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THE PLAGUE IN HAWAII Eighteen Deaths from the Scourge in Honolulu.

MOODY'S WORK. Plans Have Been Devised for Carrying It On.

NEW YORK, Jan. 11.—For the purpose of devising the best means of carrying on the work of the late Dwight L. Moody, members of the committees from the Bible House, Mount Hermon Institute for young men, and the seminary for young women at Northfield, Mass., met here today.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 11.—Admiral General Corbin has received altogether \$2,900 for the Lawton fund, \$503 being received from...

EXPANDING BULLETS

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SMALL ARMS AMMUNITION SCARCE

Renewed Complaints of the Official Censorship—Official Dispatches Doctored—Methuen's Recall.

LONDON, Jan. 12, 4 A. M.—Lee-Methford cartridges are running short for the British magazines, and according to a semi-official report, the war office purposes to fall back temporarily upon 100,000,000 "Mark IV" expanding bullets, most of which are already in storage in South Africa.

After the public announcement that no such bullet would be used in this war, its employment, the Daily Chronicle thinks, would be a serious breach of faith, especially as the British commanders have complained that the Boers occasionally use such projectiles.

The newspapers are reconciled during the early days of the war to cable censorship, taking it for granted that full narratives sent by mail would supply all deficiencies. For some weeks, however, even the most correspondence of faith, especially as the British commanders have complained that the Boers occasionally use such projectiles.

The Daily Mail formally accuses the war office of "doctored" in the editing of official dispatches before their issuance, and cites particulars. The Daily Chronicle avers that there seems to be an official conspiracy against letting the truth be known.

Although the war office declines to confirm the report that Lord Methuen has been recalled to England, inquiries made by a correspondent at Methuen's home, in Wiltshire, have elicited the information that when he received his wound his horse threw him heavily and spinal and other injuries supervened.

The theory is now advanced that the seizure of the German mail steamers Heros and General, since released, was made on purpose to mislead information supplied to British agents, the design being to embroil Great Britain and Germany in a quarrel.

IMPATIENCE IN ENGLAND.

Theories for the Inactivity of the British Forces.

LONDON, Jan. 11.—Even the announcement of the arrival of Field Marshal Lord Roberts and General Lord Kitchener at Cape Town has failed to stem the growing impatience of the country at the protracted inactivity in the main British camps and the entire absence of news giving an adequate insight into the local situation. The public and press being unable to form any just judgment as to the actual position of affairs, stories are rife that the inaction is forced on General Buller owing to the exhaustion of reserves of ammunition and there are even wild rumors of a shell famine at home.

But not so much importance need be attached to these rumors. It is almost universally assumed that with the landing of Roberts and Kitchener a prompt return will be made to the original plan of campaign, namely, a great central advance on Bloemfontein, but the most impatient of enthusiasts admit that Roberts will be unable to move before the end of the month.

Plenty of Food in Ladysmith.

LONDON, Jan. 12.—A dispatch to the Daily Mail from Pietermaritzburg, dated January 8, says: "Private advices dated January 2, say that rations of bread and meat are plentiful, and the garrison has not touched the 'bully' beef and biscuit supplies. Luxuries are scarce in Ladysmith, but the hospitals are well supplied with milk, and the horses are in good condition."

Awaiting Roberts' Orders.

LONDON, Jan. 12.—The Cape Town correspondent of the Daily Mail, telegraphing Monday, says: "The vanguard of the Sixth division is awaiting at Table bay until the arrival of Lord Roberts."

Boers Anticipate Turning Movement.

LONDON, Jan. 12.—The Standard has the following dispatch, dated Monday, from Pieter camp: "Our patrols have searched both flanks of the Boer position. They found a large camp five miles east of Colenso, evidently in anticipation of a British attempt at a turning movement."

Inspection of Travelers.

LORENZO MARQUEZ, Jan. 11.—Inspection of travelers bound for the Transvaal is revived under an old law. No one will be allowed to proceed unless he declares before his consul that he has no intention of fighting for the Boers.

Boer Recruits Intercepted.

LORENZO MARQUEZ, Jan. 11.—Several Portuguese who were on the way to join the Boers have been intercepted by the frontier police. Nobody in future will be allowed to pass the border without a permit from the government.

Transport Sails With Troops.

SOUTHAMPTON, Jan. 11.—The Cunard liner Umbria, which has been chartered as a transport by the British government, sailed this afternoon with 2000 soldiers bound for South Africa.

The Losses at Ladysmith.

LONDON, Jan. 12.—The Daily Mail says: "We learn that in the attack on Ladysmith last Saturday, January 6, the British losses were 14 officers killed, 24 wounded and over 80 noncommissioned officers and men killed and wounded. The Boer losses, we hear, are estimated at between 2000 and 3000."

THE CAVITE CAMPAIGN.

Colonel Bullard Encountered the Rebels Near Calamba.

