

SOLDIER BOYS TO BE WITHDRAWN.

Government Sees the Folly of Continuing the Expense.

British Columbia Has a Sixty-Four-Round Prize Fight—Lives Lost in a New York Fire—Dreyfus is Innocent.

OTTAWA, April 8.—Recent advices from the Yukon district convey the information that the state of the country is so orderly as to warrant the federal government in soon withdrawing the greater portion of the troops now stationed in the Yukon. The Maxim and other machine guns, which were taken with the expedition, will remain with that portion of the force to be left in the subarctic region, and the government have confidence that a small section, comprising about fifty rank and file of the militia, in conjunction with the mounted police, will be quite capable of preserving order should any necessity for their active intervention arise. Pretty nearly every man in the expedition has petitioned the authorities to allow him to remain in the Klondike region. The main inducement which prompted these militiamen to volunteer for a two years' service in the Yukon was the expectation that at the expiration of their term of service, they would be in a position to take up claims with little or no expense to them.

PRIZE FIGHTS IN AMERICA.

SAN FRANCISCO, April 7.—The much discussed fight between George Green and Mysterious Billy Smith, proved a fiasco tonight, Smith refusing to go on with the match, claiming there was not enough money in the audience of 2000 people. A great uproar prevailed for a time. MEMPHIS, April 7.—After twenty rounds of clean, snappy fighting tonight during which neither man was materially injured, Referee Holtzman declared the bout between Tommy White, of Chicago, and "Kid" Goulette, of Rochester, a draw. Goulette was the stronger, but was outgeneraled.

ONE HUNDRED AND ELEVEN MILE HOUSE, B. C., April 7.—A SIXTY-FOUR-ROUND BATTLE took place this afternoon before the Lachabache Athletic club, for a purse of \$1,000, between Brown of Tar Flats, San Francisco, and Mack O'Flarity, of Cork, Ireland. The referees awarded the battle to O'Flarity. The battle has no equal since that of Sullivan and Kilrain.

NEW YORK, April 7.—At the Broadway Athletic club tonight Jack O'Brien met Jack Downey in what was scheduled for a twenty-five-round bout. It was a hug and clinch all the way, few clean blows being landed. In the fifteenth round, for trying upper cuts after the call to break, Downey was disqualified, O'Brien winning.

TORONTO, April 8.—At the Empire Athletic club tonight Joe Wolcott and Jim Judge were to go twenty rounds, but the bout came to an end in the eleventh, Wolcott finishing his man with a terrific right on the point of the jaw.

THIRTEEN BURNED IN NEW YORK.

NEW YORK, April 7.—This morning's fire destroyed the handsome residence of Wallace C. Andrews, at No. 32 East Sixty-seventh street, and twelve persons sleeping in the house were burned to death. Firebrands carried by the wind were blown into an open window in the home of Albert J. Adams, No. 3 East Sixty-ninth street, two blocks distant, setting fire to the house and causing the death of a servant. Thirteen bodies have been recovered.

DREYFUS IS INNOCENT.

PARIS, April 9.—Great excitement has followed the publication by the Figaro of the evidence before the court of cessation regarding the Dreyfus affair, and the two editors have been sentenced to jail. The evidence not only failed to incriminate Dreyfus, but showed that the war department had engineered the Dreyfus trial with the sole purpose of convicting him, in which plan it resorted to the influencing of witnesses. The daring publication of the evidence has done much to advance Dreyfus' cause with the people.

IN THE PHILIPPINES.

MANILA, April 9.—An expedition of nineteen companies of American troops and 200 sharpshooters, the whole aggregating a force of 1500 men, embarked tonight under command of General Lawton on the River Pasig for Santa Cruz, on the lake. Two gunboats conveyed the troops. Much secrecy has attended the movement, and nothing as to what is expected to be accomplished has been allowed to leak from headquarters. The men taken are all tried fighters and comprise the flower of the army.

NEW YORK, April 9.—The Journal's correspondent at Manila cables today that pacificos who have returned within the American lines report the death of Gen. Montenegro, who was regarded as next to Aguinaldo the most influential and aggressive of Filipino rebels. The report is credited at Manila, where it is believed that Gen. Montenegro fell while defending Malolos.

CASUALTIES AT MANILA.

WASHINGTON, April 9.—Under today's date, Oils reported from Manila the following casualties not heretofore reported: Killed—Third artillery, March 25, Sergt. Edwin W. Wall.

Wounded—March 27, Privates Richard King, William B. French, Fred A. John; March 27, Second Lieut. Lloyd England, Sergt. William Montgomery; First Washington, March 28, Private William B. Pynchon, hand, slight; Tenth Pennsylvania, March 30, Private George B. Gimms; First Colorado, Private George P. Dyer; March 25, Infantry Corporal John L. Jones, First Montana. Killed—April 4, Company I, Corporal Owen Rowlands. Wounded—Band Sergt. George W. Cowell, ankle, slight; Privates William J. Bort, knee, severe; Frank Landermann, chest, severe.

Strange Case of Mr. Hespeler.

