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AS LEE SEES CUBA'S NEEDS

He Recommends Independence With a Protectorate.

TROOPS SHOULD BE KEPT THERE

General's Report Is Very Gratifying, Showing, as It Does, a Great Improvement in Conditions.

CHICAGO, Sept. 1.—A special to the Times-Herald from Washington says: General Fitzhugh Lee has made an elaborate report on prevailing conditions in the territory in Cuba under his jurisdiction, and takes strong ground for an independent Cuban government under an American protectorate. The war department in March directed the commanders of departments in Cuba to make a report on the conditions in their several sections, and to accompany it with recommendations as to the treatment of the natives. General Lee is the only commander who has so far responded.

General Lee begins his report by stating conditions in Havana and Pinar del Rio provinces are making rapid progress toward a state of peace, good order and prosperity. He goes into this in great detail, taking up the subject town by town, and showing a general improvement throughout the western end of the island. His report in this respect is very gratifying, indicating as it does that there is not so much suffering from want of food as is often asserted in unofficial reports.

Turning to recommendations, General Lee urges the taking of self-government. General Lee thinks that the next steps should be the careful consideration of the question of suffrage for the Cubans. He takes it for granted that there will be elections by the natives, and he points out the importance of wise action in determining the qualifications of voters.

He recommends an independent Republican government, with a president, vice-president and a congress. He would have this established soon, and advises the holding of a general election for the selection of those officers. He says nothing about a constitution, leaving it to be inferred that he either overlooked that step or would have it left to the Cuban congress to provide after its installation in office.

General Lee evidently foresees that while the United States might provide Cuba with a model system of government, the natives would be likely to spoil it in the administration and he has submitted suggestions for keeping the government machinery running along lines that commend themselves to the American mind.

Even after relieving the Cubans in part of American protection, he would have United States troops maintained in the island to protect Americans and other aliens in the enjoyment of their personal and property rights.

William F. Dixon Dead.

CORVALLIS, Or., Aug. 31.—William F. Dixon, who settled in 1845 where Corvallis now stands, and on whose homestead a portion of the city is located, died yesterday morning in his 80th year. He was buried at 3 o'clock this afternoon in the Henderson cemetery, seven miles southwest of Corvallis.

CAPE NOME A GODSEND

To Many Miners Who Had Exhausted Their Means in Prospecting Other Parts of Alaska—Many Disputes.

SEATTLE, Sept. 1.—The steamer Laurada, of Cuban filibustering fame, arrived this morning from St. Michael, Alaska, with 200 passengers from Dawson and Cape Nome and a small amount of gold dust. Pursuer Coup says he had \$50,000 worth in his custody.

Cape Nome passengers report that a few days before they left 300 miners were placed under arrest for trespassing. The arrest was made by Lieutenant Craigie, and a detachment of ten men on the complaint of a company

which claims to own a strip on the beach between low and mean high tide. The miners were held under arrest but a few hours. Lieutenant Craigie saw that it would be impossible to provide for such a large number, and ordered their release, notifying the company to seek redress in court. The strip in dispute has never been officially surveyed.

S. R. Colvin, who sold his claim at Cape Nome for \$35,000, says men mining on the beach are taking out from \$4 to \$40 to the man. The district is a Godsend to the many who had spent all their substance prospecting in other parts of Alaska without result. The Laurada passed through a severe storm between St. Michael and Dutch harbor.

McLean's Ambition.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 31.—The action of the Ohio Democratic convention is cold comfort to the anti-Bryan men. McLean is one of the men of power who was depended upon to help down Bryan in the next convention. McLean would be willing, but he could not withstand the Bryan sentiment in his own state. McLean is using the governorship as a stepping-stone to the senate to succeed Foraker. He figures out that Ohio must go Democratic sooner or later, and if he keeps in line he will catch some of the big political plums.

World's Crops Short.

VIENNA, Aug. 31.—The Hungarian ministry of agriculture has just issued its annual estimates of the world's harvest. This points to a considerable deficiency. The wheat yield is 110,000,000 hectolitres below last year's yield, and about 34,000,000 short of the entire world's demand.

The estimated yield of rye is 5,000,000 less than that of last year; of barley, 23,000,000 less, and of oats, 35,000,000 less. The total deficiency in all cereals is about 97,000,000 hectolitres.

CHANGE SATISFIES THE PEOPLE

Fear of Another Hurricane—Forced to Leave the Port for Open Sea.

