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Such is Hawaii From a Military Standpoint.

THE VIEWS OF DIRECTOR SMITH

Nation Possessing the Islands May Safely Defy Her Enemies in Western Waters.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 13.—"From a military as well as a commercial point of view," said Director Smith, of the bureau of America republics, "The Hawaiian Islands, owing to their location, are of great importance. Hawaii may be said to lie but one-third the distance of the accustomed route from San Francisco to Japan and China ports, from San Francisco to Australia, from ports of British Columbia to Australia and British India, and about half way from the Isthmus of Panama to Yokohama and Hong Kong. The construction of a ship canal across the isthmus would extend this geographical relation to the ports of the Gulf of Mexico and of the Atlantic seaboard of North and South America. A glance at the map will at once make clear the fact that no other point in the North Pacific has such a dominating relation to the trade between America and Asia as a place for coaling and a depot of supplies for vessels.

"From a naval standpoint Hawaii is the great strategic base of the Pacific. Under present conditions of naval warfare, created by the use of steam as a motive power, Hawaii would secure to the maritime nation possessing it an advantage as a depot for supply of coal. Modern battle-ships, depending absolutely upon, would be enabled to avail themselves of their full capacity of speed and energy only by having some half-way station in the Pacific where they could replenish their stores of fuel and refit. A battle-ship or cruiser starting from an Asiatic or Australian port with the view of operating along the coast of either North or South America, would be unable to act effectively for any length of time at the end of so long a voyage, unless she were able to refill her bunkers at some point on the way.

"On the other hand, if the United States possessed Hawaii, she would be able to advance her line of defense 2000 miles from the Pacific coast, and with a fortified harbor and a strong fleet at Honolulu would be in a position to conduct either defensive or offensive operations in the North Pacific to a greater advantage than any other power."

THE FIGHTING WAS FURIOUS.

Another Account of the Battle Near Aguacate.

KEY WEST, Fla., Aug. 13.—An important engagement took place yesterday near Cardenas, Matanzas province. The Spaniards were badly defeated with a heavy loss. General Molin was killed. General Weyler was obliged to retreat from Aguacate to Jaruco. The insurgents are waiting outside of the town to see if they can attack his forces there. The people of Havana fear the dangers of the situation of Weyler.

Near Gibra, Santiago de Cuba province, the town of Rosalia was attacked. The insurgent entered the town without resistance, finding many Spanish soldiers drunk in the streets and most of officers at a ball. They made a machete charge, killing a captain, three lieutenants and 30 soldiers. Twenty-five guerrillas who came to the aid of the Spaniards were mached. After sacking the town it was burned, and only three houses were left.

Weyler has ordered all stores at Esperanza not to sell goods, but to close

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their doors. The people are dying of hunger and the sick cannot buy drugs. Weyler wants to punish them because the insurgents entered the town and the people made no resistance.

Called Out by the Union.

CHICAGO, Aug. 12.—Two thousand men employed on Chicago's public school buildings will strike today by order of the Building Trades' Council. There are 35 schoolhouses undergoing repairs, and if the strike is not settled soon it is said the buildings will be in such a condition that they cannot be used at the opening of the schools in September.

The union demanded that the board of education insert a clause in future contracts that none but union men be employed on the school buildings. A time was set for last Wednesday when the unions asked to be allowed to be heard by the school board. At that meeting of the board a quorum was not present, and the labor men assert that the members stayed away purposely to avoid hearing their arguments.

Langtry to Sue for Divorce.

NEW YORK, Aug. 13.—The Journal's London special says:

It is positively announced by Edward Langtry, husband of the Jersey Lily, that he will bring suit for absolute divorce, and the papers will be served this week. Many persons of high social life, even royalty itself, are to be named as correspondents. Langtry is moved to this course by the report in English newspapers of Mrs. Langtry's prospective marriage to Prince Esterhazy de Galantha of Austria. Mr. Langtry absolutely ignores his wife's California divorce.

Prince Esterhazy is a prominent horseman. He is 54 years old Mrs. Langtry is at Savoy, where she dined with Esterhazy last evening.

McCarren's Great Coup.