MANILA, Jan. 11.—Colonel Bullard, with the Thirty-ninth Infantry, moving in three columns from Calamba with two guns, attacked the camp of insurgents, strongly entrenched on the Santa Tomas road. They resisted stubbornly, making three stands. Twenty-four of the rebels were killed and 90 prisoners were taken. The Filipinos retreated, carrying their wounded toward Lake Taal. One American was killed and two officers slightly wounded.

ESCAPED FROM THE FILIPINOS.

How Five Men From the Urdaneta Got Away From the Enemy.

VANCOUVER, B. C., Jan. 11.—Advices from Manila say that Benjamin J. Green, coxswain, and George M. Powers, first-class apprentice, are the sole survivors, so far as known, of the luckless gunboat Urdaneta. The Urdaneta was taking sounding near Orangi and went aground during the first few minutes. Seeing that the vessel was doomed, he ordered that the rig be lowered to make a dash down stream, but the boat was riddled while being lowered. By the singular fortune of the crew were killed or disabled. Only Green, Powers and three others remained active. The insurgents, growing bolder, waded into shallow water and overpowered them by the aid of their superior numbers. The other three Americans were probably recaptured and killed. All that night they could hear the Filipinos searching for them, but next morning they were taken away.

THE MANILA RAILWAY.

Its Claim for a Guarantee of Interest Disallowed.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 11.—Acting Secretary McKeljohn, of the war department, has denied the application of the Manila Railway Company, Ltd., for payment by the United States of the interest on the capital invested in the railway owned and operated by said company pursuant to a guarantee of said interest by the Spanish government.

Cargo of Explosives.

NEW YORK, Jan. 11.—The steamships India and Drummond, which will sail from New York for Manila about 30 tons of freight consigned by the government. These shipments will include provisions, blankets and supplies for the soldiers, and 116 tons of explosives, which will be placed in a specially constructed inclosure of the deck of the India.

Movement of the Thomas.

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 11.—General Sherman received a telegram from Nacac, today, sent by Major Hyde, quartermaster of the Thomas, stating that the body of General Henry W. Lawton is on the transport, which left for San Francisco January 23. The body of Major Logan is also on the transport.

Recruits for the Philippines.

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 11.—The United States transport Tartar sailed for Manila today for the purpose of recruiting under command of Colonel Freeman, and commissary stores. She also carried 30 members of the hospital corps from New York.

Monthly Statement of Exports.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 11.—The monthly statement of the exports of breadstuffs, provisions, cotton and mineral oils from the United States, and the decrease, compared with December, 1899, issued by the bureau of statistics, shows the following: Decrease, Breadstuffs, \$19,148,220 \$12,500,000 Canned hogs, 15,311,257 22,000 Provisions, 15,311,257 22,000 Cotton, 12,311,110 14,000,000 Mineral oils, 5,475,927 1,900,000 Increase.

General Maury Dead.

PEORIA, Ill., Jan. 11.—General Dabney Herndon Maury died today at the residence of his son in this city. General Maury was born in Fredericksburg, Va., May 21, 1822. Under the administration of President Cleveland, General Maury was envoy extraordinary and minister plenipotentiary to the United States of Colombia.

Tenth Cavalry at Galveston.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 11.—The quartermaster-general has been informed that the transport Klipatrick, with the Tenth Cavalry, has arrived at Galveston.

STATE LEVY 6.3 MILLS

Less Money to Be Provided Than Last Year.

FIGURES OF PREVIOUS STATE LEVIES

How Taxable Valuations Have Run in Oregon for a Dozen Years Past—Many Changes.

SALEM, Jan. 11.—Governor Geer, Secretary of State Dunbar and State Treasurer Moore, acting jointly, today fixed the state tax levy at 6.3 mills, upon a valuation of \$120,322,573, will raise \$7,782,132. Last year the tax was 5.7 mills, and upon taxable property valued at \$123,533,577 the sum of \$7,149,393 was raised.

The higher levy this year was due to the lower valuation and to several other changes. First, under the act of the last legislature abolishing the fee system, \$55,000 must be paid in salaries to the district attorneys of the several districts. Formerly, these officials were paid mostly in fees in the counties. Second, three items amounting to \$45,000, which, on account of press of business had been omitted from the estimate made by the old board last year, had to be met. These were: Compensation for rejected Oregon volunteers, \$6000; replacing a building of the agricultural college, which had been destroyed by fire, \$25,000; to reimburse the commission which investigated Oregon & the Omaha exposition, \$15,000.

A noticeable feature of the levy is that Multnomah county, by the reduction of valuations, will pay \$4,398 less than last year, when it contributed \$24,292.

The following table shows, first, the gross valuation of all taxable property in the several counties of the state of Oregon, according to the certified copies of the summary of the assessment roll of each county for the year 1899 as finally equalized by the county board of equalization and filed in the office of the secretary of state; second, the total amount of exemptions in each county as shown by the aforesaid summaries; third, the total taxable property in each county, as shown by the aforesaid summaries; fourth, the total amount of revenue to be raised for the several counties for the year 1899, for state purposes, which is not provided for by special taxation and appropriated to each county of the state of Oregon, to be levied and collected and paid into the state treasury by each of said counties, being the resulting rate of taxation of 6.3 mills on the total taxable property of the state (\$120,322,573), required to raise the sum of \$7,782,132.

