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TROUBLE FOR SPAIN

In a Fair Way to Lose the Philippine Islands.

A CONSPIRACY IS DISCOVERED

Japan Said to Be at the Bottom of the Trouble.—Political National News.

MADRID, Aug. 21.—An official dispatch from Manila announces the discovery in the Philippine islands of a separatist conspiracy, the object being to secure independence from Spain. According to the official advice, 21 persons have already been arrested, several being Free Masons. The news has caused great excitement in Madrid, and the police in consequence tonight raided the Hispano Philippine Club and seized a large quantity of papers.

It is suggested by some of the papers that Japan is endeavoring to foment trouble in that part of the Spanish possessions for the purpose of extending the jurisdiction of her island empire over the Philippine islands. The islands lie only about 250 miles south of the newly acquired Japanese possessions of Formosa, a number of small islands intervening. Spain's army in the Philippine islands is estimated at seven regiments of infantry and one of artillery, with a squad of cavalry, the effective force being 684 officers and about 50,000 men.

While commenting on the outbreak in the Philippine islands in the senate today, Senor Castellano, minister for the colonies, read several telegrams from the governor of the islands, Captain-General Blanco. These telegrams were that the conspirators aimed to secure the complete independence of the Philippine islands.

Senor Montero Rico declared that the liberal party was prepared to support all government measures necessary for the maintenance of Spanish integrity. Nearly all of the opposition leaders in the chamber made similar promises.

AN IMMENSE KITE SENT UP.

Interesting Experiment Performed by Charles Lamson.

PORTLAND, Me., Aug. 21.—Charles L. Lamson performed a feat here yesterday practically demonstrating that a large airship or kite capable of carrying a man can be floated successfully and steadily. He raised his ship with a dummy man on it 600 feet. The retaining rope broke when the ship was at that altitude. Had it not been for this break Mr. Lamson would have sent up a man to navigate his ship. As it was, W. A. Eddy, an authority on aerial experiments, declared that Lamson's achievement was the greatest step toward solving the problem of aerial navigation of the age. Two records, at all events, Lamson made. He flew the largest kite or airship ever floated; he carried by means of this kite the heaviest weight to the greatest altitude on record.

The kite when in the air resembles two large boxes parallel to each other and attached in the middle. It took fifteen men to carry the ship into the field from which it was to be sent up. The retaining cord was a large braided window cord, tested to pull 500 pounds. This was made fast to a huge reel, and four men attended to it.

About 400 feet of rope was run along the ground and at a signal from Lamson the ship was released. It quivered a moment, and then steadily rose skyward. Seated on the car of the ship was a dummy, weighted to 150 pounds. The ship carried it with great ease. The ship rose to an altitude of 600 feet, and was rising steadily when with a sudden gust of wind the rope broke, showing what a tremendous pressure was brought upon it by the ship. The ship floated out a half a mile and descended as easily and gracefully as it went up. Had a man been in the car he would not have been harmed in the slightest.

WALL STREET UNEASY.

Distress in Mercantile Circles Causes a Flurry.

NEW YORK, Aug. 21.—Considerable uneasiness prevails on Wall street today on account of a report of distress among the merchants and the urgent need of financial assistance. The estimates of a



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reduction of \$3,000,000 to \$5,000,000 in tomorrow's reserve in the bank statement and a corresponding heavy shrinkage of deposits, encouraged the expectation of an early issue of clearing-house certificates by the banks. It was reported that a meeting of the clearing-house company had been called to take action. A careful canvass of the leading bank officials elicited the unanimous expression of opinion that there was no need for the issue of certificates at present and that such issue will only be made in case of extreme necessity. No meeting has been called to consider the issue of certificates.

A banker in close touch with the mercantile situation says that undoubtedly some merchants need money, but most of the large maturities passed off all right with the first of the month and most of the weaker concerns have already been weeded out. A limited market is reported today for choice grades of mercantile paper at 8 per cent. Time money is an unknown quantity at 6 per cent and commissions.

HEAVY GOLD WITHDRAWALS.

Four Millions Recently Left the San Francisco Subtreasury.

SAN FRANCISCO, Aug. 21.—Cashier Burns, at the United States subtreasury here, says that during the recent month there has been withdrawn \$4,000,000 in gold from the subtreasury in exchange for greenbacks and other currency. This large withdrawal is entirely unprecedented, but according to bankers but a small proportion of the gold has found its way out of the state. One of the bankers of the city estimated that not over \$500,000 of this gold had gone East. The remainder is in the vaults of California banking institutions.

