

600 SOLDIERS ARE KILLED, IS REPORT

Mexican Relief Column Under Luque Is Overwhelmed by Insurrectos.

NAVARRO IS BOTTLED UP

Dispatch From Chihuahua Says Federal Forces Are Badly Demoralized, While Revolutionists' Losses Are Slight.

EL PASO, Tex., Dec. 30.—A special to the Times from its correspondent in Chihuahua says:

"Luque's relief column has encountered four days' fierce fighting near Casa Colorado and its loss is 600 men killed.

"The insurrecto loss is slight. The column is badly demoralized.

"Navarro's command is still bottled up near Mal-Paso."

FIGHT REPORTED IN SONORA

Band of 50 Insurrectos Clashes With Civilians' Force.

DOUGLASS, Ariz., Dec. 28.—The first battle with the rebels and the first blood shed in Sonora during the present insurrection is reported in a message received here today from Moctezuma.

The rebels numbered 50 and an equal number of civilians, organized by the prefect of Moctezuma, clashed at Tampichil 20 miles southeast of Moctezuma. The battle lasted the entire morning of December 28, both forces firing from cover.

The prefect, however, reports the rebels routed, leaving one dead, four wounded and ten prisoners.

MAL PASO IS NOW CLEARED

Federal Forces Occupy Position Previously Held by Mexican Rebels.

CHIHUAHUA, Mex., via El Paso, Dec. 29.—An official report was received here today stating that Colonel Escudero, commanding a scouting force of the federales, encountered a band of insurrectos in Mal Paso on Wednesday and that, after some fighting, the insurrectos retreated. No details were given with regard to killed or wounded.

General Luque reports that the pass was cleared and he asked for the repair train which left here yesterday.

Detroit Not to Aid Mexican Rebels.

NEW YORK, Dec. 30.—The third class cruiser Detroit, recently sold by the United States government, will not form a nucleus of a Mexican insurgent fleet to be sent against the Gulf coast of Mexico, as reported from the Mexican Junta in New Orleans, but will close her sea days as an old barge on the end of a low-line. This is the statement made today by Captain Clark, the company which bought the Detroit.

Rebels Retire Before Federals.

EL PASO, Tex., Dec. 29.—The Mexican rebels appear to have withdrawn from the line in the face of reinforcements for Navarro, and government officials expect to have the railroad operating again shortly. This will greatly relieve the situation and will enable troops and supplies to move rapidly into the disturbed region.

SCHOONER IS IDENTIFIED

Princess Victoria, of Vancouver, B. C., Aground in Strait.

VANCOUVER, B. C., Dec. 29.—The drifter schooner sighted in Johnston Strait several days ago was identified today as the Princess Victoria, under charter to the Billingsgate Fish Company, of Vancouver. The schooner belonged to Captain Clark. The 29 men in her crew are safe at Salmon River.

Princess Victoria sailed from Nanaimo for the Hallett banks Monday afternoon. Early that night while all the crew but the helmsman were at supper, the schooner went aground. The crew put on the boats but succeeded in saving only part of the supplies, 500 worth of provisions and a large quantity of gasoline being lost.

It is believed the schooner is not seriously damaged. A tug was sent to bring her back to Vancouver for repairs.

RHODES SCHOLAR IS NAMED

Stanley Yates, of Whitman, to Represent Washington at Oxford.

WALLA WALLA, Wash., Dec. 29.—(Special.)—Stanley Yates, of Whitman College, has been chosen for this year's representative of the State of Washington at Oxford, in the Rhodes scholarship examinations. This award was received from President Penrose tonight.

Yates is the first Whitman man to receive this distinction, although several have passed the examination. Whitman six years ago had the choice of candidates, but all failed.

Yates is a member of the Junior class of Whitman College and one of the most popular men of the school. While he has made no great mark as an athlete, he is a good sportsman and a fine scholar.

OREGON IN LONE CLASS

River apples, although the apples would be more pleasing.

Swiss Are Incredulous.

