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THE TRUTH COMING OUT

Esterhazy Again Says He Wrote Bordereau in Dreyfus Case.

DEPOSITION OF MERCIER

Will Greatly Aid in Argument of the Case—Details of the Shooting of Labori.

DEPOSITION OF MERCIER

Will Strengthen Argument in Dreyfus Case—Religious Processions Forbidden.

SHOOTING OF LABORI.

The Attempt On His Life Evidently Result of a Plot.

IN THE COURTROOM

How News of the Assault Was Re- ceived There.

RENNES, Aug. 14.—The shooting of M. Labori, leading counsel for Dreyfus, robbed the morning session of the Dreyfus court martial of its paramount interest. The murderer apparently chose today for the attempt, for it was anticipated that Labori would crush Mercier, the former minister of war, with his cross-questioning. The news of the shooting caused an immense sensations in the courtroom, where the audience was assembled, awaiting the entrance of the judges. Labori's ab- sence had just been announced, when suddenly, M. Juana, syndic of the judiciary press, rushed into the room and shouted: "M. Labori has been shot." All present gave a gasp of horror and surprise, and every man jumped to his feet and a volley of questions was hurled at Juana who crying "That is all I know!" rushed out of the court again. Those who remained excitedly discussed the crime and vigorously de- nounced the authors.

CHANCE FOR OREGON.

Two Officers From Each State to Be Appointed for New Volunteer Regiments.

NEW YORK, Aug. 14.—A special to the World from Washington, says: Secretary Root has sent telegrams to governors of states asking for the names of two officers of each volunteer regiment in the Spanish war. As all regiments now ordered are fully or- dered, these must be four new regiments which the administration contem- plates raising. It is thought very likely that orders will be issued early in the week.

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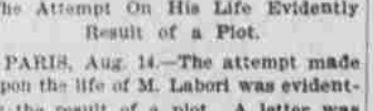
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MEETS THE INSURGENTS

Battle Near Bustos in Which In- surgents Are Punished.

ONE AMERICAN WAS KILLED

Wheaton Engaged at Angeles—Schur- man Arrives at San Francisco— Hobson Heard From.

MANILA, Aug. 15.—3:36 a. m.—A force of United States troops from Quina, four miles northeast of Malolos and from Baliuag, near Bustos, about six miles north east of Quinga, en- countered a body of insurgents at about six miles north east of Quinga, of about 200. In the engagement that ensued the Filipinos were severely punished and scattered.

The Americans lost one man killed.

The insurgent force is believed to have been under command of General Pao del Pilar and to have had in view the tearing up of the railway at Bo- cavac and Bigaa, about three miles from Bulacan. A battalion of the Twenty-first Infantry will be sent to those points this afternoon to strength- en the railroad guard and to recon- noitre the country in the direction of Norrangan and the Bustos road.

General Wheaton with troops at Calu- lit made a reconnaissance on Angeles about four miles to the northwest where he found 500 of the enemy. He silenced their fire and then returned to Calulit.

HOBSON HEARD FROM.

Reports to Navy Department on Gen- eral Questions in the Orient.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 14.—Naval Constructor Richard F. Hobson was heard from by the navy department today for the first time at any length since he was assigned to duty in charge of the Spanish ships raised from Manila harbor and now under- going repairs at Hong Kong.

He also says three Spanish ships, which are completed will be worth to the government about \$10,000 and he contemplates trying to raise three more Spanish vessels now at the bot- tom of Manila bay.

SCHURMAN AT SAN FRANCISCO.

SAN FRANCISCO, Aug. 14.—The steamer China from Yokohama and Honolulu arrived tonight.

Among the passengers was President J. G. Schurman, of the Philippine Is- land commission and president of Cor- nell University. The etiquette of of- ficialdom seals Dr. Schurman's lips, and, until he has been seen and reported to President McKinley he positively declines to say anything about the work of the commission.

NEW CANADIAN RAILROAD.

Large Sum Voted By Parliament For Building Purposes.

NEW YORK, Aug. 14.—A special to the Tribune from Montreal, says: The amounts voted at the session of parliament which has just closed, in aid of railway projects aggregated over \$6,000,000. Not for 15 years has there been so great a sum voted for such purposes. The bulk of this money goes to roads that are to form links of a new transcontinental line in op- position to the Canadian Pacific. These roads are now under separate manage- ments and there are still large gaps between them.

The plan calls for a line from Quebec to Port Simpson, on the Pacific. Start- ing from the former city, there is a railway known as the Great Northern, which runs southwesterly to Joliette, and is now being extended westward to join the Canada Atlantic system at South Indian, the Ottawa river being bridged at Hawkesbury to permit this being done.

