

FILIPINO FILINGS.

DETAILS OF THE FIGHTING NEAR ILOILO LAST THURSDAY.

Secret Service to the Filipinos?—It is so reported in London—Refugees reported in Manila From Dogagon.

March 23—The steamship Palay arrived today from Iloilo with the report of fighting on the banks of Iloilo. The losses to Americans are one killed and fifty wounded. The enemy suffered...

Convincing evidence was obtained today that the strategic and secret services of Spain have been placed at the disposal of the Filipinos.

March 23—The steamer Dogagon has arrived from Dogagon, bringing fifteen Englishmen, women and children. They were taken aboard the Dogagon from the north coast of the Philippines. They show sympathy with the war the Government is waging, and have been taken by them as food supplies for the soldiers and non-combatants. The foreigners say that foreigners are...

March 23—Agoncillo and the Philippine Commissioners, have just arrived from Paris. It is said in well informed circles that Agoncillo is mortified at the rebuff he received from the British Government, and that he expects to obtain arms and munitions for the purchase of which he has made several unsuccessful attempts to London and Birmingham. He said he believes that the assistance of the Paris junta will be able to obtain the supplies needed from France, in which event will charter a small vessel at Brest or Malo, to transport the purchases to the Philippines.

March 23—The transport Charles Nelson, which sails for Manila in a few days, will take seven hundred under command of Lieut. Ales, of the Eighteenth Infantry. Until later notice no more recruits will be accepted for the regiments now in the Philippines, the membership being at the maximum.

March 23—The War Department officials profess much satisfaction at the progress of the campaign in the Philippines. They expect even more results when an aggressive movement is inaugurated. Gen. Otis is organizing the American forces for the purpose, reinforcements rapidly marching Manila. Within a fortnight Sheridan is expected, swelling the number to five thousand. The Department expects to hear that Otis made a movement before Sheridan's arrival.

THE CUBAN ARMY.

American Money Will be Accepted and Soldiers Sent Home Regardless of Assembly's Action.

March 22—An important meeting of Cuban generals was held at which it was decided to notify the assembly that the Cuban army was immediately disbanded, arms ordered, and soldiers allowed to take the money offered by the United States.

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MARCUS AKHOOND HANNA.

It was said of the potentate that forsook his throne for the destinies of Swat—and it was said in the language of pathetic and tuncful poetry—when the news of his demise was flashed under the Indian Ocean and other large bodies of water that "he was a good akhoond." And when Hanna becomes dead, it may not be said that "he was a good Boss," but the truth will nevertheless exist that he was good. Not good to his coal miners and other employes, to public morals and popular interests, to his competitors in business and politics, but good to his fellow-syndicators, and especially good to his president.

To the latter his goodness has been of many kinds and it keeps on pouring forth in a tireless stream. To enumerate the numerous and continued instances of the exhibition of this goodness would be to repeat the familiar chronicles of recent history.

Not satisfied with engineering the McKinley boom through the rocks and shallows that beset a nomination, not content with assembling the convenient cash of the moneyed interests and purchasing an election, Mark Akhoond Hanna the Good stood guard over the pet legislative measures of the administration in the senate during the turbulent days preceding, succeeding and during the war, and many a time and oft took up his nightly abode in the White House that the Head of the Government might enjoy the peaceful and quieting consciousness that his best friend was near to answer a call for advice in case a serious emergency should arise.

Thanks to the counsel, guardianship and care of the good Hanna, William McKinley has passed without injury to his health over half of his term. His custodian will now take charge of him and conduct him eftsoon to a summer home near Thomasville, Ga., where the lucky executive can recover from the fatigues and cares of office amid the soothing southern winds.

While the work of recuperation goes briskly forward, the President's political pilot and personal friend will call around him the members of the Republican national committee and the campaign fund purveyors with a view to arranging the ways and means for enabling Mr. McKinley to secure a re-nomination.