"I remember that Charles Edward Russell in his letters on Switzerland's government tells of a Swiss who had lived over here for years and had always participated in our elections. When he returned to his native land he used to regale his neighbors by telling of the big ballots and the frequency of the elections. His neighbors refused to believe him, and so he wrote his stories from their viewpoint, that he became known as the biggest liar in Switzerland. That Swiss, luckily, never heard of Oregon.

"They tell me that you have 40 executive heads in Oregon and that each has his own lawyer, his own clerks and his own method of conducting business. No good results are possible under such a system of government.

"My trip to Western Canada was for the purpose of studying the business efficiency of the provincial government. There the administration per-

forms the function of conducting the government. The legislative portion of the government cannot originate laws without the approval of the government or administration forces. All of the business is conducted under one authority. All branches of the government are performed under one administrative board. It is conducted on the same principle that you would conduct the business of a corporation.

Majority Does Not Rule.

"In Oregon you evidently have the opposite. The legislation is formed by the masses. Many of your laws, complicated and full of technical matter, are adopted—not by a majority of your people, but by a majority of the vote cast. The only way that Oregon's government could be conducted to advantage would be to conduct it the same way that you would a business corporation—or the greatest results. Your recent ballot containing the designation of various laws which were proposed for adoption is without a parallel in history. New Zealand does not vote that way. Switzerland does not. Oregon is alone in this respect—odd, curious and unique. It will not always be this way. Maybe you will come out better in the end. Anyway, you will pay for it. You are far from having a representative form of government."

LEXOW, PROBER, IS DEAD

THIS MAN REVEALED GRAPT BY NEW YORK POLICE.

State Senator Was Pioneer in Exposing System and Drafted Charter of Greater New York.

NEW YORK, Dec. 30.—Clarence Lexow, formerly chairman of a Senate committee to investigate the city government of New York, died at his home in Columbia University and the University of Pennsylvania. He took up the practice of law, entered politics and in 1882 was elected to the state Senate. In the year following he was appointed chairman of the committee to investigate the city government of New York, universally known as the Lexow committee.

The results were startling. For the first time the public heard of the police "system." The illicit alliance between officers high in the department and gamblers, proprietors of disorderly houses, hotels and saloons that violated the excise laws and other lawbreakers was uncovered. The Rev. Dr. William Brewster gave testimony that shocked the Nation.

Inspector Byrnes, at that time perhaps the best known police officer in the world, resigned. The whole department was shaken from top to bottom. The excise laws were revised and "raines law" hotels began to be known. In fact, the methods and much of the material of the Lexow committee has been fruitfully available ever since for many cities in the three reform.

In addition to his services as chairman of the Lexow committee, Mr. Lexow was chairman of the joint legislative committee that drafted the bill chartering the City of Greater New York. His interest in reform extended to party primaries and a bill regulating them bears his name.

He was chairman of the committee on resolutions in the state convention in the Presidential year 1896, which introduced the first gold plank and in 1900 he was Presidential elector.

In recent years he devoted himself to his law practice and private business. He was a director in many companies.

MRS. STETSON IGNORED

SCIENTISTS REFUSE TO DISCUSS LEADER'S RESURRECTION.

Farlow Speaks of Woman Who Predicts It as Not Recognized Christian Scientist.

BOSTON, Dec. 30.—The statement of Mrs. Stetson, a Christian Scientist of New York, that, in her belief, Mrs. Mary Baker Eddy, the founder of the Christian Science denomination, would manifest herself after death occasioned little comment among the leaders of the denomination here today.

Alfred Farlow, of the Christian Science publishing committee, said:

"I do not see any reason why I should give attention to these statements concerning the 'resurrection' of Mrs. Eddy, coming from persons who are not recognized, or representative Christian Scientists."

"HERESY," SAYS VAN METER

Christian Scientist Disclaims Belief in Mrs. Stetson's Theory.

The opinion by Mrs. Augusta Stetson, of New York, as stated in a telegraphic item in the Oregonian yesterday, to the effect that Mrs. Eddy would reappear and that her position is the same in this age as that of Jesus of Nazareth in his day, was met sympathetically by Howard C. Van Meter, of the committee on publication, in an interview with the Oregonian.