The Canada Atlantic road runs west- ward to Depot Harbor, on Georgian Bay, and the Great Lakes will be utilized for the present as far as Port William, near the head of Lake Super- ior. From that point there is now in process of construction a road which will end at Winnipeg, running through the rich Rainy River country and skirting the Minnesota boundary en- crouching upon that state for a dis- tance of 30 miles. This road is known as the Ontario & Rainy River road and has just voted \$1,000,000. In addition handsome subventions have been voted by the legislature of Ontario and Man-

TO RELIEVE PORTO RICANS

Appeal to Governors of States by Secretary of War.

LARGE QUANTITIES NEEDED

Swift Steamers in Readiness to Carry supplies to the Storm Sufferers —Warship to Assist.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 14.—The secre- tary of war this afternoon issued the following appeal to the governors of the states for aid for the storm suf- ferers in Porto Rico: "I enclose herewith copies of two tel- egraphic despatches received last even- ing from the governor general of Porto Rico, by which it appears that the de- vastation wrought by the recent hur- ricane in that island is even greater than was at first supposed. It is evi- dent that a great multitude of the people, rendered utterly destitute by this awful calamity, must be fed and cared for during a considerable period until they can have an opportunity to procure food for themselves. Enor- mous quantities of supplies of the kind indicated by the governor general must be procured. The magnitude of the work to be accomplished leads this department to supplement the appeal already made to the mayors of the principal cities of the country by a more general ap- peal, and I beg you to ask the general of your state to contribute generously to the relief of the people of Porto Rico. Swift steamers have been provided to leave New York to carry the sup- plies directly to Porto Rico as rapidly as they can be collected. Contributions should be either in supplies of the character indicated or in money. Supplies should be sent to Colonel F. B. Jones, army building, Bank North America, New York city, city, in packages plainly marked "Por- to Rico relief" and he should be con- sulted as to the time of shipment. Money should be sent to the National Bank North America, New York city, which has been designated as the de- pository for relief fund. The acting secretary of the navy to- day wrote to Secretary Root that the navy desired to co-operate in every way it could in rendering assistance to the storm stricken people of Porto Rico, and tendering a warship to be placed at the disposal of the war de- partment if it was desired to convey supplies to the islands.

GERMANY LOVES AMERICA.

One of the Kaiser's Sailor Men Says England Wants to Make Trouble.

CHICAGO, Aug. 14.—Lieut. Kehrl, of the German navy, who is touring America for pleasure, is in the city. The lieutenant was an officer of the German, Admiral Dieckrichs flagship, in the Philippines during the war with Spain. He said: "There was a misunderstanding be- tween Admiral Dewey and Admiral Von Diederichs over harbor regula- tions, but the affair has been much exaggerated. The admirals were good friends and frequently dined together. The stories of the bitterness of the feeling between them come from Eng- lish sources. The English people wish to impress upon the American mind the aid they rendered this country in order to pave the way for the alliance which they seek with the United States. England would also like noth- ing better than to see the United States and Germany go to war so that she might get control of that much more of the commerce of the world. The feelings said to have grown out of the Manila incident does not exist in Germany."

THE FOX ACCEPTED.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 14.—The tor- pedo boat Fox, built by Wolf & Zwickler at Portland, Ore., was today accepted by the government.

WILL ARBITRATE CLAIMS OF AMERICAN CITIZENS.

Russia Willing to Settle Claims Grow- ing Out of Siberian Dispute—Tow- er Negotiating a Treaty.

NEW YORK, Aug. 14.—A special to the Herald from Washington says: Ambassador Tower has notified the state department that the Russian government has agreed to arbitrate the claims of American citizens against it, growing out of the seizure of their vessels off the Siberian coast. These claims amount to \$300,000 and Russia's willingness to arbitrate them is the best evidence, state department offi- cials say, of their validity. Mr. Tower is negotiating a treaty referring the claims to arbitration, which will be based upon the conven- tions under which the Cheek and McCord claims were arbitrated. The arbitrator will be selected by the two governments and will be required to render the award within six months after his appointment.

These claims are due to the seizure of American sealing ships off the Si- berian coast in 1882, and the maltreat- ment of some of their crews. Their vessels were seized twenty miles away from the Siberian shore. Had the seizure occurred within three miles it is probably this government would have declined to press the claims. The Swiss government is expected to render its verdict in the Delagoa Bay claim during the coming fall. This claim, growing out of the seizure of the Delagoa Bay railroad owned by an American citizen, by the Portuguese government, amounts to several mil- lions of dollars.

OLYMPIA TO BE OVERHAULED

NEW YORK, Aug. 14.—A special to the Herald from Washington, says: The navy department has practically decided to send the cruiser Olympia, upon her arrival home, to the Boston navy yard for repairs. It is under- stood to be the intention to give the vessel a thorough overhauling and to modernize her. It is probable the flag quarters will be removed so that Ad- miral Dewey will be the last flag of- ficer to fly his flag on board her.

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