

RULING BY GOODNOW

T WILL HAVE FAR-REACHING EFFECT IN PHILIPPINE WAR.

Aguinaldo Will Have Trouble In Future In Securing Arms and Ammunition Through Chinese Sources. Comments of Chinese Press.

Washington, Aug. 7.—Hon. John Goodnow, consul general of the United States at Shanghai, has rendered a decision as refers in the consular court which will be of far-reaching importance during the continuance of the war in the Philippines. The case was in relation to the steamer *Abbey*, charged with taking arms from Canton to Luzon. It has been in contention for some time. The owners of the vessel gave a bond that the ship should land the arms purchased at Singapore, but she did not do so. The bond was demanded by the Chinese customs authorities. Mr. Goodnow holds that it must be paid. The importance of the decision is pointed out by the Shanghai Mercury, which says:

"The effect of the decision of Mr. Goodnow reaches much beyond the mere fact of being judgment for the plaintiff with the penalty of the bond and the costs of the suit. Hitherto the American forces at Manila have had to fight against Filipinos well armed with modern rifles and guns, and it is no secret that the majority of these arms have been landed in the Philippines from Chinese ports. When United States consular officials have received information that cargoes of weapons were about to be shipped from China, their urgent protests to the Chinese authorities have been the means of stopping shipments. But when the United States officials, through want of knowledge, have been ignorant of such contraband runs, the Chinese officials have likewise been blind to these shipments, though no doubt well aware of such. It is in this respect that Mr. Goodnow has scored such an important point. On the strength of that judgment the officers of the imperial maritime customs of China must necessarily do all in their power to stop shipments of arms to suspicious destinations. It has been decided on the motion of the customs that China is liable for any shipments of arms which get to the Philippines through lack of diligence or honesty on the part of the customs or the Chinese officials. Therefore, the judgment in the Drew vs. Sylvester case will be the means of checking the chief source of supply of arms and warlike material that the Filipinos have possessed."

The North China Daily News publishes the decision of Consul General Goodnow in full, and comments editorially upon its importance in the matter of preventing further shipments of arms to the insurgents in the Philippines and says that it will be far-reaching in its effect in stopping the sending of arms to the Filipinos.

YELLOW FEVER

Reports to Surgeon General Wyman Show a Satisfactory Condition. Washington, Aug. 7.—All reports received by Surgeon General Wyman of the marine hospital service indicate that the yellow fever situation at the soldiers' home and the conditions in the localities thereabout continue satisfactory. The measures adopted by the government to prevent the spread of the disease are working admirably. There were no new cases and no deaths at the home yesterday, according to a dispatch from Governor Woodfin.

ARMORPLATE TEST

Washington, Aug. 5.—An armor test was made at the Indian Head proving grounds yesterday of a 5½-inch plate representing 700 tons of the casemate and belt armor of the battleship Alabama. Two shots from a 6-inch projectile failed to pierce the plate, the greatest depression being 3½ inches, and there were no cracks. The armor will be accepted. The plate tested heretofore failed to meet the requirements.

FRENCH PAPERS

Comments on Dreyfus' Appearance at the Courtmartial Trial.

Paris, Aug. 8.—While the papers yesterday scarcely had time to comment on the courtmartial, they all endeavored to draw conclusions from the different descriptions of the personal appearance of the prisoner at the trial. The Nationalist papers declared Dreyfus appeared embarrassed, while the Journal des Debats said: "Neither his face nor his words evoke sympathy. His voice sounds false and his protestations of innocence are not convincing."

The Temps, on the other hand, said: "He replied in a tone of assurance, and with clearness and conciseness which carried conviction."

The correspondent of Figaro said: "Dreyfus leaves nothing remaining of the accusations. His whole attitude proclaimed his innocence."

Views of London Papers.

London, Aug. 8.—All the correspondents of the London papers at Kennes comment in their dispatches upon the disconcerted manner in which Colonel Jouast questioned and bullied Dreyfus, especially regarding his relations with women and his private life. The correspondent of The Times thinks the pressing judge only desired to accomplish an unpleasant task with military, laconic and business-like celerity.

Paris, Aug. 8.—General Pierron has been appointed to succeed General de Negrier as a member of the superior council of war. General de Negrier was removed from membership in the superior council of war on July 25, for making remarks incompatible with military discipline.

TWO AWFUL ACCIDENTS

One at Bridgeport, Conn., and the Other at Bar Harbor, Me.

