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ENGLAND HAS MORE TROUBLE

An Epidemic of Glanders Started Among Cavalry Horses.

HUNDREDS HAD TO BE SHOT

Despite the Censor, News of Dutch Revolt in Natal Pours In—No Reports of Fighting.

LONDON, Dec. 26, 4:30 a. m.—Up to this hour nothing has arrived from South Africa that would indicate any change in the military situation there.

The war office is issuing lists of further deaths and wounded as well as accounts of sickness.

The most serious report of the last class is that the horse sickness has broken out in both British and Boer camps in Natal. Four hundred British cavalry horses, it is said, have already been shot owing to the occurrence of glanders. The disease is likely to spread with much greater rapidity among the British horses than among the Boer ponies and this may mean considerable prolongation of the campaign.

Despite the severity of the censorship, hints are being continually received of the serious spread of Dutch defection.

SEIZURE OF AMERICAN FLOUR

British Agents for Which We Furnished Precedent.

NEW YORK, Dec. 25.—A special to the Herald from Washington says, Secretary of State Hay will have a thorough investigation made of the reported seizure by British cruisers of several cargoes of American flour off Delagoa bay, South Africa. Instructions have been sent to the American consul at Lorenzo Marques, Portuguese South Africa, directing him to make a thorough inquiry and to do everything in his power to prevent illegal interference with American commerce by either belligerent. Ambassador Choate has also been instructed to make inquiry in London and to make such representations to the British foreign office as the case may justify.

What action will be finally taken by the government will depend on what is revealed by the inquiries. The reports that reach Washington are unofficial and very meagre. They indicate that the British foreign office acted on the theory that the flour was destined for the Boer army, but they do not indicate what evidence the British naval commanders had to justify them in reaching the conclusion. It is contended by the legal representative of the American shippers that the flour was shipped to bona fide purchasers in Portuguese territory, and that the shippers had no knowledge of any ulterior destination. If it can be shown that the flour was shipped from the United States for the express purpose of being forwarded from Delagoa bay into the Transvaal it will be held by the British government that the shipment was technically under international law a continuous voyage, and that that flour was as clearly liable to seizure as if it had been in transit to the Transvaal.

This doctrine of continuous voyage was adopted very strongly by the United States during the civil war. This most celebrated case under it was that of the British ship Springbok which sailed from a British port for Nassau, another British port, with goods intended to be re-shipped from that port in another vessel and carried into the confederacy. The Springbok was captured before reaching Nassau and was taken to New York, where she was adjudged a lawful prize and her cargo was condemned. This decision was upheld by the supreme court of the United States.

APPAIRS IN NEGROS ISLAND.
American Troops Have Cleaned Out the Bandits and Peace Prevails.
Correspondence of Associated Press.
BACOLOD, Island of Negros, P. I., Dec. 7.—Panay is the shipping port for all products of Negros. Negros island was first garrisoned by the California volunteers, which regiment was replaced early in July, 1898, by the Sixth United States infantry, Brigadier General Smith, formerly colonel of the Californians, is military governor of Negros, and since last July affairs have advanced rapidly and well under his direction.
Last July the situation had two sides, the military and civil. The Sixth infantry had before it the duty of suppressing the interior mountain bandits, as well as the scattering of the revolutionary part, which was operating under instructions from Aguinaldo in Luzon. As to civil matters, General Smith had in view the establishment and maintenance of a civil and elective government which

would ultimately serve to show the other revolting islands what good things would be enjoyed under American rule. Negros was selected as the most promising field for this experiment.

Since July last these bandits who have held undisputed control over parts of this country for years, have encountered the Sixth infantry and they are not nearly as numerous as formerly and consequently the profession had lost much of its popularity and may be considered to be upon its last legs. It would be unwise to state in print just how many of these marauders have been killed by the Sixth—the number is large and there would surely be people at home in ignorance of the fact that the drastic and severe measures alone can remedy this evil and who consequently might raise an outcry against the killing.

A part of our inheritance from Spain is the robber chief known locally as Papa, or Pops Jesus. He is the leader of the band operating in the southern portion of the island who are called Babayanese, a wild superstitious people. Against them the American soldiers have waged a constant warfare that has resulted in the bandits being killed, demoralized and scattered.

A handful of American troops have taken positions that forty trained men could have held against an army corps.

THE QUEEN'S CHRISTMAS

LONDON, Dec. 25.—For the first time in 11 years, Queen Victoria and the royal family passed Christmas day at Windsor. It was in fact her expressed desire that the grandchildren who gathered around her today should not have their Christmas marred by what has saddened her own heart and the festivities at Windsor castle, though tinged with sadness, such as fills all English hearts, carried no suggestion of sorrow to the children who gladdened the Queen's presence with the solace she is always able to find in the companionship of her youngest descendants.

