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THE CLIMAX AT HAND

Philippine Islands Revolt
Verging Upon a Collapse.

REBEL FORCES GROWING WEAKER

Spanish Commander Preparing to Strike
A Decisive Blow by Attacking
the Insurgent Stronghold.

NEW YORK, Feb. 18.—A dispatch to the Herald from Manila says:

General La Chambre, who has occupied Santo Domingo, is now advancing on Sillling Cornell and Marina and will attack the rebel forces within three days. The number of troops employed is not published. The batteries employed are two Krupp batteries of eight centimeters, one battery of nine and two mortars of fifteen centimeters. With General La Chambre is General Marina, who takes one battery of artillery of eight centimeters.

From all reports it would seem that if the Spaniards are lucky enough to inflict a decisive chastisement upon the rebels in Cavite, the entire revolution will collapse. The absence of the real leader must tell upon the rebels, and all their principal men are either in the fortress here or have been shot by the authorities. Francisco Rojas, the millionaire and friend of General Blanco; Rizal, the doctor and idol of the Philippine Indians; Lund, the artist whose picture won a gold medal at the Paris exposition, and every other native or half-caste of wealth or influence in the Catipunan or inner circles of conspiracy, which the natives created for their own purposes inside the lodges of Masonry, into which the Spaniards confidently initiated them years ago, are in the toils of the law and may be shot any day.

An immense amount of suffering has been inflicted on their families by these misguided men. In dozens of cases large estates of those implicated have been embargoed by the government, and people formerly opulent are reduced to poverty. Even some native Catholic priests are among the prisoners, seven at least having been tempted into the plot.

The machinations of the rebels seem to have permeated all quarters, and they have taken in their withering grasp natives and half-breeds in every station of life, from the millionaire property-owner, local governor, government clerk, official doctor or professor in college, to the most ignorant and poorest fisherman and domestic servant in foreign or Spanish employ. Indeed, it would be difficult to find a parallel for such widespread treachery.

If the rebels on the island can get rid of the Spaniards they can run the country and pay no more taxes. Every one will have plenty to eat, nothing to do and pay no "cedula" or other tax to anybody. This is the simple argument which the agents use everywhere to beat up recruits and get the peasants to join their ranks. Their ideas are largely socialistic.

As an illustration of these delightful tenets, the washerwomen, who have mostly all turned rebels, walked off with half the wardrobe of male and female Manila, for every one uses white tropical clothing the year round, and consequently for a time the rebels were the best-dressed gentlemen in the Philippines, while their luckless customers were getting new clothes together.

MOVED IN THE BENSON HOUSE.

Resolution to Declare Vacant Seats of Absentees.

SALEM, Feb. 18.—In the Benson house today Crawford introduced a resolution declaring vacant the seats of those members who have not qualified, thus preventing the enactment of certain legislation. After some discussion the resolution was laid aside until afternoon. The house then adjourned.

Thirty-Six Came In.

SALEM, Feb. 18.—Only 35 members were present at today's joint convention. Letters were read from Representatives Hudson, Mitchell Vaughan saying they were still ill and expressing the hope that they would soon be able to be present and remain until a United States

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senator was elected. The convention adjourned till noon tomorrow.

In the House.

SALEM, Feb. 18.—In the senate today Brownell introduced by request a petition for the passage of a law licensing the practice of midwifery. A number of bills were reported and ordered engrossed for the third reading. Among them was Daly's bill abolishing the railroad commission.

Harmon, of the committee on commerce and navigation, reported a substitute for Mitchell's bill relative to the portage railway between The Dalles and Celilo. The substitute reduces the amount of the appropriation asked for from \$195,000 to \$130,000. There are also several other minor changes. The substitute was referred to the committee on railroads.

The senate then adjourned.

HE TUMBLED INTO THE BASS DRUM.

Unusual And Involuntary Feat of an Acrobat.

SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 18.—An acrobat at the Orpheum fell forty feet from a trapeze yesterday and crashed through the big bass drum. Incidentally he caused two women to faint, broke two music stands, scared the wite out of, but did not kill, a fiddler, as he might have done, and bruised himself slightly.

