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#### SPAIN'S VICTORY IN MOROCCO.

The following Reuter despatch, giving a graphic account of the occupation of the Gurugu mountains by the Spanish force, has been received from Melilla:

'At three o'clock this morning a column composed of six companies of infantry and the disciplinary brigade of the Melilla Garrison, advanced towards Mount Gurugu, under the command of Gen. Del Real. The force marched through Wolf's Gorge, headed by native police, and a harka of Frajana and Mezquita Moors, who have taken refuge in Melilla. The ascent of the heights was carried out with great precisioa, with as much prudence as skill, and in the greatest order, notwithstanding the difficulties offered by the steep and broken ground.

"The troops, who were full of dash, appeared to grow more enthusiastic with every step. They showed much disappointment at meeting with no other obstacle than that of the ground, full of natural obstacles of all sorts. Indeed, there was never a trace of the enemy in this locality, where for so long the Moors swarmed under the leadership of their famous Chief Chaldy, and that no less famous Marabout El Mizzian. It was not until they had breasted the topmost ridge that our troops heard three shots, and three only, doubtless fired by some laggards among the Moors, who disappeared at once, and whose harmless shots only evoked the reply of lusty cries of 'Viva España.' A few moments later, at eight o'clock, the three companies marching in the centre occupied the top of Mount Gurugu, where they were shortly joined by the remainder of the force.

"It would be useless to try to depict the delirious enthusiasm which carried away officers and men, as they occupied the summit of the mountain, today so peaceful, and only recently semi-impregnable, on the slopes of which there fell in the sanguinary assaults of July 23 and 27, so many officers and men, victims even to a greater extent of their unthinking heroism and courage, than to their duty. As the folds of the flag of Spain fluttered out on the fresh morning breeze, over the newly-won position, tremendous crie; of 'Viva España' and 'Viva El Rey' resounded, echoed from afar by the booming of the guns in the batteries of the various camps, and of the warships lying oft Melilla. After a brief rest the work of fortifying the position was started. At half-past twelve a voy left Melilla with provisions to revictual the force on Mount Gurugu."

An official report from Melilla gives the following casualty list of the forces under General Orozco during the recognisance from Zeluan to Suk el Djennis; General Diaz Vicario, two captains, one lieutenant, and 14 men killed, and about 180 men wounded.

#### NEWS OF THE WORLD.

A London telegram states that the Friday evening papers published an announcement by the Vice-Chuncellor of Cambridge University to the effect that Baron Rudolf Schröder, of Messrs. I. Henry Schröder & Company, has offered the University a sum of £20,700 for the foundation of a German Pro-

The United States Government revenue for the month of September amounted to \$52,348,000; and the expenditure to \$52,969,000. The National Debt increased during the month by \$2,058,000. The gold reserve in the Treasury amounts to \$1,295,543,000.

The Brussels correspondent of the Echo de Paris has interviewed the Duke of Orleans, who has just returned from Arctic regions.

The Duke said he wished to express no opinion with regard to the Cook-Peary controversy. H2 admired both, and considered their exploits possible. He added, "one must applaud their undertaking, as

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one does a sport, but I do not think that the conquest of the Pole can be called anything but a sporting event, and I consider that there is greater value in the expedition which the Norwegian explorer Amundsen is about to undertake in those regions, for the purpose of magnetic observations and soundings, which alone can be of assistance to science."

Commander and Mrs. Peary arrived at New York on Friday from Portland, Maine, and were enthusiastically greated by large crowds. Commander Pears remained on board the steamer Roosevelt, which later took part in the naval parade in the Hudson. He stood on the bridge of the steamer, and all the other vessels in the river blew their syrens and rung their bells in honour of the explorer.

A Washington cablegram to hand yesterday contained the significant news that the National Geographical Society has decided, in connection with the lecture which Dr. Cook is to deliver at Washington today (Sanday), not to officially recognise him as the discoverer of the North Pole.

A local train from Ghent to Antwerp on Friday collided at a level crossing with a wagon, killing four persons and badly injuring one.

The International Airship Union at Zurich has decided that the aviation competition for the Gordon Bennett prize in 1910 shall take place over a course of 100 kilometres, with landings in between. The course will be enclosed and have a minimum length of five kilometres.