Alfred Hespeler, a citizen who acquired some prominence last fall by personating the crown timber agent and getting possession of a raft of logs, and for which he was sentenced to six

months' imprisonment, was arraigned before Magistrate Harper on Thursday charged with stealing 300 pounds of vegetables from Mrs. Gannon, and was obliged to conduct his own case, owing to the fact that no lawyer would consent to defend him. It was proven and admitted that Hespeler had taken the goods to sell but he had failed to account for the money to Mrs. Gannon. In answer to this Hespeler set up that he had discovered that the goods belonged to one Mr. Taylor who is now on the outside, and that he had given the money to him. This called down the wrath of Captain Harper, who told Hespeler that he did not believe a word of the story, and reminded the prisoner that, in addition to the other shoddy transactions, he was known to have uttered several checks against the two local banks when he had not a cent on deposit at either. The upshot of the affair was that the court said he would hold the case in abeyance for a few days, it appearing to be one constituting a breach of trust rather than theft. In the meanwhile he will see if the gentleman can be prosecuted on a charge of forgery.

OUTSIDE NEWS IN BRIEF.

The Daily Mail and Daily Telegraph, of London, are now appearing on Sundays. It is said that Vice President Hobart has decided not to be a candidate for re-election.

The Colorado legislature has passed, and the governor signed, a bill legalizing prize fighting. L. H. Lombard, a Montana miner, died at Skagway March 31, while en route to Dawson.

Rottenness in the New York police department is being investigated by a legislative committee. Sea lions are destroying so many fish off the California coast that an effort is to be made to exterminate them.

Queen Victoria will appear at her last public ceremony next month, when she will open the royal college of science in London.

State Senator A. W. Reed and State Fish Commissioner H. D. McGuire, of Oregon, were drowned in the Umpqua river on April 8.

Pope Leo has presented to Queen Victoria a beautiful statue of Christ, who stands upon a globe, his right arm raised and his left holding a cross.

The Canadian Pacific railroad is preparing to put on a fast train service between Montreal and Vancouver, to make the fastest run of any transcontinental line.

Notwithstanding the reports that the pope's health is improving, there are few people in Rome but believe his life is slowly ebbing away and that the end is near.

The British government has decided to release Mullet, Fitzharris and O'Hanlon, now undergoing life sentences for participation in the Phoenix park murders.

Japanese and Chinese plantation laborers in Hawaii had a pitched battle on March 26, resulting in the killing of three Chinamen and the wounding of half a hundred more.

Certain American circles are much exercised by the admission of Congressmen Burris of Ohio, that he is a polygamist. Congress has been memorialized for his expulsion.

It is believed the Samson trouble has been settled by concerted action on the part of England, Germany and America. Malacca was installed as king on April 3, and the fighting has ceased.

Untoward weather in the States during February, March and April damaged the winter wheat crop 25 per cent, and the output promises to fall 20,000,000 bushels short of last year's crop.

Harvard and Princeton colleges debated the question whether a formal alliance between Great Britain and the United States would be advantageous. Harvard had the negative and won.

The U. S. government will establish coaling stations at strategic points in the West Indies, so as to control the Virginia-Mona and Windward passages and the approaches to the Gulf of Mexico.

Geo. Williamson, a Dawson shoe merchant, and Tom White, arrived at Skagway March 30, having left Dawson March 16. Mr. Williamson estimates the output of the Klondike for this season at \$12,000,000.

There is a growing sentiment in Jamaica in favor of the annexation of the Lemard island to the United States. However, the political situation is too mixed for any definite action on the part of the latter.

The U. S. congress has appropriated money for the construction and armament of three new battleships, three armored cruisers and six cruisers, all of the best of their several lines. The battleships, exclusive of armament, will cost over \$3,500,000 each.

Haines' Mission, in Lower Alaska, has grown until it now has a population of 125 souls and is soon to have a newspaper to be called the Porcupine Quill. A man lately out from there denies the late report of an encounter between Canadians and Americans.

The German expeditionary force, which went to Ichaufo, China, after the recent attack by natives upon a German patrol, has returned aboard the German cruiser Gefion, after burning two villages near the place where the attack was made. The Germans still occupy Yichiao.

At the annual meeting of the United Empire League at Ottawa on April 5, Sir Charles Tupper and others spoke on the necessity of strengthening the defenses of the country and the establishment of a naval reserve. The imperial government was said to have plans already in hand.

As a result of a recent wager, Richard Harding Davis lately sent a London messenger boy to New York, Chicago and Philadelphia with regular mails, in an effort to beat the regular mails, he arrived at his destination ahead of the mails, but was some hours behind returning with the answers.

It is said that the Illinois Central, Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul and the Chicago, Burlington & Northern railroads have secured control of the Union Pacific and will have a transcontinental line to the Pacific coast. The news created a sensation in American railroad circles, as it has the most important bearing on the business of the several trunk lines to the coast.

An x-ray photograph of pugilist Fitzsimmons' injured right arm shows that the cartilaginous substance which surrounds the end of the bone at the elbow, has been chipped off and is in the socket of the humerus; thereby partially restricting the action of the elbow. An eminent physician who has examined him, says Bob will be foolish to go against any good man in his present condition.

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