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## LIFE IN THE PHILIPPINES.

**A Mixture of Taxes, Earthquakes and Rebellion--Vast Resources of the Islands Which Spain Has Not Known How to Use--Weather and Customs a Manila-Chances for Americans--The Natives and Their Characteristics.**

A correspondent of the New York "Sun," at Los Angeles, California, sends the following interesting letter:

Manley R. Sherman, of this city, has come home after a residence of several years in Manila. He has been for four years in the employ of a trading company, which has been buying indigo, camphor, sugar, spices and hemp in the Philippine Islands for thirty years. As agent for the company he has traveled over all the larger islands, and has had unusual opportunities to learn much about the archipelago.

"When I left Manila about the middle of March," said Mr. Sherman, "the present rebellion was breaking out. It is really another chapter of the rebellion which broke out in the island of Luzon (the largest, most populous and important Philippine island) in June of last year. The Spanish Government thought it had stamped out the rebellious spirit of the natives, but in the latter part of February the rebels suddenly appeared in several parts of Luzon. The old seaport town of Cavite, where Admiral Dewey and his forces are now in possession, has been the head center of the rebels this time."

"If the United States should take the Philippine Islands as a possession, they would have a most valuable piece of property. The possibilities of the Philippines as wealth producers can hardly be overestimated. The exports in 1897 amounted to about \$31,000,000, and that in the face of the blighting oppression of the Spanish on every enterprise except tobacco and sugar. United States Consul Williams, at Manila, and I have discussed many times the agricultural possibilities of the Philippines under American push and Yankee invention. I believe the exports from the islands might be increased to \$50,000,000 annually in a few years, and to much higher figures in a decade. For instance, the coffee production has for some recent years of the government at Madrid been kept down by a system of extra licenses that one must obtain to plant coffee beans, and by heavy import duties on the machinery necessary in preparing the product for market. I have been among the famous coffee plantations of Central America, and I make the assertion that there are nowhere in Central America land and water facilities that approach those of the island of Negros for growing coffee. The exportation of coffee in 1897 amounted to about \$350,000. It ought to have been ten times that amount."

"Tobacco, sugar and hemp are the chief products of the Philippines. The government does foster these industries so far as its avarice for taxes will permit. There are 15,000 cigar and cheroot makers in and about Manila. All the tobacco plantations and cigar factories are run by Spaniards. General Weyler's two brothers have the largest factory in Escosita--a suburb of Manila. They came over to the island about 8 years ago, when their pious military brother was Governor-General of the Philippines at a salary of \$40,000 a year, and they obtained concessions then that yielded immense annual returns. Sugar is largely grown on the islands of Negros and Sarnos. There are large Malay towns on those islands. The English sugar buyers there say there is no cane so rich in saccharine properties as that in the Philippines. Notwithstanding the ridiculously crude methods of cultivating the cane fields and the expensive manner of crushing the stalks and extracting the sugar, the profit in the sugar industry is incredible. The extreme richness of the cane makes the profit. I know of several Japanese sugar cane companies on the island of Sarnos that have made as high as \$500 for an acre and a quarter every year for a long time. Yankee invention could easily reduce the expenses of a sugar plantation one-fourth. No people but the Japanese in the Philippines have the least idea of how to make machinery do the work of man. Think of having sugar cane crushed by several hundred men with clubs, when simple machinery would accomplish the same purpose better, cheaper and a hundred times quicker. The indigo industry is run in the same way as two centuries ago."

"Wherever one goes into the rural regions of the Philippines Islands, one is constantly wondering at the extraordinary profligacy of nature. I cannot tell you of the magnificence of the immense tropical forests of Negros and Sarnos. Thousands of square miles there have seldom been visited by a white man. There are literally millions of dollars in costly woods there, to say nothing about valuable herbs and barks to be had in the same forests."

"I am wondering in these days, when Uncle Sam is about sending troops from the Pacific coast to the Philippines, what the American boys will think of the climate over there. With the possible exception of some parts of interior India and Arabia, I doubt if there is any hotter climate than that of Manila. The islands reach within four degrees of the equator. The temperature is not so very high, but the humidity is. The most extreme care must constantly be exercised to keep one's physical condition properly toned all summer long. The hottest days in the year are in May and June. Fortunately a breeze usually springs up in the early evening, and that tempers the atmosphere so that one can get some sleep, if he is properly fixed for it, when midnight comes. The mean temperature at the Philippines is 79 degrees. In November the weather cools and then for weeks at a time along the seacoast it is about as near perfection as any one can

imagine. To call the months of December, January and February mere winter is a mockery. For seven months in the year, from April to October, no one but the poorest laborer goes out of doors, unless compelled to do, between eight in the morning and four in the afternoon.

A genuine census has never been taken in the Philippines, but of a total population of about 300,000 in Manila about 8,000 are Spanish. The troops are relieved here once in two years, but the rebellions have been so many in the islands during the last few years that the soldiers have been kept on duty at Cavite and other garrisons longer than usual.