The proverbial ungratefulness of republics may cause the junior senator from Ohio to be cheated of his laurels, but the fact nevertheless remains that were it not for the guiding hand and watchful care of Marcus Akhoond Hanna the country might not have enjoyed the glory and the good luck of being superintended by a president whom Judge Day—also and very much of Ohio—has pronounced the wisest and best man that ever occupied the White House.—St. Louis Republic.

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General Gordon desires that the original custom be adhered to, and requests "the appointment of a sponsor by general, department, division and brigade commanders, and by every camp, with as many maids of honor as desired, but with the understanding that the reunion committee at Charleston will only entertain and provide for one sponsor and one maid of honor from general, department and division headquarters."

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MISTAKE IN REVENUE ACT.

Banks With Capital Between \$10,000 and \$25,000 Escape Extra Tax.

There is an evident mistake in Section 32 of the Revenue Act, which imposes a graduated tax on the capital stock of banks.

This section, as written in the original and ratified bill, and as printed in the Act is as follows:

"Every State bank, savings bank or association conducting a business as contemplated in this section, any private banker, every money exchange, bond or note broker, whether operating corporations or associations or privately as individuals, in addition to the ad valorem tax on their capital invested, shall pay annually to the State Treasurer a tax according to capital employed as follows:

On a capital of \$10,000 or less, \$25 and \$2 for each \$1,000 of capital stock in excess of \$25,000; also \$25 additional for each county in which any of said banks, associations, bankers or brokers have an agency."

It is evident that it should read and so intended by those who framed the Act:

"On a capital of \$10,000 or less, \$25, and \$2 for each \$1,000 of capital in excess of \$10,000."

It is too late, however, to remedy the mistake. Nothing short of another Legislature can do that. So all banks with capital up to \$25,000 instead of \$10,000 will be required to pay only \$25 tax.—Raleigh Observer.

THE REYNOLDS CO.

Expert Accountants from Kentucky and Virginia, Representing Capitalists Taking Stock in Business, Assisting in the Inventory Taking.

Winston, N. C., March 22.—Early this morning reports were circulated that the tobacco trust had purchased the large manufacturing business of the R. J. Reynolds Tobacco Co.

The President of the firm was interviewed. He said his factories were closed to-day to take an inventory, looking to the increasing of the capital stock of the company, as allowed by the new charter granted by the recent Legislature.

Two gentlemen, one from Kentucky and the other from Virginia, are here assisting in the work of taking an inventory. They are said to be expert accountants. Mr. Reynolds says they represent capitalists who are taking stock in the business.

The company, with its increased capital, will build another large factory. Rumors have been current all day to the effect that several manufacturers have sold to the trust, but nothing officially can be obtained.

SEN, TELLER'S VIEWS.

Says the Financial Question Will be the Issue and Col. Bryan the Leader.

Cleveland, Ohio, March 22.—Senator M. H. Teller, of Colorado, was asked here to-day what, in his judgment, would be the Democratic issue in the next presidential campaign.

"I think there is no doubt," replied Senator Teller, "that the Democratic party will make the financial question the issue."

"Who will be the Democratic presidential nominee?"

"Undoubtedly Mr. Bryan will be the choice of his party," promptly replied the Senator.

In regard to W. J. Bryan's controversy with Perry Belmont, Senator Teller said: "I think Mr. Bryan did exactly right in taking the position he did. Those fellows in that organization are not Democrats. They are Republicans masquerading under Democratic colors. They opposed Mr. Bryan's election in 1896, saying his election would endanger the nation's welfare and he did perfectly right in declining to accept the invitation."

Trusts Defended.

LONDON, March 22.—At the banquet of the British Economic Association, this evening, Robert Giffan, formerly assistant secretary of the board of trade, presiding, Prof. Ashley delivered an interesting address on the position of trusts in the United States.

Prof. Ashley said the trusts were mainly the outcome of an attempt to get rid of the disastrous effects of cut-throat competition. The public, in his opinion, had greatly exaggerated their power to rule prices. He contended that the general tendency of trusts in the United States was, in fact, toward lower prices, as had been seen in the case of the Standard Oil Trust. Undoubtedly the trusts gave an advantage to the capitalists, but they also tended to insure steadiness in the rate of remuneration for labor, and to promote continuity of employment and an increased stability in industry.

