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ASSETS

Received for Premiums \$42,816,748 41
From all other sources 12,067,860 92
\$54,884,609 33

DISBURSEMENTS

To Policyholders for Claims by Death \$18,268,908 00
To Policyholders for Endowments, Dividends, etc. 11,485,751 85
For all other accounts 16,130,949 88
\$45,885,609 73

LIABILITIES

Policy Reserves, etc. \$233,058,546 88
Contingent Liabilities 42,278,641 43
Divisible Surplus 2,250,000 00
\$277,587,188 31

Insurance and Annuities in Force \$971,711,997 79

I have carefully examined the foregoing statement and find the same to be correct; liabilities calculated by the Insurance Department.
CHARLES A. FLELLER, Auditor

From the Divisible Surplus a dividend will be apportioned as usual.

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GOOD ARMS FOR TROOPS

American Forces Have Been Provided With Krag-Jorgenson Rifles.

WASHINGTON, March 8.—A fact in connection with the regulars who are now reinforcing General Otis in the Philippines that is giving considerable satisfaction to the war department is that they are armed with Krag-Jorgenson rifles. There has been more or less uneasiness over the fact that the Filipino sharpshooters, armed with Springfield, could lay out of range of the Springfield, with which our volunteers were armed, and put them to an extent that was limited only by the bad marksmanship of the natives. This was not only the source of a good many casualties among our troops, but had a bad moral effect on them, since it was very trying to be continually under fire from the enemy, who kept discreetly out of range.

ENEMY LOST HEAVILY.

NEW YORK, March 8.—A dispatch to the Herald from Manila says: General Hale determined this morning to clear away the enemy from the front of the right of his line.

The gunboat La Guna de Bay, under Major Grant, began shelling the enemy's position. Two companies of the Twentieth Infantry and three companies of the First Nebraska, under Colonel Starbuck, swung in from the road to the water works, driving the rebels toward the Pasig river.

The First Wyoming advanced directly on the insurgent position in front. In the meantime the La Guna de Bay pounded the foe from the river.

Thus attacked on three sides, the insurgents were driven back. Captain J. D. O'Brien, of the First Wyoming, was shot in the right wrist and Major Shel, of the bureau of information was slightly wounded.

Complete reports of the wounded are not yet in.

General Hale estimates the enemy's loss at 250. At the time of sending this dispatch, the Wyoming troops occupied an advanced position.

The insurgents opened fire across the river from Guadalupe, killing Private Lovejoy of company C, First Washington, swinging in from the road to the water works, driving the rebels toward the Pasig river.

The insurgents have been concentrating to the east of the city and will probably try an attack from that side. Their principal object is to cut off the water supply of Manila. The American positions are strong and their attempts will be futile.

The insurgent losses have been severe the last few days.

The Madrid authorities have offered Aguinaldo a ransom of \$100 for each officer, \$100 for the privates and \$50 for each civil servant. They have not offered to ransom the priests. Aguinaldo declines to have his captives ransomed, and has received only 500 rifles and 2,000,000 rounds of ammunition. The insurgents say the rest have been captured, but probably they were never bought.

TO CARE FOR THE WOUNDED.

NEW YORK, March 8.—The fact that the soldiers who are wounded in the trenches around Manila and elsewhere in the Philippines need care has not been overlooked by the New York branch of the Red Cross Society. More than \$20,000 worth of clothing, medical supplies and delicacies have been shipped recently to Manila, and many nurses have been sent thither. Within a week or so there will be a thoroughly equipped field hospital for General Otis' troops.

This hospital will be under the management of Miss Marguerite Henshall, who was detailed by the Massachusetts branch of the Red Cross Society to take charge of the work in the Philippines. Miss Henshall left New York on the United States transport Grant, which is due to arrive in Manila by the next two or three days. Three trained nurses went with her. When the transport Sherman was under the guidance of Miss Starr, who has three trained nurses with her. When the transport Sherman was under the guidance of Miss Starr, who has three trained nurses with her. When the transport Sherman was under the guidance of Miss Starr, who has three trained nurses with her.