Bridgeport, Conn., Aug. 7.—Nearly 40 people were killed by an accident on the Stratford extension of the Shelton Street Railway company yesterday afternoon, when a loaded trolley car went off the trestle over Peck's millpond at Orono, about six miles north of Bridgeport, and sank in the flats 40 feet below. Thus far 36 people are known to be dead and several more injured.

Only two persons are known to have escaped unharmed. It is believed there were 46 passengers, on the car, but the indicator was removed by a conductor of another car and spirited away, so that it is impossible to state accurately the number aboard.

The accident was witnessed by Miss Francis Peck, who resides about 400 feet from the bridge. She was upstairs at her home as the car was passing, and she says that it was running unusually fast.

Frank Cramer, who was bathing near the bridge, states that the passengers were all singing and in the most joyful mood as they passed him.

The road, which is practically controlled by the Bridgeport Traction company, was opened for traffic last Thursday.

BAR HARBOR CALAMITY.

One Hundred Excursionists Precipitated Into the Water.

Bar Harbor, Me., Aug. 7.—While a crowd of excursionists were on the way to see the warships, a slip leading from the dock to the boat at Mount Desert ferry, broke, precipitating more than 100 persons into the water. Twenty bodies have been recovered and it is estimated that the dead will number 30 or more.

ILLEGAL DISTILLERIES

Revenue Officers Capture Two Near Chickamauga Park.

Chattanooga, Aug. 7.—United States revenue officers have raided two illicit distilleries, operated within three miles of Chickamauga park. Both establishments did a land office business last year in supplying whiskey to soldiers at Chickamauga park and had defied arrest, the soldiers aiding the moonshiners in keeping the officers off the track. Both stills were in active operation when raided. The first distillery raided was conducted by Moses Long. Twelve hundred gallons of beer and 30 gallons of low wine were found and destroyed. The second still was about a mile away, operated by G. W. Lanham. About the same amount of beer and wine was found and destroyed. Lanham escaped.

GOVERNOR CHANDLER

Saves a Prisoner From Lynching at Newnan.

Atlanta, Aug. 5.—It became known yesterday that Governor Chandler of this state made a personal trip to Newnan, a town 60 miles south of this city, to save the life of the negro rapist, John Mullens, charged with an assault upon Mrs. Cook near Senoia, Ga., Wednesday.

Governor Chandler arrived at the jail of Coweta county an hour after day-break. He took command of the Newnan Guards, a company of the state militia, which had been guarding the jail during the night from a mob, and directed Sheriff Brown to take his prisoner at once to Atlanta for safe keeping. The mob was successfully avoided and the prisoner lodged in jail in this city.

MURDER AT CANTON

A Mother Cuts the Throat of Her 16-Year-Old Daughter.

Canton, O., Aug. 7.—Ruth Swartz, aged 16, was killed by her mother, Mrs. Catherine Wise, yesterday. The murderer then went a mile and a half and threw herself into a pool of water at an abandoned stone quarry. Her body was fished out by neighbors. The facts brought out by an investigation of the county coroner are that the young girl lived in an unfortunate way. The distressed mother declared she would find some way to save her daughter. The mother slashed her daughter's throat with a razor. In her struggle for life the girl threw up her hands, which were cut with the razor.

SOUTH DAKOTA GOLD

Ore Averaging \$32 a Ton Discovered in Two-Bit District, S. D.

Deadwood, S. D., Aug. 5.—Ore has just been struck in the Deadwood and Detroit company's drift in Two-Bit district which averages \$32 gold a ton. The company is controlled by New York, Chicago and Detroit capitalists. Four directors of the company are here figuring on a reduction plant. This is the second strike of ore made within a month.

The World's Gold.

Washington, Aug. 5.—The director of the mint has nearly completed his estimate of the world's gold production for the year 1898. The data at hand seems to warrant the conclusion that the production will amount to at least \$294,000,000, and possibly \$295,000,000. Australia leads all other countries with \$80,300,000, with Australia second with \$67,500,000, and the United States third with \$64,463,000. Russia is credited with \$25,000,000, Mexico with \$10,000,000, and Canada (including the Klondike) with \$114,000,000.

Augusta, Ga., Aug. 7.—Mrs. L. H. Pickens, relic of South Carolina's war governor, who was at one time minister to Russia, is lying critically ill at her home at Edgefield, near Edgefield, S. C. She is suffering from paralysis. Mrs. Pickens has been prominently identified with Mount Vernon, the home of Washington, since it has been under the care of the Women of America. She is one of the most noted women of the south.