NEW YORK, Sept. 1.—A dispatch to the Herald from Santo Domingo says:

There is little doubt that Jimenes will succeed to the presidency as soon as he arrives. The peace and tranquillity which pervade the city are in marked contrast with conditions that existed a few days ago and show how popular the revolution is with the masses. Apparently the entire island is satisfied that the change in government promises improved conditions. The newspapers all urge moderation on the part of the revolutionists and advise all citizens to refrain from disturbance.

Figueres was permitted to reach home unmolested, and the revolutionists everywhere are behaving with the utmost moderation, even going so far as to pay for the property taken and supplies used. It is believed that all fighting is over and that with the arrival of the leaders of the revolution on Sunday to take charge of the government all causes for alarm will have been removed.

Yesterday was the climax to the government, which was powerless to retard the progress of the revolution. Word had come that all the principal towns in the interior on the north side had gone over. Added to this had come news that another hurricane was forming and that the United States cruiser New Orleans and the French cruiser would have to put to sea and that the foreign residents would be left to the mercy of the revolutionists.

Business was practically at a standstill and chaos reigned. People dared not stir from their homes at night. In this dilemma came Figueres' announcement that he would resign in order to prevent bloodshed and at once the situation changed.

Played Out.

Dull Headache, Pains in various parts of the body, Sinking at the pit of the stomach, Loss of appetite, Feverishness, Pimples or Sores all positive evidences of impure blood. No matter how it became so it must be purified in order to obtain good health. Acker's Blood Elixir has never failed to cure Scrofulous or Syphilitic poisons or any other blood diseases. It is certainly a wonderful remedy and we sell every bottle on a positive guarantee. Blakeley & Houghton Druggists.

Clarke & Falk have a fall and complete line of house, carriage, wagon and barn paints manufactured by James E. Patton, of Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

A BATTLE ON A HILL

Daring Feat Accomplished by American Soldiers in Negros.

BANDIT STRONG-HOLD CAPTURED

Troops Advanced a Thousand Feet Up a Perpendicular Bluff Under a Hot Fire.

MANILA, Sept. 2, 8:30 p. m.—Argogula, the most impregnable stronghold of the bands which have been destroying plantations and levying tribute on the people of Negros was taken by the Sixth Infantry, under Lieutenant-Colonel Byrne. The only means of reaching the town was up a perpendicular hill, covered with dense scrubbery and 1000 ft. high. The Americans accomplished this under fire, although an officer and several men were hit and rocks were rolled down upon them. The native strength was estimated at 400. Many of the rebels were wounded and captured, and twenty-one were killed. The American forces captured a quantity of stores and destroyed the fortifications.

The shipping commissioner of Manila, a Filipino, hitherto in high standing, has been arrested, charged with appropriating half of the first month's salary and levying monthly thereafter an assessment on all the native sailors shipped from this port. It is represented that he held a commission in the insurgent army, and was raising funds for the insurrection; merely private blackmail. The information resulting in the arrest of the shipping commissioner reached the port captain and chief of police through a sailor who is not in sympathy with the insurrection.

The Official Gazette, published at Tarlac, which has been received here, contains an order by Aguinaldo assembling the Spanish civil prisoners and sick soldiers at the ports of San Fernando, Union and Dugapan for repatriation. The order stipulates that vessels calling must fly the Spanish or Red Cross flags. Jamecilla, the Spanish commissioner, intends to ask Major-General Otis for permission to send ships.

Americans Follow Ho Ho Bandits.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 2.—General Otis cabled the war department a dispatch which he received from General Hughes, commanding the American forces at Ilo Ilo. General Hughes said:

"Lieutenant-Colonel Byrne on August 31 destroyed Argogula, a most important bandit stronghold, killing twenty-one, wounding many, capturing large quantities of supplies, a complete outfit for reloading shells, bolos, spears, etc. This feat was remarkable as the town is inaccessible only by a road on an almost perpendicular slope, constantly under fire for 1000 feet. One officer and two men were struck by boulders rolled down on them, but not seriously hurt. No casualties. Bandit strength was 400."

GRAZING INJURIOUS TO FORESTS

Department Will Withdraw Permits Given to Stockmen on the Cascade Reserve.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 2.—The secretary of the interior has canceled the sixty-eight permits that have been granted sheepmen to graze within the Fairier forest reservation, Washington, and hereafter all sheep will be excluded from the reservation. The sixty-eight permits represent 260,000 sheep now on the reservation. In making his exclusion order, the secretary said: "The granting of such permits was not in conformity, but rather interfered with the objects, for which forest reservations are created." For this reason he declined to sanction such permits. It was mainly through the instrumentality of Commissioner Hermann that these permits were granted in the first place, they coming from the general land office. Hermann has been of the opinion that sheep-grazing in the open areas of forest reservation was not injurious to the forests, but

special agents to the interior department have made extensive investigations and reported to the contrary.

