Our friendly relations with  
the people of Cuba and Porto Rico also  
had been promoted by the same  
means. He requests, therefore, that he  
be authorized to proceed to the Phil-  
ippine islands with a delegation of  
Cubans and Porto Ricans and while  
there direct the disposition of the  
United States forces to the end that  
they may occupy the most healthful  
and strategic positions and also take  
such measures as will tend to restore  
confidence to the Filipinos and demon-  
strate to them that our government is  
prompted by the highest sense of jus-  
tice. On his return to the United  
States he desires to bring such repre-  
sentative Filipinos as he may think  
advisable in order that they may real-  
ize the advantages this government of-  
fers them and at the same time af-  
ford opportunity to consult with the  
officials of this government. He is  
confident that such measures would be  
beneficial to the Filipinos and highly  
creditable to this government. In con-  
clusion he says:

"Should this request be approved I  
am confident it would result in a bet-  
ter condition of our military forces in  
that division, in the cessation of hos-  
tilities within a reasonable time, there-  
by permitting the return of a large  
number of our troops from those re-  
mote and unhealthy stations, and I  
should hope in an amicable adjustment  
of affairs to those islands which would  
be satisfactory to the inhabitants  
thereof as well as to the people of the  
United States."

Secretary Root forwarded to the  
president General Miles' memorandum,  
under date of March 5, with his disap-  
proval of the recommendations. He  
says the conduct of affairs in the Phil-  
ippines has been able and successful.  
More rapid progress has been made  
toward the acceptance of American  
sovereignty, the restoration of peace  
and the establishment of civil govern-  
ment than was to have been expected.  
The adoption of General Miles' plan,  
he thinks, would be an unfortunate in-  
terference with the present satisfacto-

ry progress. Long continued consulta-  
tions already had been held with  
prominent members of the insurrec-  
tionary government, and many promi-  
nent Filipinos are now occupying posi-  
tions under the civil government of the  
islands.

Concerning the proposal to bring of-  
ficial delegates from the Philippines to  
the United States, the secretary says:  
"It would be very difficult to keep  
such a proceeding free from specta-  
cular and sensational features, which  
would be injurious."  
In conclusion, the secretary says: "It  
is not the fact that the warfare in the  
Philippines has been conducted with  
marked severity; on the contrary, the  
warfare has been conducted with  
marked humanity on the part of the  
United States army."  
In a subsequent letter submitted to  
the house General Miles declares the  
secretary should not have considered  
his proposition, promoted in the inter-  
est of humanity, as in any way "spec-  
tacular and sensational." He says he  
would not anticipate any such result  
from its adoption. He calls attention  
to the fact that when in Cuba, last  
year he advised the members of the  
constitutional convention to make an  
appeal directly to President McKinley,  
which they did. The president granted  
the Cuban's request for an audience,  
made through him, and the result of  
the delegation's visit to Washington  
was most gratifying.

Referring to his comment that the  
war in the Philippines had been con-  
ducted with marked severity, General  
Miles says his information was based  
upon official reports. He says it was  
his purpose nearly a year ago to go  
to the Philippines and his projected  
visit had the approval of President Mc-  
Kinley. He adds, in conclusion, that  
since his proposition to take a delega-  
tion of Cubans and Porto Ricans to the  
Philippines and bring back to the  
United States a delegation of Filipinos  
does not seem advisable, he asks for  
it no further consideration. When he  
goes to the Philippines he says he will  
devote his attention to the condition  
and requirements of the troops in that  
division.

