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Surprised By Filipinos

A Number of Americans Fall Into the Hands of the Rebels.

Natives Reported to Have Mutilated the Bodies of Dead Soldiers.

(Associated Press.)
Manila, Oct. 14, via Hongkong, Oct. 16.—A detachment of 20 men of the 24th Regiment, while engaged in repairing telegraph wires on October 10th at a point near San Jose, Isle de Luzon, were set on by 300 rebels and were overpowered and scattered. Seven of the Americans reached San Jose, but it is probable that the remainder were captured.

The enemy surprised a party of scouts of the 3rd Infantry at a point three miles from Takloban, Leyte Island, killing three of the Americans at the first volley. Two escaped and gave the alarm, but the enemy succeeded in evading their pursuers.

The native police of Takloban had conspired to betray the Americans. The bodies of the dead soldiers were badly mutilated.

MINERS ON THE MARCH.

Have Started From McAdoo to Intercept Working Colliers.

Shenandoah, Pa., Oct. 15.—Gen. Goblen, in command of the state troops here, has received advice that a large body of marching strikers have left McAdoo for the Panther creek region. They expect to reach that valley in time to intercept the miners on their way to work in the morning. Gen. Goblen ordered six companies of the 1st Pennsylvania Cavalry, and a special train on the Philadelphia & Reading road to take them to Tanawaga, which station is but a few miles from Coaldale. Gen. Goblen went with the troops and assumed personal command. The governor's troop of cavalry, which is stationed at Onedia, will leave for the Panther creek region early in the morning. Gen. Goblen, before leaving, said he was requested by Sheriff Toole to send soldiers to the Panther creek valley.

Started Last Night.

Hazleton, Oct. 15.—The threatened march of striking mine-workers to the Panther creek valley started from this section to-night. The objective point of the marchers is Lansford, in Carbon county, and Coaldale, and they expect to reach their destination early to-morrow morning. Most of the colliers in this section are operated by the Lehigh Valley & Navigation Company. They have been working all through the strike, despite the efforts of numerous organizers sent there to induce the men to quit.

CARLIST AGITATION

Has Been Revived in Spain—Several Arrests.

Paris, Oct. 15.—A dispatch from Madrid says the Spanish government is greatly concerned at the revival of the Carlist agitation, and the discovery of a depot of arms at Lerida, Catalonia, where 615 Remingtons and tools for the manufacture and repair of arms were seized at a store kept by a Carlist. Four arrests have been made at the store, including a man named Simbo, who styles himself "Chief of the Carlist military administration."

CHINESE DEFEATED

By Reformers, Who Have Occupied a Town.

Hongkong, Oct. 15.—According to reports from Canton, Sun Yat Sen has taken the town of Kin Shan, of East river, and is now investing in the prefecture city of Hui Chou. A force of Imperial troops was defeated by reformers, 200 being killed. The advisers say that there is great activity in Canton in preparations for dispatching troops to the disturbed districts.

THE FATAL COLLISION.

Four Boys Taken Into Custody by the Police.

Chicago, Oct. 15.—Four boys have been arrested, suspected of having caused the wreck of the New York and Boston express on the Lake Shore & Michigan Southern railway, at South Chicago, last night, in which two men were killed and three injured. The boys, ranging from 9 to 11 years, deny that they wrecked the train, but one of them said he knew two boys who had stolen parts of the switches.

RAILWAY TELEGRAPHERS.

Toronto, Oct. 15.—The difficulties existing among the Order of Railway Telegraphers, as evinced from the reports of a meeting of that body in St. Louis, of few days ago, is said to have revived a desire on the part of Canadian members of the order to form an independent order, taking in the New England states and Michigan, members of the present order in those states having expressed a readiness to go in with the new order.

A Lincoln town councillor proposes to stop the cleaning of the electric arc lamps on Fridays, "because Friday is an unlucky day."

ELECTION RETURNS.

British Government Will Have a Majority of One Hundred and Thirty.

(Associated Press.)
London, Oct. 16.—The election returns to-day do not change the results and the final figures, with the exception of the Orkney Islands, leave the government with a net gain of a single seat. The total number of members of parliament elected is 699, as follows: Ministerialists, 400; opposition, 299. As the Orkney Islands district is regarded as a safe Liberal seat the government's majority will be 130, against 129 at the time of dissolution.

NON-STRIKER SHOT.

(Associated Press.)

