

in the province of Puerto Principe, extending from Jucaro to Monon and is going eastward through Puerto Principe in the direction of the capital of the province. General Caixto de Garcia, Gomez's second in command, was reported four days ago in the vicinity of Puerto Principe, retreating toward the same point as Gomez.

Weyler arrived yesterday at Sancti Spiritus, the most important town in the eastern province of Santa Clara, near the boundary of Puerto Principe, in the territory where the insurgent headquarters recently was located. Weyler will push forward to Moron, Ciego de Aviel and Jucaro, thus seemingly sweeping across the island with a large force, driving the enemy before him. He expects to trap Gomez between two wings of the Spanish columns and force a decisive engagement before the rains put an end to military operations. Cubans believe, however, that Gomez will, as usual slip through the cordon before being completely enveloped.

BALTIMORE, Md., Feb. 17.—General Canoe of the Cuban Junta failed to appear this morning and plead to an indictment by the United States Circuit court charging him with fitting out a filibustering expedition to Cuba. His bond for \$2,500 was declared forfeited. He now is liable to arrest wherever found. His colleague, Dr. Jose J. Luis, pleaded not guilty and was released on \$2,500 bail for trial.

ST. LOUIS, Feb. 17.—An examination today of the brain of Duestrow, who was hanged yesterday, convinced the doctors that his brain was in an abnormal condition.

GALVESTON, Tex., Feb. 18.—The street car strike was settled this morning. The men returned to work at the scale in effect prior to the trouble. The agreement is to last a year.

NEW YORK, Feb. 18.—A dispatch to the Herald from Caracas says: "It is said the message of President Orozco will treat the Guiana question in an exhaustive manner."

The president will warmly recommend to the attention of Congress the Anglo-Venezuela treaty, which he will say, is the best and in fact the only solution of the long pending boundary dispute with Great Britain. President Orozco will declare that he leaves the treaty in the hands of Congress, firm in the belief that his legislative body will receive it with consideration and judge it with a view to reflect upon the republic.

SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 18.—C. U. Wells of this city has invented an appliance for railway use that will interest those in railroad construction. It is called a railway joint bridge and its great value lies in the fact that it entirely eradicates the pounding of the ends of the rails when a car passes on or off. The patent consists of a bridge joint, or connection fitted into slots in the ends of the rails and taking the place of the ordinary fish plate. The wheels never come in contact with the joint as a smooth rail surface is presented. The cost of the joint is said to be but little greater than that of the common fish plate, and it is practically a continuous rail with provisions made for expansions and contractions.

SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 18.—L. G. Kauffman, a director of the Business

Men's association of Juneau, Alaska, is in the city as the representative of that organization to urge the chamber of commerce to memorialize Congress to grant Alaska one representative in the legislative body. Mr. Kauffman says that the commercial and mining interests of the territory are suffering from the lack of representation in Congress. He has visited Seattle, Tacoma and Portland, and the commercial bodies of those cities have adopted resolutions urging Congress to pass the bill now before it, giving Alaska a representative, which bill has been favorably represented by the committee on territory.

JACKSONVILLE, Fla., Feb. 18.—A special to the Citizen from Key West says: Private information has been received in this city of the whereabouts of General Gomez. He has succeeded in slipping by Gen. Weyler and is now between him and Havana. General Gomez has the command for an advance, with strict orders that any man that struck a match would be court-martialed. He then advanced on the Moron trocha in the eastern end of the island, with 5,000 cavalry and 10,000 infantry. He advanced on the fort at midnight, and when he saw he was discovered by the Spanish, who fired on him, he ordered the cavalry to charge. They swooped down on the fort and captured it, and the whole army went through the trocha. All of the arms and ammunition of the fort were captured. The army then continued to march, and was encamped at Vegueta when the news was sent to this city by a courier.

HANANA, Feb. 18.—Many of the exchange bankers have returned their licenses to the government and intend to close their business. The whole matter of the depreciated currency has caused great excitement among the people, particularly in the poorer classes, as the stores of all descriptions have, in consequence of the forced silver bill currency, raised the price of all kinds of merchandise 40 per cent. This is making the people here desperate and has added greatly to the burdens they have been bearing for a long time. The statement that everybody is tired of the war has so frequently been made that it is almost useless to repeat it, but recent developments have intensified this feeling considerably, and there is every evidence of this on all sides.

This feeling of depression cannot be dissipated by changes in the features of the campaign. Everybody seems to be anxious for the war to end, one way or the other, and among business men, merchants and their employees generally this sentiment is the most strongly expressed.

ST. LOUIS, Feb. 19.—Karl Pappenheimer, a German who was naturalized here in October has renounced his citizenship. After enjoying his rights for two months—just long enough to vote at the November election—he returned to Germany. The clerk of the court of criminal corrections in St. Louis has received a letter from assistant secretary of State Rockhill enclosing a letter from the American consul at Stuttgart. The consul says that Pappenheimer appeared before him January 26 and after exhibiting his naturalization papers announced his intention of

again becoming a subject of the Emperor of Germany.

It is stated that since 1886 no naturalized person has renounced his citizenship.

CHICAGO, Feb. 19.—A special to the Tribune from Cleveland, Ohio, says: Mrs. J. H. Blackburn, wife of a cigar maker of this city, says she is the daughter of Barney Barnato, the millionaire. She says she is one of five children born to Barney by a woman whom he married 27 years ago. Barney, she says, is 47 years old, and was born in Russia Poland where he married her mother Anno Esther Miedowski. His right name she says is Barney Wolf Brawski. For a time they lived in London and operated a tailoring establishment and second hand store. He left and went to Africa after a sensational intrigue with another woman. Barney's cousin went to Johannesburg and found him there possessed of great wealth. He gave the cousin \$2,500 not to reveal his identity. The latter, however, it is said, could not resist the temptation to tell the story.

NEW YORK, Feb. 19.—A special to the Herald from Mauritius says:

A newspaper here publishes the following details of the operations in Crete:

In conformity with the plans of Gen. Potavlejo, which up to the present have been realized in all respects, Col. Carrasquer attacked an advantageous rebel position at Pamploa. The fortifications at Pamploa are most important.

There is a large number of rebels gathered, it is said three thousand in all, with firearms.

The enemy defended themselves with great courage, maintaining a heavy fire for three hours. They weakened finally under flank attacks and commenced to disperse. Attacked by bayonet and harangued by the rebel leaders, they rallied again on the defense, and were more obstinate than ever. It was then the Spaniards met with most of their losses—twenty killed and forty-seven wounded.

The rebels were evidently completely routed, and they lost over 400 men, mostly killed with the bayonet. The first man to enter the fortifications was a native named Garay, who afterward was complimented in front of the troops.

GALVESTON, Texas, Feb. 19.—In the presence of 10,000 people the handsome dinner set purchased by popular subscription from citizens of Texas at a cost of \$5,000 was this afternoon presented to the battleship Texas. The exercises took place on the beach. Lieutenant George T. Jester, on behalf of the Stephen M. Austin chapter of the Daughters of the Republic, presented a Lone Star flag. Captain Glass of the Texas responded to the address in behalf of the navy.

WILKESBARRE, Pa., Feb. 20.—The big Black Diamond, operated by the Delaware and Hudson Coal company, was destroyed by fire today. The loss is \$85,000. Several hundred men and boys were thrown out of employment.

CHICAGO, Feb. 20.—In a thunder storm this morning, lightning struck a Forty-third street electric car full of working men on the way to the stock yards. All were badly shocked. Zisch, Rothman had to be removed in an ambulance.