

## CENSUS TAKEN IN MANILA.

Population Found to be Less Than  
Estimated by Spaniards.

## CITY IS VERY UNHEALTHY.

Death Rate 40 Per Cent—Bubonic  
Plague, Beri Beri, and Small-  
pox are Epidemic.

[Early Dispatches.]

Manila, March 6.—Correspondence of the Associated Press.—The census of Manila just completed by the health department, gives the city an unpleasantly high rank among the unhealthy cities of the world. It establishes a death rate of something over forty per cent at a conservative estimate. Former estimates and censuses had always given Manila 300,000 population. This census was a careful count of natives and Chinese living in buildings and boats in the police districts of Manila, and it gave a total of 180,719, of whom 20,000 were Chinese. There are to be added the inhabitants of several villages within the city limits, Americans and Europeans and 1,400 priests in the monasteries. From reliable information the officials estimate their number at between fifty and sixty thousand.

The census in Manila officially reported during the months from July 1 to December 31 last year were 5,203. Of these 1,941 were children. Some of the principal causes were beri-beri, 519; tuberculosis, 385; bronchitis, 314; dysentery, 224; fevers, 257, while stomach troubles ranked high. Manila now has three diseases epidemic which would throw the average community into a panic, bubonic plague, beri-beri and smallpox. Beri-beri results from a diet of fish and rice, so that whites do not fear it. Smallpox and leprosy the Philippines always have and the people look upon them as a matter of course. Avoiding direct contact but hardly giving a second thought to their presence in the neighborhood. Smallpox flourishes in some parts of Luzon constantly. Half of the natives in the country districts are pitted with it, and mothers try to get their children infected with it under the belief that it is less dangerous to the young. The towns along the northern coast and on the railway between Manila and Dagupan are full of smallpox now. General Bell's famous volunteer regiment, the Thirtieth, is suffering from an epidemic. Last, Trenchard and Lieberman, both of whom were Tennesseans, the former holding a commission as captain in the Tennessee volunteers, and several soldiers have died and there are other cases in the regiment. The ever-going natives and Spaniards paid so little attention to leprosy that the Philippines have never been noted for that disease but there are more than a hundred lepers in the Manila hospital.

Bubonic plague is a visitor to that distance lends terror. Two months ago the first case was discovered in Manila. Since that time there have been 200 cases according to the estimates of the health officers, and at least 80 per cent of them have resulted fatally. Yet there has been no panic, no families have fled from the city, nor has the usual routine of life in the city been disturbed.

The repressive measures of the health officers have been comparatively simple but have proved remarkably effective. Controlling conditions they have had to fight. Their aim has been to make the city clean and keep it clean. This is the last thing the masses of Filipinos and Chinese propose to do unless driven to it.

"They don't understand it, they consider it only a form of taxation," explained Surgeon Major Ira C. D. Brown, when asked if the natives were disposed to co-operate in this work. The Filipinos are one of the most scrupulous people in the world as to personal cleanliness. Their knowledge of sanitation, however, was gained entirely from the Spaniards and is defective. Manila is practically without sewerage and because of its low level the cost of a system on modern lines would be almost prohibitive. As an offset is the character of the nipa hut, inhabited by most of the natives, which stand on posts above the ground free from rats and well ventilated.

The plague is supposed to have been in Cavite. Its first visit appeared in Manila in the walled city only a stone's throw from the palace, where army headquarters are and three persons were dead before the nature of their disease was suspected. Most of the later cases have been in the same section of the walled city or in the Chinese quarter, near the water front. Immediately Surgeon Major Edio, the health officer, organized a force of inspectors to enforce rigid sanitary measures on everybody and the plague work was put in charge of Major Brown. It was necessary to have men who could speak the language of the people, explain to them what the inspectors meant, and direct them how to keep their premises clean, so Filipinos had to be enlisted. The race question created complications immediately. Between Filipinos and Chinese there exists an inveterate hatred. The Filipino inspectors delighted in the chance to square grudges against their traditional enemies. They proceeded to file a batch of warrants for maintaining uncleanliness at police headquarters and most of them were against Chinese men who proved, on investigation, to be the most prominent and least offending of their race.

Came from an unexpected quarter for the rich Chinese merchants under the leadership of Palangka, the former consul general, and the Chinese magnate among them, offered to furnish thirty inspectors to work among their countrymen and keep the Chinese reasonably clean.