Chicago, Oct. 16.—Adam Maesch, a wood worker, and until a few weeks ago secretary of the Wood Workers' Union, was shot and probably fatally wounded last night near his home by two men, supposed to be striking wood workers or their sympathizers. The attack is said to have been due to the fact that Maesch had returned to work with the non-union men after a strike had been declared.

NEW COAL FIELD.

(Associated Press.)

Port Townsend, Wn., Oct. 16.—The exploration party which went north on the steamer Corwin, has returned, and reported that a discovery of an immense field of coal has been made near Cape Sabine, on the Arctic coast of Alaska. The grade is what is known as semi-bituminous.

NOTES FROM NANAIMO.

Lady Mistrals Give Successful Entertainments in Aid of Protestant Orphanage—Presentation to Mayor Bate.

(Special to the Times.)
Nanaimo, Oct. 16.—A writ was served this morning on Hugh Aitken, managing editor of the Nanaimo semi-weekly Herald, for criminal libel upon Thomas Keith, complainant, contained in a letter signed J. W. Watson, Vancouver, containing alleged defamatory references to complainant. Aitken will have a preliminary hearing before Magistrate Yarwood on Friday evening. A writ has also been issued on the same cause if they were not joined by a large force of Americans, who, it was said, would arrive on that day to aid them.

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INTERESTING SIDE LIGHT

On Relations Existing Between the Kaiser and His Sister.

(Associated Press.)
London, Oct. 16.—According to the Berlin correspondent of the Daily News, it has leaked out that Dr. Schweininger, who was Prince Bismarck's confidant and physician, testified at the recent trial of Maximilian Harden, editor of the Zukunft, for lese majeste, asserting that a certain member of the Imperial house expressed to him great satisfaction upon seeing the incriminating article, and added that it was desirable that the Emperor should read it. Etiquette quite apparently forbade the naming of the Imperial person, so the judge asked: "Had the person the same parents as the Emperor?" to which Dr. Schweininger replied, "Yes."

The witness declared that Prince Bismarck had called Harden a good royalist, and regarded his frank criticisms with approval from the royalist point of view. Dr. Schweininger refused to answer the judge's question as to whether the Emperor once said to him that Prince Bismarck could no longer hold the reins of government because he was a morphine eater.

The News correspondent hints that the Imperial sympathizer with Harden was the Emperor's eldest sister.

PIRE RAGED FOR HOURS.

Thirteen Million Feet of Lumber Destroyed—Damage \$250,000.

(Associated Press.)
Oshkosh, Wis., Oct. 16.—Property valued at more than a quarter of a million dollars was destroyed in the lumber district of this city to-day. Starting at 4 o'clock, the flames spread rapidly, in spite of 25 engines pumping water into them from every side, and not until 10:30 a.m. was their headway checked. At least 13,000,000 feet of lumber was destroyed, together with part of the Hollister Ames Co.'s mill and the plant of Chalmers & Sons. The losses are fully covered by insurance.

BOER COMMANDO SURROUNDED

Generals Barton and Clements Are Shelling a Force of Burghers Cornered on Zwart Kop.

BRITISH FOUGHT THREE DAYS

Driving Enemy Into the Present Position—Fighting in Transvaal—Our Casualties Were 3 Officers and 8 Men Killed—28 Wounded.

(Associated Press.)
London, Oct. 16.—Lord Roberts reports from Pretoria, under the date of October 15th, as follows:

"French started from Machadorp towards Heidelberg to clear a part of the country not yet visited by our troops. "Mahon, commanding the mounted troops, successfully engaged the enemy on October 13th, but our losses were severe, 3 officers and 8 men being killed, and 3 officers and 25 men wounded.

"French occupied Carolina yesterday, capturing a convoy during the march."

Lord Roberts also reports a number of minor affairs, showing that the Boers are still active over a wide field.

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National Bank of the South African Republic will in the future be known as the National Bank of South Africa. The head office will be in London. The bank is in a thoroughly sound position, it having evaded the government exactions through the care and vigilance of the management.

The men of the colonial regiments have been given the option of receiving their discharge or taking a three weeks' furlough, after which they must rejoin their companies. If they choose to take their discharge they will lose certain emoluments. About 40 members of the Imperial Light Horse have signified their intention to take furloughs. The others will take their discharge.

The volunteer companies of some of the regiments are beginning to leave for home.

General Roberts has issued an order announcing that General Sir Redvers Buller has relinquished the command of the Natal force. In the order General Roberts thanks General Buller for his services, and says that his ability and great success caused the collapse of the Boer army in the eastern part of the Transvaal.

