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EVENTS OF THE DAY

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LATER NEWS.

An alliance, offensive and defensive

Governor Taylor, of Kentucky, has declined to sign the peace agreement and the case will go to the courts.

The United States transport Colum-

Three ballot-box stuffers of Philadel-

phia were sentenced to imprisonment

for two years and to pay a fine of \$500

Lord Roberts has addressed a letter

plaining of the wanton destruction of

Three children of P. D'Arcy, living

near South Union, Wash., were poison-

ed by drinking the water from an

Six men were injured by an explosion

It has been decided by the secretary

property in Natal.

loned well.

factory was wrecked.

and the contractor.

the trial has cost \$200,000.

have started for the front.

The Boers have taken Inkandia,

Thousands viewed the remains

On account of the serious roadbed

washout on its Lewiston division, the Northern Pacific will lose \$100,000.

The transports Pathan and Sherman

arrived at San Francisco from Manila.

On board the Sherman are 75 invalid

Fire at Little Rock, Ark., destroyed

British troops crossed the Upper Tugela river at Kolendrift with the ob-

Three hundred Spanish prisoners re

The largest office building in the

world is to be erected in New York

City, by the Alliance Realty Company.

It will be 20 stories high and will cost

President Havemeyer, of the Ameri-

can Sugar Refining Company denies that the leading refineries of the com-pany were closed down as a result of the loss of business.

Fish commissioners of Oregon and

Washington have issued a statement

that only citizens were granted licenses

The mortality in the city of Bom-

inted. There was a total of 408

Word has been received by the de

The Sunset Telephone Company of

Bigamists in Hungary are required

The National Live Stock association

commends leasing government graz-

Alan Arthur, son of the late pres

dent, lives in Europe. He finds that his income goes further there.

by law to live with both wives in the

their captors and hold the fort.

lose \$150,000.

\$4,000,000.

Senator Goebel at Covington, Ken.

bia arrived at San Francisco from Manila. She made the trip in 30 days.

the Boers will last a long time.

Epitome of the Telegraphic News of the World.

TERSE TICKS FROM THE WIRES has been consummated between Eng-

An Interesting Collection of Items Pro: the Two Hamispheres Presented in a Condensed Form.

The Nicaragua canal bill will be through both houses

Mexican liberals favor the candidacy of President Dias for re-election by a vote of three to one

The league of Republican clubs of Oregon convened at the armory in Port-land, with 800 delegates present.

Mrs. Lillie Devereaux Blake has announced her candidacy for the presi-dency of the National Women Suffragist

Members of the Algonquin Club, a leading social organization of Bridge-port, Conn., have declined to entertain W. J. Bryan. The plague in Honolule has broken out in several isolated places outside of the orginally infected district, and its

progress is regarded as serious. John D. Rocketeller is no longer president of the Standard Oil Company. He resigned last December, but the

facts were kept secret until now. Fifty-seven paintings, the property of Austin H. King, of Providence, R. I., were sold at auction in New York for \$77,375, an average of \$1,356 per

Adeibert S. Hay, the new United States consul at Pretoria, was received by the Transvaal government, and preented his credentials. He created an

Secretary Root has sent to congress an abstract of the militia force of the United States. It shows the total number of men available for military duty. but unorganized, as 10,843,150 and an aggregate organized strength of 106,-

Astoria, Or., now has the right of immediate transporation. A dispatch from Washington states that Senator George W. McBride's bill providing for such has passed the senate. This means a bonded warehouse at Astoria This and the unloading of Oriental freight at that place.

By way of preparation for the great struggle now in progress, the Boers in the year 1898 bought from France alone, guns, swords, carbines, pistols, cartridges, lead, zinc, powder caps, fuses, etc., to the invoiced value of \$386,000, according to a report of the state department from United States Consul Covert at Lyons.

A movement has begun in Oakland and Berkeley to send relief to the Donkhober colonies in Manitoba, which are suffering for food. The Donkhobors are represented as worthy peo-ple, greatly attached to their religious China is afraid to depose the emperor ceived their serious injuries and here also the members of the Fix family and were driven out of Russia by the compulsory military service.

The British are preparing to invade the Free State.

