

SEEKS FREEDOM IN UNITED STATES

Filipino Editor Says He Was a
Slave in Manila.

WAR HAS ONLY JUST BEGUN

Natives Will Fight Till Independent or Slain
—Aguinaldo Is Not Dead—Would Be
Leaders of Federal Party
Have No Following.

NEW YORK, Dec. 26.—Rafael Del Pan Fontela, a refugee from the Philippine islands and first president of the Madrid junta, has just arrived in New York from Canada.

"I came here to be free," he explained. "It was impossible for me to be other than a slave to America when I lived with my wife and five children in Manila, so I have come where I won't have to be subservient. Americans are not subservient to Americans and while I don't approve of the American methods employed in the Philippines, I'd rather be a free American than an enslaved Filipino."

Senor Fontela was a lawyer and editor in Manila. When the war began he was Aguinaldo's chief adviser. Driven out of the Philippines by the American soldiers, he fled with his wife and five small children to Madrid. There he established the first Filipino junta and was made its president. With an idea that such a junta would flourish in Canada, he left Madrid and went to Montreal. He has been there for the past several weeks.

"You hear so much of American independence in Canada," he continued, "that I determined to come here and get some of it."

Senor Fontela explained that it was safe for him to return to the Philippines and resume his law practice and the publication of his newspaper were he willing to swear allegiance to the Stars and Stripes.

"I'm no hypocrite," he explained, "and can't take such an oath when my people are in a struggle which must end in death or freedom. I will not return to the Philippines until independence has been gained."

"The impression has got abroad that Aguinaldo is dead. This is nonsense. He has a large following and every man under him is there to do or die. The war has just begun unless America accedes to the demands of the Filipinos."

Regarding the formation of a new party which the United States officials say will rally the Filipinos to the colonial policy, Senor Fontela said:

"This scheme is doomed to failure. The leaders, Buencamino and Paterno are leaders without party. They are time servers. During the Spanish domination they were more Spanish than the Spaniards. During the effective life of the Filipino republic they were ardent patriots."

"When the United States troops captured the Filipino capital, Tarlac, these men allowed themselves to be taken prisoners and have since professed ardent enthusiasm for United States supremacy. Any proposal made by them is sure to be rejected by the Filipinos, who will apply to them the proverb, which, being translated, is, 'The same dogs with different collars.'"

"Last June, Buencamino made an attempt to organize a party for autonomy. No one responded. In October, Paterno tried to organize festivals in Manila and asked Filipino revolutionists to co-operate with him in asking for a broad plan of self-government. The United States people can hardly have forgotten the complete failure of the Manila festivals and the indifference with which the people treated Senor Paterno's efforts."

"Now Paterno and Buencamino join their forces, proposing to organize a new party, a 'Federal party.' As the force of each amounts to zero their united efforts will amount to double zero."

CANADA STOVE SYNDICATE.
Has a Capital of Six Million Dollars.

NEW YORK, Dec. 26.—A special to the Tribune from London says: After nearly a year's work, Dr. McCauley, of Chicago, has got all the stove-making firms of Canada to form a syndicate.

The capital is placed at \$6,000,000 and the works of the combine will eventually concentrate at Hamilton and Toronto and it is expected that all the works will be concentrated in these two cities.

CHRISTMAS IN ENGLAND.
Great Rejoicing on Account of Presence of Astoria Weather.

NEW YORK, Dec. 26.—A dispatch to the Tribune from London says: England has one of the greenest Christmas on record, for the weather has been so mild that primroses and cornflowers are as far north as Liverpool and Yorkshire, while Devonshire revels in a sub-tropical climate and the Isle of Wight is a garden of roses in midwinter. Never have flowers been more abundant in the London market at Christmas time nor has mistletoe ever been cheaper. As England is supplied with Christmas toys from

Germany so it also receives immense shipments of mistletoe from Brittany and Normandy, and there is a French touch in the holiday rejoicing. The London sky, has been heavily clouded and the air filled with mist, while the weather has been unusually warm.

The deans of St. Paul's and Westminster preached at the midday service. Canon Ainger was among the lawyers at the temple and Dr. Parker, unwearied by his week's experience in journalism, filled the pulpit at the city temple. Handel and Gounod as usual were the favorite composers in the Christmas music at the churches, with Stanford, Hopkins and Sullivan as alternates. There were fewer Christmas concerts than are ordinarily known, but there were more football matches for holiday sport. There was a marked revival of fox hunting in the country, with hard riding and several serious accidents.

The royal family was divided between Osborne house and Sandringham court. The court circular shows that the queen is entertaining a large family party and is also driving out morning and afternoon daily. The uneasiness regarding her health is not dispelled by these reports, since it is known that if she were seriously ill, she would be kept in the country and the policy of all members of the royal family to keep back the facts in the case in order to spare her subjects unnecessary pain.