A train has been derailed at Kaah river. Three persons were killed in the accident.

The Boers have broken the railway at Vrakkfontein. They fought a small force that was sent to repair the line, killing several and wounding a number. Some others were taken prisoners. The Rifle Brigade is proceeding to clear them out.

General Knox is in Heilbron, Gen. Delisle in Reiburg and Gen. Barton in Krugersdorp. All of them have had skirmishes with the Boers.

Five hundred prisoners taken by the British in Lydenburg have been sent to Capetown.

Bloemhof Re-occupied.

Capetown, Oct. 16.—The British re-occupied Bloemhof, near Kimberley, on October 14th, unopposed, and captured 50 Boers.

No Gold Found.

London, Oct. 15.—A dispatch to the Daily Mail from Lorenzo Marquez, dated yesterday, says that the American bank Fred P. Litchfield went ashore there from her moorings during Sunday night's gale, and was searched yesterday for gold in consequence of a suspicion that she was carrying £1,500,000. The Daily Telegraph's correspondent states that no gold was found.

The Queen will appoint Lord Roberts to be honorary colonel of the new regiment of Irish Guards.

The Durban correspondent of the Standard, writing yesterday, says: "Daily communication north of Sandarton has been suspended since Thursday. There are persistent rumors of Boer attacks on the railway. Considerable uneasiness has been caused by the postponement of Lord Roberts's departure."

Startling Evidence.

Pretoria, Oct. 15.—The first session of the Transvaal concessions commission was held to-day. Lord Roberts's proclamation granting the commission power to compel the attendance of witnesses was read. The first witness was Herr Kretschmar, managing director of the Netherlands railway, who had threatened to evade attendance. He gave a startling account of the doings of the company before and during the war, especially in the matter of blowing up bridges so as to stop the British advance, and in assisting the Transvaal government in other ways.

Return of Refugees.

Capetown, Oct. 15.—Lord Roberts has ordered that the return of the refugees to the Vaal Colony be postponed for the present.

WILL USE A BALLOON.

(Associated Press.)
London, Oct. 16.—A dispatch to the Daily Mail from Rome says that the Duke of Abruzzi is planning an improved type of balloon for use on his next Polar expedition. A military balloon, in which he recently took a voyage, proved to be useless for his purpose.

RISINGS IN TURKEY.

(Associated Press.)
Constantinople, Oct. 16.—The tribal risings of the Kurds are assuming threatening proportions, and the authorities are greatly concerned. The troops have had to intervene in the Diarbekir district, where a number of Christian and Mussulman villages have been razed.

AN ESQUIMALT RUMOR.

Admiral Beaumont Reported to Have Been Promoted to the Australian Station.

There is a rumor current to-day at Esquimalt that Rear-Admiral Beaumont has been ordered to the command of the Australian squadron, and that he will leave to undertake his new duties early next week.

Inquiry at the Admiral's residence failed to afford either confirmation or denial to the story, the Admiral and his secretary being aboard the flagship.

Rumor associates the name of Rear-Admiral John Hugh Bambridge with the vacancy which would be created by the promotion of the officer at present in command at this station.

Should the rumor prove to be correct, it will occasion general regret, as Admiral Beaumont is one of the most popular and respected officers that has ever been posted here.

PRICE OF COAL.

French Railway Companies and Minister of Marine Ask for Extra Allowance.

Paris, Oct. 15.—The increase in the price of coal, due to Great Britain's purchases and the American mining strike, has caused a difference of 2,500,000 francs in the French budget. The Minister of Finance to-day informed the budget commission that railroad companies receiving a stated subsidy and companies sharing their profits with the state were asking for an extra allowance of 2,200,000 francs, while the Minister of Marine needed an extra 1,400,000 francs for coal for the fleet.

DASTARDLY OUTRAGE.

A Father, Mother and Their Four Children Blown to Pieces by Explosion of Dynamite.

(Associated Press.)
Hot Springs, Ark., Oct. 16.—A father, mother, and four young children were blown to atoms last evening at Sells, Montgomery county, 14 miles from Hot Springs.

While the family was at supper their home was wrecked by an explosion of dynamite. The unfortunate people were Jeff and Maggie Jones, and their children, ranging in age from 5 years to four months.

It is believed that a dispute over a homestead claim prompted the outrage. The county officials wired last night that they were close on the tracks of the guilty persons.

RETURN POSTPONED.