William Henry Gilder, the explorer died at his home in Morristown, N. J.

The transports Ben Mohr and Meade have arrived at San Francisco from

Conditions in Cuba are such that the people are not yet ready for self-gov-Major-General Otis has appointed s

civil governor in Northern Luson and opened the hemp ports. The Northern Pacific has selected

Everett, Wash., as the point from which they will ship to the Orient. Henry Watterson says the Louisville & Nashville Railroad is the head and

front of the present troubles in Kentucky. The Echo Mountain house, a large hotel near Pasadena, Cal., was de-stroyed by fire. The loss is estimated

at \$100,000. The natives of Borneo are in rebel-The trouble is serious enough to

demand the attention of a British gunboat and marines. The Hay-Pauncefote treaty, amending the Clayton-Bulwer treaty, relative to the construction of the Nicaragua

and that false claims may have been made in some instances. canal, was signed at the state der ment by Secretary Hay and Lord bay, India, in one day was unprece The famous Cherokee hydraulic gold feaths. The situation is aggravated by

the advent of famine refugees. mine, of Oroville, Cal., from which \$13,000,000 in gold has been taken, and comprising 100 miles of water ditches, 30 miles of "debris" canals partment of Indian affairs and by the police authorities of fresh troubles and 1,500 acres of patented channels, has been purchased by a Pittsburg synamong the Indians of Upper Laird, B. C. Seven members of a Scotch family are said to have been murdered.

The adjutant-general has received a telegram from Assistant Adjutant General McCain, at Vancouver barracks, stating that Colonel Ray, at Fort Gib-Old Colony Trust Company of Boston, bon, Alaska, reports the safe arrival there of Lieutenant Herron and party, curity for the payment of gold interest-bearing bonds to the amount of \$2,500,who were supposed to have been lost while exploring the Copper river coun-

Henry Hughes, a hero of the old navy, has been admitted into the county almshouse at Chester, Pa., at the age

Cannonading does not interfere with ing lands. the sending of wireless telegraph messages. This has been tested in South

During the last year 25, 202, 901 bush els of grain and 2,198,513 gallons of molasses were used for the manufacture of liquor in this country.

TORNADO IN ILLINOIS The Corbett-Jeffries fight will take place at Coney Island about the middle of May.

T. Daniel Frawley has made arrange-Town of Collinsville Nearly ments to take a copmany of actors to Cape Nome. Wiped Out.

POURTEEN PERSONS INJURED

The English nation has settled down to the realization that the war with The Storm Was Severely Pelt at St. Louis. Where It Caused Much Damage.

St. Louis, Mo., Feb. 10.-The town A destructive fire visited the city of San Salvadox, Central America. The total loss is estimated at \$1,000,000. of Collinsville, Ill., 12 miles from St. Louis, on the Vandalia railroad, narrowly escaped destruction by a tornado today. Fourteen persons re injured in the immediate vicinity of the village, some of them fatally, and there was much damage to property. Miners who live in the outskirts of town lost most by the wind. A group of three residences standing on a hill were reluced to splinters.

A resolution expressing sympathy with the Boers was adopted by the sen-ate. It was offered by Allen, of The injured are: Paul Quarandi aged 35, severely bruised and burned, perhaps fatal; Otto Odderhole, 17, arm broken, internally injured, serious; Sophie Fix, 17, skull fractured and bruised, thought to be fattally injured; Newton Anderson, scalp wound and to Presidents Kruger and Steyne, combruised face, not serious; Theodore Lawrence, cut and bruised and internally injured; Frank Kobart, seriously bruised; son and daughter of Frank Kobart, severely cut and bruised; Tony Skalla, wife and two children, badls bruised; Barney Falette, scalp wound in the Columbia firecracker works at and arteries cut; Tom Pomatts, left Fostoria, Ohio. A large part of the arm broken. The last two named were blown several hundred feet from their house into a field.