Against Boycottting.

The Legislature of Minnesota has just passed a bill prohibiting the practice of the boycott in any of its forms. It is made unlawful to print or circulate boycott cards, stickers or dogers, or to advertise by writing or printing in words that a boycott exists or is contemplated. The penalty is a fine or imprisonment.

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Officers Reprimanded.

AUGUSTA, Ga., March 23.—General Young has issued an order severely criticizing the commissioned officers and the finding of the court-martial in the trial of the rioters of the Fifteenth Minnesota Regiment, which occurred March 4th and 5th, when one of their number was killed by a saloon-keeper. He says in part: "The deplorable inefficiency, incapacity, weakness and timidity exhibited by nearly all of these commissioned officers in permitting a disgraceful and violent outbreak in the camp, is incredible except upon the abundant sworn testimony of said officers themselves. These officers stood expostulating, exhorting, pleading, but not one of them attempted to fell the two or three leading men who were actually breaking in the storehouse door. These sworn details would justify a court-martial in awarding the extreme penalty of the law. The order from superior authority requiring immediate muster out of this regiment is all that precludes the bringing before a court-martial those officers who proved themselves thus recreant and it is with profound regret that the corps commander finds himself thus constrained to punish enlisted men while, through circumstances beyond his control, certain officers, unworthy of the commissions they hold, are permitted to go home with clean records."

Schoolgirls Taboo Lacing.

NEWARK, N. J., March 24.—A wave of dress reform has swept over the girls' classes in the Newark high schools, and, almost without exception, the girls have adopted the loose waist and abandoned tight lacing. For months the teachers have been quietly working to bring this about.

The revolution has been brought about by the adoption of the suit to be worn in the gymnasium work. The design of the costume appears to be satisfactory to all the girls, and they have come to use it so that it amounts almost to a school uniform.

A black waist, which fits snugly but not too tightly, and interferes in no way with the natural freedom of the body, is a part of the uniform. There are also full bloomers of black material, black stockings and slippers. The suit is trimmed with red braid. The girls have added to this a skirt to match to be worn in the school room.

Whipping Post for Lawyers and Saloon-keepers.

Rev. Crawford, pastor of the Methodist Episcopal church, the largest in the county, and his fellow Methodist ministers, will continue the crusade against the big brewery which is to locate here this spring. The latest attacked by the Methodist pastors are the lawyers. "I would recommend the whipping post," Rev. Crawford said, in a public address. "A whipping post, not only for the saloon-keeper, but for the license signers and attorneys as well. You signers of license, you lawyers, who help them, you are in a bad business. You lawyers are worse than the signers, because you have education and intelligence, which signers, many of them, don't have."—Stroudsburg, Pa., Dispatch.

STRANDED IN NEW YORK.

Twenty-Seven Negro Families Victimized by a Liberian Migration Society.

New York, March 22.—The 27 colored families numbering 104 persons in all, who are stranded in Jersey City, after having come from the West to go to Liberia, as is alleged, under a contract with the International Migration Society, were notified to-day, by the Central Railroad, of New Jersey, that they would have to leave the railway cars in which they have remained since arriving in Jersey City. It is claimed that the Migration Society promised to send these people to Liberia, and that they failed to carry out their promise. Most of them are destitute and their condition is pitiable.

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Bryan on Taxation.

NASHVILLE, Tenn., March 22.—Col. William J. Bryan delivered an address before the general assembly today. In the course of his speech Colonel Bryan said:

"The people should be taxed only a sufficient amount to economically administer public affairs. The application of taxes becomes obnoxious when taxes are so collected that a portion of wealth escapes taxation. Every citizen should contribute to the support of the government in proportion to the benefit he derives. 'Give me wisdom to govern my people aright' should hang in the office of every public official."

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