There are now 100 inspectors at work in Manila, thirty of them Chinese, and the others Filipinos. They are sent out in squads, usually two Filipinos and a Chinaman with a soldier to back them, and see that they do their work and abstain from blackmailing. Major General Brown and the officers of the health department have the soldiers and the inspectors. Whenever a plague victim is discovered he is sent to the Chinese or the Filipino hospital if it is possible to move him. The house is thoroughly disinfected, a bonfire is made of everything, a bonfire of the plague, and a yellow flag is hoisted on the door, while a sentry stands guard to keep people away. Four days the house is kept closed, and the inmates are isolated. When two or three cases develop in one street, the houses are closed against business. The dead Chinese are buried in a grave eight feet deep in the Chinese cemetery, and covered with lime. The bodies of Filipinos are buried when the relatives will consent. Cremation is desirable for all but the Chinese superstition against burning



## MEMORIAL FIRES ON EVERY GERMAN HILLTOP IN BISMARCK'S HONOR.

April 1, 1900, will long be remembered in Germany as the day when on every hill a great fire blazed in honor of the Iron Chancellor. The funeral pyre design shown in the cut is the one chosen by the Berlin Academy of Arts as the design

their dead is so strong that any attempt to compel it would result in confinement of the cases, and possibly riots. The estimate of 200 deaths includes the probable number of cases which have been kept from the knowledge of the authorities.

The officials have hoped that when the rainy season gets fairly under way, with a few six-inch showers it will wash up the town so thoroughly that plague will be impossible. Even at its worst the surgeons who had experience dealing with yellow fever in Cuba consider the bubonic plague easier to control than the South American rival. Already the number of cases weekly reported is decreasing.

## ORGANIZE NATIONAL GUARD.

### Proposition to Make State Militia a Reserve Volunteer Army.

Washington, April 1.—Representative Hay, of Virginia, one of the prominent members of the military committee of the House, has prepared a bill to create out of the militia of the several States a reserve volunteer army for use in time of war to supplement the regular service. The bill contemplates a general broadening of the basis of the National Guard, its equipment with the service rifle and its complete organization in time of war into regiments, brigades, divisions and corps with the regular service, and is designed to obviate the necessity of the United States will probably never be, by itself, the whole machine with which any war will be fought.

"This being admitted, it will certainly not be contended that in time of peace the regular establishment of the United States will probably never be, by itself, the whole machine with which any war will be fought. The time has come when we must solve the problem of national defense, and solve it if possible in a way to prevent the creation of a large standing army. An organized citizen soldiery, in touch with the people and composed of the best of the citizenry, is the only way to obtain it to enact a law which will effectively create an organized militia which will be available at a moment's notice."

The bill if enacted into law will, it is confidently believed, go far toward solving successfully the intricate problem of national defense and at the same time obviate the necessity for any increase of the standing army.

## Two Firemen Killed.

Owosso, Mich., April 1.—Two firemen were killed by falling walls today in a fire which destroyed the central high school. Three other firemen were seriously injured and two pupils of the school were badly hurt.

Died: Fred Ross, fireman; Frank T. Coker, fireman.

Injured: Will Ross, Zene Ross, Edward Freet, fireman; Frank Davis and Solomon Vogt, school boys.

The fire spread to all parts of the large building. The school house was on a large hill and the engines were unable to furnish sufficient force to render the fire department of much use. Loss, \$125,000; insurance, \$45,000.

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## NO SALOONS ARE ALLOWED OPEN.

How it is Now in Johannesburg  
and Pretoria.

## DESCRIPTION OF A BATTLE.

Sixteen Boers Intercept 200 British,  
Kill 16 of the Latter, but Lose  
None Themselves.

[Early Dispatches.]

New York, April 2.—The Herald today publishes the following correspondence from Pretoria under date of February 29th:

Johannesburg, of which it has been said that she supports all South Africa, is a fearful dead city at present. The bulk of its white population has deserted the Rand, and also many of the Kaffirs. The streets are deserted, the tram cars do not run, and the hundreds of rickshaws have dwindled to half a dozen. A few decrepit-looking cabs stand idly about the squares. Most of the shops are closed and the windows boarded. The countless chimneys which tower above the mines are cold, except the few being worked by the government. The enormous gold output has stopped.

This vast mine, which before the war was grinding out money at the rate of a million dollars a day, has closed down indefinitely. But one hotel and a few small restaurants are open. Millionaires no longer loaf in the luxurious rooms of the Rand Club. Thanks to the special police, principally composed of American troops, order is kept, and a few small restaurants are open. No saloons are permitted to keep open. The same wise precaution is enforced in Pretoria.

A striking feature of Johannesburg at present is the large number of United States flags displayed. The Stars and Stripes were everywhere, even above many Kaffir kraals in the suburbs. Apparently Uncle Sam has a few black citizens in South Africa he has never heard of.

