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RENSSELAER, INDIANA

WHOLE ARMY IS LOST.

WHEREABOUTS OF 15,000 SPANISH SOLDIERS UNKNOWN.

Reports of Losses Falsified, Details as to Positions Unrecorded, or Men Have Deserted—Insurgents Have a Skirmish Near Havana.

Official Arms Alarmed.

A dispatch from Havana reports 15,000 Spanish soldiers missing in Cuba. The fact has been communicated to the Madrid Government and the search for their whereabouts is going on day and night. Official circles are alarmed, for 15,000 men, with 15,000 rifles and 500,000 cartridges, are an enormous item to the Spanish army. The disappearance of the men will ultimately be traced to either death in battle, the number of which has been concealed to hide Spanish losses, details to positions in various parts of the island of which no record has been kept, or desertions to join the insurgents. The Spanish records show that entire garrisons have joined the rebels with their arms in every province in the island. An order was issued by Gen. Weyler several days ago for a report of number, position and condition of the army. The responses to this, it is said, have increased the confusion, and there are reports now from reliable sources that there are 20,000 men, instead of 15,000, to be accounted for. Insurgents under Villanueva and Baldomero Acosta had a brisk skirmish with Spanish regulars, civil guards and police near Punta Brava, a village less than ten miles from Havana. This is the first time in weeks that rebels in any considerable number have been so close to the west gates of Havana.

COL. NICOL'S APPEAL.

Deplores Ballington Booth's Resignation—Secession Discussed.

Col. Nicol, of the Salvation army, has sent out an appeal by mail and wire to officers and soldiers in which he refers to the action of Ballington Booth and his wife as a "terrible step" and describes the members of the "Gen. Booth's family as 'crushed with indescribable sorrow'." He appeals to the army to be loyal. Staff Captain Caygill, discussing the situation, said: "Commander Booth will soon decide whether to lead an independent movement. His decision will depend on our action in the meantime. There is a strong secession sentiment and if it develops into an open revolt we will insist upon Ballington Booth leading us again."

ENCAMPMENT IN ST. PAUL.

Gen. Walker Says the G. A. R. Will Meet There in September.

Gen. Ivan N. Walker, head of the Grand Army of the Republic, has sent to Adj. Gen. Robbins, at the Grand Army headquarters in Indianapolis, his proclamation calling the annual encampment at St. Paul in the first week of September. Gen. Walker said he had lately visited all the principal Northern cities and found there was strong opposition to the project to hold a "blue and gray" parade in New York city on the Fourth of July.

COLONISTS FOR LIBERIA.

Oklahoma Negroes Accepting Liberal Offers from African Republic. Agents of the Liberian Government are at work at Guthrie, O. T., securing colored emigrants for that country. Six colored men left Monday night for Charleston to take passage and more will follow. They have been promised thirty acres of land each, a yoke of oxen, provisions for three months and immovable other things from the Liberian Government. Most of them give up every dollar they have in the world for their tickets of passage.

Woman Fights for Five Weeks.

Mrs. Valentine Kurtz, of S. S. Dinsdale, N. Y., has now fasted from food for a period of thirty-four days, and having got along so far without collapse, trying to outdo all records in the fasting line. For the first two weeks of her self-imposed task her neighbors endeavored to dissuade her from her attempt, but now all are urging her to break all world's records. She is very weak, and confined to her bed.

Suspected Express Robber Caught.

John M. Sullivan was arrested at DuPont, Ga., on suspicion of being George Washington McCormick, who robbed the Adams Express Company at Farmington, Ind., of a large sum. A month ago an Indiana detective left photographs and descriptions, and on these the man who called himself Sullivan was arrested.

Mr. Cody Offers Reward.

Arthur B. Cody, of Chicago, whose wife, Mrs. Grace Goodrich Cody, disappeared from Tacoma, Wash., Jan. 31, 1896, has offered a reward of \$1,000 for finding and restoring her to him alive. This offer to hold good until May 1 next. Mrs. Cody was suffering at the time of her disappearance from a nervous trouble.

Millionaire Commits Suicide.