"These statements are not correct," he said. "Christian Scientists look for no such thing. The comparison made is irrelevant and cannot be too strongly denounced. It is not the view entertained by Christian Scientists and is unfair to them and to the cause. It was such heresy that resulted in Mrs. Stetson's excommunication."

"Mrs. Eddy condemned any such definition and any attempt in this direction today is not sanctioned by believers in Christian Science and its purpose is to alienate the friendly consideration of Christian people."

CHAIN IS HARD TO BREAK

Mystery of Murder of Chinaman at North Yakima Cleared.

NORTH YAKIMA, Wash., Dec. 30.—(Special.)—A chain of testimony which the defense seems unable to break is being wound around Charles Wilson, the negro on trial for the murder of old Jim Coon, a Chinaman.

Wilson's negro companion, Loretta Wilson, today testified to giving Wilson a pair of long stockings and identified them as the ones found near the body of the old man, with a big stone in the end and covered with blood.

The Morgan woman also told of Wilson's desire to get the old man's money and his reference to the stockings as "seeing better." The defense is attempting to prove an alibi and to fasten the crime on Billy Keating, who discovered the crime, who is one of the state's chief witnesses.

CARE CAN PREVENT FIRES IN FOREST

Chief Forester Graves Says Risk Is Small When Forces Organized.

RAILROADS ARE HELPING

Incendiarism and Lightning Among Chief Causes—Pacific Coast Has Most Reserves, Oregon Leading—Lumber Cut Grows.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 30.—Forest fires, their destructiveness, cause and prevention are discussed in the annual report of Henry S. Graves, Chief Forester, made public today. It is the most important consideration in regard to public forests is their protection from fire.

"In a forest fully organized, with adequate means of fire-fighting and communication and a sufficient force of rangers and guards, the risk from fire is small," he said. "In foreign countries in which forests are so organized, the risk is so small that the forests are insured at a moderate rate."

Mr. Graves says that 74 per cent of the fires in 1909 were due to the lack of preventive care on the part of the users of forests and of the railroads traversing them.

He says the railroads, realizing that forest fires are against their own interests, "have shown an admirable spirit in co-operating to prevent them."

He suggests the railroads be required either to use efficient spark-arresters or to burn oil.

Four per cent of the fires of 1909 were from incendiarism and 12 per cent from lightning.

"Incendiarism," he said, "can be stopped, partly through education of the public, and partly through increased watching of the forests, which will result in the apprehension and punishment of incendiaries."

The approximate total stand of timber in National forests, exclusive of Alaska, according to the report, is 539,999,999.999 feet. Though the stand of timber in the two National forests in Alaska is believed to be very large, not even a rough estimate can be made.

Pacific Coast Has Most Timber.

"About 82 per cent of the total estimated stand of National forests, exclusive of Alaska, is in the three Pacific Coast States," says the report.

"Twenty-one per cent in Idaho and Montana and 12 per cent in Arizona, Colorado and New Mexico. This leaves only 5 per cent elsewhere. In the order of their importance the five states containing the bulk of National forest timber are Oregon, California, Washington, Idaho and Montana."

The total cut of timber last year was 484,112,000 feet, an increase over the previous year of 26,720,000 feet. Of the former 278,616,000 feet was cut under sale and 104,796,000 feet under free use. The amount of timber sold in the fiscal year 1910 was 474,555,000 feet, valued at \$1,400,922.

SOLON'S TASK DIFFICULT

PLAN IS TO DIVIDE STATE INTO FIVE DISTRICTS.

Washington Legislators Try to Agree on Equitable Division of Commonwealth.

TACOMA, Wash., Dec. 30.—(Special.)—Southwest Washington members of the Legislature met this afternoon to consider a plan for dividing the state into five Congressional districts. No vote was taken, the problem being merely discussed. Pierce county took the position of not seeking to urge any certain plan of apportionment, feeling that Pierce would be perhaps an unwelcome member of any district.