Secretary Root comments upon Gen-  
eral Miles' second memorandum, dated  
March 25. He says the apparent pur-  
pose of the memorandum was to show  
that the action taken on the first was  
wrong. He then adds:  
"Without commenting upon the prop-  
riety of a military officer undertaking  
to review the action of the president,  
I again submit the paper for such re-  
consideration as the president may  
think advisable."  
Concerning the audience given mem-  
bers of the Cuban constitutional con-  
vention by President McKinley, Sec-  
retary Root says the president's consent  
to receive the committee was asked for  
by General Wood, through the secre-  
tary of war, and was communicated to  
General Miles by the secretary of war,  
who never heard General Miles men-  
tioned in connection with the trans-  
action. The secretary adds that on the  
18th of July, 1900, General Miles ap-  
plied to be sent to the Philippines and  
China in his official capacity. Gen-  
eral MacArthur had reported that not  
a single regiment could be spared from  
the Philippines. General Miles accom-  
panied his application by a requisition  
that 15,000 troops be withdrawn from  
the Philippines and sent to China. The  
withdrawal of so many troops would  
insure insurgent control of a large part  
of the Philippines. The secretary says  
that at least two-thirds of the 15,000  
were wholly unnecessary in China. The  
application and recommendation, says  
the secretary, were in fact accompanied  
by a request from General Miles that  
supreme command of the allied forces  
should be obtained for him. Under  
these circumstances President McKin-  
ley declined to authorize the sending of  
General Miles either to the Philippines  
or to China. A year afterwards the  
secretary of war authorized the Lieut-  
enant-general to extend his inspection  
tour to the Philippines, for the pur-  
pose of inspection only. He has never  
been authorized to go for any other  
purpose.

Whether the carrying out of General  
Miles' plan would interfere with the  
present civil and military control in  
the Philippines must be determined, the  
secretary says, by the proposed order  
itself. The lieutenant-general asks au-  
thority "to give such directions as I  
may deem advisable and judicious for  
the best disposition of the United  
States military forces."  
"That of course means," continues  
the secretary, "to command Gen. Chaf-  
tes and he asks authority also to take  
such measures as will tend to restore  
as far as possible confidence to the peo-  
ple of those islands and demonstrate  
that the purpose of our government is  
prompted by the highest sense of jus-  
tice. That means, if it means anything,  
authority to do himself, or to require  
the civil officers of the Philippines to  
do under his direction, the very duties  
which were charged upon the Phil-  
ippine commission and the civil govern-  
or in the islands by President McKinley  
and which they are now engaged in  
doing."  
The secretary says if the measures  
to be taken are to be determined by  
Gen. Miles, "the system of civil govern-  
ment by which we have been grad-  
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## BOER'S DEMANDS ARE REASONABLE

GROWING OPTIMISM IN LONDON  
REGARDING THE PROSPECTS  
OF PEACE.

Important Communication Re-  
ceived by Chamberlain from  
South Africa.

KITCHENER AND MILNER  
SAY, GRANT CONCESSIONS

DEMANDS OF BOERS COULD BE  
CONCEDED BY GREAT BRITAIN  
WITHOUT LOSS OF DIGNITY—  
QUICK MOVEMENT OF BRITISH  
TROOPS.

London, March 29.—There has grown  
up during the week a vague but un-  
mistakable optimism regarding the  
prospects of peace in South Africa. It  
is based not only on the present action  
of the Transvaal officials but on strik-  
ing features in the latest drive against  
Delany. It is at last discovered that the  
British troops, stripped of artillery  
guns and all impediments, can move as  
fast as the Boers. Kitchener records  
that his columns covered eight miles  
in twenty-four hours. Everybody won-  
ders why this was not done many  
months ago, but hopes are entertained  
that this improvement alone may end  
the war in the near future. Great en-  
couragement, however, is derived from  
conduct of direct peace negotiations.  
A long cable despatch from Milner  
reached Chamberlain at the colonial  
office yesterday. It evidently was of  
the first importance for copies were  
made by confidential clerks and sent  
by special messengers to members of  
the executive section of the cabinet.  
Presumably Kitchener and Milner  
have been made acquainted with the  
terms on which the Boer leaders are  
prepared to make peace. These terms  
are believed to contain something pre-  
viously projected, and Kitchener and  
Milner are understood to have cabled  
in detail their reasons for thinking  
that the concessions should now be  
made.

It is understood that the Boer lead-  
ers now demand some sort of assur-  
ance in regard to the duration of the  
transition period preceding the estab-  
lishment of an autonomous government  
in the late republics. They are be-  
lieved to have insisted on a modifica-  
tion of the ridiculous banishment de-  
gree of last autumn and also that per-  
mission be given to rebels to leave  
South Africa should they so desire.  
Other stipulations are for the rebuild-  
ing of burned homesteads and ad-  
vances from imperial exchequer on  
easy terms to enable the burghers who  
have suffered by the war to restart in  
life. There really is not one of these  
demands which could not be conceded  
by the English without loss of dignity  
and there is a strong impression that  
all may be granted.

