

### THE NUGGET OF SANTIAGO

History Is Said to be in Error.

Editor of the Baltimore American:—The President McKinley's Warm Letter.

Baltimore, Md., July 19.—Gen. Felix's publisher of the Baltimore American has telegraphed the following to the President McKinley:—The history of the navy is the standard in use at the naval academy. In the third volume, just issued, the historian charges Rear Admiral Schley with being a coward, a liar, a catfish, an incompetent insubordinate. In an interview in the American this morning Maclay, the historian, who is a navy department clerk, classed as a laborer and attached to the Brooklyn navy yard, says that the proofs of this third volume, which should have told the most glorious story in all our naval annals, were submitted to Secretary Long and Admiral Sampson, and approved by them in advance of publication. Also that Mr. Long put him in his present position after he had read and approved this scurrilous attack upon Admiral Schley. These proofs were also submitted to Admiral Dewey, who refused to read them. If such were needed to convince any fair-minded man that a clique in the navy department has conspired to traduce the hero of Santiago, and that the conspiracy was carried into execution while that brave and gallant officer was suffering expatriation on the fever-infested coasts of South America, this should finish it. Will you, Mr. President, in view of all this, sit quietly by and permit these conspirators to continue their diabolical work? Every justice-loving American appeals to you to intervene in the name and for the sake of fair play. Next to being right all the time, which no man ever was, the best thing is to find out as soon as possible that you are wrong and right yourself immediately.

(Signed) "FELIX ANGUS, Publisher Baltimore American."

Washington, July 19.—The secretary of the navy has decided that the third volume of Maclay's history of the Spanish-American war shall not be used as a text book at the naval academy unless the obnoxious language it contains in characterizing the action of Rear-Admiral Schley is eliminated. The secretary says it would be manifestly improper to have a history containing such intemperate language as a text book for the cadets. He will inform both Commander Wainwright, who is in command of the naval academy, and Mr. Maclay, the author, of his decision. Mr. Maclay was appointed to his present position in the New York navy yard August 12, 1900, having been transferred from the light-house service.

New York, July 19.—Edgar S. Maclay today replied to the criticism which has been made upon his historical work, dealing with Admiral Schley and the navy during the Spanish war. He said in part:

"I did not appreciate at the time I wrote the book that the terms were immoderate and intemperate. It is only recently that it has met with adverse criticism. It is now my intention to revise that portion of the work that deals with the battle of Santiago. But I shall not alter the facts, for they are correct, and I must first be assured that they are in error. The proofs were submitted to the officers who took part in the battle of Santiago, as well as Secretary Long and received their approval. I should explain that only those portions of the book were submitted to each officer that related to him personally or to the part of the war that concerned him. I have never had any animus against Admiral Schley, and I wrote as I did because I believed it to be the truth."

#### Spurious Bank Notes.

Washington, July 22.—Chief Wilkie, of the secret service, has received a number of bank notes printed from the original plates used by the State Bank of New Brunswick, N. J., over 50 years ago. The bank went out of existence some time in the 50's and it was supposed that the steel plates from which its notes were printed were destroyed. It seems, however, that these plates have fallen into the hands of parties who have printed from them large quantities of notes which have been put into circulation from New York to San Francisco. A very large percentage of the notes so far discovered are twice although some ones and fives are being sent in. Inasmuch as the notes are not counterfeit of any United States notes or obligation the makers and passers cannot be prosecuted under the United States laws, but it is said they can be punished for fraud under the state laws. It appears that the notes readily pass along the Canadian frontier as the takers think they are the notes of the Canadian province of

New Brunswick, the words "New Jersey" being printed in small letters. The notes are printed on bond paper and are quite as good in every way as the originals. It is said that possibly \$2,000,000 of these notes are in circulation.

#### Arctic Sufferers.

Word comes from the government hospital at the St. Michael reservation that McNeill, Madden and Callaghan, three of the numerous victims of the Kuskokwim stampede, who were frozen on the trail last February, are rapidly recovering but in a terribly mutilated condition. The surgeon in charge speaking of them says:

"When these men were brought in by the dog teams sent out by Gen. Randall and hauled in over a distance of 150 miles on the ice, they were so weak and emaciated that none were able to undergo what was really necessary, that is to say immediate operation. They had been for 30 days frozen, so we had to give them stimulants and nourishing foods in order to first repair their shattered constitutions. It was fully 30 days before they were in anything like a fair condition to be operated upon. The flesh on the frozen parts had begun to slough off and the bones were diseased beyond salvation. Madden's feet had become mummified and black, and of course both had to be removed."

"When Madden shall have sufficiently recovered he will be able to work to some extent, but McNeill and Callaghan, having no hands and being without means, will be cases on the mercy of a doubtful public."

As soon as they are able to leave Gen. Randall will furnish them with transportation to some coast city at the expense of the government.

A subscription of \$500 is being taken up in St. Michael for these men in order to furnish them with artificial limbs.—Seattle Times.

### THE FREE LIBRARY

Is Being Generally Assisted by the People of Dawson.

The present is a period of activity with the board of control of the Free Library, the object being to secure new books, magazines and periodicals before the beginning of the long, dark winter. The efforts of the board are being crowned with success and the canvass is not yet half made.

