## SPAIN IN THE PHILIPPINES. Was

YER EXTORTIONS AND CRUELTIES DESCRIBED BY A SPANIARD.

Sources of Weyler's Fortune-The Tax-Burdened Natives-Blanco's Punishment of a Wholesale Murderer - Tragedy of Dr. Rizal - Ducks' Eggs Hatched by Natives.

Dr. Pinto de Guimares, a Spaniard and resident of Manila, prints in the Revue des Revues of Paris an article on "The Spanish Reign of Terror in the Philippines." In it he says:

"No stranger can form any idea of vexations, formalities and regulations so ruinous to private and public interests as those which the Spanish officials have invented and put in force in the Philippines. These gentlemen have but one object in life, to make as large a fortune as possible during their terms of three or six years in begging to be knocked on the head or the archipelago and then return to taken out. The Spanish Lieutenant in Spain to escape the curses of the unhappy natives. The notorious Gen. ing by which fresh air could reach Weyler was Governor-General of the them. Philippines for three years and was a shining model of well-regulated econ- in the morning. Gen. Blanco, was omy. His annual pay was \$40,000. then Governor-General of the Philip-Out of this custom compelled him to disburse large sums for his personal before him, and, after upbraiding him expenses and to subscribe generously for his cruelty, kicked him downstairs! to various public works and charities. The General knew that if he had Notwithstanding all these demands would have been acquitted. upon his purse this prudent General "As shocking was the fate of Dr. contrived to economize and deposited Rizal. This enthusiastic patriot was in bank, at London and Paris, an amount which his own compatriots es- For writing a book against Spanish optimated at from \$2,500,000, to \$3,000,- pression he was exiled to the island of 000. The conduct of his successor, Despajol, gives a clue to the mystery of 'the General's economics. On the day of the arrival of this new Governor-General at Manila one of the richest Chinese merchants of the city offered him a present of

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of respect and esteem and was struck in the face for his pains.

Government at Manila are many and well paid. The islands are divided mission to be married to him, and pair of slippers represented the entire into military, civil and mixed provin- they granted my request, thinking to property he left. cial Governments. Each is composed add to the horror of his martyrdom. of a Governor and a numerous friar the same day on which he was on the tomb; to-day in a churchyard at staff, all paid, from the revenues of sentenced. I passed that whole night their Governorships. This system gives on my knees in prayer before the priample opportunity for fiscal malver- when morning daymed the doc. "Effen nyt," i.e., sion and oppression which fall upon tor came ou surrounded by soldiers, compelled to carry a personal card who pay less than \$3.50 are compelled favor is granted only to men of rank. to give their personal labor to the you will be shot in the back." A mo-Government for fifteen days or pay an ment after my husband was dead. The their paternal estate at Daylesford, additional tax of \$7.50. As the daily soldiers shouted wages of workers ranges from 5 to 50 cents, the severity with which this and I. "Hurrah for the Philippines tax weighs upon the masses can be imagined.

es are uniform and innumerable. rebels. They gave me a Mauser rifle, Every native who keeps and fastens an and the Philippines will be free." animal for food is taxed; if he has a horse or some cocoanut trees he is considered in the light of a spectacle. lad the retort: "I intend before I die taxed for each. If he wishes to make It usually took place in the cool of the to ride in a coach and four." cocoanut oil he is again taxed for the privilege. There are taxes on weights The spectators stood up in their car- Harrow had developed into Dr. Parr, tax on land, on all kinds of manufactures and on alcoholic spirits. Native tax collectors are made responsible for the colleccion of the total taxes in their districts. At Siquijor forty-four of these native functionaries were The firing squads for these barbarous Hohenzollern has a tradition that in exiled to Bohol after their houses, land and cattle had been confiscated, because they had not been able to make good the arrears due by their fellow countrymen.

### THIS IS THE PRICE

tian principles.'

fertility of their soil, the oppressed, sion thirteen men were led out to be tortured, ruined islanders manage to shot at the same time, all members of exist. A primitive system of cultiva- a secret revolutionary society called tion has produced, in one year, eight the Catapanan. Not one of these unmillions of dollars' worth of hemp, six fortunates was killed at the first fire. of sugar and four of tobacco! Gold, Most of them did not die until the iron, copper and coal are found on the third or fourth round. When all was islands. The exactions of Spanish over a military band played lively functionaries and the vexations of the airs. fiscal agents so hamper all foreign

trading and leave the country. and banquet, who then and there pro- ing possession of the Philippines." posed to 'exterminate the savage natives in their lairs,' and declared that city of Manila one of its industries is 'they would give no quarter,' but worth nothing. slaughter these rascals to the last water, the home of rats, snakes and Indians in M all kinds of vermin. One hundred of the islan natives were shut in it. During the | because they co t less."