of the navy to appoint Commander Seaton Schroder to be the first naval About 2:30 A. M. the storm was first felt at a point one mile south of Collinsville. The first house demolished was governor of the Samoan island that occupied by Frank Kobart. He, his son and daughter, were buried in the debris and it was some time before The house committee on military affairs will investigate into the Idaho mining riots at Wardner, which the federal troops, under General Merriam, they were rescued, bruised and bleeding, from the wreckage. From this place the wind swept to the north, its path being west of Collinsville, about In Chicago, 7,000 workings in have been engaged on buildings in have been engaged on buildings in later work. It a quarter of a mile, and the last trace of the storm is observed at Hightville, a manufacturing suburb, one mile away. is the beginning of a war between labor

After the Kobart house, a group of three dwellings was felled by the wind. The jury in the case of Roland B They were occupied by John and Paul Molineaux, convicted of poisoning Mrs. Marquette and Philip Crossan, and their families. All the occupants escaped injury, except John Marquette. His hurts from falling timbers are not severe, but he is badly burned, for the Adams, returned a verdict of guilty of murder in the first degree It is said Zululand magistracy. The magistrate debris caught fire from an overturned the night previous exploded the maga-zine, and, with his staff and police. evacuated the place and proceeded to lamp and the flames reached him before the neighbors could rescue him. Hightville Coal Company's building was the next attacked, the immense smokestack being leveled to the ground Lord Roberts and General Kitchener

and the walls somewhat damage From there the wind reached the The insurgents have been driven out of Legaspi, province of Albay. Vandalia tracks, laying waste telegraph poles for the distance of a quarter of a mile. Beyond the Vandalia tracks Beyond the Vandalia tracks stood a group of large frame houses oc-Affairs in Santo Domingo are in a Fix families. The storm leveled them, cupid by the Lawrence, Odderhole and turbulent condition. Insurrection is and nothing is left, save a mass of were wounded. That the children were not killed is a marvel. Harry Fix and his sister Sophie were asleep in the same room on the second floor. house seemed to separate and brother and sister were let down with their beds to the ground floor. There they were found upon their couches, which had not been broken by the fall, Harry property to the value of \$265,000. The not injured in the least, but Sophie J. P. Quinn Dry Goods Company will crushed under a fallen timber.

The Work of a Flend. Walla Walla, Feb. 10.—Frank Royce, farmer, living 12 miles northject of storming the Boar positions, but east of this city, on the Washington & Columbia River railroad, left the city this afternoon in a drunken condition. volted at the treatment they received at the hands of Filipinos, dispersed When he reached Dixie he became involved in a fight with a man named Rufus Woods, biting his nose nearly off. Royce proceeded to the home of his grandfather, B. F. Royce, with whom he had been living, about two miles above Dixie. Woods followed in pursuit of Royce, and the two men continued their struggles in the presence of the elder Royce. Frank Royce missed and killed his grandfather.

Young Royce then fired several more shots at Woods, but without effect. Harper Bankruptey. New York, Feb. 10,-The reorganization committee of Harper & Bros., publishers, representing over \$11,650,-000 of the company's indebtedness, has filed an answer in the clerk's office of the United States district court to the petition in bankruptcy filed on January 22 against the company. The sommitted the acts of bankruptcy or any of them set forth in the petition, and aver that Harper & Bros, should not be declared bankrupt for any cause, and they pray that they may be in-quired into by the courts.

Oakland, Cal., bas mortgaged to the Venezuela Troops Invade Brazil. Buenos Ayres, Feb. 9 .- A dispatch its entire possessions in California, Nevada, Arizona and New Mexico, as sefrom Rio Janeiro says the Venezuelan after a serious fight.

Murdered His Family.

Denver, Feb. 9.—A special to the Times from Blackhawk, Colo., says: W. M. Allen, a carpenter, this morning shot and killed his daughter Zula, aged 6 years, in her bed, then shot his wife twice and finally shot himself in No Boers were injured. the breast. The father and mother are his income goes further there.

Kansas City is to have another interpretable to have another int dying. The cause assigned for the in Illinois and Kansas City.

ORIENTAL NEWS

CONDON, GILLIAM CO., OREGON, THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 15, 1900.

Parther Advices Brought by the En Victoria, B. C., Feb. 11,-The

steamer Empress of China, brings the following Oriental advices:

A terrible accident is reported from the Wuhu river. A junk was caught in a snow squall and turned turtle, all on board, numbering 20 in all, being

From Nago-Ya, Japan, comes news broke out January 23, in a large spinning mill at Koryo Mura, in the Owari prefecture. Two buildings were de-stroyed and 31 factory girls burned to death. Six were injured badly and a number slightly injured.

