### REBELS PLAN A MASSACRE. Plot to Surpulse Americans Discovered

and Frustrated.

Mantla dispatch: The secret service department has frustrated a plot for another massacre similar to the one that resulted last month in the killing of forty men of Company C, Ninth infantry, at Balangiga, in the southern part of the Island of Samar. Eighty of the conspirators were arrested. is not likely that the troops will take any more prisoners, as the war against The treacherous natives will be carried on without asking for or giving quarter. The plot was discovered by Lieutenant Thomas M. Baines, Jr., of the Ninth United States infantry, who found a prisoner re-entering a cell at Carbiga, Island of Samar, where several rebels were confined, through a hole that had been let in the wall. An investigation showed a plan to fill the jail with belomen and to call the guard, which would be necessary to get the door open, and then to attack the garrison. It also developed that the instigators were a priest and the presidente, both of whom are included in the number arrested. Other attempts have been discovered, but frustrated at Pambujan and other points in Samar. Several persons have been arrested in connection with these.

#### Campaign Is Relentless.

Advices from Samar are to the offect that General Hughes, commander of that district, and General Smith are carrying on a relentless campaign against the rebels there, and thousands of malcentents are fleeing to the adjacent islands. Numerous columns of American troops are operating along the coast, while the work in the interior is being done by the Macabebes, the native scouts, whose work on the Island of Luzon called forth so much praise from their American commanders. Colonel Goodrell and 200 marines have sailed on the New York and Wampatuck to reinforce the soldiers in Samar. The troops there have evidently determined that the rebels will not take them unprepared They now constantly carry their rifles, and have them within reach even at meals and when they go to bed. United States officers from other provinces that were supposed to be pacified have recently arrived in Manila, and they say that the news of American disaster spreads like wildfire among the natives, who scarcely attempt to conceal their delignt. The Manila constabulary discovered a large quantity of steel wagon springs, which were being shipped to various districts. Investigation showed that these were to be used in manufacturing bolos.

Husband Jealous of Woman. For four years "Willie" Wallace, a beardless youth of about 22 years of age as everyone supposed, carried the mails between Harrisburg and Kimball, Neb. At the home of James Baker he was a frequent visitor. Baker warned him away, but he did not heed. The result was Baker separated from his wife and sued her for a divorce, charging her with unfaithfulness and naming Wallace as co-respondent. The case was to have come to trial this week, but it has been dismissed, the wife bringing forward indisputable proof that Wallace was in reality s woman masquerading in male attire.

## Cuba Wants to Come In.

. A petition asking that Cuba be annexed to the United States is being circulated among Cuban business men at Havana, and every effort is being centered upon annexation, as business men generally, it is alleged, believe that the reciprocity movement will amount to nothing. A meeting has been arranged for Wednesday next, at which, although held under the guise of reciprocity, it is said the first gun in the campaign for annexation will be fired by Cuba's orators, Senores Desvernine and Lanuza and the Marquis De Montoro.

Troops at Warraw Mutiny. It is reported at Berlin that part

of the troops comprising the Warsaw garrison mutinied while on parade as a protest against the food furnished them, which they claimed was not fit to eat. They fired upon the officers, killing one and wounding several others. The mutiny was suppressed and the ringleaders were imprisoned in the citadel. Three hundred men will be court-martialed.

Camera Trust Reported.

It was announced at Rochester, N Y., that there is talk of forming a company to merge all the important plants in the country producing cameras and photographic supplies and that papers of incorporation will probably be filed in New Jersey on Thursday placing the capital stock at \$35,-

Massdonians Offer Ald.

The idea that the capture of Miss Stone originated with the Macedonian committee is corroborated, according to the Vienna correspondent of the London Mail, by the fact that numerous Macedonians in Sofia have offered to mediate with the brigands.

Salls \$8,500,000 of Bonds Benton Harber, Mich., telegram: The West Michigan Traction Company anounces that it has sold all its bonds, amounting to \$2,509,000, and on Monday a trust deed will be executed in favor of the Knickerbocker Trust pany of New York city and filed with the register of deeds in St. Jo-This deed will be filed in five it valls on track in this city, b

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Eliot Gregory, whose writings over the pen name of "The Idler" are widely known, is preparing for The Century Magazine a group of papers on various phases of social life in New York.

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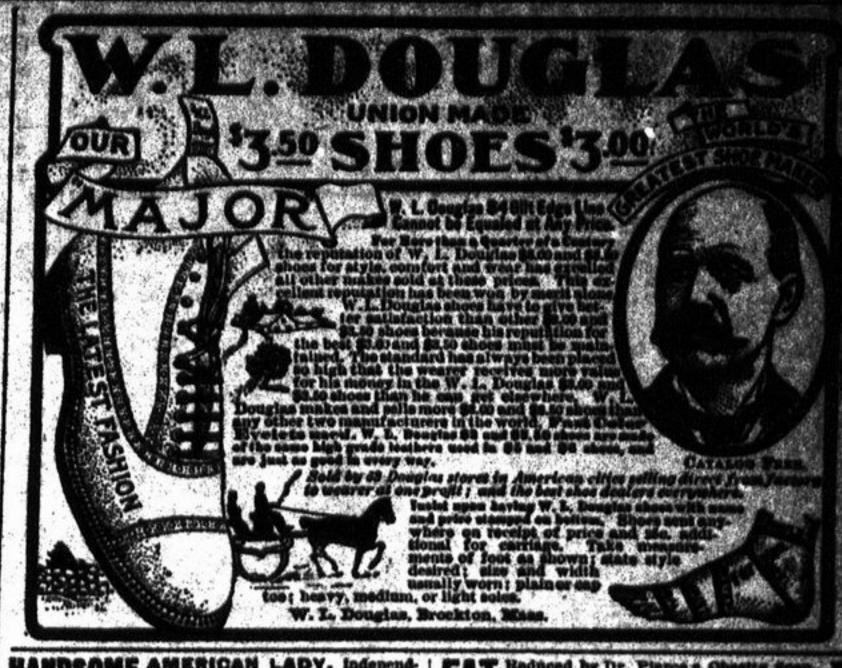
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