

THE PHILIPPINES

The Philippines Driven From a Strong Position at San Tomas.

STOUT RESISTANCE OFFERED

Attacked in Front and Flank by Our Forces-They are Forced From Their Fortifications-Our Casualties Small-Colonel Funston Slightly Wounded-Aguinaldo's Army Almost Completely Surrounded by the Divisions of MacArthur, Lawton and Wheaton-A Stop Put to the Filipino's Temporarily Proceedings.

Manila, May 4.—Major General MacArthur has carried San Tomas, after encountering a strong resistance.

Brigadier General Hale moved on the enemy's right and Brigadier General Wheaton attacked the left in a daring charge, in which Colonel Funston again distinguished himself.

The Kansas was wounded in the hand and several other officers and enlisted men were also wounded.

Colonel Summers, with a part of the organization, and the Minnesota regiments and a gun of the Utah battery, took position on the right, resting four miles from San Fernando.

The Filipinos are retreating toward San Isidro, and it is expected that they will make a stand at Arayat, at the place the whole of the rebel force in the province of Pangasinan is concentrating.

It is reported that, impressed by recent events, the Philippines are wavering in their allegiance to the insurgents and are likely to assume a neutral attitude.

It seems as though General Antonio Luna's army will be driven away from the provinces within a few days unless they surrender or scatter.

The American army has been skillfully posted at points of immense strategic advantage.

The insurgents expected them to advance on Batangas by way of Quingua and had forwarded the entire country beyond Quingua with the strongest almost unimpeded by General Lawton's forces.

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TRYING TO WEATHER THE STORM

The French Government's Endeavor to Get Out of the Dreyfus Case Scandal Without a Serious Reaction

New York, May 4.—A despatch to The Commercial Advertiser from London says: Following Constans' course in the Boulanger episode, the minister of the interior, M. Dupuy, has just obtained confidential reports from prefects throughout France regarding the condition of public opinion on the Dreyfus case and the possible action of the court of cassation and the government.

As Lieutenant Colonel Henry's suicide persuaded them to reopen the Dreyfus case, so later evidence inclines them to a re-trial before another court-martial.

The same body of opinion is still more convinced of the need of the thorough reform of the general staff and the retirement, if not punishment, of officers who blundered and intrigued in the Dreyfus affair.

The temper which these reports indicate prevails also in the chambers, through the moderates are less strong there than outside.

M. Dupuy is shaping his course accordingly and this is an excellent reason to believe that two or three weeks hence M. Ballot de Beaurieux's report from the court of cassation will recommend revision and retrial; that the court, however, will approve it, and that all this will be done with the approval and co-operation of the government.

M. de Freycinet, furthermore, is preparing a plan of re-organization of the general staff, especially of the intelligence department.

Influential members of the military party, especially general Dreyfus, are pushing for a new army, to punish the culprits as lightly and quietly as possible, and M. Dupuy is pursuing a scheme by which such mild action, with the rehabilitation of both Dreyfus and Picquart, may square both sides.

The dispatches from General Ota are as follows:

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ULTIMATUM TO MATANAPA TO ASSEMBLE IN OCTOBER

He is Forced to Retire To Be An Extra Session To The Interior.

THE SITUATION UNSETTLED TOO MUCH LEGISLATION

So Long as the Rebels are Allowed to Remain in Arms—Several Skirmishes With the Matafana—Their Surprise at the Fighting Quality of the American Forces—The German, Matsuge, Still in Custody—A Cablegram From Admiral Kautz.

Auckland, N. Z., May 4.—Advices received from Apia Samoa to April 27th, state that the rebel forces by the shelling of the Matafana stronghold at Vaillima by the warships of Great Britain and the United States was quite heavy.

Many of the rebels were wounded. The house in which the late Robert Louis Stevenson lived was riddled with shot.

On April 22nd there was a sharp skirmish between rebels and Lieutenant R. A. Gaunt's brigade near the town of Vaillima. In this engagement one Matafana was killed. The lines of the friends were attacked in the darkness at two points, but none of them were taken.

On April 23rd there was some bush fighting. Lieutenant Gaunt's brigade numbering 900 men, advanced under his hot fire. The enemy lost several men, the bodies of the dead being dragged away.

The friendly ones were killed and three were wounded. The British gunboats, James, Hickman, Slusher and Heathcote, under Lieutenant Gaunt, led the royalists.

The New Zealand government steamer Tutanekai had arrived at Apia with dispatches announcing the request of the international peace commissioners that the inhabitants peacefully await their arrival from San Francisco.

A meeting of the three consults, in which the German consul is the principal speaker, and without result, the German consul dissenting from the propositions of the other two consults.

Admiral Kautz, U. S. A., and Captain Stuart of the British cruiser Tarangua, wrote a dispatch, through a French intermediary, to the German consul and the captain of the German gunboat, offering a compromise.

