

# QUEEN WILHELMINA SOON TO BE CROWNED.

## The Ceremony Will Be as Elaborate as the Czar's Coronation.—Holland's Girl Queen.

Holland's girl queen will be crowned on Sept. 6 and she will then really reign over all Holland. The ceremonies attending the event will be as elaborate as the coronation of the czar.

Queen Wilhelmina will celebrate her 18th birthday, which comes on Aug. 31, in a quiet way with her mother at The Hague. On Sept. 5 they will proceed to Amsterdam, the capital of Holland, where they will be met by the high officers of state and a great military escort. The streets will be decorated in a splendid manner characteristic of Dutch art.

From the hour of 7 o'clock on the morning of Sept. 6 church music will be played from all the steeples of Amsterdam.

At 11 o'clock will take place the great ceremony which will make Wilhelmina reigning queen of Holland. The scene will be the Nieuwe Kerk, which is the nearest approach to a cathedral provided by the Calvinist Dutch church.

The Dutch government has ordered home from Java all the jewels in the treasury, which have been taken from the rajahs and native rulers of that vast island, in order to make for the young queen a crown, a scepter and an orb. Among them are some of the most splendid jewels in the world.

The following is the oath which the queen will take: "I swear to the Dutch people that I will observe and always maintain the constitution. I swear that I will defend and guard with all my power the independence and the territory of the empire, that I will protect public and private liberty and the rights of my subjects, and that I will use every means confided in me by the and individual well-being, as a good

torian in that she inherits the throne after a monarch notorious for his depravity. Victoria's accession was separated by only a few years from the death of George IV., the worst debauchee in Europe.

Wilhelmina's father, King William III., who died in 1889, left an unsavory reputation behind him as the Dutch Don Juan. His intrigues were the talk of the world. He had his favorites, like Louis XV. He was proud of the scandals to which he and they gave birth. He frequented the concert halls, where obscene jokes were made about his adventures. He laughed as heartily and applauded as vigorously as any one. He had no sense of shame, no conscience, no scruples, no domestic affections. He was a standing satire upon monarchy.

### "FIGHTING BOB'S" DEFENSE.

Letter from Capt. Evans About His Religious Views and Practices.

Capt. Robley D. Evans of the battleship Iowa has sent the following letter to the editor of the Index of Williamsport, Pa., says the New York Times. It is in reply to an article published by the Index praising Capt. Philip of the Texas for his "after-action" prayer and contrasting Capt. Philip's action with what is referred to by the paper as the "frequently published profanity" of Capt. Evans. The letter is dated at Guantanamo bay, Cuba, July 23:

"I beg to acknowledge the receipt today of a copy of your paper which you have been good enough to send to me. I am somewhat at a loss to know whether you sent it for the purpose of calling my attention to the 'cuss'

stand with Capt. Philip among the first chosen in the hereafter, but I have this to say in conclusion, that every drop of blood in my body on the afternoon of July 3 was singing thanks and praise to Almighty God for the victory we had won."

### COLONIES OWNED BY EUROPE.

Extent of the Possessions of the Various Countries.

Eight nations of Europe possess colonies greater than themselves in extent of territory and four of them—Great Britain, France, Holland and Portugal—have more inhabitants in their outlying possessions than they have at home. As a colonizer, of course, England stands easily first both for acquired land and for its population. Her little fragment of Europe contains less than 121,000 square miles and lodges only 40,000,000 people, but she governs besides almost 17,000,000 square miles of good dry land—nobody could figure out how much water she controls—and makes laws for 322,000,000 persons. Not quite all of these millions like the laws, but that's chiefly because the natural man is apt not to know when he is well off. France, too, has done very well, at least as regards the extent of her colonies and the number of her inhabitants. To her own 204,000 square miles and 38,500,000 citizens she has added 2,505,000 square miles and 44,000,000 not too contented subjects. Germany, slightly larger and considerably more populous than France, has colonies that, including Kiau-Chow, aggregate only 1,615,000 square miles, and the 7,500,000 people who live in them suffer a good deal from loneliness, as well as from several other things, especially red tape and lieutenants. Little Portugal holds a precarious title to 809,000 square miles of alien land and industriously teaches official corruption and industrial incompetency to more than 10,000,000 inhabitants. Holland has joined 783,000 square miles to her own 12,600 and has no trouble to speak of in administering the affairs—and property—of more than 34,000,000 thinly clad orientals. The colonial possessions of dear old Spain have decreased to a poor 17,300,000 square miles and her pleasant rule is enjoyed by nearly 10,000,000 people. The sway of Italy extends over 240,000 square miles of territory besides her own 110,000, but her colonies have only 195,000

### HE WAS A TRUE HERO.

IN LIFE AND IN DEATH HE WAS BRAVE.