Inquiry was made in many quarters to ascertain reasons for the withdrawal from the subtreasury. The answers received from conservative and well-informed men all tended to show one fact of significance, which is that the local money situation has been greatly strengthened during the period of the transferring of the gold from the subtreasury to the bank vaults, because at least \$1,000,000 has been added to money in the city and probably a much greater sum than that.

The \$1,000,000 represents the sale of government bonds in New York by California parties and the transference of the proceeds to this city. The money received for the bonds was presented at the subtreasury and there converted into gold, which has gone into bank vaults.

SIDEWALK ORATORS UPHOLD.

Indianapolis Police Censured for Arresting Politicians.

INDIANAPOLIS, Aug. 21.—For 10 days a great crowd has collected on the post-office corner discussing the financial question of the present campaign. The discussion frequently lasts until midnight. As fast as one speaker wears another fills the gap. The police made numerous and futile efforts to scatter the disputants and finally made several arrests. Two cases came before Judge Cox of the city court, and the last time with much impatience, he discharged the defendants, holding there was no decision by any court, high or low, where it is held that a man violates the law by discussing politics on the street.

"On the contrary," continued the court, "all of the decisions are the other way. The right of free speech is fundamental in our constitution and must not be denied. No police force can stop it. It is the right of American citizens.

This is a time when perplexing questions are puzzling the people. They are questions of vital importance to the common people. It is only by discussion of the questions that confront them that they can learn properly to exercise their right of franchise. They have the right to discuss these questions and the court will protect them."

The court also criticized the policy of the police in interfering with these street-corner talks by using the ordinance against sidewalk obstruction as an engine of oppression. He warned the officers that further arrests would be useless, as the defendants would not be punished. The financial debates are still being held.

AN INFANT MONSTROSITY.

Eight-Months-Old Male Child Dies of Old Age.

St. Louis, Aug. 21.—Sherman Robert Burch died of senile debility at the age of 8 months. The child was born last December, and on Monday died of old age. He had passed through all the intellectual phases that are common to mankind, but so rapidly that he had no time nor opportunity to gather the knowledge that comes of experience and precept or the wisdom born of thought. His brain developed and then withered with a rapidity comparable only to the growth and decay of Jonah's gourd.

The face and head of the child made a striking feature. The head was wedge-shaped, broad at the top and tapering to a point at the chin. It was surmounted by a crop of dark brown hair, rather scant, but strong and of full size. It was not such hair as grows on the head of an 8-months-old baby. It was strong and coarse as that of a man of mature age. On the upper lip was a slight mustache, plainly outlined, while all over the face a straggling beard was discernible.

"The baby was unusually bright," said the father. "He began to notice almost as soon as he was born, and by the time he was a week old he seemed to know as much as his older brother, who was a year old. He did not try to talk, but would look at you as though he knew what you were thinking about. He never did look like a child, nor act like one. He was a little old man."

NOTICE.

TO ALL WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

By order of the Common Council of Dalles City, made on the 3d day of August, 1896, and entered of record in the records of Dalles City on the 4th day of August, 1896, notice is hereby given that the sidewalks on the following streets have been declared dangerous by said council on said 3d day of August, and the said Common Council will proceed to make the improvements as hereinafter stated, on said streets, or parts of streets, so declared dangerous, after fourteen days from the first publication of this notice, to-wit, August 7, 1896; and the cost of such improvements of all such sidewalks, and of each of them, will be charged and levied upon the property adjacent thereto and directly benefited thereby, as by charter provided.

The sidewalks declared dangerous and about to be built are as follows, to-wit:

1. To build a sidewalk on the west side of Court street from Second street to the alley, along lot 5 in block 4.
2. To build a sidewalk on the south side of Second street, between Court and Union streets, along lot 3 in block 6.
3. To build a sidewalk on the north side of Second street from Union street east 72 feet, along lot 8 in block 4, and on Union street from Second street to the alley, along lot 8, in block 4.
4. To build a sidewalk on the north side of Fourth, along the property now occupied by W. E. Garretson.
5. To build a sidewalk on the north side of Fourth street, along lot 4 in block 2.
6. To build a sidewalk on the north side of Third street, along lot 6 in block 5, and on the west side of Washington street, along lot 6 in block 5, from Third street to alley.
7. To build a sidewalk on the north side of Alford street along lots 3 and 4, in block 2, between Laughlin and Federal streets.
8. To build a sidewalk on the east side of Washington street, along lot 12 in block A, and on the north side of Fulton street, along lots 9, 10, 11 and 12, in block A.
9. To build a sidewalk on the north side of Second street, between Washington and Court streets, along lot 9, in block 3.

All of said sidewalks will be built and constructed in accordance with the provisions of the charter and ordinances of Dalles City.

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