A plan suggested, which met much approval, would make Seattle one Congressional district; Spokane, Stevens, Douglas, Chelan, Grant and one other county another district; all of the northwest counties, including King outside of Seattle, a third district; the Columbia River counties and the extreme southeast corner of the state a fourth district.

This would leave Pierce, Thurston, Mason, Lewis, Chehalis, Pacific and Wahkiakum counties together, with a population of 225,000, about the average.

Some of the Southwest men favored this alignment and others wanted different arrangements.

None was ready to declare himself, and the legislators agreed to discuss the question in their districts and report later.

The charges made by county officials of Pierce against the State Tax Commission were discussed and the subject postponed until January 4, when Governor Hay and the commission will come to Tacoma to meet the Pierce officials.

NEW IDEA INVITES EVILS

Merchants Oppose Local Rural Parcels Post Service Scheme.

WALLA WALLA, Wash., Dec. 30.—(Special.)—The Merchants Protective Association of Walla Walla decided today to make a strong fight against the proposal for the passage of an act by Congress establishing local rural parcels post service. Petitions protesting against the service are now being signed by business men.

The petition recites that all evil consequences that would result from the adoption of a general parcels post would come from the local system and be intensified.

The merchants will address a memorial to Congress.

RECALL FOR GILL IS FILED

Seattle Council Must Call Election Unless Court Forbids.

SEATTLE, Wash., Dec. 30.—The petition for the recall of Mayor Hiram C. Gill, who is accused of misconduct in office, was certified to the City Council today as containing the requisite number of names, the City Controller having carefully checked every signature.

The Council at its meeting Tuesday night will set the day for the recall election. Under the charter, the elec-

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Today Is the Last of the Year-End Sale

It's the event that has demonstrated its supremacy in value-giving during this, the final week of the year—a sale that has deservedly attracted the attention of economical year-end shoppers—that has produced the result for which it was inaugurated—the lowering of stocks before year-end inventory. Many saving attractions continue to be offered in Women's and Misses' Tailored Suits, Dresses and Wool Coats, and in Children's Wool Coats.

- 50 Tailored Suits grouped at \$14.75—worth from \$25 to \$29.50.
50 Tailored Suits grouped at \$19.75—worth from \$29.50 to \$37.50.
50 Tailored Suits grouped at \$28.75—worth from \$40 to \$49.50.
50 Tailored Suits grouped at \$39.50—worth from \$50 to \$70.
All Two-Piece Suits, worth from \$75 up, Half Price.
All Three-Piece and Fur-Trimmed Suits, worth \$45 to \$195—at Half Price.
\$30 and to \$40 Dresses of chiffon broadcloth, corduroy and silk now grouped at \$21.50.
Dresses that were \$45, \$47.50 and \$50 are now grouped at only \$32.75.
All Dresses regularly priced from \$59.50 up, now going at One-Third Off.

In Women's and Misses' Coats—\$12.50 to \$15 Coats at \$7.95. Coats that were \$16.50, \$17.50 and \$20, at \$14.85. Coats that were \$25, \$30 and \$35 grouped at \$17.85. All Coats worth \$50 up, reduced One-Half.

Attractive Year-End Bargains in Furniture—in the high-grade pieces for living-room and library, for reception-room, parlor and drawing-room and for the dining-room, including many odd pieces—in the medium and lower-priced Furniture displays there yet remain many chances to save in choosing a furniture piece for this or that room.

In Rugs, Too—the room sizes in French Wilton, Hardwick Wilton, Seamless Wilton, Axminster, Body Brussels and Hodges Eiber Rugs, an opportunity that December homefurnishers cannot afford to overlook.

Tull & Gibbs, Inc. Morrison at Seventh Tull & Gibbs, Inc.

COUPLE INJURED BY AUTO

William Hermes Drives Car Into Thomas Donohue and Wife.

Thomas Donohue and his young wife were run down and painfully injured by an automobile driven by William Hermes, a chauffeur for the Franklin Auto Cab Company, at Eleventh and Washington streets, at 9 o'clock last night. Both were injured so badly that it was found necessary to remove them to the Good Samaritan Hospital.