CO-OPERATIVE STORES.

Appeal Made to Philanthropists to Aid the Movement.

NEW YORK, Dec. 26.—An appeal to Andrew Carnegie, Miss Helen Gould, Nathan Straus and other wealthy philanthropists will be issued by the officers of the Co-operative Brotherhood at once, asking them to help the movement of the Brotherhood to establish co-operative bakeries and provision stores for the poor in this city.

"Bread and provisions are to be sold in these stores at cost prices. The necessities of life are to be sold without profit. One thousand dollars toward starting a \$2500 co-operative bakery has already been subscribed by members of the Bakers' Union No. 1," said President Storcken.

"I was one of the organizers of the co-operative movement in Belgium and have been engaged in work of this kind all my life. Neither politics nor religion has anything to do with our movement. Workingmen of all religious beliefs and political opinions are asking to join this movement. It already has a strong trade union backing of 5000 workmen, who are ready to carry on this work unaided. But at the same time, if there are wealthy philanthropists willing to aid us we shall jump at any offers of assistance that may come from them. With the capital they have at their command they could set the co-operative movement in this country so solidly on its feet that it would last as long as the nation."

BLOODY MAINE BRAWL.

Twenty Men Injured in a Brutal Fight Over Religion.

BANGOR, Me., Dec. 26.—A bloody battle occurred Christmas eve at Adams & Knowlton's lumber camp, on Chase stream, upper Kennebec river, and police and physicians, none of whom are nearer than thirty miles, have been summoned to the scene.

The fight started in a dispute between a man known as "Dad" Hennessy and a Frenchman named Oulette, over religion. Hennessy being a Protestant and Oulette a Catholic. The two fought first with fists and soon resorted to clubs. In a few minutes the fight became general, and about thirty men engaged in a terrific battle with axes, limbs of trees and lumps of ice.

A teamster named Wilson attempted to stop the fight and was laid senseless with a blow on the head. Then a teamster named took a hand as peacemaker and laid about him with all kinds of weapons. In a few minutes the ground was strewn with victims of Taylor's powerful blows and those who had been injured in the general mix up. It is thought that of the twenty or more hurt some will die.

FIVE FRENCH GENDARMES.
Arrive at New York on Their Way to Relieve the Garrison at Tahiti.

NEW YORK, Dec. 26.—The Normandie, of the French line, which has just arrived from Havre after a stormy voyage, brought five French gendarmes in full uniform who are going to Tahiti, the principal island of the Society group in the South Pacific, which is owned by France. They were in charge of a sub-lieutenant and came from Lyons. They will relieve a like number now in Tahiti. They will cross this continent for San Francisco and will there embark for their destination.

PAT CROWE IN BOSTON.
Chief Kidnapper of Young Cudahy Supposed to Be En Route to Europe.

NEW YORK, Dec. 26.—A special to the Press from Boston says: Pat Crowe, who has been charged with being the alleged chief kidnapper of young Cudahy, is supposed to be in Boston and the police are searching for him.

It is understood that there is a possible clue in the booking of a stranger on one of the liners due to sail from here this week. This man will not be allowed to depart unless he can prove that he is not Crowe.

RECOGNITION FOR HOBSON.

Congress Will Be Urged to Reward Him for His Service.

NEW YORK, Dec. 26.—A dispatch to the Herald from Washington says: A new effort is likely to be made to induce congress to grant recognition of some kind to Naval Constructor Richmond F. Hobson for his conduct in sinking the Merrimac in the harbor of Santiago. There has been a revival of interest in Mr. Hobson's case as a result of the sympathy his illness has caused, and Secretary Long stands ready to heartily endorse any proposition in line with his recommendation that congress may be willing to make.

Mr. Hobson was anxious some months ago to be transferred to the line and falling in such transfer to be advanced in his own corps, but the controversy brought about by the claims of friends of Rear-Admirals Sampson and Schley in connection with their promotion caused congress to take no action in any of the Santiago cases.

The department hopes congress will adopt the system recommended by the secretary, providing that medals and increase of pay be conferred upon officers distinguishing themselves in action, and an effort will be made to obtain action after the beginning of the new year, though the chances of success are very slim.

Following the appointment of Naval Constructor F. T. Bowles as the successor of Rear-Admiral Philip Hichborn, as chief constructor, when the latter retires on March 4 next, several changes in the stations of officers of the construction corps will occur. Naval Constructor W. W. Woodward, now serving as principal assistant to Rear-Admiral Hichborn, will be assigned to duty as a member of the board of inspection and survey, succeeding Naval Constructor W. L. Cappe, who will be appointed superintendent of the New York navy yard. J. H. Linard, superintendent of construction at League Island, will be designated as Mr. Bowles' principal assistant.

