

CATHOLIC CHURCH IN PHILIPPINES

Taft Tells of His Dealings With It
As Having a Bearing on Champlain Tercentenary.

PAYS TRIBUTE TO LEGASPI.

Have Reached a Point in This Country
Where We Are More Tolerant
Than We Used to Be.

Plattsburg, N. Y., July 7.—President Taft, as the guest of the New York and Vermont Champlain tercentenary committees found himself the central figure today in events in conjunction with the celebration of the three hundredth anniversary of the discovery of the Champlain country that promised no cessation of activities until far into the night.

Further plans for the day included a luncheon given by Smith M. Weed, at his residence in this city to the presidential party and about 50 of the distinguished guests, including Ambassador and Madame Jusserand, Ambassador and Mrs. Bryce, Gov. and Mrs. Hughes, Gov. and Mrs. Proctor, Hon. Rodolph L. LaRue, and Madame Lemieux, Sr. Alphonse Pelletier, Sir Lomer Gulan, Senator and Mrs. Root, Secy. of War Dickinson, Cardinal Gibbons, Seth Low and members of the New York and Vermont Champlain commission.

The afternoon's program included a review of federal and state troops, and civil organizations at Plattsburg barracks, followed by literary exercises, the speakers being the president, Ambassadors Jusserand and Bryce, Postmaster General Rodolph Lemieux of Canada, Senator Root and Daniel L. Cady of New York. Senator Root's was the formal historical address of the day, his topic being "The Struggle for America."

Following the literary exercises there

is to be an evening review of the troops at the barracks, at the conclusion of which a special train will take the official party to the Hotel Champlain, where a banquet is to be given in honor of President Taft, at which Gov. Hughes will preside.

The president's welcome at the Catholic summer home was a hearty one and the edifice was packed to the doors.

At the president's right on the platform was Cardinal Gibbons, while on his left was Gov. Hughes.

PRESIDENT'S ADDRESS.

President Taft devoted his address mainly to his dealings with the Catholic church in the Philippines as having a bearing on the present celebration.

"I am not a Catholic," said he, "but I have had in the last 10 years a great deal to do with the Catholic church. My lot did not carry me into a part of the world that made me as familiar with the French explorers, the French leaders of civilization like Champlain as it did into regions of those leaders that came from Spain—into the Philippines where the same influence that carried Champlain here and that same influence that controlled him, controlled men equally brave and in certain respects more successful. Legaspi, who came out to the Philippines with four or five Augustinian monks, converted to Christianity that entire archipelago now having some seven or eight million souls—then perhaps 500,000—the only community of people in the entire orient that today, as a people, are Christians."

"I think we have reached a point in this country where we are very much more tolerant of everything and everybody than in the past, and where we are giving justice where justice ought to be given. We are no longer cherishing these narrow prejudices that come from denomination bigotry and we are able to recognize in the past these great principles in religion and in Christian faith, and appreciate the virtues they exhibited and follow the examples they set for us."

RELIGIOUS TOLERANCE.

"Religious tolerance is rather a modern invention. Those of us of Puritan ancestry have been apt to think we were inventors of religious tolerance. Well, as a matter of fact what they were in favor of, if I can speak for Puritan ancestry was in having a right to worship God as we pleased and have everybody else worship God in the same way. But we have worked that out now, and there has been a great change. I am sure and his eminence, cardinal, will agree with me—even in the last 25 years. I have had personal evidence of it in some of the work that we had to do in the Philippines. Fifty years ago if it had been proposed to send a representative of the government to the Vatican to negotiate and settle matters arising in a country like the Philippines between the government and the Roman Catholic church it would have given rise to the severest condemnation on the part of those who would provide for some diplomatic connection between the government and the Vatican contrary to our traditions, but within the last 10 years that has been done, with the full concurrence of all religious denominations, believing that the way to do things is to do them directly and when a matter is settled it should be settled with the head of the church who has authority to act. And so it felt to my lot, and in that respect just by good luck I came to be an exception of being a representa-

tative of the United States at the Vatican. There I had the great pleasure to meet that distinguished statesman and pontiff, Leo XIII. I am gratified to say now that every question between the church and the state in the Philippines which were so closely united that it seemed almost impossible to make a separation of the two, as it had to be made under our Constitution—has been settled fairly and justly to both sides and no bad taste or injustice exists on either side with respect to those questions."