AFTER PENSIONS

Applications From Soldiers of Spanish and Tagul Wars Number 35,94

NEW YORK, Dec. 25.—A special to the Press from Washington says, Pension attorneys are piling up cases against the government as a result of the war with Spain. Already 25,000 applications have been filed on behalf of the soldiers of the recent war. As an illustration of the thoroughness with which the regiments have been canvassed, it is said that from the Seventy-first New York regiment more than 300 applications have been obtained. Of the Ninth Massachusetts there are 400 applications.

The business of getting new pensions has been systematized. The number of cases filed in the name of soldiers who have served in the Philippines have become as numerous as to attract official attention.

Upon investigation it has been discovered that the attorneys send their agents to the war department every day to copy the list of casualties called by General Otis. The pension attorneys then ascertain the next of kin from the enlistment records. Correspondence is opened with the soldier or his relatives with a view to obtaining authority to prosecute a claim. The authorities are preparing to issue an order that will bar pension attorneys hereafter from the department records. The zeal of the attorneys, however, will enable them to procure more clients, nevertheless. The daily dispatches furnish the names of the sick, wounded and killed.

The total number of enlistments for the Spanish war and the Philippine insurrection was about 542,000. Nearly 40,000 of these were re-enlistments, so that the total of enlisted men is approximately 500,000. Judging from the applications already filed, one soldier in every twelve has become a pension seeker in less than two years from date of the declaration of war. A physical examination before discharge has been started and will prevent many applications being granted, but even this provision will not guard against subsequent disability that may be traced to exposure.

APPAIRS IN LUZON.

Military Governors for Several Provinces Are Appointed

MANILA, Dec. 26, 9 a. m.—General Young has appointed military governors of the provinces of Northwestern Luzon with headquarters at Vigan. His command includes the Thirty-third infantry under Colonel Luther R. Hare and the Third cavalry. The Sixteenth infantry will proceed to Aparita, garrisoning such towns as may be deemed necessary in the province of Cagayan, Isabella and Nueve Viscaya, in which Colonel Hood has been appointed military governor.

General Young and Colonel Hood are establishing municipal governments, and the ports in Northern Luzon will be opened for trade about January 1.

WAREHOUSE BURNED.

ROSEBURG, Dec. 25.—The Grange warehouse, with contents, was totally destroyed by fire tonight.

AGAIN IN THE THROES

Southern California Visited by a Disastrous Earthquake.

MANY TOWNS ARE DAMAGED

Buildings Completely Wrecked and Several Lives Lost Near San Jacinto.

SAN JACINTO, CAL., Dec. 25.—A disastrous earthquake occurred this morning at 4:25. Nearly every two-story building was wrecked and it is estimated that the damage will aggregate over \$50,000.

The main shock was preceded by a loud roaring, and awakening many in time to escape from the buildings. The business street was such a wreck that tons of debris had to be removed before the buildings could be entered.

At the Sabota Indian reservation 6 squaws were killed by falling walls, and two fatally and many seriously injured. The shock caused dry artesian wells to flow larger streams than ever before. Considerable damage is reported in nearby villages.

THE EARTH TREMBLED.

Southern California Got Another Bad Shaking Up Christmas Morning.

LOS ANGELES, CAL., Dec. 25.—The towns of San Jacinto and Hemet, in Riverside county, were badly shaken up by the earthquake at 4:25 this morning. No lives were lost so far as known, but several persons were injured. In San Jacinto not a brick house or block escaped injury. Nearly all of the business portions is in ruins. The new Southern California hospital camp in it was not occupied. At Hemet the Hemet Company's wall is partly down. The front wall fell flat. The rear of the large Johnson block also toppled over. Hemet's new hotel is a ruin. The damage of these places cannot be estimated now. Communication by wire is interrupted.

FURTHER FROM MEMET.

RIVERSIDE, CAL., Dec. 25.—Word received here today says the shock all most shook the town Memet to pieces. The damage is great but just how much it amounts to is in dollars and cents it is impossible to say. There are but two chimneys left in the town. The fire walls of Webber's brick store fell out and plate glass windows fell and were smashed. The chimneys of the Hotel Hemet fell, many of them crashing through the roof.

Verandas are all down and walls are badly cracked. The wall of the Johnson block fell outward and the whole building was badly demolished. The third story of the Memet mill is down and the second story walls fell in.

AT SANTA ANNA.

SANTA ANNA, CAL., Dec. 25.—The severest earthquake in years visited this section at 4:25 this morning. Third story hotel guests were almost rolled out of bed. Clocks were stopped all over the city and the walls of several brick buildings were badly damaged.

AT NEEDLES.

NEEDLES, CAL., Dec. 25.—A terrific shock of earthquake was experienced here at 4:45 a. m. stopping all the clocks. It rattled windows, broke glass and gave the town a thorough shaking up.

AT VENTURA.

VENTURA, CAL., Dec. 25.—A heavy prolonged earthquake shock was felt here this morning at 4:24. Houses were badly shaken and clocks stopped but no serious damage resulted.

