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INSURRECTION DISINTEGRATING.

Gen. Otis Says Signs of it Are Daily Manifested.

JOYFUL DEMONSTRATIONS.

People Cheer American Gunboats—Senor Mabini Declares Insurgents are Very Hopeful.

Washington, May 11.—In reply to the cable of Adj. Gen. Corbin last night in regard to the return of volunteers Gen. Otis cabled this morning:

Manila, May 11. Adjutant General, Washington: Volunteers first to return now at Negros and forty-two miles from Manila at front. Expected that transports now arriving will take returning volunteers. Visayans understand they will begin to leave for United States latter part of month; know importance of their presence here at this time and accept sacrifice which United States interests make imperative. Hancock now entering harbor. Transports returning this week carry sick and wounded men. Pennsylvania and St. Paul not needed longer in southern waters, where they have been retained here disposition transports Nelson and Cleveland brought freight; return without cargo. OTIS.

The Hancock with General Otis reported entering the harbor, sailed from San Francisco April 16th, carrying the Twenty-first infantry and light battery B, First artillery, 34 officers and 1,431 enlisted men. Col. Jacob Kline, Twenty-first infantry, commanding.

Later dispatches from Gen. Otis say:

Manila, May 11.—Adjutant General, Washington: Health conditions troops arriving Hancock excellent; only two deaths en route. Private Dee E. Jones and Elmer H. Chevalier, companies I, and K, Twenty-first infantry, April 15th and 28th. OTIS.

8421 another subregram was received as follows:

Manila, May 11.—Adjutant General, Washington:

Situation as follows: Surrender in passing army guidance to Calamar for use in Rio Grande; railway connections with that point secured this week; passage of gunboats through Mindanao country hailed with joyful demonstrations; town of Cotabato occupied Tuesday. In country passed over by troops temporary civil administration inaugurated and protection to inhabitants against insurgent outrages given so far as possible. Signs of insurgent disintegration daily manifest. Obstacles which natural features of country present can be overcome. OTIS.

The cables form Gen. Otis were gratifying to the officials of the war department. Portions of the dispatch revealing the situation were not made public, fearing, it is understood, to prompt reprisements. The cable relating the return of the Hancock indicates that the troops are making no effort to be sent home, but see the necessity of remaining until they can be relieved by the regulars now on their way to aid them. Gen. Otis says the latter are to go to the front in the attack of Negros, and at the front. This no doubt means the California regiment, which is stationed at Negros and it is known that the Oregon regiment is with Gen. Lawton somewhere in the vicinity of Manila.

FROM INSURGENT CAMP.

Manila-Dagupan Railway Manager Says, Now is the Time to Strike 'em Hard.

Manila, May 11.—4 p. m.—Mr. Higgins, manager of the Manila-Dagupan railway, and two of his assistants who have been prisoners among the insurgents since the capture of the railway company, arrived at San Fernando yesterday. They have been informed by the insurgents that they will not be held responsible for their safety if they remain much longer within the lines. Mr. Higgins corroborates the reports that have been told of the demoralization of the Filipinos, and says that the troops are hopeful of the future of the country. Mr. Higgins adds that now is the time for the Americans to strike hard.

INSURGENTS HOPEFUL.

Senor Mabini Says They Rely on European Intervention.

New York, May 11.—A dispatch to the Herald from Manila says:

In an interview, printed in Spanish, Senor Mabini, who is at the head of the Aguinaldo cabinet, says the insurgents are hopeful of the future. They rely on the sympathy of Europe to continue the fighting, relying upon European intervention.

The insurgents in the province of Cavite are preparing to make a desperate resistance to the Americans.

FRIENDLINESS FOR FRANCE.

Projects for Furnishing Statues By American for Paris Parks.