Lord Roberts Will Probably Not Reach England Until End of Year.

London, Oct. 16.—The mayor of Liverpool has received a dispatch from Lord Roberts saying that he is unable to attend to receive the freedom of the city before January.

Commenting upon the activity of the Boers and the statement from Capetown that Lord Roberts has postponed his home-coming, the Standard says:

"There are certain indications pointing to the conclusion that unexpected difficulties have arisen which Lord Roberts considers grave enough to demand his presence for some time to come. All the facts suggest that it is impossible yet to denote South Africa of any substantial portion of the large army now engaged in dominating a sullen and recalcitrant population."

The editorial finally calls for the severest measures against irreconcilable Boers, for a prompt and ruthless punishment of every insurgent burgher caught in delicto.

The editorial concludes with the statement: "The Imperial government has the country's mandate, and need not be afraid to act vigorously."

At Duncans for Funds to Purchase an Organ.

A very successful concert was held the other evening at Duncans in the agricultural hall. The entertainment was given under the auspices of the public school for the purpose of raising funds to purchase an organ for that institution. The hall was crowded, and the following splendid programme was rendered:

- Pianoforte Duet—Mrs. H. de Mellin
- Song—"The Kerry Dance"—Mr. Marshall
- Song—"The Broken-Hearted Bachelor"—Mrs. Dunne
- Motion Song—"The Shaking Quakers"—Mrs. Dunne
- Duet—"Plan and Organ"—Mrs. Dunne
- Song—"The Heart Bowed Down"—Mrs. Dunne
- Drama—"Bluebeard"—Mr. H. Williams
- Misses Blanche Gidley, Maud Lomas, Ethel Ford, and Messrs. F. Lomas, Jesse Gidley, and E. Clark
- Pianoforte Solo—Mrs. Prevost
- Song—"The Broken-Hearted Bachelor"—Mr. G. O. Pooley
- Song—"The Boer Fifth"—Mr. H. Williams
- Song—"The Holy City"—Mrs. R. Bazett
- Song—"Funiculi, Funiculi!"—Mrs. G. H. Osborne
- Rev. G. H. Osborne
- Mrs. H. de Mellin
- Boys of the School
- Mr. G. O. Pooley
- Mr. MacNeal
- "Moonlight on the Lake"
- Mr. Marshall
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Earl Li's Command

"Black Flags" and Kwang Si's Troops Are to Return to Canton.

Authorities Unable to Control the Rising in Kwang Tung Province.

(Associated Press.)
Paris, Oct. 16.—At a cabinet council held at the Elysee palace to-day the minister of foreign affairs, M. Delcasse, announced that all the powers have accepted the French note as the basis for negotiations.

The minister added that he had been informed Li Hung Chang has just ordered the "Black Flag" and Kwang Si's troops, which are traversing the province of Hu Nan on their way to join the court at Sian Fu, to abandon their march and return to Canton.

Meeting of Diplomats.

Paris, Oct. 16.—A dispatch received by the Hayes agency from Tien Tsin, dated October 15th, says:

"The British ambassador being informed from London of the basis of negotiations proposed by France, called a meeting of the diplomat corps in Peking. The French propositions were unanimously approved and appreciation was expressed of France's initiative. United States Minister Conger alone raised an objection, not against the propositions, but against the method of procedure. Conger deemed that the French propositions would have to be imposed upon the Chinese during the negotiations. While these proposals are formulated as being the basis of negotiations, different ministers, among others the British and Italian, presented certain demands, which were approved by all ministers."

According to the same dispatch, should Pao Ting Fu resist the demands to surrender, the place will be bombarded and the inhabitants exemplarily punished.

Beyond Control.

New York, Oct. 16.—A special to the World from Hongkong says Americans and their extensive interests in the far south of China are imperilled by the rebellion in Kwang Tung province. Already the revolt is grown to such proportions that the Chinese authorities are unable to suppress it.

Mr. Williams, the United States consul-general at Hongkong, has gone to Manila to confer over the critical situation with Gen. MacArthur. Consul-General Williams has warned American steamers not to go beyond Canton, says a dispatch to the Journal and Advertiser from Hongkong. The United States steamer Monterey is now being repaired at Hongkong as fast as possible.

A Chinese mob attacked the Portuguese guard at the barrier on the peninsula on which Macao is situated, according to a Herald dispatch from Hongkong. The military turned out and scared the rioters and then marched through the streets. East river is infested with pirates, who have blocked the channel.

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