## BULGARIA OBJECTS TO CONSUL DICKINSON

HIS ACTIVITY IN SEEKING MISS  
STONE'S RELEASE UNDOUBT-  
EDLY THE CAUSE.

Washington, March 29.—Charles M.  
Dickinson of New York, diplomatic  
agent at Sofia, Bulgaria, has been de-  
clared persona non grata by the Bul-  
garian government on account of his  
attitude in the case of Miss Stone.  
Dickinson is now in Constantinople  
and the United States is obliged to  
consider his position at Sofia as vacat.  
News of dissatisfaction with Dickin-  
son was sent today by Minister to Tur-  
key Leisham who gave no further ex-  
planation of Bulgaria's action than is  
given above. Dickinson's activity in  
seeking Miss Stone's release is un-  
doubtedly the cause. In the midst of  
the negotiations for ransom Dickinson  
left Sofia. It is supposed his troubles  
with the Bulgarian officials began at  
that time, but a full report from Leish-  
am must be received before the state

## CHINESE EXCLUSION ACT NEXT ORDER OF BUSINESS

Washington, March 29.—Today's ses-  
sion of the house was devoted in com-  
mittee of the whole to a partial con-  
sideration of the bill to promote the  
efficiency of the revenue cutter service  
and establish a retired list for officers  
thereof. Eight hours will be devoted  
to general debate, half of which was  
consumed today. When the bill is dis-  
posed of the Chinese exclusion act will  
be the next order of business.  
The correspondence regarding Gen-  
eral Miles' request to be sent to the  
Philippines was referred to the com-  
mittee on insular affairs.

## Prizes and Loving Cups

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all who may be interest-  
ed. We have gathered  
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THREE DAYS IN SEVERAL  
SOUTHERN STATES.

Considerable Loss of Life and  
Great Destruction of Prop-  
erty in Tennessee.

RAILROADS FORCED TO  
ABANDON THEIR TRAINS

WATER STILL RISING AT NASH-  
VILLE AND LIKELY TO INUN-  
DATE A PART OF THE CITY—  
HARRIMAN'S GREAT LOSS.

New Orleans, March 29.—A heavy  
storm has raged for three days through  
Louisiana, Mississippi, Alabama and  
eastern Tennessee, washing away rail-  
road tracks and bridges, stopping all  
communication, destroying a number of  
houses and causing much loss of life.  
The Illinois Central has washouts in  
many points, the New Orleans and  
Northeastern has run no trains for two  
days and the Alabama Great Southern  
is tied up even worse. A number of  
freight trains have been abandoned in  
water.  
So far only five persons are reported  
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## BURNED TO DEATH BY GEORGIA MOB

THE VICTIM WAS RICHARD  
YOUNG, ACCUSED OF KILLING  
DOWER FOUNTAIN.

Augusta, Ga., March 29.—Richard  
Young, one of the negroes accused of  
having killed Dower Fountain and at-  
tacked his mother Thursday night on  
Ogeechee road, three miles from Savan-  
nah, was caught today and burned at  
the stake. A piece of railroad iron  
was driven into the ground and the ne-  
gro tied to it. A rosin, pitch and  
brush heap was built up around him  
and the torch applied.  
The mob did not wait until the man  
was dead but his charred remains were  
found afterwards.

## HATFIELDS AGAIN FIGURE IN BLOODY TRAGEDY

Mattawan, W. Va., March 29.—A  
bloody tragedy occurred at the home  
of Thomas Hatfield across the Tug  
river in Pike county this morning, in  
which Hatfield, his son Ephraim and  
two officers were killed. Detective John  
Rutherford and Revenue Officer Watts  
went to Hatfield to arrest Ephraim for  
felony committed in North Carolina.  
They had seized Ephraim and were  
starting away when the elder Hatfield  
began firing. The officers returned the  
fire and Ephraim also joined in the  
shooting. All four were killed.

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