Washington, May 11.—The good feeling in this country toward France is shown by three distinct projects for presenting statues in France during the Paris exposition. The latest of these is to present a statue of Lafayette to the French village of his birth. The statue was originated in Philadelphia, where it is to be contributed by school children and will be raised in the country at large and another $10,000. Boston Hay views the project with much favor.

Another statue project is in charge of a committee representing the women of America, who propose to present an equestrian statue of Washington, to be one of the public reservations at Paris. Mrs. Justice Field is at the head of the committee and $15,000 is in hand.

The third statue is for contribution by the Paris authorities and has suggested for the perfect of the Seine and the statue would be one commemorative of the municipal and other notable public constitution as set aside by the edicts.

A bill for Lafayette also is to be erected at Paris through the efforts of the United States Commissioner Peck.

The state department has been advised of the appointment of Captain Vidal as French military attache here.

RIDICULE PEACE CONFERENCE.

Leading German Professors Think it Will Bring No Practical Results.

Berlin, May 11.—The Tageblatt today publishes the result of an investigation among a number of leading German professors relative to the subject of the peace conference which begin next week at The Hague. The majority of those interviewed express the belief that the conference will be without practical importance. Prof. Mommsen, the jurist and historian, and Prof. Karl Fischer, professor of philosophy in Heidelberg university, ridicule the conference. Prof. Lehmal says he expects no material results. Prof. Westlakeampf expresses the opinion that such a conference can have no results before public opinion the world over. He endorses the principle of international arbitration.

The Boers Will Remain.

Washington, May 11.—Secretary Long today received a cablegram from Admiral Dewey asking permission to keep the cruiser Boston on the Asiatic station for a short time. The request will be granted.

Striking Freight Handlers.

Buffalo, N. Y., May 11.— The striking freight handlers are firm in their determination to stand by and settle their grievances are solidified. Several hundred were engaged themselves as members of the Union last night and resolutions were adopted pledging those present not to work under the present system and demanding that they be paid thirty cents an hour for work outside the freight houses and twenty cents an hour for inside work.

"CALLS" AND "PUTS."

Department of Justice Says Former are Taxable—Latter Not.

Washington, May 11.—The Department of justice has rendered an opinion to the secretary of the treasury on the question of the taxability under the war revenue act of what are known as stock exchanges as "puts" and "calls." It is held that "calls" are taxable but that "puts" are not.

AMERICAN BIBLE SOCIETY.

Total Issues for the Year Amount to 1,380,892 Copies.

Some are in Portuguese and Some in Spanish—Four Men Chosen as Field Agents.

New York, May 11.—The annual meeting of the American Bible society was held today at the Bible house. The annual report of the board of managers shows:

Total receipts from the living $149,197; bequests, $178,671; total receipts, $327,868. Disbursements, $316,329. Cash balance March 31, 1899, $5,525.

The payments by the society's auxiliaries in the United States account amounted to $69,03.26. In addition to this they remitted on donation account on cash, $3,000; on account of work published a transfer from their credit balance to donation account of $1,654.67.

The circulated books were increased by legacies and gifts during the year $1,700, and the total amount on March 31, 1899, was $44,657.84. The income from these permanent funds for the past year was $3,352.35.

Three additional stereotyping machine and a one-making machine have also been purchased. These machines are capable of turning out 2,000 volumes per day.

The total issue for the year amounted to 1,380,892 copies, more than half of which, 797,622, were distributed in other lands. Somewhat more than one half of the books issued during the year were printed and bound at the Bible house. Among the new issues are a duodecimo Portuguese Bible; the Apocrypha in Spanish, and a duodecimo version in Spanish, printed in large type and attractive form, and the New Testament and Psalms in the language of the Marshall islands.

The Bible Society Record issued for the year 367,267, a monthly average of 11,227.