"Speaking of rebellions reminds me that there have been seventeen respectable rebellions in the last sixty years. It seems strange that such an easy, slumbering, happy-go-lucky race as the natives of the Philippines should have such turbulent politics. With almost any other government over them, the natives could undoubtedly be peaceful and contented. Of late years the rapacity of the Spanish has increased, and the poor people are desperate. They long for any other governing power than the Spanish. I can't begin to think now of all the taxes and licenses that the people in the islands pay for their government. All males over twenty-one years of age must pay an annual poll tax that equals \$18 in our money. All females must pay \$14 as a poll tax. A person must get a license to gather coconuts from his own trees and sell them. I have myself paid hundreds of dollars for licenses for poor farmers who wished to harvest their indigo crop and sell it to me. Every article of furniture that costs a sum equal to \$20 in our money is taxed. The curtain never goes up at theatre that \$10 is not paid to the government. No one in the Philippines may kill his own animals for market, clip his sheep, or cut down a tree without first paying a fee to some of the army of collectors that infest the country. A couple pay a tax when they wish to be married, besides a fee to the padre. The natives love showy funerals, and the Spaniards love showy funerals. We did meet up with three railroad attorneys at the State convention, and we know they rode there on Southern Railway passes, and every one of the three were in favor of "Fusion." We don't charge these lawyers with being influenced by the Southern Railway but we make the statement to show the recklessness of these papers in charging that the Southern attorneys run the convention. We were satisfied that if the thing could be sifted down to the truth there were more men in that convention with Southern Railway passes in their pockets who favored fusion than could have been found among men who ruled it and stamped the life out of their demoralizing scheme.

As to the number of lawyers who were in the convention, we doubt not, these papers are as far from the truth as they are in their statement as to its being controlled by the Southern Railway. In regard to this matter we speak from facts. On the delegation from Cadwell--five of whom attended--there was not a single lawyer. There was not a single lawyer from Catawba, nor from Iredell; and the Burke delegation had more lawyers than lawyers on it. Alexander, Wilkes, Surry and Alleghany were represented by lawyers mostly and they were for fusion. No, these Populists, and some of the fusion advocates, play upon the prejudices of the people and make statements along this line without any regard whatever for the truth.

**Vance Still Lives.**

Southland Neck Common-wealth.

If Vance were living Bryan's plan of co-operation would have been adopted at the State Democratic convention.--The Caucasian.

Oh, no! Vance still lives in his influence over Democracy in North Carolina, and it was a part of that self-same influence which held together the forces of Democracy as a unit against fusion. From the first moment the delegates from the various counties were seated in the convention hall, 90 per cent were solidly opposed to fusion.

All throughout the State Democratic convention being dominated by gold-bug influence, railroad attorneys and monopoly money is quite small talk and is untrue. Populist papers have raised the howl that farmers were conspicuous in that convention by their absence. Well, that may have been true; but the editor of the Commonwealth was there and can answer for two counties, Harnett, an Halifax. The delegation from Harnett, our native county, was one-half, if not two-thirds farmers, and out of all the delegates from Halifax nearly half were farmers.

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and dabbed his mouth and solemnly swore that he would spill the blood of at least one Spaniard every six months. The Spanish got hold of the plot. By trials that lasted an hour or two in some cases and thirty or forty minutes in most cases, 4,700 of the persons suspected as being in the plot were convicted and shot to death. In the month of November, 1896, there were 800 executions on the outskirts of Manila. In one day some seventy-five men were stood up before a wall and shot.

"The earthquakes in the Philippines, especially on Luzon and Negros Islands, deserve a special story by themselves. The whole group of islands is of volcanic origin. There are seventy volcanoes in constant eruption on the islands. Several of them are the most violent in the world and are always being studied by scientists from Europe and America. The famous volcano Mayaria is within sight of Manila. An earthquake occurs on an average of once every ten days. I have known small quakes to come at the rate of a dozen a day for a week at a time. About a dozen times a year there are shocks so severe that people will run out in fright and damage will be done to the buildings. The big bridge over the Pasig River at Manila has been so swayed by earthquakes twice in my residence in the city that it has been made unsafe for travel. In 1894 an earthquake nearly ruined the great stone cathedral in Manila, raised many buildings to the ground, jacked many more, and 3,000 people on Luzon Island were killed by falling timbers and walls. In 1890 the great earthquake on Negros Island occurred. It has never been known how many people were killed then, but the number is estimated at 7,000. Almost every structure on the island was shaken down, and great gaps, yards wide and miles long, were cracked across the island. The quakes opened seams in the earth from the seacoast and made passages from the interior lakes to the ocean. I suppose if such a quake should occur in New York City there wouldn't be one building left on all Manhattan Island."

**The Truth Will Prevail.**

Lenoir Topic.

Some of the Populist papers are charging that the recent Democratic State convention was controlled by corporation lawyers. We are not in a position to say how many corporation lawyers were in the convention and it is not our habit to make statements that are not founded on facts of our own personal knowledge. We did meet up with three railroad attorneys at the State convention, and we know they rode there on Southern Railway passes, and every one of the three were in favor of "Fusion." We don't charge these lawyers with being influenced by the Southern Railway but we make the statement to show the recklessness of these papers in charging that the Southern attorneys run the convention. We were satisfied that if the thing could be sifted down to the truth there were more men in that convention with Southern Railway passes in their pockets who favored fusion than could have been found among men who ruled it and stamped the life out of their demoralizing scheme.

As to the number of lawyers who were in the convention, we doubt not, these papers are as far from the truth as they are in their statement as to its being controlled by the Southern Railway. In regard to this matter we speak from facts. On the delegation from Cadwell--five of whom attended--there was not a single lawyer. There was not a single lawyer from Catawba, nor from Iredell; and the Burke delegation had more lawyers than lawyers on it. Alexander, Wilkes, Surry and Alleghany were represented by lawyers mostly and they were for fusion. No, these Populists, and some of the fusion advocates, play upon the prejudices of the people and make statements along this line without any regard whatever for the truth.

**Vance Still Lives.**

Southland Neck Common-wealth.

If Vance were living Bryan's plan of co-operation would have been adopted at the State Democratic convention.--