

## PROCLAMATIONS

By the Governor General of the Philippine Islands

### *Proclamation No. 6*

I hereby announce that to-day I retire from office under the Government of the United States of America in the Philippine Islands, my resignation as Governor-General having been accepted by the President of the United States, effective September 1, 1913.

The Honorable Francis Burton Harrison, of New York, has been named my successor. Mr. Harrison will take the oath of office in the United States and become Governor-General of the Philippine Islands on September 2, 1913.

Beginning to-morrow the Honorable Newton W. Gilbert, Vice-Governor, will take on the duties of Acting Governor-General.

In this, my last official announcement, I desire to express to the members of the Philippine Commission, to the Speaker and members of the Philippine Assembly, to the judiciary, to the Commanding General and the officers of the Army and Navy, to the Directors of Bureaus and those serving with them, to the provincial governors, their associates and subordinates, to the officers and employees of the city of Manila and other municipal governments, and to the people of the Philippine Islands, both in public and private life, my deep appreciation of their support and coöperation, to which is due whatever of progress and of accomplishment there may have been during my administration.

My intimate associations with the Philippine people and their problems during nine years have filled me with confidence for their future prosperous development, and I retire filled with faith in their continued loyalty and helpfulness to the Government of the Philippine Islands. I bespeak for my successor the same measure of support that I have received.

In witness whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of the Government of the Philippine Islands to be affixed.

Done at the city of Manila this first day of September, nineteen hundred and thirteen.

[SEAL.]

W. CAMERON FORBES,  
*Governor-General.*

By the Governor-General:

F. W. CARPENTER, *Executive Secretary.*