RETURNED TO MANILA.

WASHINGTON, March 8.—The Navy department is informed that the cruiser Baltimore and the monitor Monterey, which have been in dock at Hongkong, have arrived at Manila.

FATAL QUARREL OF TWO OREGON MINING MEN.

Lon Edwards, of Ashland, Shot and Instantly Killed C. I. Evans, His Partner in a Claim.

ASHLAND, Ore., March 8.—Lon Edwards this morning shot C. I. Evans at a mining camp, 13 miles west of Ashland, and later stated that he believed he was in the cabin. Edwards and Evans, who have always borne excellent reputations, and both of whom have highly respected families residing in this city, are mining men and have been partners in a quartz claim. They have had some business disagreements very recently and yesterday quarreled. This morning Edwards, according to his own story, went to the cabin and was denied admission, and words ensued between them. Evans drawing a revolver on Edwards and firing a shot at him, the latter says, before he (Edwards) drew his revolver. He then shot twice at Evans inside the door of the cabin, Evans shot missed the mark altogether. There is no doubt that Evans was shot dead. Edwards left for Ashland immediately and surrounded himself to the officers. District Attorney Watson, Chief of Police Gergory and assistants have started for the scene.

CHIEF OF POLICE GREGORY HAS JUST RETURNED FROM THE SCENE OF THE MURDER.

The body of Evans was found in the cabin, which had been locked by Evans and the key given to the officers. Evans lay stretched on his back with both arms extended. Two bullet wounds, close together in the breast, were found. Both must have struck close to the heart. On the floor of the cabin was found a revolver with two chambers empty. Evans came here from Los Angeles several months ago with Edwards.

AMERICA'S EASTERN POLICY CAUSES MUCH CONCERN.

Italy Tries to Secure the Support of the United States to Secure Her Demands on China.

CHICAGO, March 8.—A special to the Times from London, Washington says: The Italian request touching China was spoken of today in a new light. The action of King Humbert shows that Italy is the first government to recognize officially the new status of the United States among the powers. It also developed that Secretary Hay, in his reply, pointed out to the Italian government that the United States had never supported or interfered in any way with the efforts of other governments to secure territory or spheres of influence in China, and would certainly not do so in the case of Italy.

Italy's efforts to secure the support, or at least the passive consent, of the United States, did not end with the presentation of the note and transcript of Secretary Hay's message.

The Italian minister in Peking approached Minister Conger several days ago and asked him to use his influence in securing from Washington consent of the United States to the Italian demand. Minister Conger diplomatically evaded answering the Italian proposal and at once called to Washington.

The instructions sent him were along the lines of the reply made here to the Italian note.

While the information in the possession of the authorities shows that Great Britain is diplomatically opposed to the Italian demands, it is apparent that Great Britain must within a very few days either distinctly reiterated her intention to maintain the integrity of China and support her open door policy, or announce a reversal of that policy.

It was stated today that no communication relative to the Chinese demands had passed between Secretary Hay and Sir Julian Pauncefote, the British ambassador, but it would not be surprising if there had been. London says that the authorities between the American embassy and the British foreign office.

The authorities are anxiously awaiting the announcement of Great Britain's policy, and it is appreciated that it is of great importance to the United States, in view of the commercial aspect of the Chinese question.

BOUNDARY OF PUNTA DE ATACAMA IN DISPUTE.

Argentina and Chilean Commissioners Unable to Agree—U. S. Minister and Queen Victoria to Arbitrate.

NEW YORK, March 8.—A dispatch to the Herald from Buenos Ayres says that the Argentina and Chilean commissioners have not yet arrived at a settlement of the Punta de Atacama questions, as the Chileans wish to divide Punta de Atacama between the two countries, while the Argentines maintain their right to the whole territory which Bolivia, the rightful owner, surrendered to Argentina.

Therefore the whole question will undoubtedly be submitted to the arbitration of United States Minister Buchanan.

The general boundary question will be determined by Queen Victoria, as public opinion in Chile is opposed to direct understanding between the two governments.