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HIS PARDON REFUSED

Governor Roosevelt Declines to Pardon a Man Under Life Sentence for Wife-Murder

Albany, N. Y., May 4.—Governor Roosevelt today gave a hearing on the application for a pardon for Henry Hendricks, who is serving a life sentence in Auburn prison for the killing of his wife, whom he shot to death because of his mad infatuation for another woman. Hendricks, who is 60 years old, has served twenty-two years of his sentence. The governor denied a life sentence upon a made-up charge of Hendricks' calibre was a miscarriage of justice by pardoning the wife murderer.

After shooting his wife, according to the evidence adduced at the hearing, Hendricks shot himself twice in the leg, to advance the theory that the murder had been the result of an attack by burglars. He bungled at his work, however, and badly burned his thumb.

On the trial the jury stood 11 to 1 for conviction for murder in the first degree, but the old man remaining firm in his position, a compromise was effected whereby Hendricks received a life sentence.

From the remarks made by the governor, wife-murderers, wife-beaters and those who cruelly torment the dumb and dumb animals will receive no mercy at his hands upon applications for pardon or commutation of sentences.

The governor is a strong advocate of the establishment of a whipping post for such as these, and says if such a bill is introduced in the legislature next year, he will sign it.

Suicide of Robert Gating (Special to the Messenger).

Raleigh, N. C., May 4.—This afternoon Robert Gating was found dead in a room at the house of his aunt with a pistol wound through his head.

He went to his room yesterday afternoon, and although he did not make his appearance this morning, nothing was thought of it, as he was very erratic in his habits. Some person on the premises heard the report of a pistol about 3:30 o'clock yesterday, but, strange to say, said nothing about it.

Gating was a great sufferer from neuralgia and was scarcely ever without a headache. Although treated for it, he was never able to get any permanent relief.

He was 25 years of age and was the youngest son of Major John Gating and grandson of the late Hon. Bartholomew F. Moore.

Special Mail (Special to the Messenger).

Chapel Hill, N. C., May 4.—The regular municipal election under the new charter held today resulted in a decided victory for the good road democratic factor. Algernon Barbee was re-elected mayor for the fourth time and beat his opponent, Mr. Robinson, by thirty votes.

The aldermen elected were Professor Holmes, Messrs. Lloyd, Plead, Ward and Klutz. The successful party are very jubilant over the victory, as much opposition has been at work.

NEVER PULL DOWN THE FLAG

General Algiers Speech on the Philippine War

Detroit, Mich., May 4.—Russell A. Alger, secretary of war, was one of the speakers of the evening at the fifteenth annual banquet of the Michigan commandery, order of the loyal legion, in the Hotel Cadillac. There were 200 of General Alger's comrades, officers of the civil war.

Responding to calls for a speech, the secretary said:

"I am glad to be here among my old comrades who know what war is, and can appreciate its difficulties and drawbacks, and I know you are thinking tonight of our soldiers in far off Manila and thinking of them with pride. I assure you that, while they have had many hardships, incident to their tropical climate, etc., there has been no one complaint from that army of 25,000 men to face an American army is to face that which is invincible. We have learned during the past year the necessity to be prepared for war.

"Our soldiers landed in Cuba the 22nd of June, and on the 17th of July more of the enemy surrendered to them than there were of them. There is bound to be privation and sufferings in the field. Some people thought the soldiers were not well treated and made much of the fact that some of the beef spoiled, but the boys did not murmur. I hope that these things have taught us to always be prepared for emergencies. We cannot look far into the future, but we believe that what is governed by a hand higher than ours will be for the best. I trust that our flag, wherever it has been placed will never be hauled down. We are going to stay in those far off islands with our forces until those people are able to govern themselves."

The president said to me: Give those Michigan companions my love. Let us drink to the health of Companion McKinley. Good night and God bless you.

The toast was drunk standing.

Earthquakes in Greece

Athens, May 4.—Folio seismic disturbances visited the southern and eastern districts of Peloponnesus last night. The town of Ligiditza was seriously damaged, many houses being thrown down.

Women frequently result in blood poisoning. Better help them quickly with DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve, a thoroughly anti-septic applicator with a record of always curing piles, old ulcers, sores, cuts, wounds and skin diseases. R. R. Bellamy.

Sam Hosa's Son Goes North

Washington, May 4.—John Hosa, aged 19, son of Sam Hosa, who was burned at the stake at Newman, Ga., ten days ago, was today furnished transportation to Philadelphia by the district officials. He says his mother has gone there and asserts his father's innocence of either murder or rape.

Dewey's Lesson to the French Admiral

Vancover, B. C., May 4.—Rec'de Hong Kong advices says Admiral Dewey gave a French cruiser a lesson in naval courtesy recently. When the cruiser Jean Bart arrived at Manila she gave a rear admiral who was burned at the stake at Newman, Ga., ten days ago, was today furnished transportation to Philadelphia by the district officials. He says his mother has gone there and asserts his father's innocence of either murder or rape.

People who have once taken DeWitt's Little Early Risers will never have calumny and calumny applied to them. They are the "little pills" for torpid liver and all irregularities of the system. R. R. Bellamy.

Secretary Navy, Washington.

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