The Fleur de Lutus, as the junk being sent from Hong Kong to the Paris exposition is called, has started on her adventurous trip from the China sea to the French capital. The junk, which is one of the common Chinese kind, is 72 feet long and 28 feet wide. She will stop on the route at Saigon, Singapore, Colombo and Aden. The junk will be towed through the Suez canal. Captain Bourdonnet, who is in charge of her, is accompanied by his wife, one French sailor, nine annimatos and nine

A great conflagration occurred at Kiuang, December 29. In all 300 buildings were destroyed. The cause of the fire is not known. The damage will exceed \$1,000,000. Most of the buildings destroyed were big shops.

At Saigon, an Innimite woman has given birth to twins, joined together after the manner of the famous Siamese twins. The infants were placed on exhibition immediately after their birth and it is intended to send them to the Paris exhibition. The French paper at Saigon protested against this treat-ment of the newly born infants on the ground of inhumanity. An injunction was applied for, but was refused by the courts. According to a dispatch received

from Ngsnking, the provincial capital of Anhui, and translated by the North China Daily News, it seems that, encouraged by the successes of the ma-rauding band in Shantung, a number of rowdies of the former province have lately banded themselves into a society called the Siao Tao Hui, or Little Swords Association, having the same objects in view as their predecessor, the Tai Tao Hui, or Great Swords Association, that of plundering converts and men of wealth. The new association, it appears, commenced its work on the Yank Tee river, and raided a wealthy family of the name of Wu, a few miles north of Wuhu, carrying away a large quantity of spoils and wounding several persons. The next step of the bandits was to plan a raid on a number of Christian families living near Wuhu, where there is an American mission chapel in the charge of a missionary, but the inhabitants became alarmed and summoned soldiers, which scared away the marauders, all of whom boldly declared that they belonged to the Little Swords, whose mission was to exterminate converts to outside religions and missionaries.

STORM AT ST. LOUIS.

that reached a velocity of 60 miles an ant secretaries and heads of bureaus,

hour and was of the nature of a torna- the military committees of the house lowest point ever reached in this vicin- their flowing robes of somber color, ity, according to the weather bureau officials here. Previous to the wind storm a terrific thunder storm had ister. There were delegations from the raged for several hours, the rain fall- Loyal Legion, the G. A. R. and other ing in torrents. The rainfall was 1.9 Mrs. Susie Thompson became en-

tangled in a live wire, which had been blown down, and was killed. In the burned district between Franklin avenue, Morgan street, Third and Sixth streets, \$20,000 worth of property was destroyed. At 827 North Third street. the four story building occupied by the George A. Benton Commission Company and the Sage & Richmond Commission Company was blown down. It was next door to one of the buildings destroyed in Sunday's fire, and its pulled a gun and shot at Woods, but walls had been weakened. At the ruins of Penny & Gentle's department store, Broadway and Franklin avenue. a cupola left standing at the west end of the north wall and a huge brick chimney topped by a tall sheet iron smokestack were carried down by the force of the wind. Policeman Ferie, who had been standing near, had a narrow escape from death. Much delay and considerable damage was suffered by nearly every railroad entering the

city from the east side of the river. At Jefferson City, Mo., the wind and answer denies that Harper & Bros. have rain storm was one of the most severe ever felt there. It was followed by a fall of 63 degrees in temperature and a snow storm, which is now raging. Auton Heister, aged 65, was blown from his door onto a stone walk and killed.

Stolen Money Returned.

London, Feb 11.-The sum of £20, 00, the balance of £60,000 stolen from troops invaded Brazilian territory, and Parr's bank a year ago, has been myswere opposed by the forces of the latter republic, which were forced to retreat found this morning enclosed in a periously returned The notes were teamer passbook

Plamer's Force Defeated. Pretoria, Feb. 11.-Colonel Plumer's orce, on February 2, attacked the Boer position near Ramonsta and, after heavy fighting, including an endeavor to take the place by storm, the British were repulsed. Their loss is unknown.