MURDERER SURRENDERED.

Man Named H. Green Confesses His Guilt of a Number of Crimes.

SACRAMENTO, Cal., Dec. 26.—A man named H. Green has surrendered himself to the police, saying that he and his brother John murdered a man named Bill Feeny at Claire station, Isabella county, Mich., in 1875.

He says they took Feeny out and knocked him in the head and robbed him of \$500. They then cut a hole in the ice on the lake and threw the body in.

Green says he and his brother went to Detroit, plotted and were sent to Dakota. There he shot and wounded a man named Selby, but was acquitted on the ground of self defense. He went to Buffalo, reentered and was sent to New Mexico, where he deserted and returned to Michigan.

He committed a burglary at Corona, Swans county, and was sent to the penitentiary in Jackson for five years. His convict number was 1902.

Green says his brother is the John Morgan who was killed while the two were trying to hold up a Southern Pacific overland train near Davisville in this state. He states that he is willing to pay the penalty for his crimes.

PHAEON AT SAN DIEGO.

Compelled to Put in With a Disabled Seaman.

SAN DIEGO, Cal., Dec. 26.—The cruiser Phaeton, of the British Pacific squadron, has put in here on her way from Esquimaut to Panama, whither she was ordered on account of the Colombian rebellion and the disturbances which may follow it. It was not the intention to stop at this port, but one of the sailors is suffering from a fractured leg and will be left here.

FIRE AT STOCK YARDS.

Noted O'Leary Club House Destroyed With a Loss of \$40,000.

CHICAGO, Dec. 26.—A stock yards fire early today caused a panic among the guests of the Transit house and resulted in the destruction of the noted O'Leary club house, entailing losses aggregating \$40,000.

Aside from the club house, the building of four stories contained a white lead factory, gun factory and hardware store, the stock in nearly all of which was almost totally destroyed. The Transit house, which was across the street from the burned building, was at no time in danger.

THRILLING TALE OF THE SEA.

Allan Line Steamer State of Nebraska Narrowly Escaped Destruction.

NEW YORK, Dec. 26.—It was more than a merry Christmas for the 110 passengers on the belated Allan steamer State of Nebraska. Nineteen days out from Clyde, eight days overdue, the Nebraska crept into port here with smashed life boats, demolished light-houses and broken and twisted rails. It was the first clear day the voyagers had seen since December 7, when the Nebraska steamed out of Moville, Ireland, in the face of a gale that swept her decks.

On board the Allan liner when she left Glasgow on December 6 were ten sailors, thirty second cabin and seventy steerage passengers. Officers and passengers declared the wreckage on deck gave but a faint idea of the horrors of the voyage. Three

times the machinery broke down and the vessel had to be hove to. Gales and head seas swept the ship from the moment she left Moville.

At midnight of December 11, the feed pipes of the engines gave out and the Nebraska was hove to for three hours, headed into the seas washing over her. It was at this time that a wave smashed the two light-houses containing the side lights. The vessel was rolling and lifting to the seas or plunging into them. The steerage passengers were all in terror and the cabin voyagers clung to their berths. The feed pipes were repaired and improvised side lights placed.

The engines could not force her forward at more than three knots an hour. Sometimes she moved less than two knots. Two of the life boats on the port side forward were smashed to splinters on December 13. The vessel logged but fifty miles for that twenty-four hours and for six days she made less than ninety miles.

The engines had to be stopped on the 15th to cool some overheated journals and the next day the main steam pipes gave so much trouble another stop had to be made.

The only one of the crew injured in the long voyage was William Thompson, a fireman, who was hurled against the deck rails behind, two ribs being fractured.

Captain David Ingram, of Vancouver, who has circled the globe twice, was one of the passengers. He said that three times the voyagers felt that all hope was gone. Not a meal could be served in the saloon during the voyage.

NEW STREET RAILWAY BILL.

Municipal Control and Regulation Planned by Chicago Commission.

CHICAGO, Dec. 26.—Municipal control and regulation of street railways with popular safeguards in the nature of a permissive referendum and an open system of financing and provisions for ultimate municipal ownership are the main features of the bill to be presented to the next legislature by the street railway commission of Chicago.

The measure has been completed and passed upon by lawyers and is now ready to go before the members of the city council for approval and the general assembly for passage. The main points are:

Regulation of street railways in the interest of the public by city councils. Modified franchise law. Repeal of existing street railway act.

Street railway grants to be submitted to vote of the people if city council so orders or ten per cent of voters ask for such method. Future grants to street railway companies may contain provision for municipal ownership without compensation at expiration of the grant.

City may purchase street railways at expiration of grants. Cost of acquisition to be defrayed by street railway certificates of indebtedness, but no bonds are to be issued against the credit of the city.