SARATOGA, N. Y., Aug. 13.—The general topic of conversation about the hotels is the coup made by State Senator McCarren at the racetrack yesterday. He had \$10,000 on Blew Away, winner of the third race yesterday. Blew Away opened at 12 to 1, and McCarren placed his money at these figures, and as a result won nearly enough to make him even on the Saratoga season. He was many thousands ahead of the bookmakers this year, according to reports, at the time of his arrival at the Springs. Riley Grannan and Henry Harris are said to have made \$26,000 on one race Wednesday.

Three Steamers for Alaska.

TACOMA, Aug. 13.—The steamers City of Topeka and Rosalia sailed for Alaska early this morning with more than 400 passengers, nearly all for the gold fields. The steamer Edith sails this afternoon. All are crowded with freight. The Edith carries 80 pack horses.

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All county warrants registered prior to March 11, 1898, will be paid at my office. Interest ceases after Aug 5, 1897.

C. L. PHILLIPS, County Treasurer.

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FIRED THROUGH THE BARS.

A Colorado Mob's Attempt to Kill Four Suspected Murderers.

DENVER, Colo., Aug. 13.—A special to the Times from Central City says that at 2 o'clock this morning a masked mob from Russel gulch broke into the Central City jail and demanded the keys of the steel cell from the jailer. In this cell were confined four prisoners held on suspicion of the murder of Alex. Goddard, a miner, who was stabbed during a saloon row with Australians last Monday night. The mob was after Dominic Rohr, believed to be guilty of the murder.

The jailer refused to give up the keys, whereupon the mob fired through the bars into the cage. The four prisoners escaped death by hiding behind mattresses in the cell. The mob, supposing it had killed all four, left the jail. Four leaders have been arrested, and a strong guard placed about the jail.

More Gold Found in Trinity Center.

REDDING, Cal., Aug. 12.—News was received here from Coffee creek to the effect that \$40,000 more of gold dust and nuggets were taken out yesterday afternoon from the pocket out of which the Graves brothers took their \$42,000 last Saturday.

Another exceedingly rich discovery of gold is reported on Morrison gulch, about two miles from the scene of the Graves brothers discovery. It is said \$18,000 was taken out Wednesday afternoon and that two miners are taking out gold on an average of \$40 to the pan. This strike is on the same vein of the Graves claim, and is supposed to be an extension of the same.

Coffee creek and its tributaries in Northeastern Trinity county have long been known to be rich in gold quartz and gravel. The main creek heads toward Salmon river, near the Siskiyou county line, where are located several gravel claims. The country between the Salmon and Trinity rivers is said to be rich and "pockety." Seams of decomposed quartz lie in many directions. The distance from the Graves brothers' find on Morrison gulch to the Murphy and Borgees diggings is about 15 miles. There are paying claims on all the near-by creeks and gulches, and several companies are conducting extensive mining operations.

Hard on the Senate.

LONDON, Aug. 12.—The Westminster Gazette this afternoon publishes a long article in which the opinion is expressed that if Secretary Sherman should be forced to retire from the cabinet he "will make Ohio too hot for Senator Hanna," adding:

"It is awful to contemplate the results of Hanna being done out of his price for making McKinley president. Some innocents may object that if Sherman is too senile to hold office he must be too senile for the senate, but as a matter of fact, no one has yet estimated how incompetent a man must be before the senate is closed to him. In this he shares the advantage of the house of rards."

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Bravado Never Failed Him.

FOLSOM, Cal., Aug. 13.—With a smile on his lips, James Berry, the negro who murdered his wife at Modesto, May 19, plunged to his death through the trap of the gallows at 10 o'clock this morning. Berry refused to accept consolation from the prison chaplain, and declined to listen to the reading of the warrant, telling Warden Aull he would save him the trouble. Berry walked briskly to the gallows and nodded pleasantly to a friend and was soon dangling at the end of the rope.

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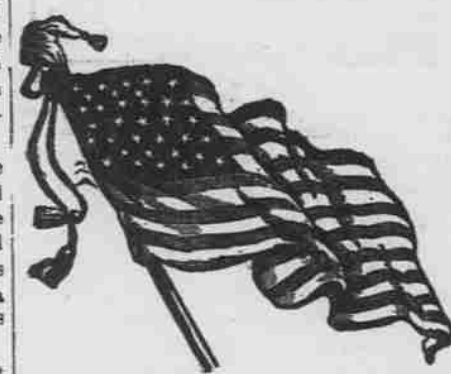
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