Severe Storm at Minneapolis. lalyzed, and trains are late.

BURIAL OF LAWTON

Gallant Soldier Laid at Rest With Fitting Honors.

A NATION'S TRIBUTE TO A HERO

The President, His Advisors and Many Officers of High Rank Attended the Funeral,

Washington, Feb. 11.—Major-General Henry W. Lawton was buried to-day in the national cemetery, at Arlington. It was a nation's tribute to a national hero, and the sorrow of a whole people was expressed when America added the chaplet of cypress to the brow that so long had worn the laurel.

The burial service beneath the leafless trees at Arlington was preceded by services in the church of the Covenant. on Connecticut avenue, at which every department of the army and navy within reach of Washington, Lawton's old omrades of the line staff, the diplomatic corps in all its brilliance of uni-form and decoration, and as many citi zens of all degrees as were fortunate nough to find standing room within the walls, were present.

But the crowd within was insignificant compared with the thousands who braved the lowering winter day for a glimpse of the flag-draped caisson, with its military escort, as it passed through the streets. Hundreds made the toilsome pilgrimage to Ar-lington to hear the last words pronounced above the open grave, where president, cabinet and general commanding the army stood with bowed heads until the last volley had been fired and the bugle sounded "taps."

For a day and night the body of the soldier lay in state in the Church of the Covenant. So it lay this morning, when the doors were opened, troopers from his old command with sabers drawn keeping vigil at the head and

Beneath the soft lights of the altar rose a tropical jungle of paims, and higher than the flag-draped coffin rose banks of flowers, tributes from every quarter of the land. At his head hung in dim folds the battle flag from San Mateo, still on its bamboo staff, and supported by one of the men who was near him when he fell. From the ceiling hung the red centered flag of the Eighth corps, under which he had won perpetual fame in two island wars. About, as the shrill pipes of the organ trembled with the opening anthem, stood grouped his superiors and his brother officers, with whom and for whom his life work had been done. Close to the coffin sat President Mc-Kinley, and on his right the secretary of state. With them were the secretary of war, the attorney-general, the secretary of the navy, the postmaster-general, the secretary of the treasury, the secretary of the interior and the secretary of agriculture. Close by were Mrs. Lawton, little Manley and the others of the family, and to the left General Miles, General Merritt, St. Louis, Feb. 11.—Considerable damage to property in various parts of the city and vicinity was wrought between 2 and 4 A. M. by a wind storm scarcely less notate gathering, assistdo. The barometer fell to 29.25, the and senate, diplomats, the Orientals in ister. There were delegations from the patriotic societies.

Body Washed Ashore. San Francisco, Feb. 11.-The body of Burton M. Hardiman, cousin of Mrs. J. K. Miller, of Oakland, better known in the literary world as Florence Hardiman Miller, has been washed ashore on Angel island, in the bay of San Francisco Whether death was caused

by suicide or accident is unknown. Hardiman's home was in Oswego, Kan., where his mother and one of his sisters reside. Riots in Martinique. Fort de France, Martinique, Feb. 11.

A mob of about 1,200 has since last

Monday been preventing the harvesting of sugar cane. The movement is extending and troops have been sent in all directions. An infantry post of 25 men was attacked and fired upon its assailants, killing nine men and wounding 15. In the commune of Le Francois, two incendiary fires have occurred on plantations. San Francisco, Feb. 11 .- Acting Im-

migration Commissioner Schell, at this port, has forwarded to National Immigration Commissioner Powderly, at Washington, a protest against the intended colonization of a large tract of land in California with 1,500 Russian emigrants now in the Northwest terri-

San Francisco, Feb. 11.-The United States transport Logan arrived today from Manila. The voyage occupied 26 days. The Logan brought 14 passen-gers. February 3, Robert Gray, late of company B, Twenty-second infantry, died at sea from dysentery. The body was embalmed and brought here.

The Spokane & British Columbia Telephone & Telegraph Company has obtained a mandamus to compel the chise was rejected last June. The chise was rejected last June. The company claims that its right to equal protection under the constitution entitles it to the same privileges in building up business as is granted to the rival company.

governor will appoint any reputation of the company a rival company of the state university school of mining, and three from the same privileges in building state of the same privileges in building and three from the agricultural college school of pletely gutted the building, doing \$60.

