WAR BUREAU RETRENCHMENT

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Washington, Aug. 19—Retrenchment is nearly all beneath of the army is following close upon the cessation of hostilities. Notably in this the case in the ordnance, quartermaster and engineer bureaus, where the needs for the supplies required and the men employed for the emergencies of war no longer exists.

In the ordnance bureau the force at the various arsenals is to be reduced in all cases where the one is accomplished without detriment to the service. The bureau proper will probably be affected more than any other. Three before the war, about 200 men were employed. When the peace protocol was signed there were approximately 450 men employed and orders have been issued which will reduce the number about two-thirds.

Before and during the war large numbers of contracts were made with ordnance firms for supplying material. In many cases these were made conditional, so that they could be terminated in a few days after the cessation of hostilities, and the department has in every case availed itself of this power. In the end of the Civil war the government had outstanding contracts for furnishing a large number of the principal properties, but as these were expedited unnecessary when hostilities came to an end, the arrangements were made with the companies to which their contracts were entered. At the present time contracts are in force also for furnishing several properties, but as the government is determined to adjudicate all contested claims, there will be no necessity to resort to such action as was taken at the close of the Civil War.

The quartermaster's department is disposing as rapidly as possible with such of the transports that are chartered and for which there is now no necessity. Considerable labor is involved in this work, as a board of survey has to be appointed to determine the various incidental questions that arise touching the return of the vessels to their owners.

In the engineer department the services of electricians, mechanics and laborers employed in the work of harbor and river mine defense, and of boatmen employed to patrol the adjacent waters to warn marauders out of their dangerous are being discharged as rapidly as is consistent with the good of the service.

SENATOR HALE'S VIEWS.

Opposed to the Retention of the Philippines—Problems Enough Without.

Washington, Aug. 19.—Senator Hale of Maine was in Washington today and called on the President and later afterward at the war department. He was looking after the interests of Georgia troops some of whom there to be removed to different stations. He says the Georgia boys to do not want to be mustered out and prefer to go to Cuba.

Senator Hale does not believe in the annexation of the Philippines and that the United States ought to lease a good one "coaling place," but only a coaling station, big enough for our navy and all needs in future. He does not think the United States ought to assume the responsibility of a protectorate over the islands, it would be difficult to govern, and to acquire islands which it would be impossible to defend.

Senator Hale says that in Cuba and Porto Rico we have problems enough now, but thinks that they will work out in a satisfactory manner. He says that it is unfortunate that the Cubans come under our direct view at the worst possible time for them. Eighteen months ago he thinks they would have made a very much better organization than they have since their heavy sacrifices and have been able to procure either food or clothing beyond the condition in which they were found by our troops at Santiago.

Senator Hale thinks that when the insurgents fully understand the real purpose and temper of United States intervention all difficulties will be adjusted.

Suit for $1,000 Damages.

Kansas City, Aug. 19.—Thomas T. Crittenden, governor of Missouri and ex-minister to Mexico, brought a parcel of damages and for $1,000 in the circuit court against the Metropolitan Street Railway company. On May 9, last, the grip of the car on which the plaintiff was riding struck a crossing frog and slipped the track, so suddenly that Mr. Crittenden was thrown over the frog to the pavement and badly cut and bruised about the head and the body.

The President Unable to Attend.

New York, Aug. 19—The following from President McKinley was received by Mayor Van Wyck today:

Hon. Robert Van Wyck, Mayor, New York City—The medal ceremonies which you have arranged to take place in honor of officers of New York for the celebration on the 26th, is deeply appreciated, and I regret that it will not be in my power to be present with you on that occasion from Washington at that time. It would be a pleasure to me to be with you to honor the sailors in some welcome to the officers and men of the American fleet, who so fully and so nobly upheld the honor of our arms and their country after a long, costly campaign of blockade and battle, has taken from me the hope of making a personal visit to the stations of the soldiers, sailors and marines in show, if only in a few hours, my appreciation of their heroic services to the state.

I cannot be present on Saturday I am glad to have an opportunity of expressing my heart's sympathy with New York's trouble in the death of Mr.

WILLIAM MCKINLEY.

TELEGRAPHIC BREVITIES.

Jim Nolin, a negro private in the Twenty-fifth infantry, was shot and killed at Hampton, Va., last night.

The cordial and sympathetic letters of Berlin, has suffered a severe relapse of neuralgia and is confined to the Homburg spa of a week.

Pat Riley, Mack, and Bob Fitzsimmons affirm that the promised prize fight between the latter has been "off." The trio will act independently in the matter.

A correspondent of the London Daily Telegraph, who has arrived in Madrid after a long tour of the Philippine Islands, intimates that British interests there would be safe, that the islands should be under the control of Great Britain.

The resulting number of the Argyrat Bar association at Saratoga, N. Y., Friday was devoted to the consideration of the proposition to change the rules on federal courts, which was finally adopted after various amendments.