Table with columns: COUNTY, Gross taxable property, Amount of exemptions, Net taxable property, State tax at 6.3 mills, Total amount of revenue to be raised.

Surplus Left on Hand.

Following is statement of the surplus left January 5, 1899, for estimated appropriations by the legislative assembly of 1899, for which no appropriation was made, and which consequently remains on hand: Insurance and maintenance of pilot schooner, levied 1899, but not appropriated, \$ 1,500 00 Conveying insane, levied for 1899, but not appropriated, 14,000 00 Arrest and release of fugitives, levied for 1899, but only \$3000 appropriated, 1,000 00 Support of nonresident poor in the several counties, \$4000 levied for in 1899, but only \$3000 appropriated, 1,000 00 Current expenses of Oregon National Guard and for current expenses of the university of Oregon (act approved Oct. 12, 1898, page 47, Laws of 1899), 60,000 00 Total amount appropriated for current purposes for 1899, 68,500 00 Total surplus, 17,285 77

Providing for Ore Traffic.

HILL Leases His Iron Land on the Duluth & Northern. ST. PAUL, Minn., Jan. 11.—J. J. Hill has leased a large portion of his 5000 acres of iron ore land on the Duluth, Mississippi & Northern, which road also belongs to Mr. Hill. The iron ore land is leased to Corrigan & McKinney, of Cleveland, who will lease the ore to the Duluth, Mississippi & Northern, which road has already been taken. These and other ore properties, which are now being developed and repair, has made a report to the secretary of the navy showing that favorable progress is being made on the vessels under construction for the navy. The battleship Kentucky is reported to be within 2 per cent of completion, and the battleship Kentucky within 3 per cent. Both of these vessels are under construction at Newport News. The other big battleships under construction are: The Alabama, at Cramp & Sons, 52 per cent; the Wisconsin, at the Union Iron works, 34 per cent; the Illinois, at Newport News, 73 per cent. Work has just started on the battleship Missouri, at Newport News, while the Maine, at Cramp & Sons, is less than one-fifth completed, and the Ohio is one-third completed.

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FOR AN ASSAY OFFICE

Tongue Working to Have It Located in Portland.

SHAFROTH AIDS THE CAUSE

Hill Was Finally Referred to a Special Committee—Hoar and Pettigrew Are "Pala."

WASHINGTON, Jan. 11.—Representative Tongue appeared before the committee on coinage, weights and measures today, and spoke in behalf of his bill to establish an assay office at Portland. He pointed out that Portland is easily accessible to the miners of the Oregon gold fields and is also in a position to receive a part of the gold coming down from Alaska.

Representative Hill, of Connecticut, followed Mr. Tongue, and objected to the establishment of more assay offices, and protested against the government paying the cost of transportation of bullion to the assay office.

Representative Shaforth, of Colorado, championed the cause of the Portland office, and made a strong defense of the government bearing the expense of transportation. He stated that the government is badly in need of more assay offices, and he would use his best efforts in behalf of the proposed office at Portland.

A Dose of Allen.

The United States senate got a dose of Allen today, and had an opportunity to appreciate the calamity that befel the country when this wrangling demagogue was allowed to return to the senate. In order to exploit himself upon the trust question, he held up the census bill, and proposed a most absurd proposition for the investigation of trusts by the census enumerators and clerks of the census office.

Southern Pacific Earnings

Company in a Fair Way of Paying a Dividend on All Its Stock.

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 11.—The Southern Pacific Company has issued a statement showing the earnings of the company for the month of November and for the first five months of the present fiscal year. The gross earnings for November were \$5,725,435, an increase of \$701,975 over the corresponding month of 1898. The operating expenses were \$4,475,338, an in-

Opposition to the Canal.

While it is known with absolute certainty that the opposition to the Nicaragua canal has been successful in preventing any action in congress, the names of the opponents are known only by the votes that have been cast upon the subject, and these are only in the senate, as no vote has ever been allowed in the house. It is only within the last four or five years that a tremendous effort has been raised in favor of the construction of the canal. Up to the close of the 60th congress there was no sentiment whatever in the senate in favor of such a canal, in fact, the southern members stood upon that constitutional ground that the government of the United States had no authority to expend money for the building of any international canal, and that it was a self-interest. The other proposition that the United States should take stock in a Nicaragua canal company was also held as unconstitutional. It was not until the public sentiment of the South became educated to the fact that with the Nicaragua canal the people of that section would be able to supply the Orient with their products, that their representatives began to loosen their scruples and to vote in favor of the canal. A large proportion of them became willing to vote for any proposition for a canal, whether it was for the government to build it, or whether it should appropriate money directly for building it.

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