MINES AND MINING.

Lawlescoos and Terror will Reign Cape Nome This Summer.

There will be lawlessness and a reign of terror in the new gold fields at Cape Nome, Alaska, next summer, in the opinion of John G. Brady. governor of the territory, and George N. Wright, postmaster at Cape Nome, unless con gress takes steps to establish civil government on a firm foundation and makes laws defining the proprietorship of claims. Governor Brady and Mr. Wright are in the East endesvoring to obtain the appointment of United States judges at Sitka, Circle City and Cape Nome. An extraordinary rush of goldseekers to the last named place is expected next May when communication rith the outside world is reopened. Mr. Wright believes that before the end of the summer, there will be 60,000 persons in Cape Nome.
"We want the general land laws ex-

tended to Alaska, so that we have homestead rights," said Mr. Wright last night, "otherwise we cannot help having a great deal of trouble. We are without the legal form of government. We have organized one of our own, electing a mayor, a council, a chief of police and other officers, but it has no standing in law. There were 2,000 men there last year, and they ferent when we have 60,000.

"In law, nobody has any right to the beach, between the high and low water marks, where there are rich deposits of gold. It ought to be laid off in small plots for the sale of the mineral rights. fhough gold was discovered in Cape Nome a year ago last September, we did not get the news in Seattle until North Camarines and South Camarines.

Many inpanies to get passengers, as the Yukon business was getting slack. I tele-graphed to Washington to be appointed postmaster and was appointed over night by wire. I got to Nome July 4, when there was not a sluice box in the district. "Lumber came in later, and about

\$3,500,000 of gold was taken out last nmer. One claim in Anvil creek paid \$175,000 in five weeks. I know because I handled the money. Three claims in Snow gulch paid \$500,000. ·····

Test of Newspaper Advertising. Between the acts recently at Wallack's New York theater, ushers distributed among the audience slips with a brief printed statement politely asking the recipient to indicate by a check mark in the list of various advertising forms employed which one had attracted him to the performance—newspapers, bill boards, window lithographs or something else. Eleven hundred slips were handed to the ushers, and of that number 991 had been attracted by the newspapers ~~~~~~~

Gen. On the Yukon the gold is well belo perty eral Brooke, General Shafter and their the surface, but at Nome it lies near staff officers, all in uniform and all the top of the ground. Many claims have been staked out, but there is a have died of the disease and another vast region still to be explored. The formation is very peculiar. Back of the beach, which is white sand, and rising 10 feet above it, is a flat strip called tundras, which extends from two to four miles back to the mountains. This has a layer of moss or peat on top, then comes a layer of blue clay from 6 to 15 inches thick, and then the white sand to bedrock 25 feet below. The gold in the white sand runs from 50 cents to \$1.50 a pan, and the pay streak of ruby sand on the bedrock runs \$5 to the pan, besides coarse gold.

"One of the steamers took 350 tons of sand shoveled at random from the beach to San Francisco last year. was put into a smelter and yielded \$9,000 in gold. The beach has been prospected for 15 miles. Nobody knows where the gold came from. Some think it was from hills brought down by glaciers, and some think it was thrown up by a volcano. "Governor Brady wants Alaska to

come in as a state when the population has been increased by the rush next summer. He is the one man that all the people there have absolute confilence in. If we are admitted to the Union we can take care of ourselves. Miners began coming down from the Yukon last fall, and more will come. If we do not get authority to protect ourselves we shall have trouble."

In Delaware last week the National Cape Nome Mining & Transportation Company was organized with a capital of \$5,000,000, to establish a steamship line and work with machinery claims overing 920 acres of beach and tundas. Frrancis B. Thurber, F. L. Loring and George Crawford are the incorporators.

The entire season's output of grainbags from the Walla Walla penitentiary has already been applied for, and many applications have been refused ecause of lack of capacity to supply hem. The price has not yet been grain, only one-eighth of which can be sum will be used for educational, charmanufactured at the state prison.

Mining Convention Delegates.