Secretary Wilson, of the agricultural department, strenuously opposed sheep-grazing on reservations, and in the face of such opposition the sheep will have to go. This decision of Secretary Hitchcock is but a precedent, and it will be only a matter of time before sheep are excluded from all the forest reserves in the country, including the great Cascade reserve in Oregon. The secretary is convinced that sheep kill the young growth of trees, shrubs and grass, and therefore will exclude them.

Set Fire to His Cell.

HILLSBORO, Or., Sept. 2.—Daniel Clifford, who had been arrested for drunkenness, narrowly escaped being roasted to death in the city jail tonight. He struck a match to light his pipe, and set fire to a mattress. He was unable to extinguish the fire, and no one heard his calls for help. Persons passing the jail saw the smoke and informed Chief of Police Wiley. Clifford was dragged out unconscious and the fire quenched. Clifford recovered his senses in a short time. He was not burned.

Killed for Small Sum.

GRANT'S PASS, Or., Sept. 1.—Frank Enright and Mike Daly had a duel with pistols at 8 o'clock Wednesday evening. The quarrel was over a small sum which Enright maintained was due him. Enright was shot in the abdomen on the left side, but Daly was not hit, although five shots were exchanged. Enright lingered until 9 o'clock last evening, and died in great agony. Daly was arrested shortly after the shooting.

The coroner held an inquest this morning. The verdict was that Enright came to his death at the hands of Daly, and that the latter be held to await the action of the grand jury.

Labor is Scarce.

OLYMPIA, Sept. 1.—William Blackman, state factory and mill inspector, says that in his travels in the state he has found the industrial conditions much improved, and that there is considerably more work than there are men to do it. He cited as an example the fact that the other day a circus in Seattle required the services of thirty extra men, and, although extra pay was offered, it was next to impossible to obtain them. He says men are scarce in every section of the state.

They Sailed on the Para.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 1.—The following cablegram has been received at the war department:

"Manila, Sept. 1.—Adjutant-General, Washington: Nine hundred and twenty-four discharged soldiers sailed on the Para yesterday. Find statement in possession of Lieutenant Gordan, signal officer, who will identify men to paymasters, San Francisco. Advisable to make full preparations for prompt payment on arrival of Para. OTIS"

Prineville's Water and Light System.

PRINEVILLE, Or., Sept. 2.—H. V. Gates has prepared all preliminaries for commencing active work in putting in a water and light system in this city. Work will be pushed so that the system will be in working order before winter. Freight is now being started out of Moro, and the machinery will all be in Prineville before the freight road becomes badly cut up.

WONDERFUL CURE OF DIARRHOEA

A Prominent Virginia Editor Had Almost Given Up, but Was Brought Back to Perfect Health by Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy. Read His Editorial.

From the Times, Hillsville, Va.

I suffered with diarrhoea for a long time and thought I was past being cured. I had spent much time and money and suffered so much misery that I had almost decided to give up all hopes of recovery and await the result, but noticing the advertisement of Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy and also some testimonials stating how some wonderful cures had been wrought by this remedy, I decided to try it. After taking a few doses I was entirely well of that trouble, and I wish to say further to my readers and fellow-sufferers that I am a hale and hearty man today and feel as well as I ever did in my life.—O. R. Moore. Sold by Blakeley & Houghton, druggists.

One American Killed.

MANILA, Sept. 4, 11 a. m.—Five men of Colonel Bell's regiment yesterday encountered a rebel outpost near Porac, and, in the fighting which ensued, one American was killed and another wounded. The remainder drove the rebels from their position and captured a bull cart in which to remove the injured.

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GOVERNMENT OF THE ISLES

President Has Made Up His Mind on the Subject.

CABINET IS TO CONSIDER

Each Group Will Have a Different Form of Control—Cuba Will Be Independent—Unless Annexation is Desired, in Which Event, American Sentiment Shall Determine Form.

NEW YORK, Sept. 4.—A special to the Herald from Washington says: There is good authority for the statement that the president has returned to Washington with these general ideas uppermost in his mind as to his future course in relation to the new dependencies:

The Philippines—Civil government by three commissioners to supplement military rule immediately after the rebellion is crushed.

Cuba—Continued military control until it is determined by means of a general election whether the inhabitants want independence or annexation. If independence, the new government elected will be recognized by the United States and will be given encouragement and every opportunity to establish its stability. If annexation, the president will be governed by the sentiment of American citizens as it may then exist.