Gave the Pleasures of the First to Others and Suffered the Agonies of the Latter to Save Human Lives—Says Not That Mankind Is Retrograding.

There was a lurch of the boat—a cry—a splash—a call for help—and the party were struggling in the water. Lake Winnepesaukee has witnessed many a tragedy, but none sadder than the drowning of a young man whose name ought not to be forgotten, C. P. Giddings of Boston.

He was one of the summer philanthropists who sacrifice their own vacations that they may give help and recreation to others. This young man had taken charge of a party of boys who needed friends, and while bravely trying to save one of them from death he lost his own life.

Some time ago Mr. Giddings had decided to devote himself to the culture of boys, just as some people spend their lives in the culture of roses or of bees. To conquer a morose disposition, to bring out unsuspected nobility in a desperate nature, to make a man of a brute—such an endeavor was of more interest to him than anything else in the world. It was his horizon of pleasure, and made his total of happiness.

At the time of his death Mr. Giddings was devoting himself, body and soul, to the moral, religious and physical development of the young people under his care. All of them had been born under adverse conditions. There, on the shores of the lake, beautiful transformations were taking place, with none but God and nature to observe the marvel. But few observers grow tired of watching an ugly caterpillar change into a gorgeous butterfly. How much more intense is the interest in watching a repulsive character change into an attractive one.

By his close association with successive groups of city boys, to whom the beauties of nature and of character were sealed books, Mr. Giddings became a skillful and impressive interpreter of the good and the elevating in the souls that were under his charge, as well as of what was beautiful in nature about him. It was when his method was no longer an experiment, and when his future was full of promise of great and peculiar usefulness, that his last act of self-abandonment took place. Without a moment's hesitation he gave up his life for the less of those for whom he lived.

No man can do more than that. He died a hero's death. And yet, is that the final test of the highest achievement? The heroic sacrifice, the self-forgetfulness of this man, began long before the fatal leap for rescue. It is more heroic to give life than to give death. The creating of a new philanthropy; persistence in it despite urgent protests; the silent conquering of opposition by consistent adherence to principle, and by faith that even the meanest soul is worth a lifetime of patient and loving study to save—these are the qualities of the highest heroism, of which the final sacrifice of this Christlike man was only the natural flower.

Such patient, godlike endeavor comes within the province of every one of us. We need not run to the shore or to the woods; our neighborhood will furnish many charred characters to straighten, many a turbulent heart into which the divine life may enter.

### SWORD FOR DEWEY.

More Than Fifty Designs Submitted to the Navy Department.

Washington Star: The sword to be presented to Admiral Dewey, under the act of congress providing for this special mark of distinction for his bravery at Manila, will be one of the most beautiful weapons ever made. Already the artistic ingenuity of the best swordmakers and jewelers of the country, and, indeed, of the entire world, has been excited, and the navy department has already more than fifty designs for the "Dewey sword." They are marked by great beauty of design, some of the blades being wrought with figures emblematic of the famous battle in Manila bay, while the hilt and scabbard of steel, gold and silver are studded with jewels and highly wrought marine emblems, such as Neptune, dolphins, mermaids, capstans, anchors, etc. Thus far the department has not taken up the matter of selecting a design. The board to select the design will probably consist of Acting Secretary Allen, Senator Lodge of Massachusetts, and one of the professors of the Annapolis Naval Academy. The same board will decide upon the designs for the medals which Congress has authorized as a mark of special distinction to all of the officers and crews on the ships taking part in the battle of Manila.

### A Natural Exclamation.

Little Barbara, on seeing a dish of lemon jelly placed on the table, exclaimed: "Oh, mamma, see how nervous that jelly is!"—Modern Society.