The acrobat is one of the Renfe brothers, who perform a number of daring feats on a high trapeze suspended in front of the curtain over the orchestra. The trapeze are suspended at opposite sides of a horizontal, rectangular frame. From one trapeze Juels Renfe hangs by his feet, while his brother Jacques swings from the other trapeze, with his back turned to Jules. When Jacques has obtained sufficient impetus from his swinging he lets go the trapeze bar and so flies to the outstretched hands of his brother.

They were performing this feat yesterday evening, when, somehow or other Jacques succeeded in getting only an insecure hold of one hand. Jules could not hold on, and made a straight drop.

Hanna Has Decided.

CLEVELAND, O., Feb. 18.—It is definitely settled Hanna will not go into McKinley's cabinet. Hanna announced this morning that he is determined to remain in Ohio. He will contest the legislature next winter for a full term in the United States senate. In fact, Hanna's supporters have already organized his campaign. Hope that Governor Bushnell may appoint Hanna to fill the unexpired term of Sherman has practically been abandoned.

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CUBANS ARE IN FULL RETREAT

Gomez Retreats Before Weyler's Continued Advances.

HAVANA, via Key West, Feb. 18.—If official reports are correct, the insurgent army under General Gomez has been divided into small corps and Gomez himself is in full retreat before the continued advance of Weyler. Dispatches from Ciego de Aviel say the insurgent commander-in-chief with 4000 men recrossed the military line in the province of Puerto Principe, extending from Jucaro to Monon, and is going eastward through Puerto Principi in the direction of the capital of the province.

General Calixto de Garcia, Gomez's second in command, was reported four days ago in the vicinity of Puerto Principe, retreating towards the same point as Gomez. Weyler arrived yesterday at Sancti Spiritus, the most important town in the eastern part of the province of Santa Clara, near the boundary of Puerto Principe, in the territory where the insurgent headquarters were recently located. Weyler will push forward to Moron, Ciego de Aviel and Jucaro, thus seemingly sweeping across the island with a large force, and driving the enemy before him. He expects to entrap Gomez between two wings of the Spanish column and force a decisive engagement before the rains put an end to the military operations. The Cubans believe, however, that Gomez will, as usual, slip through the cordon before being completely enveloped.

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Transvaal Indemnity.

LONDON, Feb. 18.—The secretary of state for the colonies Joseph Chamberlain, announced in house of commons today that an official telegram had been received from the British agent at Pretoria, capital of the Transvaal, on Tuesday, conveying a bill of indemnity presented by the Transvaal as a result of the Jameson raid. The bill is divided into two heads. The first asks for the payment of £677,938 30s 3d as a material charge, and under the second head the Transvaal asks for £1,000,000 for moral and intellectual damage. Mr. Chamberlain further said that the foregoing demands did not include the legitimate private claims which may be advanced.

The telegram of the British agent also says that the indemnity is to be paid by the British government, "or caused to be paid by them," apparently suggesting that the government compel the Chartered British South African Company to pay it or in default that the government must foot the bill.

A Cure for Lame Back.

"My daughter, when recovering from an attack of fever, was a great sufferer from pain in the back and hips," writes Loudon Grover, of Sardis, Ky. "After using quite a number of remedies without any benefit she tried one bottle of Chamberlain's Pain Balm, and it has given entire relief." Chamberlain's Pain Balm is also a certain cure for rheumatism. Sold by Blakeley & Houghton.

Kyle Was Elected.

PIERCE, S. D., Feb. 18.—On the senatorial ballot today, the Republicans in the house voted almost solidly for Kyle. The Republicans of the senate began at once to change to Kyle. Before the result was announced enough changes had been made to give Kyle 65 votes, three more than necessary. With the solid Republican vote and a few Populists who stayed by him, Kyle secured enough votes to pull him through.

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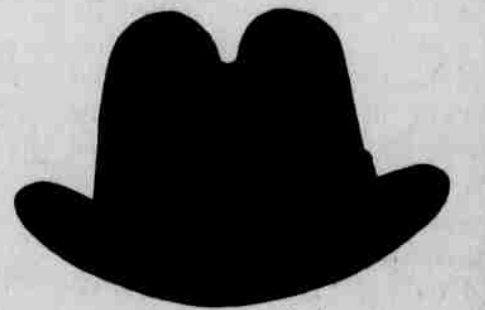
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