THE GOLD STANDARD

H. H. HANNA OF MONETARY CONVENTION TALKS.

Entirely Satisfied With Prospects of Financial Legislation by Next Congress—Bill Framed That Will Not Disappoint Sound Money Advocates.

Indianapolis, Aug. 5.—H. H. Hanna, chairman of the executive committee of the monetary convention, has returned from a sojourn in the east, a part of which was spent in consultation with members of the senate finance committee at Narragansett Pier. Mr. Hanna declined to go into particulars about the work of the committee, but expressed himself as entirely satisfied with the prospects for financial legislation at the next session.

"The bill agreed upon," said he, "by the caucus committee of the house at Atlantic City is wisely conservative, and I am sufficiently familiar with the

Good Horse Sense.

The Mexican burros ascertain where to dig for water by closely observing the surface of the ground. One observer writes:

"We had found water in an arroyo of a sufficient quantity to make coffee, when we saw three burros searching for water. They passed several camp places, examining the ground closely, when the leader halted near us and began to paw a hole in the hot dry sand. Having dug a hole something over a foot in depth, he backed out and watched it intently. To our surprise it soon began to fill with water. Then he advanced, took a drink and stepped aside for his companions to drink. When they went away, we drank from their well and found the water to be much cooler than any we had found for many a day. There is no witchcraft about Mexican burros, but they have good horse sense."

Where the Tail Went.

Do you remember the story of Harry's and George's rabbits—how Harry's rabbit got out of its hutch and disappeared for a week and at last crept home without its tail to die and how, when Harry cried bitterly over his dead tailless rabbit, George tried to comfort him:

"Don't cry, Harry, dear; don't cry. It's only the body you see! The tail has gone to heaven."—"Memories and Fancies," by Lady Gordon.

Weary Willie.

Weary Willie and his friend Frowsey, strolling along the seashore, stop before a sign reading: "Notice! Bathing Is Dangerous. Quicksands."

Weary Willie—Dere. Frowsey: dere's true public spirit for yer. Dat man's a true public educator. I don't know who dat feller Quicksands is, but he's got de right idea uv tings an ain't afraid to say so, an if he wuz here I'd take off me hat to him.—Leslie's Weekly

Holding His Job.

"I think the man who works at that place across the street is the most faithful and conscientious workman I ever saw. He never takes a holiday and always labors away till it's too dark to see any longer."

"Faithful workman? Great Scott! He's the proprietor of the shop!"—Chicago Tribune.

Ineligible.

Pilson—Are you going to take part in that guessing contest?

Dilson—Oh, no; they'd rule me out as a professional.

Pilson—Professional?

Dilson—Yes; you know I am connected with the weather bureau.—Columbus (O.) State Journal

FAILED TO STAND ASIDE

Young Man Killed by Russian Shooting at a Telegraph Pole.

East Bernstadt, Ky., Aug. 7.—Clyde Thompson, aged 18, son of Deputy United States Marshal George Thompson, Saturday night was leaning against a telegraph pole. A young man named Holt came along and told Thompson to stand aside, as he wanted to shoot at the pole. This he refused to do. Again Holt told him and again Thompson refused. Then Holt drew a 45 colt and fired at the pole, of course hitting Thompson, who is fatally wounded, the ball passing through his body one inch from his heart.

CHINA RECEIVES WARNING

An Alliance With Japan Would Give Offense to Russia.

Pekin, Aug. 8.—M. Degiers, the Russian minister, has addressed a note to the Tsung Li Yamen, warning that body that the conclusion of an alliance with Japan would give offense to Russia, and consequences to China would be most serious.

Was Mistaken For a Kaffir.

London, Aug. 7.—The Johannesburg correspondent of The Daily Mail says:

A colored American citizen, a blacksmith, was mistaken for a Kaffir outside the Exchange and was cruelly maltreated by the police, among whom was a field coroner, for his inability to produce a pass. The United States consul has taken up the matter.

Peace Chapel at The Hague.

The Hague, Aug. 8.—The American delegates to the recent peace conference have offered, on behalf of the United States, to erect near the English church a peace chapel, with a stone to commemorate the conference. The offer has been gratefully accepted.

Transport McPherson.

States transport McPherson, from Cuban and Porto Rican ports, passed in at Sandy Hook this morning. She brings discharged and furloughed officers and men.

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