### Not All Editors.

"What's a civilian?" "A civilian is a man who stays at home and thinks up ways for the army commanders to run the war."—Chicago Record.

### Not Difficult.

He (indignantly)—I hope I know my own mind! She (sweetly)—Yes! You surely ought to know as much as that!—Pick-Me-Up.

No person in Norway may spend more than threepence at one visit to a public house.

### CZAR WANTS PEACE.

Invites Other Powers to a General Consultation.

By order of Emperor Nicholas, Count Muraviev, the Russian foreign minister, on the 24th inst. handed to the foreign diplomats at St. Petersburg a note declaring that the maintenance of peace and the reduction of the excessive armaments now crushing all nations is the ideal for which all governments ought to strive.

The czar considers the present moment favorable for the inauguration of a movement looking to this end, and invites the powers to take part in an international conference as a means of thus insuring real and lasting peace and terminating the progressive increase of armament.

### The President's Western Trip.

The president's western trip will be made the latter part of September, Mr. McKinley having already made arrangements to visit the Omaha exposition. He may conclude to extend his trip on that occasion to the Pacific coast.

### Declare for Gold Standard.

The South Dakota republican state convention nominated Kirk Phillips for governor. The platform declares unequivocally for the gold standard of money and commends the president's course in war and diplomacy.

### Three Regiments Coming Home.

It has been decided to send the Fourth Pennsylvania, the Third Wisconsin and the Third Illinois volunteers home from Porto Rico without delay. There are 600 men now in hospital quarters.

### Report Fighting in Cuba.

A dispatch from Madrid says there has been serious fighting between the Spaniards and insurgents in Cuba, in which the insurgents lost 500 killed and wounded. The report cannot be confirmed.

### Three Soldiers Were Killed.

A train on the Louisville & Nashville road bearing the battalion of the Sixty-ninth New York regiment was wrecked near Newcastle, ten miles from Birmingham, Ala. Three soldiers were killed and eight injured.

### For Governor of California.

The California state republican convention nominated Henry Gage, a Los Angeles attorney, for governor. The platform reaffirms adherence to the national platform adopted in St. Louis in 1896.

### No Ultimatum Was Sent.

The editors-in-chief of the leading London newspapers declare there is no truth in the story that an ultimatum has been sent to Russia.

### Is Not a Candidate.

James L. O'Connor, ex-attorney-general, announces that he is not a candidate for the Wisconsin gubernatorial nomination.

### French Cruiser Is Safe.

The report that the French armored cruiser Bruixhead foundered in the Indian ocean was without foundation.

### THE PEACE COMMISSION.

Strong Men Appointed by President McKinley.

The peace commission appointed by the president is as follows: William R. Day, present secretary of state, chairman; Senator Cushman K. Davis of Minnesota, chairman of the foreign relations committee of the senate; Senator William P. Frye of Maine, senior member of the committee on foreign relations of the senate; Associate Justice E. D. White of the United States supreme court; Whitelaw Reid, editor of the New York Tribune and former minister to France.

### CLAUDE MATHEWS DEAD.

Stroke of Paralysis Is Fatal to Indiana's Ex-Governor.

Claude Matthews, ex-governor of Indiana and the leading candidate of the Indiana democracy for the United States senate, died at the country mansion of Isaac M. McHenry, at Crawfordsville, Ind., to which he was taken immediately after receiving a stroke of paralysis while addressing the old settlers' meeting at McHenry's Grove.

### Panic During Electric Storm.

In a mad rush from a grove near Columbus, Ind., where the county fair was being held, to an open field during a severe electric storm, two persons were killed, and several more or less injured.

### More Troops at Manila.

The transports Pennsylvania and Rio Janeiro arrived at Manila with more American troops. No deaths occurred on the voyage from San Francisco, and the health of those on board is good.

### Alleged Bank Robber Arrested.

George Whitney, an ex-convict and a skillful safe blower, was arrested by Chicago detectives charged with having participated in the robbery of the bank of Richmond, Mich., Aug. 5.