Mrs. Donohue is said to be suffering extremely from an injury to her spine. Her husband was dragged several feet along the pavement by the auto and received a number of painful bruises about the head and limbs.

The driver of the car quickly brought the auto to a standstill and placed the man and woman in the tonneau and hastened with them to the hospital. Mrs. Donohue was picked up unconscious.

Hermes contends that, owing to the slippery condition of the pavement, he was driving slowly at the time of the accident. Several witnesses who voluntarily offered their names to the police, offset Hermes statements and declare that he was driving at a more than moderate speed and also that the lamps of the automobile he drove were not properly lighted.

The Donohues were walking under an umbrella and were struck squarely by the front of the auto. The couple was married but a short time ago and occupy apartments at Thirteenth and Gilman. Donohue is a teamster for a local ice company.

SARDINES UNFIT FOR FOOD

Court Condemns Large Quantity at Government's Request.

PITTSBURG, Pa., Dec. 30.—United States Attorney John H. Jordan today obtained an order from Judge Charles P. Orr in the United States District Court for the condemnation of 442 cases containing 327,544 cans of sardines, stored in packing-houses in this city.

Analyses conducted by chemists from the Department of Agriculture show that the sardines are decomposed and are unfit for food. They probably will be destroyed by representatives of the Government.

EMPLOYEES ENTERTAINED AT BANQUET

Dwight Edwards Company entertained its traveling salesmen and department managers at a banquet held in the Commercial Club dining-room last night. There were brief talks, and the best of goodfellowship prevailed.

Hawthorne Defeats St. James.

VANCOUVER, Wash., Dec. 30.—(Special.)—The Hawthorne School basketball team, of Portland, defeated the St. James College team at the Armory tonight by a score of 26 to 24.

When you have a cold get a bottle of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. It will soon fix you up all right and will ward off any tendency toward pneumonia. This remedy contains no opium or other narcotic and may be given as confidently to a baby as to an adult. Sold by all dealers.

MAN IN ERROR IS DEAD

YARDMASTER HANLEY, OF CHEHALIS, KILLED IN COLLISION.

Coroner's Jury Finds Orders Were Disobeyed, Causing Rear-End Smashup of Freight Trains.

CHEHALIS, Wash., Dec. 30.—S. H. Hanley, Northern Pacific yardmaster here, was killed here this morning about 6 o'clock and J. D. McMillan was seriously injured in a rear-end collision of two freight trains while entering Chehalis yards from Centralia. Hanley was en route here in charge of special freight extra No. 335. When almost inside the Chehalis yard limit regular freight 373 crashed into the rear of No. 335. Hanley fell underneath the cars and was instantly killed.

McMillan, a brakeman, was not so badly hurt and was hurried to the Tacoma hospital, where it is expected he will recover.

Both were Northern Pacific trains. The wreck occurred on a clear open stretch of double track the regular freight did not carry a headlight.

The cars and engine were not badly damaged. Hanley was about 50 years old and had been in charge of switching work here several weeks. His home was at Elma, Wash., where his wife and daughter reside.

The Coroner's jury who investigated the death of Hanley rendered a verdict in effect placing all the blame on Hanley. It developed that Hanley should have coupled his extra train at the head of the regular freight which later bumped into his cars and caused his death. The jury found Hanley came to his death by disobeying orders in not coupling on to train 373, thereby causing the rear-end collision.

DISCOUNT TO BE DROPPED

Spokane Banks No Longer to Charge 1 Per Cent on Canadian Money.

SPOKANE, Wash., Dec. 30.—(Special.)—Beginning January 3 the first business day of 1911, Spokane banks will no longer charge a discount of 1 per cent on Canadian money that has been levied heretofore. The action was decided upon by the Spokane Clearing-House.

"The discount was never imposed to make a profit for the banks," said W. D. "Incent, cashier of the old National Bank, "and has only paid the expense of handling the currency. There is a Federal law which provides for a penalty of 10 per cent for paying out this money, and this has made a great deal of trouble. They say the Canadian banks charge no discount for handling American money, and do not understand why we do so on this side; so we have decided to drop the discount."

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