Governor Rogers, of Washington, is anxious to appoint delegates to the International Mining Convention, which Spokane city council to grant a fran-chise for this company in the streets of It is desirable that the state be well the city. Its application for a fran- represented at the convention, and the governor will appoint any reputable

INSURGENTS ANNOY

MAS THREE TIMES THE CIRCULATIO OF ANY PAPER IN THE COUNTY.

ADVERTISING BATHS.

Albay Province Much Harassed by Them.

THE AMERICANS SUFFER LOSSES

Bubonic Plague and Smallpox Among the Filipines-Operations of Bell and Beacon in Luzon.

Manila, Feb. 13.-Of late the insurgents in Albay province, Luzon, have adopted harassing tactics against the towns which the Americans have garrisoned They camp in the hills and maintain a constant fire upon the American outposes. When the troops sally against them, they scatter, returning when the Americans retire.

They shoot burning arrows, and have

thus burned a large part of the town of Albay. Indeed, most of the towns in that province are practically deserted, except by the garrison. Scarcely any of the inhabitants return to their homes. They are camping in the interior, and it is supposed armed insurgents agreed among themselves to observe prevent them going back. It is report-each other's rights, but it will be dif. ed that there is much suffering among them, owing to lack of food. As a re-sult of these conditions, the hemp business in that section is seriously hin-dered, and ships going for cargoes are compelled to take gangs of coolies to do their loading. Hemp held in the interior is quite inacc

it was a scheme of the steamship com- going there on transports. Many insurgents retreated to that part of the island from Cavite and Batangas provinces. Another expedition will soon terat to garrison towns along the north coast of the island of Mindanao.

Guerrilla warfare continues south of Manila. Two attempts have been made to ambush the Americans. Colonel Schwan, while returning to Manila with his staff and an escort of 100 cavalry from Batangas, was attacked by the insurgents. The latter were dis-persed, but the Americans had five wounded.

Lieutenant-Colonel Beacon, with six companies of the Forty-second infantry, had a two hours' fight with General Pio del Pilar's command, which attempted to ambush the Americans along the trail through Morong province, near the lake. Here, also, the insugents were dispersed, but the Americans had several wounded, among them a captain.

General Bell is operating southward through Zambales province with small force.

Another expedition is proceeding northward from Subig. It is reported that the insurgents general, Alejandro, has recovered from his wound and has assembled a large force in that district.

The plague continues. Eight cases were reported last week among the natives and Chinese. There is no excitement, however, and business and social life are undisturbed.

Smallpox is prevalent among the natives along the railroad and in the towns on the northern coast. Two officers of the Thirty-sixth infantry

ASSIMILATION OF CHINA

Disaster in Too Great Speed-Chinese

Chicago, Feb. 13 .- "The greatest question of our time is whether the arsimilation of the commercial force of China by the world will be a quick or slow process," declared Benjamin I. Wheeler, president of the University of California, who passed through Chicago today on his way East. "If the process be speedy," he continued, "there is likely to be a disastrous disturbance, but if it be natural and unforced, a peaceful adjustment will be insured. Therefore, the question, not so much of the Chinese as of China, is of paramount importance to Americans

"The pressure of ages has made of the Chinese, pastmasters in commerce. Their lack has been iron, and as the commercial development of this country has been characteristically that of metals, they have seemingly been distanced. But let them once acquire instruction from the Western world in the metal arts, and they will be able, with their genius, to revolutionize the commerce of the globe."

Bliggard in Colorado

Denver, Feb. 13.—A blizzard is sweeping over Colorado. The central and northern portions of the state are in the throes of the storm which is gradually moving southward. Snow has been falling in the mountains nearly all day, with no prospect of immediate abatement. As yet railroad traffic has not been affected to any great extent, but a continuance of the storm will seriously interfere with it. Reports from Southern Wyoming and Western Nebraska are to the effect that a blizzard has been raging in that vicinity today and is continuing.

Methodists in this country propose 1xed. It is estimated that 10,000,000 to raise \$20,000,000 as a "20th century sacks will be needed for the season's thank-offering fund." This immense itable and church purposes.

> Family Was Asphyziated. Chicago, Feb. 13.-Martin Jordan, an engineer, his wife Mary and their 5-months-old boy, were accidentally asphyxiated by gas last night in their home at Forty-third street and Stewart