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night they were heard shricking and charge, annoyed by their groans and complaints, stopped up the only open-

### ALL WERE FOUND DEAD

he summoned the butcher Lieutenant

an intelligent, learned man, who had been educated in Spain and France. Dapitan. There he met a young woman of Irish parentage, with whom he fell in love. They were engaged to be married when, on some pretext, the doctor was brought back to Manila, sent to Madrid to be tried, and from Madrid sent back to Manila. The uhnappy girl to whom he was betroth-

ed tells the rest of the story: "'Every one knew that Dr. Rizal his life would extend to. was innocent. All that could be brought against him was the publication of his book, and the Spanish of-"The officers composing the central ficials who tried him had never even lously reckoned; he had so far ex- ous preparation pre-paid. Address N. read it. Nevertheless, he was condemned to death. I then asked per-The marriage was celebrated by a me. When morning dawned the docpossible." said the Lieutenant. "Such a tion might well be proud.

### "HURRAH FOR SPAIN,"

and death to Spain." I asked for the body. It was refused me. Then swore to avenge his death. I secured poor local tradesman in a very small "Throughout all the islands the tax- a revolver and dagger and joined the way of business. His schoolfellows of- a game of golf which was being play-

"An execution at the Luneta was hurting his feelings, drew from the early morning. Hundreds of women | The years slid by and lo and behold the officer in command of the firing comotion was a coach and four. however, that their sympathies were end. with the insurgents: not wishing to "And yet, owing to the marvellous horror of these scenes. On one occa- show.

"After learning these facts no one merchants and those who come to en- will be surprised at the manner in gage in business that they finally give which the natives have welcomed the up the attempt to do any profitable success of the Americans. For centuries Spain has treated the natives of "Such was the state of the colony these unfortunate islands with such when as suddenly as a flash of lightn- ferocity that she can never make ing, the insurrection of 1896 came. It adequate atonement. The United was the result of speeches made by States may not annex Cuba, but she Spanish officers at an army reunion will find ample compensation in tak-

In Dr. Guimares's description of the

"Ducks are very industrious in all man.' At first the insurgents were the islands, especially in that of Luchecked by want of arms and supplies, | zon, where thousands of them are to but the first detachment of Spanish be seen disporting themselves in the troops which opposed them were so few river Pasig. The eggs of these ducks and behaved in so cowardly a fashion are net hatched by female ducks, but that they were easily cut to pieces, by Tagal Indians, many of the males and the rebels secured several hund- making it their sole occupation. The red rifles and thousands of cartridges. | eggs are placed in large nests of wood "The memory of the Death Hole at ashes and the Tagals sit on them for Manila will never be effaced while the hours. The banks of the river are therefrom. present generation of natives and lined with these queer human incubatheir children live. The Death Hole tors, who eat, drink, smoke and play was a noisesome dungeon, built cards, but always hatch out their setin the foundations of the rampart, on tings successfully without breaking an the River Pasig side of Manila, This egg. During the last few years artiprison had been unused for more than ficial incubators have been introduced 100 years. It was half full of foul and are now rivalling the picturesque but in the interior

### PEEPS INTO THE FUTURE.

Forecasts of Noted Men and What Became

Just previous to the assassination of the Empress of Austria the emperor was heard repeatedly to remark, "I fear something awful is about to transpire. I wish the jubilee year were safely over." This brings to mind other insatnces of forecasts fulfilled, says the London Mail.

Just over thirty years ago a visitor to Edinburgh was being shown over the High Court of Justiciary. He made some remark concerning the dock and its duties, and in reply the official jokingly said the visitor might one day be sentenced to be hanged in that is merely a masquerade suit. very room. The sightseer was the notorious Dr. Pritchard; two years had barely passed when in the dock he had so closely inspected he was doomed to death for poisoning his wife and mother-in-law.

To many watchers of the political weathercock the rapid rise of Mr. Asquith to renown as a statesman was little short of miraculous; to the late | day. home secretary himself, however, it was but the natural outcome of his own resolve. When a youth at the city of London school he informed all and sundry that he meant to take high honors at Oxford, enter the house of commons, and become an influential member of the cabinet.