GIBBONS ENDORSED TAFT.

Cardinal Gibbons addressed the gathering briefly when the president had concluded. He endorsed what the president had said about religious liberty as true and expressed a profound sense of gratitude for the presence of the president and Gov. Hughes. He expressed the opinion that after the week of speech-making the president's avowal would not be so much as it is now.

NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE NOT BLOWN UP

New York, July 7.—It was learned today that beginning Friday last a force of experienced detectives was on guard in the vicinity of the New York Stock exchange following the receipt by the police of a letter which threatened that between Friday and Tuesday the exchange would be blown up with dynamite. There was no untoward development during the period named and today the force was withdrawn, the authorities having concluded the letter was written by a harmless crank.

ALLEGED TRAIN ROBBER MATTHEWS HELD FOR TRIAL

Boise, Ida., July 7.—William Matthews, alias F. M. Marvin, was held for trial at Omaha today by Judge Dietrich in the federal court here. Matthews was arrested at Twin Falls on suspicion of being connected with the train robbery near Omaha May 1. He was placed under \$5,000 bond, which, it is claimed, he can furnish.

A private safe may be rented in the fire and burglar-proof vaults of the Salt Lake Security & Trust Co., 32-34 Main street, \$2.00 per year.

A DISCUSSION.

"Blood Atonement, and the Origin of Plural Marriage."

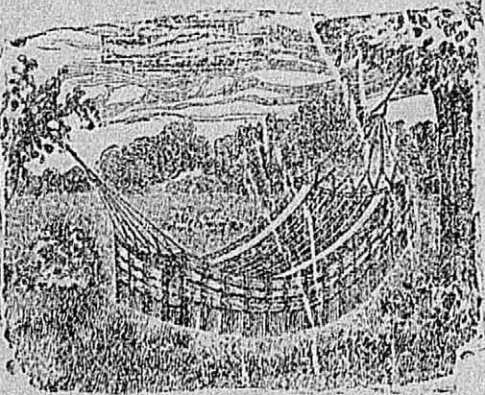
A pamphlet containing over a hundred pages, has just been issued. This brochure contains a discussion on the questions quoted between Elder Joseph F. Smith, Jr. and Mr. Richard C. Evans, the latter gentleman being second counselor to the president of the "Reorganizers." The questions are entered into exhaustively by both sides and a great deal of valuable information is given. Elder Joseph F. Smith, Jr. shows by historical data and incontrovertible deductions that the position of his opponent is untenable. Post paid to any address, 20c. DESERET NEWS BOOK STORE, 6 Main St.



SNAPSHOTS OF THE SEATTLE EXPOSITION, WHERE WEST'S WONDERS ARE ON VIEW.

The success of the Alaska-Yukon-Pacific exposition from the first has far exceeded the most sanguine expectations of the people of the Pacific coast, and the big fair promises to eclipse anything ever held west of the Mississippi except the St. Louis fair. Indeed, the promoters of the Seattle fair are not sure that their show will not draw more people than did the Louisiana Purchase exposition. On the opening day of the Seattle exposition there were 89,000 persons on the grounds, and the attendance has steadily kept up. Excursion trains are daily pouring vast multitudes into Seattle, and as the summer advances and the farming contingent sees its way clear to take a holiday there is little doubt that the crowds will increase. As the prosperity of the west is on the up grade and the prospect for crops is excellent, there is no reason why the Seattle show should not reap a harvest of dollars to the very day of its close. Those who have visited every big fair since the Philadelphia Centennial have nothing but praise for the Alaska-Yukon-Pacific exposition. The mining exhibits far surpass anything of the kind ever assembled at a similar event. One of the accompanying photographs shows the Cascades, one of the chief wonders of the fair.

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