Instead of thirty or more reports of the society's fifty different states, four men have so far been chosen as field agents. Rev. Thomas H. Law, D. D., of Washington, D. C., is the field agent for North Carolina, South Carolina, Florida, Georgia and Alabama; Rev. George A. Prentice of Morristown, Tenn., has Kentucky, Tennessee, Mississippi and Louisiana as his field; Rev. John Pearson, D. D., of Dayton, Ohio, has Indiana, Illinois, West Virginia, Ohio and Michigan and Rev. William H. Henderson, D. D., of Oklahoma, has Kansas, Missouri Indiana, Illinois and Wisconsin.

In addition to these field agents, the society has a field agent for Mexico, Rev. A. E. Canton and Rev. F. D. Greene, formerly of Van, Eastern Turkey, representing the interests of the society in Western Massachusetts and the other in Greater New York.

Rev. John McKim has been recalled to the society's service and assigned to duty in Porto Rico.

Rev. Dr. Wetmore for some years past in charge of the agency in Central America, has been divided to take the Pacific coast and distributions in Cuba for part of the current year.

Rev. Jay C. Goodrich has been appointed agent for the Philippines and is now making his preparations to go to that new and interesting field.

There are twelve agents serving the society in other foreign fields, while their time is devoted to the interests.

Besides these agents 34 persons are reported as having been employed for a longer or shorter period in distributing the Scriptures in foreign lands.

THE NASHVILLE.

Thousands of Visitors Go Aboard Her—Parade of Officers and Men.

St. Louis, Mo., May 11.—Thousands of visitors were taken on board the United States gunboat Nashville, which is now across the waters of the Nashville, in carriages escorted by a platoon of police and troops K and L, Third cavalry, followed by the crew of the gunboat marched through the business section of the city to the Merchants' exchange, where the visitors were given a reception.

Thousands of persons thronged the streets and gave them a fine an enthusiastic reception. Following the reception the officers were driven to the points of interest about the city and the sailors and members of the marine corps marched to the Southern hotel, where a banquet was tendered.

RECORD OF THE HANCOCK.

Crosses the Pacific in Twenty-two Days, Being First Transport to Do It.

Washington, May 11.—The trip of the Hancock across the Pacific was a record breaker. The run of the Hancock was twenty-two days and the vessel covered the entire distance across the Pacific without stop, being the first one of the transports to accomplish that feat. The success of the Hancock has decided the department to do away with the usual stop at Honolulu hereafter in the case of all transports bearing troops to the Philippines, making the 7,257 mile trip from San Francisco to Manila.

GEN. JOE WHEELER ON EXPANSION.

He Favors the Annexation of the Pearl of the Antilles.

MUST TAKE NO STEP BACK.

Supreme Test of American Institutions Involved—System of Government on Trial.

Charleston, S. C., May 11.—The morning session of the Confederate reunion opened with the singing of the Doxology, followed by prayer by Chaplain Smith. The following letter from General Fitzhugh Lee was read:

"I am obliged for your kind and complimentary letter. I do not know of anything that would give me greater pleasure than to be at the reunion in Charleston, but my duties are so pressing that I fear I will not be able to leave, if only for a few days. Then, too, I think the quarantine regulations would prevent me from getting to Charleston or with other southern people in May. You see after these quarantine laws are in force no Cubans are supposed to have yellow fever, smallpox and all other diseases that we are not death as not being proper persons for anybody to associate with until the germ proves overspread the land.

"Yours very truly,

"FITZHUGH LEE."

General Gordon then introduced General Joe Wheeler.

"I am glad to see you," said General Gordon, "that how is one of the writest of the Confederate wizards. I rock to tell you that day in Chicago when he saw the Spanish flying before him and when in the wild enthusiasm of the moment he threw his hat in the air and called upon his men 'Forward, boys, the Yankees are running.' If I could tell you that story I would tell it. I would strike a chord in every heart, but I am not going to do it. I am going to strike a chord in every heart, but I am not going to do it. I am going to strike a chord in every heart, but I am going to do it. I am going to strike a chord in every heart, but I am going to do it. I am going to strike a chord in every heart, but I am