That the last rains destroyed 30 per cent of the Argentina wheat crop is denied. Practically all the wheat is already under shelter.

FLEET WILL GO TO HONDURAS.

WASHINGTON, March 8.—Next Tuesday the inhabitants of the little port of Puerto Cortes, on the gulf coast of Honduras, will see anchored in their harbor, for the first time probably, the entire north Atlantic squadron of the United States. Admiral Sampson will go there directly from Havana, and possibly the appearance of the ships may stimulate the Honduran government to action in the case of the murder of Mr. Peas, a native of Puerto Cortes, who was shot by a sentinel on account of his ignorance of the Spanish language. The commander of the Machias has been looking into the case, but it is supposed the Honduran government has neglected our request to investigate it.

CAPITOL BUILDING BILL VETOED.

OLYMPIA, March 8.—The governor today transmitted to the senate his veto of the capitol building commission bill and the same was made a special order in the senate for tomorrow. It is generally believed that the veto will be sustained.

NEGROES ON A RAMPAGE

Disgraceful Conduct in Georgia of Discharged Colored Immunes.

THE PEOPLE TERRIFIED

Troops Incessantly Fired From the Train at By-standers in Several Stations.

WERE HELD UP AT GRIFFIN

Populace Turned Out and Greeted the Rioters with a Volley When the Train Pulled in.

ATLANTA, Ga., March 8.—The Tenth Immunes, colored, Col. Jones commanding, who were mustered out at Macon, today, began to show their ill-temper as soon as the train bearing the negroes home began to move out of Macon. Profane revolvers and other arms, which they in some way managed to smuggle with them, they began firing from the windows. Bullets flew in every direction as the train sped on and passengers were compelled to seek shelter. Luckily only one person was shot in Macon—W. J. Goodyear, a 15-year-old boy, whose arm was fractured by a ball.

As the train passed the various stations on the road the rioting was renewed, shots being fired from the train at people standing on the platforms.

At Griffin, Ga., occurred the most serious trouble of the day. When the train stopped at a standstill the negroes saw 300 heavily armed men, who commanded the police were powerless to resist. The city was at the mercy of the negroes, who kept up a fusillade of shots until the train was carried beyond the city limits.

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TRANSPORT BURNSIDE SAILS FOR SAN JUAN.

Thorough System of Sanitation to Be Inaugurated Against the Unsanitary Habits of the People.

NEW YORK, March 8.—The United States transport Burnside sailed for Havana today with 100 private soldiers and a number of officers.

That the government is contemplating a vigorous campaign against the unsanitary habits of the residents of Porto Rico and Cuba to show in a conspicuous manner which has recently been placed on the pier of the Pacific Steamship Company. There are ten metal garbage wagons with tight covers, made by a Boston firm, after the latest models, and a large number of metal garbage cans. It is said that the government, in anticipation of the arrival of the unhealthy season, is going to establish a thorough system of garbage removal, as practiced in our large cities. Numbers of garbage cans have been sent on previous boats and with those to go on the next ship there will be about one thousand in all for San Juan.

A street sprinkler plainly marked "U. S." is also being sent to San Juan to be used by the health officers. It is understood that the shipments of these sanitary appliances to San Juan is only a beginning and that the government intends to send similar outfits to all the principal cities in Porto Rico and Cuba.

SMELTING WORKS HAVE EXPECTED CONSOLIDATION.

Will Soon Incorporate With a Capital of \$5,000,000—Control Secured of Nearly All Important Properties.

NEW YORK, March 8.—The Tribune says: A big combination of smelters, a movement for effecting which was reported two or three weeks ago as under way, will probably soon be incorporated at Trenton under the name of the Consolidated Smelting and Refining Company, with a capital stock of \$5,000,000, of which one half will be preferred stock and one half common.