### Pythians Elect Supreme Officers.

The supreme lodge Knights of Pythias elected Thomas G. Sample of Allegheny, Pa., supreme chancellor, and Oden H. Feathers of Janesville, Wis., supreme vice-chancellor.

### To Increase Our Army.

One of the important matters which will occupy the attention of congress at its next session will be legislation to increase the strength of the permanent military establishment.

### Will Not Be Scattered.

The navy department has decided that the North Atlantic squadron, under Admiral Sampson, will not be scattered until peace has formally been declared.

### Steamer Sunk in Alaska.

The stern-wheeler Stikine Chief was sunk in Alaska, and the crew and passengers, numbering forty-three persons, were undoubtedly lost.

### Fleet to Be Strengthened.

Admiral Dewey's squadron at Manila is to be re-enforced by at least three or four of the crack vessels of the North Atlantic fleet.

### NIECE OF REAR ADMIRAL W. S. SCHLEY.



A few weeks ago all the country was startled by the rumor that Miss Jessie Schley, niece of Commodore Winfield Scott Schley, had gone to Madrid to try to persuade the queen regent to bring the war with this country to a close. Miss Schley is a member of a Society for the Promotion of Peace, and at one of its meetings she was selected as the person to call on President McKinley and Queen Christina to ask them to put an end to hostilities. The queen told her that she was unable to do anything without the aid of her ministers, and that Miss Schley would have to consult them. The next day the niece of our commodore saw a member of the cortes, but her mission seemed to be almost fruitless, and, besides, the news reached the residents of her presence in Madrid, and she had to be secretly taken from the city under a strict guard for fear of a raid upon the convent. Miss Schley is a beautiful young woman and her line of ancestry is a long and famous one. She has a soft, sweet voice, charming manners, and is a person of great versatility.

### Invite Their Old Enemies.

The officers of the old Seventh Ohio cavalry sent an invitation to the "surviving officers and soldiers of Gen. John Morgan's Kentucky division of Confederate cavalry" to meet them at their guests at their reunion in Cincinnati, Sept. 7.

### Michigan Regiments Coming Home.

The Thirty-third and Thirty-fourth Michigan will be sent home as soon as they are out of detention camp and can safely be moved.

### Ireland to Be Cardinal.

Archbishop Ireland is to be raised to the cardinalate. In this way Pope Leo intends to express publicly his appreciation of Archbishop Ireland's efforts for the prevention of war between Spain and the United States.

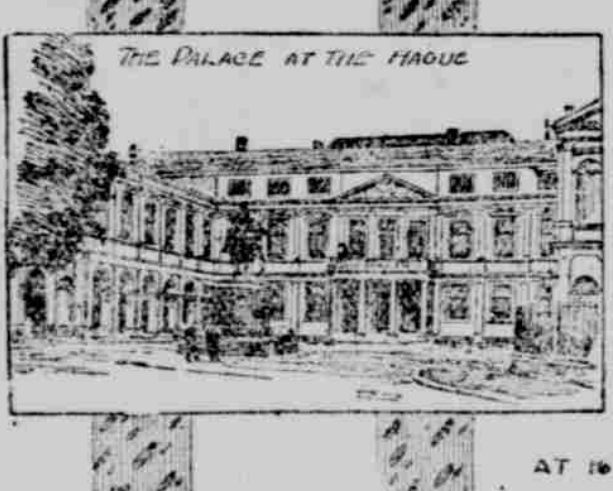
### Movement Is Progressing Slowly.

The movement from Camp Thomas is progressing much more slowly than Gen. Breckinridge and his officers expected, and much complaint is expressed on all sides.

### SOME PICTURES OF THE LITTLE QUEEN AND HER KINGDOM.



A STREET IN AMSTERDAM.



THE PALACE AT THE HAGUE.



THRONE OF THE NETHERLANDS.

queen should do. And may God help her.

Then will come the enthronization at the hands of the states-general, whose oath, taken first by the president, and then by the members individually, will close the ceremony.

The pageants and ceremonies following the coronation will be an even greater attraction for the public than that event itself. If they lack the barbaric splendor of the czar's coronation, they will make up in orderliness and artistic beauty. It is also promised that they will be free from the vulgar decoration and other unpleasant law to foster and uphold the national features which marred the great celebration of Queen Victoria's record reign. Everything possible will be done to make them successful by the richest, the freest and the most artistic country of its size in the world.