M. Paulhan at Cologne on Friday afternoon made four flights over the Merheimer racecourse, but only one flight was in any way a success. On landing, one place of the apparatus was damaged. M. Blériot covered 40 rounds of the course in 64 minutes, occasionally reaching a height of 25 metres.

A Juvissy telegram states that, owing to the heavy rain, the flying ground was converted into a morass, As a result the commencement of the two weeks' aviation contests, including long distance-flights from Paris, has been postponed until October 7.

A Salonika telegram of yesterday states that the Vali, Ibraham Bey, a son of the Sheik-ul-Islam, has given orders to the police to prohibit the appearance on the streets of unveiled Turkish women. The Vali further exhorts all true Mohommedans to strictly observe the sacred duties of the Ramazan festival and recommends them to adhere faithfully to the tenets of the Koran.

Apropos of the Hudson-Fulton celebrations, a New York despatch to the Express reads:-The police of the Williamsburg district of New York will long remember the visit of William Mayhew, an able seaman of H.M.S. Duke of Edinburgh. Mayhew left his ship for a holiday ashore, and after wandering about the streets all day lost his bearings, so at midnight he climbed to the top of a lamp-post with his pipe in his mouth and anchored for the night. While he was giving loud expression to his opinions of the geography of New York, he was discovered by the policeman on the beat, who invited him to descend. Mayhew replied that the view was better where he was, and when the policeman tried to climb the iamp-post he was compelled to make a hasty descent. Two other policemen arrived in reply to a whistle for assistance. It was a penitent Mayhew who appeared before the magistrate in the morning. He was profuse in his apologies for disturbing the harmony of the visit. The magistrate gave him some good advice and twenty-five cents for his fare, and fifteen sore but admiring policemen watched him depart to his ship. A veil is drawn over what happened when he reached the cruiser.

According to a London despatch, it is feared that the schooner Maria Luise, which left Hamburg on August 24, bound for Berwick, and is now tour weeks overdue, has foundered in the North Sea with all

A Reuter telegram from Melbourne states that Sir R. W. Best, Commonwealth Minister for Trade and Customs, has issued a memorandum, giving the results of the experience of the preferential tariff for British imports since its introduction in June, 1908.

The Minister disclaims any wish to suggest what fiscal policy is suitable to the Motherland, but "with grave misgiving," he finds that trade with Great Britain has slowly but surely decreased. The percentage of British imports in 1905 was 55 per cent.; in 1906, 53.66 per cent.; in 1907, 52.92 per cent.; and in 1908, 51.54 per cent. This decline, says the memorandum, must arrest the attention of the most complacent advocates of laissez faire. The total imports of merchandise in 1908 reached a value of £48,600,000, of which the United Kingdom contributed £25,000,000. The value of imports affected by preferential treatment was ££26,000,000, of which the United Kingdom contributed £16,577,000. The preferential rebate on this amounted to £828,000. As a result of only one year's experience, therefore, it was found that the decrease in British imports affected by preference had been arrested.

The rapid opening up of new South Wales lands in consequence of Mr. Wade's closer settlement policy, the assurance of a bumper harvest, and the general tural prosperity attending the favourable seasons, are causing a great demand for agricultural labour. Under the Australian Government assisted scheme a steady stream of skilled agriculturists is arriving at Sydney from Great Britain, but the demand far exceeds the supply.

Another remarkable Colorado bank outrage is reported in despatches from Glenwood Springs. Three masked men entered the bank at a quiet hour, held up the cashier, and proceeded to collect all the available cash, amounting to just over 10,000 dols. They then succeeded in getting safely away from the town before the police could be put on their track.

It has been the custom of the French naval authorities, for several years, to send a certain number of young officers abroad to study foreign languages. This custom has had at least one romantic sequel, for the engagement is now announced of Ensign Rouvier, son of Rear-Admiral Rouvier and nephew of Surgeon-General Rouvier, who was sent to Japan, to Mdlle. Ito, daughter of the victor of the Yalu... The wedding is to take place shortly in Tokio, and a vessel from the French Far Eastern squadron will be present to mark the occasion.

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