It is understood that \$2,000,000 of each class will be issued as soon as the company is incorporated. The company has secured control of nearly all the important smelting properties of the United States, except the four plants controlled by M. Guggenheim's Sons at Perth Amboy, New York, Pueblo, Colo., and in Mexico. An agreement has been entered into, however, with the Guggenheims covering the maintenance of rates and the general management of the business, and it is expected that these plants will in time enter the Consolidated Smelting and Refining Company. Subscriptions to the underwriting have been taken by Moore & Schley, Lewiston, Me., and A. H. Rogers.

THOMAS DONALDSON HAS TAKEN HIS LAST PLUNGE

Champion High Diver Sustains Injuries at Madison Square Garden From Which He Cannot Recover.

NEW YORK, March 8.—Thomas Donaldson, of Bath Beach, L. I., known the world over as the champion high diver, dove from the roof of Madison Square Garden, a distance of 55 feet, this afternoon, with probably fatal results.

He struck the water head first and failed to come up. Harry Reeder, an amateur champion swimmer, plunged into the water. The man dove several times and finally Reeder brought Donaldson to the surface. He was apparently dead, with blood flowing from the mouth and ears and from wounds on the head. He has a fractured skull, with compression of the brain, and the left side of his face is crushed in.

The attending surgeons say death is a question of hours.

THE DELAWARE DEADLOCK.

DOVER, Del., March 8.—The entrance of Willard Saulsbury, of Wilmington, into the senatorial race today presents a new aspect in the contest for senator.

Saulsbury, who received the full support of the Democrats, may also be voted for by the entire minority on the last three days of the session of the legislature, Friday, Saturday and Monday. This will be done, it is understood tonight, for the purpose of endeavoring to draw sufficient strength from either the regular republicans or union republicans to secure an election.

SAD CONDITIONS IN HAVANA.

NEW YORK, March 8.—Brigadier General William Ludlow, governor of Havana, has written a lengthy letter to the Evening Post, describing minutely conditions in the Cuban capital and appealing for assistance for Cuban charities. The destitute, he says, are found in greater numbers in Havana than in any other of the provinces. "In this department," writes the governor, "which includes the city of Havana and its suburban region where the population is approximately 250,000, who must, for the present, be fed or permitted to starve."

TELEGRAPH LINE TO KLONDIKE.

OTTAWA, Ont., March 8.—The government has decided to construct a telegraph line to the Klondike country. The plan is to build a line between Lake Bennett and Dawson City at once. At the same time surveyors will leave to examine the country northward from Queenette, B. C., which is the terminus of the present government system and see how to connect with the line to Dawson. The government will retain the line in its own possession, having decided it is too valuable and too important from the standpoint of the national safety, to be allowed to go into any other hands.

PHILADELPHIA SAILS.

SAN FRANCISCO, March 8.—Advices from Honolulu to February 24 state that the United States cruiser Philadelphia sailed from that port for Samoa on February 22. The United States collier Scandia is having her boilers repaired and is putting on 4,000 tons of coal to proceed to Samoa as soon as possible. To supply water for the irrigation of the new acreage which is being put under cultivation on the Hawaiian Commercial and Sugar Company's plantation, new artesian wells have been bored, which yield about 40,000 gallons of water daily.

FRENCH EXPLORER SAFE.

SEATTLE, March 8.—News of the safety of M. Bonin, the French explorer, who has been missing in Tibet and the interior of China, has reached Shanghai. He arrived at Yachow, Sze-chuen district, after many exciting experiences, and will make his way to the coast by the river route. With a few Chinese companions he has traveled through the greater portion of Tibet and made a trip from the Siberian line to Tongking.

REVOLUTION INEVITABLE.

NEW YORK, March 8.—A dispatch to the Herald from Lima, Peru, says: As the people here are abstaining from inscription as voters, there is danger that Premier Romana, observing the diminution of votes and being a man of principle, will resign.

It is then feared that President Pierola will try to continue in office or that a civilian vice-president will assume the reins of office. In either case a revolution must inevitably ensue.

PROHIBITING CHRISTIAN SCIENCE.

GUTHRIE, O. T., March 8.—Both houses of the legislature have passed a bill prohibiting the practice of Christian Science in Oklahoma. The governor, it is said, will sign the bill.

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