

TAKING THE OATH

Nine Former Filipino Generals Have Sworn Allegiance

THEY ARE NOW LOYAL CITIZENS

Have Renounced All Forms of Revolution - They Acknowledge American Sovereignty in Luzon.

MANILA, June 27.—Nine insurgent leaders, including Generals Pio del Pilar, Concepcion, Garcia and Alvarez, were released today upon taking the oath of allegiance to the Government, and renouncing all forms of revolution in the Philippines, together with making a formal acknowledgment of American sovereignty. This oath is much stronger and more binding than the oath which General Otis administered, and was consequently distasteful to the Filipinos, who accepted it with bad grace, fully realizing the results of any violation. It is hoped that this sparing of the nine leaders will influence their men to take advantage of the amnesty, which has thus far been without results, other than those of today.

MISSIONARIES SAFE.

Chicago, June 27.—Through a cablegram he received yesterday, James W. Porter learned of the safe arrival at Chi Nan Fu of the Rev. Henry D. Porter and Miss Mary H. Porter, former residents of this city, missionaries of the American Board, who were stationed at Pang Chuang. The two were unable to reach Tien Tsin, 200 miles north of their post of duty, and it had been feared that harm would befall them. The cablegram states that they were given military escort to Chi Nan Fu.

COREA IS HOSTILE.

Yokohama, June 27.—The Emperor has sanctioned an outlay of 15,000,000 yen towards the cost of military operations in China. It is reported in Seoul that there is increasing hostility toward Christians in Corea. Corea, it is said, repudiates the land contract which gave to Russia a site for a coal depot and a naval hospital, as Russia wished to apply towards the price the amount of the pending claims against Corea.

BENTON COUNTY NOTES.

Corvallis Times:

Asked about the condition of the local wool market a Corvallis dealer said, "The business is intensified." The price remains unchanged, fifteen cents being offered for the best grades of wool. At these prices only a few lots are changing hands. Growers with lots of from 200 to 500 pounds occasionally make sales, but in no cases are there offerings of larger amounts. How long the present conditions will prevail, local dealers are unable to predict.

There is a probability that the population of the Willamette valley will, in the not far distant future, be increased by the arrival from Holland of numerous immigrants. Letters written by Charles Van Gross to friends there have aroused the interest of the Hollanders, until 10 or 12 families now contemplate the journey to Oregon. Mr. Van Gross has written also to friends in South Africa, and it is not beyond the limit of possibilities that residents of that war-darkened land may seek homes in peaceful Webfoot.

It is said that the damage to the growing wheat crop chiefly affects the autumn and early spring sowing. Of the fall sowing the acreage is comparatively small. A Corvallis man who has been in several parts of the county figures it out that not more than 25 per cent is fall sown. Of the damaged spring there is only a small amount. The latter sown is thrifty in appearance, and promise a large yield. Aphid, however, is said to be appearing in large numbers. Sheriff Rickard saw multitudes of them in one of his oat fields. They were so thick on his oats that they could be seen in clusters thirty feet away.

S. L. Henderson has been to the Bohemia mines. He was absent ten days, returning Sunday. On the way to the mines, Mr. Henderson met a party bringing out the proceeds of a thirty days' run in the Helena mine. The party had \$60,000.

LITTLE EXPENSE.—The June term of circuit court was quite inexpensive. The court was in session only 1 1/2 days, and the jury only drew two days' pay, not a jury case occurring.—Eugene (Lane county) Guard.

Mayor Van Wyck of New York is coming in for a good deal of criticism just now on account of his connection with the ice monopoly in that city. The other day he met Colonel John F. Gaynor, ex-chairman of the Democratic State committee, and remarked: "You and I are getting our names in the papers a good deal lately." "Yes," answered Gaynor, "so I am." Van Wyck made a heroic, but not altogether successful, effort to smile.

"The audience just laughed at my tragedy," said the young dramatist. "Oh, well, don't be discouraged," returned the man of experience.

"I'm not," returned the young dramatist. "I'm going to call it a comedy and let it go at that."—Chicago Post.

"My goodness!" said the society girl who had just been accepted as a member of the comic opera chorus, "what a little bit of a dressing-room!"