Creation of street railway fund for receipts, interest on bonds and other moneys received through traction legislation.

Uniform manner of bookkeeping for all traction companies, the books to be open to inspection by the state auditor at all times.

No bonds to be issued by any street railway company except upon permission of a state board appointed to pass upon the matter.

Detailed statement of financial condition of every street railway to be presented to state auditor yearly and made public.

The street railway bill is to be followed by the subway bill, to be drawn in accordance with a resolution adopted by the council on February 5, 1900. Both bills are expected to reach the legislature in January.

CLAIM FOR MILEAGE.

One Thousand Dollars Paid to the Hawaiian Delegate.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 26.—Robert H. Wilcox, delegate in the house of representatives from the Hawaiian islands, has just been paid \$1000 for mileage. It was the largest claim of the kind ever made, but was paid promptly by the sergeant-at-arms.

BAKER WANTS RE-ELECTION.

TOPEKA, Dec. 26.—Senator Lucien Baker arrived today and will take personal charge of his campaign for re-election as United States senator.

RECEIVER APPOINTED.

BALTIMORE, Dec. 26.—Walter T. Gill was today appointed receiver for the Old Town bank by consent of the president and officers of the bank. Gill was bonded in the sum of \$1,500,000. The assets of the institution are valued at half that amount.

WHEAT MARKET.

PORTLAND, Dec. 26.—Wheat, Walla Walla, 54½; bluestem, 57.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 26.—Wheat, May, 100½; cash, 97½.

CHICAGO, Dec. 26.—Wheat, May, opening, 73½; closing, 72½.

CZAR IS WELL AGAIN.

ST. PETERSBURG, Dec. 26.—The Russian minister of the interior, who arrived today from Livadia, reports that the czar is completely restored.

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DEATH AT CHEHALIS.

CHEHALIS, Wash., Dec. 26.—W. Conger, superintendent of the Chehalis Water Company, died today.

J. M. BARRY DEAD.

DENVER, Dec. 26.—Jok M. Barry, a well-known newspaper man, died this evening of consumption.

The wisest man is the one that agrees with you.

A widow out in Idaho, who had been married three times before, when asked by a minister if she was willing to stand by Mr. Stiffneck through rain or shine, pronounced "I will" so loud that the groom fainted. That certainly demonstrates the usefulness of experience.

REPORT OF THE CONDITION OF

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At Astoria, in the State of Oregon, at the close of business, December 13th, 1900:

RESOURCES.

Loans and discounts	\$254,500 98
Overdrafts, secured and unsecured	4,004 63
U. S. Bonds to secure circulation	12,300
Stocks, securities, etc.	94,828 74
Other real estate owned	9,382 63
Due from National Banks (not reserve agents)	4,217 36
Due from State Banks and Bankers	42,394 89
Due from approved reserve agents	124,411 33
Internal Revenue Stamps	794 74
Checks and other cash items	2 50
Notes of other National Banks	250
Nickels and cents	94 23
Lawful Money Reserve in Bank, viz:	
Specie	104,500
Legal-tender notes	29 94,520
Redemption fund with U. S. Treasurer (5% of circulation)	625
Total	\$631,066 53

LIABILITIES.

Capital stock paid in	\$50,000
Surplus fund	25,000
Undivided profits, less expenses and taxes paid	34,080 71
National Bank note outstanding	12,000
Due to State Banks and Bankers	136 91
Individual deposits subject to check	405,404 08
Demand certificates of deposit	103,544 93
Total	\$631,066 53

State of Oregon, County of Clatsop, ss: I, S. S. Gordon, cashier of the above-named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

S. S. GORDON, Cashier.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 22nd day of December, 1900.

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Cancer

There are never any external signs of Cancer until the blood is polluted and the system thoroughly contaminated by this deadly virulent poison. Then a sore or ulcer appears on some part of the body; it may be small and harmless looking at first, but as the cancerous cells form and are deposited by the blood near the sore, it increases in size and severity, with sharp shooting pains. No matter how often the sore is removed by the surgeon's knife or flesh destroying plasters, another comes and is worse. The real disease is in the blood, and the treatment must begin there. The poisoned blood must be invigorated and purified, and when this is done cancerous cells can no longer form and the sore will heal naturally and permanently.

Mrs. Sarah M. Keeling, 20 Windsor Ave., Bristol, Tenn., writes: "I am at 74 years old, and for three years have suffered with a severe form of Cancer on my jaw, which the doctors said was incurable, and that I could not live more than six months. I accepted their statement as true, and had given up all hope of ever being well again, when my druggist, knowing of my condition, recommended S. S. S. After taking a few bottles the sore began to heal, to the surprise of the physicians, and in a short time made a complete cure. I have gained in flesh, my appetite is splendid, sleep is refreshing—in fact, an enjoying perfect health."

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