Millionaire Thomas Walker, formerly a member of the dry goods firm of Lord & Taylor, committed suicide at New York during a temporary fit of insanity, induced by despondency over the death of one of his sons last summer.

Tariff Bill Knocked Out.

After a most exciting debate Tuesday, the Senate, by a vote of 33 to 22, defeated the tariff bill. Five silver Republican Senators—Cameron, Carter, Dubois, Mantle and Teller, voted with the Democrats.

A Week Enough for Mrs. Hayes.

Mr. Edward D. Hayes applied for a divorce at Shamokin, Pa., after one week of married life. She was married at a stylish wedding in Trevorton. Her maiden name was Anna Ziegler. Mrs. Hayes has discovered her husband to be a professional thief.

Three Children Dead.

Three children are dead and one lying at Johns Hopkins hospital in a precarious condition as the result of the fire caused by the ignition of coal oil in the house of Frederick Rose, Baltimore.

Grand Army Post Suspended.

The command of administration of the Grand Army of the Republic authorized the department commander to "suspend Post 174, of Fredricktown, Mo., because Col. Albert, commander, issued a circular letter recommending the nomination of B. B. Cahoon for Governor."

Preachers Declare a Boycott.

The ministers of Cleveland have requested merchants, saloonkeepers and other managers to close during the coming revival. Manager Norris, of the Grand Opera House, has refused, and the ministers and their committees announce a boycott.

STRIKE IS NOW ON.

Chicago Garment Cutters Have Resolved to Quit Work.

The Chicago Garment Cutters' and Trimmers' Union decided early Thursday morning to strike, and by their action 20,000 persons will be thrown out of employment. Some of the clothing manufacturers are exempt from the decision of the union because they have agreed to the terms of the cutters. But of the 900 members of the union about 750 decided to quit work. This decision will, of course, affect the tailors, binders and sweater workers who do not belong to any union. The cutters' association decided that they hold out against the cutters because the spring trade is over. But the cutters assert that the clothing houses are full of heavy-weight goods for the fall and winter trade, which must be got out of the way in a few weeks. Consequently a bitter fight is expected, and the union is prepared for a long strike because it has got the savings of two years to keep up the struggle. The union demands a maximum rate of \$20 a week for cutting the maximum amount of fourteen suits a day. The manufacturers' association declared that this is a discrimination against the good workmen, who are worth \$22 a week, while the poor cutters are assessed in value from \$11 to \$16 a week.

CUBAN LEADERS DEAD.

Senor de la Cruz Dies at New York and Senor Gomez in a Penal Colony.

The sudden death in New York of Senor Juan de la Cruz, private secretary to the Spanish Envoy to Panama, and the receipt of a cable message from Madrid announcing the death at the Spanish penal colony at Ceuta, Africa, of Juan Gualberto Gomez, who was the first man to lead a Cuban force in the field at the opening of hostilities on Feb. 24, 1895, has cast a gloom over the Cuban colony in New York. Juan Gualberto Gomez was one of the most brilliant leaders that Cuba ever produced. He was editor-in-chief of the Havana Daily La Lucha and of the Equilda, the organ of the Republicans, in which he boldly advocated separation from Spain and absolute Cuban independence long before the revolution. While Jose Marti was at work in this country organizing the Cubans and getting ready for the present revolt, Gomez was the president of the committee of work in preparing for the revolution. When he was decided to begin hostilities Gomez left Havana with sixteen men, and on Feb. 24, a year ago, he declared the revolution as begun near Ibarra, in Matanzas, and fired the first shot.

REPUBLICAN JOSS HOUSE.

Clarkson Wants One Built in New York City.

James S. Clarkson of Iowa, George Christ of Arizona, and other members of the Republican national committee in New York are responsible for a project which is said to have the concurrence of Republicans all over the country for a great Republican headquarters, where members of the party from every State can find a political home. The estimated cost of the proposed structure is between \$2,000,000 and \$5,000,000. It is to be built by general contributions and every State in the Union is to be called upon to furnish some of its peculiar products for the building. The scheme, Mr. Clarkson said, would be brought to the attention of the national committee at its next meeting, and if endorsed by that body the St. Louis convention would be asked to give it formal approval.

BIG LOCKOUT THREATENED.