"Oh," said the manager, "it'll be plenty big enough for you to put on all the clothes you'll have to wear."—Chicago Times-Herald.

Papa—Aha! You have disobeyed me. Willie—I tried not to. It isn't my fault.

Papa—Not your fault, eh? Willie—No, sir. You said: "Don't let me catch you at that again," and I done my best not to let you.—Philadelphia Press.

LIGHTS AND SIDELIGHTS.

"Henry, I'm going to ask our clergyman to sell tickets to his sermons."

"You aren't losing your mind, are you?"

"No; but I notice that when you buy tickets to anything thunder and lightning won't keep you at home."—Indianapolis Journal.

"The most difficult problem of life is to grow old gracefully."

"Oh, I don't think so; it is much more of a problem to stay young gracefully."—Chicago Record.

"Of all the fool things," said the farmer wearily, "the advice to make hay while the sun shines is the worst. Why, when the sun shines it'll make hay itself."—Chicago Post.

"Did you ever try mud baths for your rheumatism?"

"No, I once ran for a political office, but that was before rheumatism had asserted itself."—Chicago Times-Herald.

Korean wives have a pretty hard

kind of existence. There is really no home life in the hermit kingdom. Women are of very little account. If a man meets his wife on the streets he does not recognize her, while if she notices her legs bared in time she slips out of sight as soon as possible.

Fat—Remember, my boy, to reach fame you must climb.

Student—How about the people that jump off Brooklyn bridge, paw?—Chicago Record.

Mrs. Rooral—The paper sez the British hey captured the last of the Boers' lager.

Mr. Rooral (emphatically)—That settles the war; take away a Dutchman's beer an' his ambition's gone.—Judge.

A BEQUEST TO FRANCIS JOSEPH. Among the many bequests which have fallen to the lot of Emperor Francis Joseph of Austria is a hotel at Bernin, left him by the proprietor sixty years ago, says the St. Louis Post-Dispatch. It was a valuable property. The Emperor accepted the bequest, although he did not employ it for his own benefit, but sold it for an enormous sum, which he gave to a child's hospital.

THE LONDON MANSION HOUSE FUND.

In London the Mansion House has been every record this year in regard to its relief funds, says the Chicago News. Nearly \$7,300,000 of money has been received there within the last six months—for the war sufferers, \$4,500,000; the Indian famine, \$1,150,000; the Transvaal refugees, \$800,000; and the City Imperial volunteers, \$800,000. Now to these is to be added a fund for the sufferers by the fire at Ottawa, for which nearly \$250,000 has been received.

ENGLISH BATTLE HEROES.

Of the men who won the Victoria Cross in the far-away fifties no fewer than 64 are living today, so that of all the living men who are entitled to wear the cross more than two out of every five have lived to wear it. Even more than 40 years. Even of the band of 32 Crimean heroes, who were decorated by the queen in Hyde park on the 29th of June, 1857, 24 are still living.

William Terrot, master of the

fattleship Massachusetts, was with his shipmates at the battle of Santiago and came out unscathed. Later he fell and broke his leg, but the ship surgeon mended it so skillfully that William is now as frisky as ever. A few days ago the crew decorated him with a wide leather collar studded with brass nail heads. On a silver plate is this inscription: "Presented to William Terrot for bravery in action."

STAMP TAX FOR TURKISH DOCTORS.

The method suggested by the Turkish government for taxing physicians is an ingenious one. The officials propose to make it compulsory for all physicians to write their prescriptions upon blanks bearing a government stamp and also to have printed upon it the name of the doctor and the number of his diploma, the purpose being not only to increase the government income, but to regulate the practice of medicine so that none but regular physicians can follow the profession.

CARBONS ARE NON-WASTING.

The Electro-technische Rundschau

WHEN CHILDREN DREAM.

According to the recent studies of Signor De Sanctis of Turin, children begin to dream before their fourth year, but are unable to recall dreams before the age of 5. This age, he concludes, is that at which a child first becomes instinctively conscious of self. Aged people dream less frequently and less vividly than the young. Women's dreams are more frequent, more vivid and better remembered than those of men.

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