The following are the contributors so far and there are still coming in:

- Mrs. F. C. Wade, \$50; N. C. Co., \$100; N. A. T. & T. Co., \$50; Ames Mercantile Co., \$25; Ladue Co., 25; Canadian Bank of Commerce, \$50; Bank of B. N. A., \$50; Anglo-Klondike Mill Co., \$25; McDonald Bonanza Co., \$25; Pacific Cold Storage, \$20; Dawson Hardware Co., \$20; Palmer Bros., \$10; Jas. Adair, \$10; Levine, \$10; London Dawson Agency, \$15; P. C. L., \$5; F. J. M. D., \$5; Cautley & Co., \$5; Alec. McDonald, \$4; N. P. Shaw & Co., \$10; J. E. Wilson, \$5; Emil Stanf, \$10; J. K. Sparling, \$10; Whitney & Pedlar, \$10; S. Y. T. Co., \$10; T. G. Wilson, \$10; C. Chisholm, \$10; H. W. Carr, \$2.50; J. W. Rogers, \$5; A. J. Bannerman, \$5; M. N. Miles, \$5; McLennan, McPeely & Co., \$25; Klondike Consuls, \$25; Yukon Telephone Co., \$10; T. D. Green, \$5; total, \$677.50.

### THAT GRANT TO TREADGOLD

Means Much More Than Was First Supposed.

There is still much discussion in regard to the franchise so carelessly given by the Dominion government to the Treadgold company, and in a few days a memorial against this monopoly of Klondike water rights may be filed. It is certain that there is much strong feeling in regard to several clauses of the rights conceded in the grant published in the Nugget of July 18. Even the authorities do not know how to construe section 10 of the grant, and the gold commissioner has written to Ottawa for a ruling thereon. The section reads:

"The right subject to no payment except the royalty prescribed upon output, to enter upon, make entry for and work all mining locations now, or hereafter abandoned on Bonanza, Bear and Hunker creeks and their tributaries."

The best legal authority on the subject is that this section of the franchise does not give any prior right to any claims on these creeks to the company, and that any claims now staked or restaked would have the prior right. Within the past few days eleven of these restakings have been recorded by the gold commissioner, on the creeks mentioned, and it is believed that such locations will hold good. The company has not yet recorded any locations, and it is held that it cannot, under this section of the franchise, take up any property without first locating and recording in the ordinary way, and giving time for a contest as to the locations thus recorded. This

reading of the clause opens up many claims to relocation by private parties. The ruling on the disputed point is expected from Ottawa in the next two or three weeks.

### STEAMBOAT NEWS.

The Tyrrell with one 400-ton barge in tow will be the first of the "Black" Sullivan line to arrive from St. Michael. She is expected Sunday, August 4.

The Flora arrived Monday night with a heavy cargo of freight and two scows loaded with 110 beef cattle consigned to Barstch & Co. She carried the following passengers: Miss L. McNutt, A. S. Allen, H. M. Ross, Mrs. Brown, Fred Gerhart, Chas. Stepheru, Wm. Stephens, Jas. Hilland, Fred Sterling, Mrs. Sterling, Mrs. W. A. McGregor, Tom Keough, J. T. Wilkinson, M. T. Chenard and Carolina Hansen. The Flora leaves this evening at 7 p. m.

The steam launch Aquilla was out last night on a short run up the river. The Gold Star which arrived Monday night from the Koyukuk will return as soon as a few needed repairs have been made.

During the past week the water has fallen very rapidly in the Yukon. The bar abreast the barracks is now almost entirely bare.

The Prospector left last night for the McQueenen.

The Dawson brought 23 passengers on her last trip down. She returned up river last night.

The Flora left Tuesday evening for Whitehorse with the following passengers: S. G. Reetz, L. H. Hydenger and wife, R. M. Kalberg, Roy Mattocks, E. D. Rogers, Wm. Roberts, J. Jorat, Peter Costinzo, Wm. McConnell, August Gural, H. Krall, A. W. Branner, Wm. Sutherland, W. H. Farcomb, Chris Boyson, L. Palt, N. McNeill, P. Ryan, George Herdy, J. W. Howard, James Shoop, Thos. Richards, A. Monroe, M. A. Christensen, A. Henderson, Annie Morisance, D. E. Keeler, I. Thompson, Wm. Wellington, J. T. Smith, W. K. McLellan, G. Albert, R. Bentley and A. Gillis.

#### Trouble in Denver.

Denver, Col., July 20.—A mob of 500 men and boys made an attack upon the city jail here tonight in an effort to obtain Charles Mullien's freedom, but were repulsed by the police, who used their clubs freely upon the heads of the leaders. Fred Hoffman and Albert Guiter were arrested as the leaders of the mob. Mullien, who is a local anarchist, was preaching the doctrine on a street corner and the police arrested him. He was released upon his promise to keep the peace and not attempt to exhorted on the streets again. He immediately went to the corner of Sixteenth and Larimer streets and in a short time had a crowd gathered listening to his talk.

He denounced the national government in severe language and scored the local government, especially the police department. A patrol went to the scene and re-arrested Mullien. The mob followed the wagon to the station and demanded the prisoner's release. They then started to enter the station

house and were driven back and scattered by the police, not, however, until a number had been more or less injured by contact with the officers' clubs.

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