Porto Rico—Civil government of the territorial form, similar to that which prevails in Arizona.

Hawaii—Territorial form of government as recommended by the Hawaiian commission and as provided for in a measure now pending in congress.

Some weeks will elapse before the president settles down to the actual preparation of his message, but he has returned from his vacation with some well-defined views as to the difficult problems which confront him and will immediately commence discussions of the details with the members of his cabinet.

It has been generally supposed that with the war still in progress in the Philippines, the president would avoid committing himself to recommendations of the future government of the islands, but such will probably not be the case. His Pittsburg speech leaves no room for doubt that he will insist upon American control of the Philippines. To this extent he has come out squarely and thrown down the gauntlet to the anti-expansionists.

Mr. McKinley not only favors the permanent control but is prepared with all of the forces at his command to fight for it, but to avoid the charge of militarism, and that is his reason for making the recommendations, he purposes outlining a plan to congress for submitting a civil form of government for the military the moment peace is obtained and the complete supremacy of the United States established.

Further discussions with his cabinet may change somewhat the president's views as to the form of civil government best suited to meet the situation.

HELD UP THE HOUSE

Masked Men Rob a Spokane Gambling Game of \$1800.

SPOKANE, Sept. 3.—Two masked men at 4 o'clock this morning walked into Harry Green's gambling-rooms, on the second floor of a block in the very heart of the business district, held up fifteen men, looted the tiller and safe, and

escaped with \$1800 in cash and bills. In the chase and subsequent capture of one of the thugs, Policeman Gemming was shot in the groin and perhaps fatally wounded.

The two robbers hired a room in the block in which the gambling-rooms are located, and for two days waited their chance. They chose the time when the gambling is about to close for the week. Under the influence of four big revolvers, the crowd playing at the tables was ranged along the wall, while the masked men appropriated all the money in sight. On the street below, within fifty feet of the robbery, were twenty-five men. The police were within easy call after the men made their rush for a hiding place, and the chase began. Officer Gemming sighted the men and a pistol duel began. Twenty shots were exchanged, and Gemming was the only man hit. The robber with the smaller amount of cash was located in a woodyard and gave up. About \$250 was recovered. Gemming was resting easy tonight.

Glorious News.

Comes from Dr. D. B. Cargile, of Washita, I. T. He writes:

"Four bottles of Electric Bitters has cured Mrs. Brewer of scrofula, which had caused her great suffering for years. Terrible sores would break out on her head and face, and the best doctors could give no help; but her cure is complete and her health is excellent." This shows that thousands have proved,—that Electric Bitters is the best blood purifier known. It's the supreme remedy for eczema, tetter, salt rheum, ulcers, boils and running sores. It stimulates liver, kidneys and bowels, expels poisons, helps digestion and builds up the strength. Only 50 cents. Sold by Blakeley & Houghton, Druggists. Guaranteed.

SHEEP MEN APPROVE LEASING

Would Like to See the Public Ranges Rented.

PENDLETON, Or., Sept. 3.—A topic that is engaging the attention of sheep and cattle men in Eastern Oregon and Washington is that of leasing public grazing lands to private parties. At the recent wool convention held here, this subject consumed a large part of the time of the sessions, and there was a disposition to endorse the proposition of the interior department in that connection. Charles Cunningham, one of the heaviest breeders of sheep, both of wool-growers and of fine sheep for improving the flocks, expressed himself as favorable to the plan.

"As a sheep raiser, who has the sheep interests at heart," said Mr. Cunningham, "I hope the government will adopt the leasing plan. It will obviate most of the difficulties now so common between sheep men who attempt to use the same range, and secure the range being cared for by the people who lease it. Any special regulations adopted to provide against discrimination in favor of the larger sheep men would receive my indorsement."

Mr. Cunningham speaks of the prospects for the sheep interests of this country as extremely favorable. He states that grass is bound to be exceptionally good this fall, the summer having been unusually wet and tending to cause the grass to grow. He states also that the owners of livestock have more hay than ever before, and that the sales of sheep this year have been so heavy that there are less sheep in the country than in ordinary years. These conditions promise easy times during the winter, even though it be very long and severe.

He Fooled the Surgeons.

All doctors told Renick Hamilton, of West Jefferson, Or., after suffering 18 months from Rectal Fistula, he would die unless a costly operation was performed; but he cured himself with five boxes of Bucklen's Arnica Salve, the surest Pile cure on Earth, and the best Salve in the World. 25 cents a box. Sold by Blakeley & Houghton Druggists.

Clarke & Falk have received a carload of the celebrated James E. Patton strictly pure liquid paints.