Socialists May Force 10,000 New York Tailors Out of Employment.

In New York another big lockout of tailors is threatened. Should it be ordered 10,000 tailors will be thrown out of work. The trouble is due to a fight now waging between the general executive board of the United Garment Workers and the socialists, who gained control of the United Brotherhood of Tailors early in January by electing their candidates for offices. The organizers and leaders of the brotherhood resigned when they were defeated at the election. They followed the recent lockout. The tailors begged the old leaders to come to their relief. They did so and an agreement was patched up.

CHARGED TO REBELS.

Infarnal Machine Found Near a Factory in Havana.

It would appear that the long-anticipated demonstration of the insurgents of Havana are commencing. Thursday night an infernal machine was found near the Aguila de Oro cigar factory. The police are trying to find the authors of the attempted outrage. The autonomist Mayor of Managua and his brother, who recently joined the insurgents, have been captured by the Spanish authorities. They will be tried on the charge of treason.

SAID TO BE SHORT \$10,000.

Elias Baker, Clerk of the District Court at Lancaster County, Neb., is reported to be short in his accounts from \$6,000 to \$10,000.

The commissioners intend to bring suit to recover the amount.

CHOPPED TO PIECES.

J. T. Lamborn, a wealthy farmer, has been found murdered in his house at Fall Leaf, a remote station northeast of Lawrence, Kan.

The purdeurs literally chopped the old man to pieces.

WALLER A FREE MAN.

Secretary Olney received a cablegram from Ambassador Eustis, announcing that Waller, the ex-consul to Madagascar, was released from jail. It is expected that Waller will return to the United States.

FORTUNE FOR A WAITER.

Mathew Gogovitch, who until recently earned a living as a waiter in the restaurants of Sacramento, Cal., has received news from Austria that he is heir to a fortune.

MARKE QUOTATIONS.

Chicago—Cattle, common to prime, \$3.50 to \$4.75; hogs, shipping grades, \$3.00 to \$4.25; sheep, fair to choice, \$2.50 to \$4.00; wheat, No. 2 red, 62¢ to 63¢; corn, No. 2, 28¢ to 30¢; oats, No. 2, 19¢ to 20¢; rye, No. 2, 38¢ to 40¢; butter, choice creamy, 10¢ to 21¢; eggs, fresh, 11¢ to 13¢; potatoes, per bushel, 18¢ to 25¢; broom corn, 2¢ to 4¢ per pound for pot.

INDIANAPOLIS—Cattle, shipping, \$3.00 to \$4.50; hogs, choice light, \$3.00 to \$4.50; sheep, common to prime, \$2.00 to \$3.75; wheat, No. 2, 43¢ to 71¢; corn, No. 1 white, 27¢ to 29¢; oats, No. 2 white, 23¢ to 24¢.

DETROIT—Cattle, \$2.50 to \$4.75; hogs, \$3.00 to \$4.25; sheep, \$2.00 to \$4.00; wheat, No. 2 red, 72¢ to 73¢; corn, No. 2 yellow, 27¢ to 29¢; oats, No. 2 white, 22¢ to 24¢; rye, No. 2, 41¢ to 42¢.

TOLEDO—Wheat, No. 2 red, 72¢ to 73¢; corn, No. 2 yellow, 28¢ to 30¢; oats, No. 2 white, 21¢ to 23¢; rye, No. 2, 40¢ to 42¢; clover seed, \$4.40 to \$4.45.

MILWAUKEE—Wheat, No. 2, 28¢ to 32¢; corn, No. 3, 20¢ to 28¢; oats, No. 2 white, 20¢ to 22¢; barley, No. 2, 32¢ to 35¢; rye, No. 1, 38¢ to 40¢; pork, mess, \$9.50 to \$10.25.

BUFFALO—Cattle, \$2.50 to \$5.00; hogs, \$3.00 to \$4.75; sheep, \$2.50 to \$4.50; wheat, No. 2 red, 76¢ to 78¢; corn, No. 2 yellow, 32¢ to 34¢; oats, No. 2 white, 22¢ to 25¢.