John H. Harvey, who was will known actress years ago as a theatrical manager, and in advance in business with scores attached, died a pauper in Bankruptcy in New York, with liabilities of $1,700, and assets consisting of $1.00.

The Republicans of the Third and Fourth Maryland congressional districts have nominated Louis E. Frank C. Wachter was renominated in the Third to succeed Dr. W. S. Booth, the present incumbent, and W. H. Talbert was nominated in the Fourth.

George E. Brown of Concord N. Second Oregon volunteers, who was shot through the lungs at Malate, Philippines, because of wounds of the heart, denies the published stories to the effect that he was drunk when he was shot, and on route to the Philippines.

The mystery surrounding the murder of Frederick Ward, the secretary, Bert Jack, mining broker, has been cleared up. Yesterday before the prosecuting attorney of Alameda county, Cal., it was shown that the body was found with several others in the crime, Hawkins and Ross were indicted and held over.

Alex. Walker, a negro living near Pleasant Hill, Mo., was called from his office late Thursday night by a party of white men and taken to a place near Harrisonville, Cass county, Mo., where he was stripped to a stump and beaten with heavy rawhide. He was ordered to leave the county and to go to his home, where he died half an hour later. The negro had been forty-two years a slave in the Harrisonville.

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July consolidation of Milan—Chicago and Pontiac.

Hall Caine, the famous Manx novelist, will visit America early in September. He will be accompanied by his wife, the president of his new wife, Miss Christian, a Washington. He will visit Niagara, Chicago, Denver, Salt Lake, and other places. The purpose of the author of The Christian is to study at first hand the life of the Mormons. The alleged conversion to the polygamy doctrine of a prominent Mormon elder, Mr. Caine, is the result of the intimate relations between the two families, and the author of The Christian, who will undoubtedly write of the Mormons, Mr. Caine expects to play Dave Quinn, and whether any resemblance the character from the author's pen will be as it is now, nothing is to be doubted by the readers of The Christian.

Notes.

Julia Fox is to star in a play from the French, with music from several sources.

E. H. Sothern hopes this week to observe the Centennial Dragoon for promulgation toward the end of the month in Philadelphia.

Viney Herbert has included the score of the opera for Alice Nielsen, she is to appear in it at Wallack's theater, New York, the coming season. It is said to be melodiously attractive.

Henry Miller has written a military play, The Trumpet Call, which he will produce during the coming season. Mr. Miller's wife will open on Sept. 19 in Pittsburg.

The playwrights seem to think that the public has not grown weary of the romantic drama. The well known English writers for the stage, with the exception of Arthur Pinero, all be represented on the American stage this season.

Edwin H. Hoff, formerly of the Bostonians, has returned from Europe and been engaged to head the public concert in Way Down East, which has been the new season with the original New York cast at the Tremont theater, Boston, tomorrow evening.

Frank Weyman, one in the secretary of Lorden secretary of state for Appointments, is to visit quest of a successor to John Drew, some to have appeared in Mr. Drew's part of Reginald Fairfax in Jerome K. Jerome's play from Vivin Allen, with whom he was said to have been engaged for the character, is Annie Russell, who is to be placed by Charles Frohman in a new play.

The players are having their summer retreats and "vigoring" for the season. Julia Marlowe is at Stratford-on-Avon, Ont., Mr. Sothern at Lake Sunapee, Mr. Mansfield at Tyngsboro, Mass., Mr. Miller at Pittsburg, Mr. Hackett at Lake Winnipesaukee, Mr. Mansfield was to Tyngsboro and has been trying to locate all sort things theatrical. He was at Stratford-on-Avon with Miss Marlowe, and in London, his friends say, he has been recently say that she is now in splendid condition.

The New York Sun is always witty and clever, but in one witty paragraph it blunts, if we may use the term, the edge of many of the theatre bars now graphing.

If there is any intention of lowering the curtain in the Tenderloin, just and conditions are in progress. Three cases of a kind that would furnish before such circumstances have recently been opened, and they have all been in the city. Yesterday in the morning Mr. Mansfield, the actor, was in the city, and he was seen by the friend that parade Broadway every morning, and he said he was in the city for a few days during the past year. There is no doubt of the night in New York when he is not in the theatre, Mansfield, Sothern, Miss Marlowe, Hackett, Miller, and other lesser, by absorption to fat, diminution, or retraction with the exception of Mr. Sothern, Mr. Miller and Mr. Hackett. Artificial stimulants have not blunted with the force and vigor of the stage, man, and the girls, or they go from the theatre of fashionable houses of pleasure. The more important of the artificial stimulants are the Turkish bath, the Turkish cigarette, cocaine, wood alcohol, absinthe, opium, morphine, cannabis indica, cannabis sativa, cannabis indica, cannabis sativa, cannabis indica, cannabis sativa