

or two poor relatives, who, while mere hangers-on, are, nevertheless, always made welcome to the table of their host. Indeed, the hospitality of the Filipinos is proverbial. A guest is always welcome, and welcome to the best. The better class, too, gladly embrace every opportunity to feast

eral type is illustrated by the cut on page 302. They wander about, scarcely spending more than one season in one place.

There are a large number of Mohammedans, especially in the southern or Sulu group. Some of these take a fanatical and inviolable oath to shed the blood of the hated Christian. They are therefore known as "Juramentados." Lashed into a fury of madness, the "Juramentado" becomes more beast than human, and is forever lusting for murder. He oils his supple limbs and rushes ferociously into the conflict. Nothing can stay him. He knows that he is going to certain death—that is but the door to paradise! In his excitement he feels no pain; and, though severely wounded, he will continue his furious onset until killed.

Manila has a population of nearly 300,000, is an important port with large trade, and presents striking contrasts of wealth and poverty. The tobacco factories alone employ 10,000 men, women, and children. The average earnings of the employees are about fifteen cents per day. Electric lights, telephones, and primitive tramways present a kind of veneer civilization. There is one single track railway on the island of Luzon of 123 miles.

In the wet season Manila is a sort of Oriental Venice. The numerous canals and creeks are flooded and thronged with native boats. Restaurants abound, giving meals for as little as two cents. The numerous holidays—there are forty in the year—breed indolence and cause poverty.

The principal drive is the Luneta, beside the old sea wall, shown in our picture on page 301. Here in the cool of the evening all Manila comes out to see and be seen and to listen to the military



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their neighbours or the stranger within their gates.

All over the islands are scattered a mountain tribe called Negritos. They are supposed to be the aborigines. They are of African descent, many of them possessing all the negro characteristics. Their weapons are bows and poisoned arrows. Their gen-