The Earl of Rosebery, so it is historically recorded, while passing his boyish years at Eton, foretold that in the coming years he would win the Derby, and more important still, be prime minister. Both Lord Rosebery and Mr. Asquith prophesied the things whereof they knew.

A gentleman conceived the idea that throat, bronchitis etc. We desire to he would only live a certain time, so send them a free sample of a remedy he made a nice calculation of his for- absolutely sure to cure. It is neither tune, which he so apportioned as to a snuff, nor a wash, nor an ointment, last just the same period as he guessed but a pleasant remedy which is carried by atmospheric air to every part of the

Strangely enough his calculations throat, lungs and nasal passages. For came correct to the letter, for he died a short time we shall gladly send to punctually at the time he had prev- any address a trial outfit of this famhausted his estate that, after his C. Polson & Co. Kingston Ont. debts had been discharged, a solitary

His relatives buried him, and a representation of the slippers was carved debate. Amsterdam his grave may be seen, the only inscription on the stone being two "Exactly."

The late George Moore came to Lonthe unhappy natives. Under Spanish his hands bound behind his back. don from Cumberland a poor, friendlaw every inhabitant of the colony is They took am to the Luneta, the less boy. He entered a great commerfashionable promenade of the city, cial house, and from the beginning dewhere all military executions take clared he would eventually marry his which answers the purpose of a pass- place. The Lieutenant in command of employer's daughter and become his port. No one can travel without one. the firing party asked my husband employer's partner. He accomplish-Its cost varies from \$2.50 to \$25 and where he would prefer to be shot. He ed both ambitions, became very wealit must be renewed annually. Those replied. "Through the heart." "Im- thy and a man of whom his genera-

> When Warren Hastings was a lad his great grief was that his family had lost and he was constantly heard to say: "I will buy it back." He grew up to make both history and a famous name, and he died at Daylesford.

> Among the many records of Harrow school is that of a boy, the son of a ten taunted him about his family pov-

of the upper classes were present. the poverty-stricken youngster of riages and drank champagne while the greatest scholar of his time, whose waiting for the appointed hour. When customary and favorite means of lo-

party lowered his sword and the shots | The seventh child of the German rang out the women waved their emperor and empress is a daughter, handkerchiefs and sunshades joyously. their six being sons. The house of executions were each made up of five one year three emperors of that house men placed about ten paces from the will reign in Germany the third will condemned and were at first com- have seven sons and will bring ruin to posed of native troops. It was found, the nation as well as the empire to an

This direful prophecy has seen the which the natives of the Philippines inflict mortal wounds on their fellow fulfillment of its first part; whether pay for their Government on 'Chris- countrymen they aimed at the arms or the arrival of a seventh son will bring legs of the victims, thus adding to the the calamities predicted the future will

### POINTED PARAGRAPHS.

Money is the root of the manufacturing plant.

But few women have time to look

Gossip is always short lived unless

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When the king loses he always

It's never too hot in summer or too

The more vanity some people possess the easier it is to make them happy. Satan never gets tired of jollying

Time may be a success as a woundhealer, but it seldom removes the

An old bachelor says the average wait of women is until they are asked to marry.

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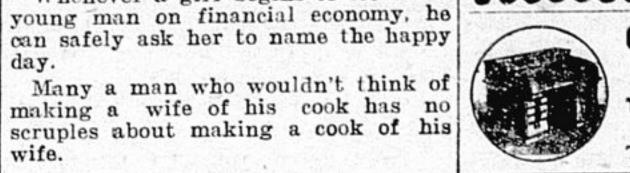
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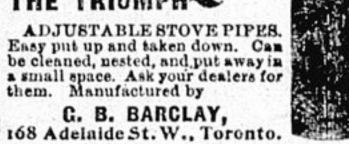
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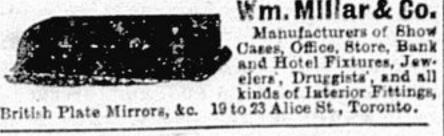
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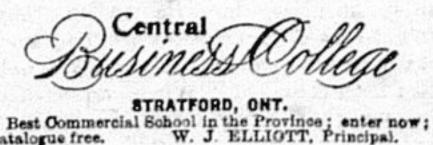
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