NEW YORK—Cattle, \$3.00 to \$5.00; hogs, \$3.00 to \$5.00; sheep, \$2.00 to \$4.25; wheat, No. 2 red, 72¢ to 73¢; corn, No. 2 white, 23¢ to 30¢; oats, No. 2 white, 23¢ to 25¢; butter, creamy, 10¢ to 22¢; eggs, Western, 13¢ to 14¢.

G. C. BARNUM A RAVING MANIAC.

G. C. Barnum, a prominent St. Louis man and father-in-law of General Manager W. B. Dodridge of the Missouri Pacific railway, is confined in the Hot Springs Ark. prison, a raving maniac. The cause of the man's unfortunate mental condition is attributed to a love affair in which he was not successful. He has been infatuated, it is said, with Mrs. A. P. McCrary, a dashing widow, proprietor of a fashionable boarding-house.

AGAINST DEATH DANCERS.

Chief Debot, the head medicine man of the Osage tribe of Indians, and the active

politician, has issued an imperative order discontinuing death dances in the nation. When an Osage dies, according to a long-established custom, all his relatives go absolutely naked until the death dance, which occurs thirty days after his fatal-ity. This custom of going naked has played havoc with them, making them subject to colds that invariably end in consumption. Seven per cent of the adults of the tribe are now in the last stages of consumption, and it is this alarming fact that causes the editor the edict. The importance of the measure is so great that death dances will be treason against the nation.

SEVEN MEET DEATH.

Fearful Death Roll at a Private Residence.

As the result of a fire which started in the cellar of the four-story marble front residence of James R. Armiger, at Baltimore, at 8:15 o'clock Sunday morning, seven persons are dead, one is fatally and four others are slightly injured and a fine dwelling is completely wrecked. The most astonishing circumstances about the disaster is that although the fire broke out at an hour when many persons were on the streets, and hardly five minutes elapsed before the firemen forced their way into the house, the seven mentioned were past rescue. No more flagrant illustration of defective house construction could have been furnished. Not more than eighteen inches from the furnace was a wood partition. This was ignited and with great rapidity the flames leaped up a stairway in the center of the dwelling to the roof. Hangings and woodwork furnished abundant fuel, and in the dense smoke the members of the household, some of whom had not yet arisen and none of whom had left their apartments, lost their way, groped about wildly, sunk down, suffocated and perished.

SWEETHEART RETRIVED HIM.

Missouri Farmer Under Arrest for Counterfeiting at St. Joseph.

John W. Smith, a young farmer of Princeton, Mo., is under arrest on charges of counterfeiting. Mrs. Laura Lemon, a sweetheart of Smith's, informed the officers. She claims Smith offered her counterfeit dollars to pass on merchants, and she was arrested and placed in jail. She wrote letters to John and Abe Brummell, of Princeton, threatening to expose them as members of the gang of counterfeiters if they did not secure her release. They easily secured the bond. Meantime the Federal officers got possession of the letters and other evidence against the Brummells. A large amount of counterfeit coin was found at Smith's house.

BUSINESS AT THE Isthmus.

The United States Should Have Its Share of It.

If English and French business houses can afford to pay their traveling agents on the isthmus of Panama \$12,000 a year, including expenses, why cannot American firms do as well? It is the question put by United States Consul General Vifquin at Panama in a report to the State Department treating of the unsatisfactory rate of progress made by Americans in obtaining business on the isthmus. The Consul General says this cannot be done by correspondence, and he suggests that our merchants by combination maintain a house of samples at Panama, where their goods may be seen by the people and ordered through a resident agent.

Death of a Famous Humorist.

Edgar Wilson, the humorist, died at his home, "The Shells," eight miles from Asheville, N. C., at noon Saturday of apoplexy. He had laid in the helpless condition since he was struck on Tuesday night, not having spoken to or recognized any one. Mr. Ney's brother, a prominent attorney of Minneapolis, Minn., arrived about three hours after his brother's death. His daughters arrived from Washington city, and were at the bedside until the end.

Fears a Living Dissection.

Thursday night an insane man ran to the Burlington, Iowa, police station to seek shelter from doctors whom he claimed were about to dissect him alive at St. Francis hospital. He had escaped from his nurse, and run in his stocking feet over snow and ice four of a mile to the station.

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