More than 8,000 British prisoners are now in Pretoria. They are well and humanely treated, as they themselves easily testify. The officers, of whom over a hundred have been captured, are quartered in the State Model school, a fine, new, well-ventilated building. People in England who have friends imprisoned in the Boer camps, and who are hungry mouths for an indefinite period. A scene incidental to the perpetual skirmishing about the Tugela and Ladysmith illustrates the seeming happy-go-lucky fighting methods of the Boers. Just as dawn was breaking one morning a patrol of about two hundred British cavalry crossed Klein Tugela, near the Pont drift, and rode rapidly toward where a small herd of cattle which had strayed from the Boer lines during the night was grazing. The British had advanced some distance before they were observed by a Boer picket stationed on an isolated rocky point. Four burghers composed the picket. They mounted instantly and rode to intercept the British, first firing several shots to give the alarm. It was a sight to stir the blood, to see those Boers dashing at a swinging gallop over the rocks and gullies which roughened the plain. The pale blue mist rising from the river and veiling the hills beyond made a pretty background to the spirited fight which followed.

The four Boers reached a roadblock in the path of the British, sprang from their horses, sought cover and began peppering away. By this time a dozen other burghers, drawn from neighboring pickets by the first shots fired, were galloping across the flats to aid the original four, making a total force of sixteen.

Then ensued a pretty skirmish. The British dismounted and pushed ahead to dislodge the Boers and secure the cattle. For half an hour there was a spatter of rifle firing, then the British concluded the game was not worth the candle and retired. They left sixteen dead on the ground, and carried away a number of wounded. The Boers did not have a man scratched.

By the time the fight was over fully 200 Boers were hurrying to get into it. No orders had been given to a single man. The standing order for the Boers is to hasten to where there is fighting. It is Moltke's principle, "march to the sounds of the firing," on a reduced scale.

The Boer generals determinedly adhere wherever possible, to their defensive tactics. This policy accounts for their small losses, which have not yet reached a total disability of 800 for the entire war. They have no reserves. The army consists of the male population of the two republics between the ages of 12 and 60. Every man or boy put out of action is permanently lost. Men are precious, particularly the



## QUEEN VICTORIA, HER INDIAN ATTENDANT AND COUNTESS CADOGAN, WHO WILL ENTERTAIN HER IN IRELAND.

April 2 is the date set for the queen's visit to Ireland. Count and Countess Cadogan will entertain her at their palatial home. Count Cadogan is the present Lord lieutenant of Ireland. It is 40 years since the queen has been on Irish soil. Her present visit is in recognition of the gallant fighting done by the Irish soldiers in South Africa.



## BROTHER AND SISTER MEET

Good Fortune Comes to Mrs. Whitecotton While in Jail.

A sudden change has come in the life of Mrs. Whitecotton, the notorious woman who was sentenced to 25 days' imprisonment for drunkenness, a few days since, by Judge Timmony.

The change is undoubtedly for the better and was brought about yesterday by the unexpected appearance of her brother, after a separation of many years, he having returned from the Klondike with a comfortable fortune. Yesterday morning a well-dressed man called at the police station and asked to see Mrs. Whitecotton, stating that he was her brother. When the brother and sister were together, the brother, who happened to be near a window, saw them and screamed out, "Oh, my God, it's my brother coming." The poor woman broke down completely and sobbed piteously when her brother took her in his arms and whispered that better days were in store for her.

"Oh, forgive me," she said, "and I'll never do another wrong so long as I live. It is that wretch that I married who is to blame for it all."

Mrs. Whitecotton's brother paid her fine and at the same time exhibited a 500-acre nugget, which he had brought from Klondike.

The two will start immediately for Colorado, where their mother resides, and where Mrs. Whitecotton says she will begin life anew.

## CIVIL SERVICE EXAMINATION

Applicants for Positions in Post Office Will be Tested on May 2nd.

Postoffice Clerk and Carrier, Salt Lake City, Utah, May 2, 1900.

The United States Civil Service Commission announces that a special examination will be held by its postoffice board of examiners in the city and on the date named above, commencing at 9 a. m., for the positions of clerk and carrier in the postoffice in that city.

The examination will consist of spelling, arithmetic, letter-writing, penmanship, copying from plain copy, geography of the United States, and reading addresses. The arithmetic will consist

## DEED OF A CRAZY MAN.

Kills His Brother-in-Law But is Prevented Slaying Others of the Family.

