

HOW DEWEY BLUFFED THE GERMANS.

He Told Them They Would Have to Obey or Get Licked.

Important Historical Event Just Made Public— Trouble Breaks Out Among the American Soldiers at Manila.

The following explanation of Dewey's attitude toward the Germans at Manila was made in a speech delivered in Philadelphia by Capt. James B. Coghlan, U. S. N.:

"During those days after the great fight was over he suffered the most outrageous nagging. On, on it went, day after day, nagging through the flesh to the bone, but he always held himself and others up. I tell you it was magnificent. I must tell you of an incident which I think will be of interest.

"Our friend [sarcastically], Admiral von Diederichs, sent an officer to complain of the restrictions placed upon him by Admiral Dewey. I happened to be by at the time, and I overheard the latter part of the conversation between their officer and our chief. I shall never forget it, and I want the people of the United States to know what Admiral Dewey said that day.

"Tell your admiral," he said, "that his ships must stop where I say. But we fly a flag, said the officer. 'Those flags can be bought at half a dollar a yard anywhere,' said the admiral, and there wasn't a bit of fun in his face when he said it, either. 'Anyone can fly that,' he continued. 'The whole Spanish fleet might come on us with those colors if they wanted to. Therefore I must and will stop you. Tell your admiral I am blockading here. I am tired of the character of his conduct. I've made it as lenient as possible for him. Now the time has arrived when he must stop. Listen to me. Tell your admiral that the slightest infraction of these orders by himself or his officers will mean but one thing. Tell him what I say. It will mean war. Make no mistake when I say that it will mean war. If your people are ready for war with the United States you can have it in five minutes.'

"I am free to admit that the admiral's speech to that officer took my breath away. As the officer left to go back to his ship he said to an American officer, whose name I can't recall: 'I think your admiral does not exactly understand.' 'Oh, yes, he does,' said the American officer, 'he not only understands, but he means every word he says.'

LACK OF HARMONY.

SAN FRANCISCO, July 15.—Delayed letters from Manila, dated as far back as May 15 contain statements indicating a condition of dissatisfaction and lack of harmony in the First Washington, notwithstanding that regiment's splendid fighting record. At that date there was clearly manifest a growing intensity of feeling among the officers of the regiment. Four of them—Maj. Canton, Capt. Otis, Capt. Scudder and Lieut. Lemon, were under arrest for a petty offense, the nature of which had not been disclosed. Lieut. William E. Weigle and Dr. Van Patten resigned and are ordered to proceed home on the transport Warren. In connection with Lieut. Weigle's resignation there is a direct hint that the old Fife-Elrich matter was brought to bear on a man who inadvertently fell into the power of the combination.

SENT BACK TO THEIR COMMANDS.

Under date of May 27 word is received that Major Canton, Captain Otis and Captain Scudder had been released from arrest under which they were placed by the brigade commander and restored to duty. Captain Otis is acting major commanding the Third battalion. Nothing is said in the letter as to the charge against Lieutenant Lemon, and no statement is made to indicate that he has been released.

NEWS OF APPOINTMENTS.

Another letter dated May 27 says: "Word was received yesterday by cable that Governor Rogers had commissioned Lieutenant Charles A. Booker captain of Company F, vice Captain Miller, discharged; Lieutenant George E. Dow, first lieutenant, vice Booker, promoted, and First Sergeant Jesse F. Miller of Company F was commissioned second lieutenant, vice Dow, promoted. Booker is one of the oldest, if not the oldest, first lieutenants of the National Guard. Dow is at present acting regimental commissary of subsistence, a difficult position in which he has given entire satisfaction. Lieutenant Miller is a brother of Captain Miller, who was discharged, and has been first sergeant of his company since January."

Dawson Prices.

Dawson is now supplied with a choice line of fruits and vegetables, and those who "have the price" may regulate themselves to their heart's content. However, prices have not reached that stage where the average man will feel any inclination to gorge himself as the following, prevailing Thursday, will show:

Watermelons, \$10 each, and small ones at \$4; pineapples, 50 cents each; oranges, \$4 per dozen; lemons, \$2 per dozen; peaches, \$1.50 per pound; plums, \$1.50 per pound; bananas, 25 cents each; tomatoes, \$2 per pound; lettuce, 25 cents a bunch; cucumbers, 50 cents each; turnips, 20 cents each; potatoes, 25 cents per pound; onions, 25 cents a pound; celery, \$1 a bunch; Honolulu sweet potatoes, 75 cents a pound; eggs, \$1.50 a dozen.

Much Mail Arrives.

The Columbia Development Co.'s steamer Victoria arrived from White Horse early Friday morning with a small passenger list, 120 tons of freight and 22 head of horses. In addition she carried 24 sacks of mixed mail, amounting in all to about 1,200 pounds, and only one sack being from way points. Among the passengers aboard were the following: Mrs. and Master Clark, J. Belcher, Mrs. Frost, Mr. Robinson, C. H. Olson, J. Bates, H. Colman, S. Broughton, W. Meredith, Corporal Green.