On the morning of the 7th the queen will be serenaded by the Netherlands Choral society. Later she will attend a great popular festival in the famous Ryx museum. After that she will witness an allegorical and historical procession illustrating the history of Holland from the great war of independence down to the nineteenth century. The day will close with a grand water carnival on the harbor and canals, particularly intended to please the children.

On the 8th the queen will see more festivals, hear more music, visit more museums.

On the 9th the burghers of Amsterdam will do themselves in a final effort to honor their queen when she departs once more for her palace at The Hague.

She will doubtless be glad that the ceremonies are over. At The Hague she leads a charming family life, and is loved and respected by all the court.

She has been trained to possess all the qualities of a typical Dutch housewife. As a little girl she had a little house of her own, where she did all the housework herself. Her portrait in the national costume of a Dutch housewife, with a linen coif over her head, is one of the most pleasing presentments we have of her.

Queen Wilhelmina is like Queen Vic-

words attributed to me in the newspapers or to Capt. Philip's official show of Christian spirit in announcing to his men on the quarterdeck of the Texas, after the battle of

Santiago, that he believed in Almighty God. As, however, you have seen fit to drag my name in your newspaper I hope that you will publish this reply, that those who had read the issue of July 15 may also read what I have to say about it.

"I have never considered it necessary, and I am sure that a great majority of officers in the navy do not consider it necessary, to announce to their crews that they 'believe in Almighty God.' I think that goes without saying. We each of us have the right to show by our acts how much we are imbued with this belief. Capt. Philip had a perfect right to show this to his men as he did; it was simply a matter of taste.

"Now, for myself: Shortly after the Spanish cruiser Vizcaya had struck her colors, and my crew had secured the guns, the chaplain of the ship, an excellent man, came to me and said: 'Captain, shall I say a few words of thanks to Almighty God for our victory?' I said, 'By all means do so; I will have the men sent aft for that purpose,' and was on the point of doing so when it was reported to me that a Spanish battleship was standing toward us from the eastward.

"My first duty to God and my country was to sink this Spanish battleship and I immediately made preparations to do so. When it was discovered that this ship was an Austrian I found my ship surrounded by boats carrying dying and wounded prisoners and others of the crew of the Vizcaya to the number of 250.

"To leave these men to suffer for want of food and clothing while I called my men aft to offer prayers was not my idea of either Christianity or religion. I preferred to clothe the naked, feed the hungry and succor the sick, and I am strongly of the opinion that Almighty God has not put a black mark against me on account of it. I do not know whether I shall

people in them. Last comes Denmark, stretching the word 'colony' all over Greenland, but if everybody whom she rules went home it would only add 130,000 to her population.

### The Esquimaux Dog.

Travelers in Esquimauxland relate curious stories of the dogs that are almost the only means of conveyance in that part of the world. The real Esquimaux dog of pure breed is a rarity. They are so nearly akin to wolves that the breeds become mixed, and it is found extremely hard to keep them separate. Especially is this true where there are not excellent facilities for keeping dogs confined. It is no unusual thing for the sled dogs to run away and take refuge with the wolves. It is said to be very difficult to make up teams of thoroughbred dogs. In almost all cases there will be several that show their wolfish origin most plainly. The wolf cross produces a dog closely resembling the wolf. The creature is exceedingly vicious, unreliable and hard to manage, but very hardy, swift and enduring. With several well-trained dogs in the band, the sled driver takes large loads of goods across the country. He travels rapidly and safely, provided he can keep his team in subjection. Occasionally the wolf dogs will gnaw the straps of their harness and break away in spite of every precaution. Some of these brutes seem to possess almost superhuman intelligence. They appear to read the traveler's thoughts and know just how much they can trespass on his good nature. The lash is considered by many persons the only method of government. Moral suasion has been tried, but with some indifferent results. The animals are so accustomed to force that they seem unable to appreciate or understand kindness. Possibly, if these dogs were taken in hand and gently trained from their birth, something might be done with them.

On her wedding day every woman thinks life will be one grand sweet song, but later, when she has to sing to a noisy pair of twins—well, it's a different tune.