Kansas City, Mo., April 1.—Harboring imaginary wrongs, John W. McKinn, aged 23 years, this afternoon shot and killed Dr. H. B. Shaw, his brother-in-law, as the latter sat reading the Sunday school lesson to his five-year-old daughter. Dr. Shaw died instantly. McKinn, who had been an inmate of a sanitarium and is believed to be insane, threatened to kill the other five members of the family, and was only restrained after a struggle.

Dr. Shaw was a widower. His mother-in-law, Mrs. McKinn, had cared for his child since his wife died and, as was his custom, he spent Sunday at the McKinn house, at 1517 Forest avenue. The family had eaten dinner. Shaw seated himself in a chair in the parlor and with his child before him on the floor, was reading the Sunday school lesson to her.

McKinn, as it developed later, had gone directly to his room from the table and written a rambling statement, in which he stated that he had not been treated rightly and that he



## Pride of Japan

(Tree) Tea

Chosen pickings from Japan's best gardens.



intended wiping out the entire family, consisting of Dr. Shaw and his child, his mother, two brothers and a sister. Then, descending to the parlor, he slipped up behind Shaw and, placing the revolver against the latter's temple, fired. Dr. Shaw never moved and died before the family could reach his side.

As the other members of the family came running to the scene, McKinn

of costs in the fundamental principles, extending as far as common and decimal fractions and embracing problems.

The age limitations for this examination are as follows:

Clerk, not less than 18 years.

Carrier, between 21 and 40.

Applicants for male clerk and carrier must have the medical certificate in Form 101 executed. Applicants for carrier must be at least 5 feet 4 inches in height, and weigh not less than 135 pounds. Female applicants are not required to have this certificate executed.

No application will be accepted for this examination unless filed in complete form with the board at the postoffice in the city named above, before the hour of closing business on April 23, 1900.

Applications should be filed promptly, in order that time may remain for correction if necessary.

This examination is open to all citizens of the United States who may desire to enter the service, and who comply with the requirements. All such persons are invited to apply, and applicants will be examined, graded, and certified with entire impartiality, and wholly without regard to any consideration save their ability as shown by the grade they attain in the examination, but from those certified the department usually selects for appointment eligible persons who are residents of the district in which the vacancies exist.

For application blank (Form 101), full instructions, specimen examination questions, and information relative to the duties and salaries of the different positions, and the location of the examination room, apply to Urrawell Williams, secretary of the board of examiners at the postoffice in this city.

## ONLY ANOTHER BURGLARY.

Councilman E. A. Hartenstein's Residence Ransacked and \$20 Stolen.

Burglars seem to have a penchant for the homes of City Councilmen. Last night the residence of Councilman E. A. Hartenstein was broken into while the family were absent. The screen on the back door was pryed open and the door opened with a pass key. The thieves ransacked the entire house securing \$20 in cash, a pair of opera-glasses and a couple of gold pens.

The police were notified of the robbery late last night and at once began a thorough investigation of the premises but could not close beyond the pass key before mentioned, which had been left sticking in the door.

## JAILER KIMBALL'S NERVE.

Stops a Runaway and Probably Saved Two Lives.

Jailer Sol Kimball, of the city bastille, is receiving the congratulations of his friends for the nerve and coolness displayed by him yesterday in stopping a runaway and probably saving the lives of Mrs. J. E. Saniger and her 7-months' old baby.

The lady who resides on Provo bench, was in town visiting friends yesterday and when driving down theater hill the horse she was driving became frightened and started to run.

Mrs. Saniger was unable to control the animal and screamed for help. Several passers-by rushed into the street to stop the horse but failed. When First South was reached the runaway turned eastward almost overturning the buggy. Jailer Kimball was standing near the station and rushed into the street seized the horse's reins and brought the runaway to a sudden termination.

## COMMITTEES APPOINTED.

Endeavorers Ready for Coming Convention Reception Committee to Meet.

The State convention of the Christian Endeavorers to be held in Salt Lake City on April 27th, will be controlled by the following committees:

Local Council—W. P. Havenor, chairman; Miss May Davis, secretary.

Finance—F. E. Davey, chairman; Natalie Clayton, Miss Palmer, W. M. Scott, W. S. Cooper, Mrs. A. J. Graham, Angie Bickford, Eva Watrous.

Reception—Bessie Williamson, chairman; Miss Harrison, Dr. Elizabeth Barnes, Ethel Ott, E. D. Trenam, Norman McDonald, Della Wake, Rev. H. W. Bloch.

Entertainment—Margaret Caulfield, chairman; Carrie Davis, Kittie Kidder, Ollie Reed, Martha Wismar, Edna Davis, Miss Alexander.

Union Meeting—T. F. E. Bigelow, chairman; Annie Moore, secretary; George Mater, Mrs. L. B. Edwards, Joseph

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