Asked about the accident to the Anglian, one of the officers of the Victorian said: "Something necessitating attention had happened to the wheel, and the boat was run to shore. A

couple of minutes later the fireman had occasion to go below, and he was surprised to find the hold rapidly filling with water. He at once reported his discovery to the captain, and an investigation disclosed a large hole in the bottom of the hull, evidently made by striking a snag, though the snag could not be found. There was no jar of the boat whatever when she struck, probably due to the fact that the Anglian is built of a soft quality of wood. There was no damage to the freight, though the boat was soon in the water up to her hurricane deck."

Bench and Creek Claim Dispute.

A disagreement has arisen between owners of a bench claim, opposite No. 51 lower Bonanza, and the owners of Nos. 47 and 48. It appears that the bench claim people have applied to the gold commissioner for the right to take 200 inches of water from the creek at No. 48 for use on the hill.

This has brought forth a protest from Frank Buteau, who is representing the creek claimants. Mr. Buteau has entered the following protest concerning the proposed action:

PROTEST.

DAWSON, Y. T., July 21, 1899.
To the gold commissioner of the Yukon Territory, Dawson, Y. T.

Dear Sir:—I beg to state that on the date of this application there was not more than 40 or 50 inches of water running in the creek and further, that if a dam of sufficient dimensions is built on No. 48 the backing up of the water will very seriously interfere with the working of creek claims 47 and 48, and I hereby beg to enter my protest against the natural channel of the creek being raised above its natural level, as would be the case were you to grant the application above referred to.

If you will grant me a personal interview I think I can satisfy you as to the injustice which would be brought about by granting the above-mentioned water-right. I beg to remain, sir, yours respectfully,
FRANK BUTEAU.

Notice.

Information is wanted of the following parties at the town station of the N. W. M. P.: Captain J. D. Johnson, St. Paul, Minn.; S. Victor Pinsonneault; Thomas Cavanaugh, Chicago, Ill.; Dan Grant, San Diego, Cal.; W. Horan, Col.; F. E. Davies, Wilfred Hawtrey, England; Ernest H. E. Neftch, Germany; Jack Lancaster, Chicago; Sidney Cohen, New York.

POLICE COURT.

John Pepper was up on a complaint of one Benj. Fisher, charged with having inserted a stove, but the evidence indicated simply misunderstanding, and the defendant was discharged.

Mrs. M. A. Stimmel was arrested on complaint of Mrs. Alena Bergstrand, charged with unlawfully and by false pretenses causing and inducing the informant to execute a valuable security with intent to defraud. The case has not been heard, and the particulars of the affair are not stated.

Harry Moore objects strenuously to being called a liar, and it is usually sufficient to evoke an exhibition of his pugilistic proclivities and physical dexterity. This, one E. E. Frazier demonstrated to his cost and Moore was let off with a light fine of \$1 and costs, Colonel Steele appearing to think he had been sufficiently provoked to justify his act, though not being able to officially condone it.

Charles B. Turgon, of the steamer Gold Star, sold liquor without official sanction, and was fined \$30 and costs. Another charge of selling to an unsophisticated native of the Yukon jungles, "contrary to the laws and ordinances therein provided," was lodged against him, and adjournment was taken to some day next week, when witnesses will be present from White Horse, where the offense is said to have taken place.

Mrs. York made a heroic effort, one day this week, to recover her stolen dog, and held manfully to the suspenders of the fellow whose company he was; but the suspenders broke, and the fellow, one Robert McNeil, took to the hills with all speed, and was only overhauled by Constable Smith after a long, stern chase, that tested the constable's powers of endurance. He had to admit the corn about the dog, and Colonel Steele, in fining him \$20 and costs, was sorry he couldn't make it more.

Messrs. E. E. Smith and A. Ronquere, two gentlemen who will be remembered as having been the means of returning Prof. P. Haussler to Dawson when he went down the river, were called upon to answer a charge of bringing stolen property into Canada, in which one Henry Gertjen was the complainant. The goods in question were some provisions which complainant had on a barge which the defendants brought into Dawson from Ft. Yukon, and their defense was that they had no right—the barge being a Canadian bottom—to land it at Circle City, where Gertjen wanted to land. The court found for the defendants and dismissed the action. Mr. Haussler is much wrought up over his experience with the two gentlemen and says he is trying to interest the Washington authorities in his case. He says he was compelled by them to go aboard the steamer Yukon at Fort Yukon against his will; that he jumped off at a woodchopper's camp further up the river, but was overtaken by them, rendered insensible by violence and then carried back to the boat, where he was kept against his will until he arrived at Forty-mile, where he was put in the custody of a policeman. Mr. Haussler calls it kidnapping. The two gentlemen do not themselves state what means they employed to induce Mr. Haussler to return, but they impress one as having their full share of determination.

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