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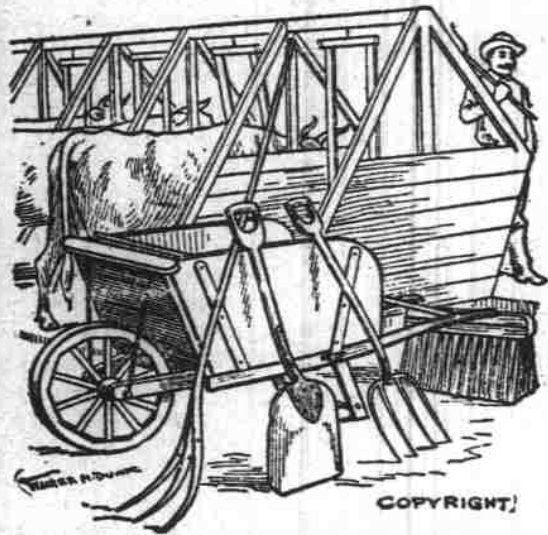
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WASHINGTON LETTER.

Welcome Improvement in Conditions in Philippines.

The Size of the Army—Limit Set by Congress May Not be Needed.

Judge Boyd on the Impeachment Question—Prosperity of the Ship Building Industry.

Washington, April 1.—President McKinley is delighted with the recent news from the Philippines, including the gallant and daring capture of Aguinaldo by Gen. Fred Funston and the continued surrender of Filipino officers and men, as well as the rapid progress of the establishing of civil government in the various provinces by the Tatt commission. It looks as if peace and prosperity were ahead of the Philippines, and that both would come much sooner than the most sanguine would have predicted a few weeks ago. President McKinley promptly assured Senator Burton and Representatives Curtis and Loug, of Kansas, that Gen. Funston's good work should be rewarded, and as promptly made him a brigadier general in the regular army, although that action on the part of the president did not meet the approval of some of the army fossils who say that Gen. Funston is too young to be a brigadier general in the regular army; he is only 35. The answer to that argument is that Funston earned his commission as a brigadier general of volunteers by his bravery and gallantry, and that now he has earned a similar commission as a regular; what a man is old enough to earn, he is old enough to have. To properly reward him was to encourage future Funstons to perform gallant deeds when the occasion for them arises.

WHAT SHALL BE DONE WITH AGUINALDO?

Much clap-trap has been sent from Washington about the president and cabinet worrying over what shall be done with Aguinaldo. Nothing could be further from the truth. Aguinaldo is a prisoner of war and as such is likely to receive the same kind treatment given others from time to time captured. Whether he will be allowed to recover his liberty by taking the oath of allegiance to the United States or will be kept in confinement in the Philippines or elsewhere, will depend largely upon future recommendations made by our military authorities in the Philippines, and those recommendations will doubtless be influenced by the attitude of Aguinaldo himself toward American rule on the islands. There is nothing in the situation to cause any worry in Washington, or elsewhere.

THE SIZE OF THE ARMY.

It is very confidently expected by the president and Secretary Root that the improved conditions in the Philippines will make it unnecessary to recruit the army to the full strength authorized by congress. No orders will be issued to stop the recruiting until Gen. McArthur and the Tatt commission have been fully heard from, but both the president and secretary of war are fully determined that no more men shall be recruited than are considered absolutely necessary to meet the conditions, and both will be extremely gratified if the total of the army can be kept far below the maximum fixed by congress. Neither wishes for a large army unless it is necessary.

JUDGE BOYD ON THE IMPEACHMENT.

Judge Boyd, of North Carolina, former assistant attorney general, was in Washington, when the news of the collapse of the attempt to impeach the judges of the supreme court of his state was received. Speaking of the matter, Judge Boyd said: "There could have been no other honest verdict. There was never any ground of impeachment in the first place, but the places of the judges were wanted, and it was thought that they could be ousted by impeachment proceedings. What seems strange to me is that the trial did not attract more attention. If there had been an impeachment of judges in any other

state in the Union, there would have been columns of the story printed with pictures of the judges, of the senators who formed the court, and of the principal lawyers in the case. There were many interesting and even dramatic features in the trial."

THE SHIP BUILDING INDUSTRY.

C. B. Orcutt, of Elizabeth, N. J., president of the Newport News (Va.) Ship Building company, is in Washington for the purpose of signing a contract with the navy department for constructing the Charleston, which is to replace the cruiser of that name wrecked in the Philippines. Speaking of the great prosperity of the ship-building industry, he said: "The total ships under construction in our yards will represent a cost of nearly \$28,000,000, when completed. About one third of this is merchant work, and the other two thirds are for the government. The Korea, building for the Pacific Mail company, which was recently successfully launched, is the largest merchant vessel ever constructed in this country. Her sister ship, the Siberia, should be ready for launching in about two months. The ships we now have under construction are the battleships Illinois and Missouri, one sheathed battleship, two armored cruisers, one protected cruiser and the monitor Arkansas. In addition to the two Pacific mail steamers, we are building four steamers for the Morgan line. We are now employing 6,800 men, and before many days we shall have 7,000 on the rolls."

WOMAN'S INTERESTS

Waists—that is to say, separate waists—will evidently retain their vogue, says a contemporary, while probably carrying the day. Many models are shown in white taffeta, adorned most fancifully with corn colored lace and insertions of the same color, while grenadine is also employed. Here the trimming is the lace above mentioned, or black Chantilly, or again various descriptions of gold trimming, principally openwork. Very dainty trimming of colored straw braid or lace ornament many. They are constructed with plain back, and hang straight, blousing fronts descending below the waist line. Entire waists of allover lace, white, cream or corn colored, but invariably lined with black or white, are among the most dressy. Many of these are constructed with basques about ten inches in depth, or a long postilion at the back. These will accompany either woolen, silk or muslin skirts—we are promised masses of the latter, but models of such have not yet appeared—or lace skirts, of course matching in color or design.

WASHING CUT GLASS.

Housekeepers know that cut glass carafes or water bottles are very hard to keep clean and new looking. When a lime deposit has formed on the inside, fill the carafe with sour milk and let it stand a day or two, empty and wash in soft warm water, to which a teaspoon of ammonia has been added. Rub thoroughly with a soft brush, tie a paper or cloth over the mouth, and, while it is still wet, bury it in a box of sawdust. Leave a day or two to dry, rub off the sawdust with a soft brush and the carafe will glisten as it did on the shelf in the shop. All cut glass is improved by this treatment. Jewelers realize the value of fine sawdust in cleaning diamonds and other fine jewelry.—Good Housekeeping.

AN EASTER HINT.

Under the above heading, a Philadelphia contemporary quotes the following, which it says should be of importance at this time: "If to the water in which cut flowers are kept about a tablespoonful of Platt's chlorides (the odorless disinfectant) be added, the perfume and freshness of the flowers will be retained for a much longer period than would otherwise be the case."

We give this hint for whatever it may be worth. We venture to suggest however that while it is all very well for some people, yet there are many to whom the perfume of flowers either in a small room or in a closely packed church is very far from pleasant. Such persons would prefer a disinfectant strong enough to drown the sickly odor of the flowers.

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