AT ORANGE.

ORANGE, CAL., Dec. 25.—A severe shock of earthquake was felt here at 4:25 this morning.

AT LOS ANGELES.

LOS ANGELES, CAL., Dec. 25.—The most severe earthquake ever felt in Los Angeles came at 4:20 this morning. No great damage is reported. There were two shocks, the first being the most prolonged. The shocks lasted about 12 seconds, the undulations being from north to south.

THE MAINE HEROES.

Battleship Texas Arrived in Hampton Roads Yesterday.

NEWPORT NEWS, Va., Dec. 25.—The battleship Texas, in command of Captain Sigbee, arrived here shortly before noon today with the remains of the men who lost their lives by the destruction of the battleship Maine in the harbor of Havana. The bodies of the Maine heroes will be taken to Washington for interment in Arlington cemetery next Thursday.

It is the desire of Secretary Long that the wishes of all relatives of those who died on the Maine to give them private burial, be complied with, and Captain Chadwick, who superintended the disinterment of the bodies, was instructed to prepare a list of the identified remains in order that this might be done. There are 166 caskets and many of them contain bodies which have been identified and will be sent to those claiming them. The unidentified and unclaimed bodies will be buried at Arlington and the graves of those identified will be marked by headstones.

IN THE PHILIPPINES.

General Otis Has the Situation Well in Hand.

NEW YORK, Dec. 25.—A special to the Herald from Washington, says: Washington officials are very much gratified at the existing situation in the Philippines. The insurgent army, which dominated the northern part of the island up to November 5, when the American campaign began, has disappeared; American garrisons are established at more important points, promising peace in the surrounding territory, and the general condition has so improved that General Otis considers it feasible to open all the ports of Northern Luzon to trade.

General Otis will now turn his attention to the rebels south of Manila, and, it is expected, will begin operations against them in a few days.

Opening the important ports of Northern Luzon on January 1 is expected to destroy the corner in hemp formed by certain operators.

LAWTON FUND CONTRIBUTORS.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 25.—Among those who have promised subscriptions to the Lawton fund are Wm. K. Vanderbilt, \$1,000; J. Pierpont Morgan, \$1,000; C. P. Huntington, \$1,000; Thomas P. Ryan, New York, \$1,000; Miss Helen Gould, \$500.

MINER MURDERED.

BUTTE, Mont., Dec. 25.—Dan Sullivan, a miner, was shot through the heart and almost instantly killed by Edward Holman, another miner, tonight. The affair took place in the dry room at their boarding house in Dublin gulch. Several other miners were present and all agreed that there was no quarrel. Gilman gave himself up and refused to tell why he committed the deed. He claims his father is a banker in Habburg, Iowa.

MACHINERY DISABLED.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 25.—The transport Westminster, which sailed from here Sunday with 400 horses and mules and a cargo of fodder, put back into port today, having met with a slight accident to her machinery.

THE TRAGEDIES OF CHRISTMAS

A Carnival of Crime Is Reported From Dallas Texas.

A CHINAMAN TAKES A HAND

Three Shooting Affrays Result Partially and Others Cause Serious Wounds—Bullets Flew.

DALLAS, Texas, Dec. 25.—Dallas has not shown so many bloody affrays on Christmas in many years as have been recorded last night and today.

Chas. Miller shot Walter Meyers dead in the street and fled. He surrendered today and claims he shot in self defense.

Albert Hall got into a quarrel with two brothers named Edward and Murray Cecil and shot the Cecils. Edward is reported dying tonight. Murray will recover. Hall is a fugitive.

A negro, whose name is not known to the police, partially wrecked a Chinese restaurant in Evey street tonight and hit a Chinaman, Dock Cohn, in the head with a brick. The Chinaman turned to get his pistol and the negro ran away. The Chinaman fired upon the first negro in sight and killed Jeff Thomas, an innocent bystander. The Chinaman is in jail. John McMillan and Clay Patton are suffering from bullet wounds and Z. Phillips had a leg broken in three places by a bullet.

TILT TERRIBLE HANNA.

CLEVELAND, Dec. 25.—The Salvation Army fed many of the poor of the city today. Twenty-five hundred poor people, many of them street boys, were given a Christmas dinner in the armory. Before dinner Senator Hanna was introduced for a speech. The senator heartily extended the greetings of the season to those present and paid a warm tribute of praise to the men and women of the Salvation Army. "God bless the senator," shouted Colonel Houise. "Amen," yelled the boys.

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CLEVELAND, O., Dec. 25.—Every employee of the American Express Company throughout the country today received a check for \$5 as a Christmas gift from the company. The aggregate sum of the gift will reach \$50,000 to \$70,000.

CHRISTMAS AT WASHINGTON.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 25.—Christmas day is always quiet at the nation's capital but was unusually so today. President and Mrs. McKinley dined at 1 o'clock.

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