

President McKinley says the war will end Aug. 1st.

England undertakes to attend to Europe if we will take care of this side of the water.

The official war news of this and the past week is satisfactory so far as it goes, but it is all preliminary.

Georgia's "cussified" colonel, Candler, was elected Governor of that State in last week's elections.

John R. Tolbert, of Abbeville, has been appointed by President McKinley as Collector of Customs at Charleston.

The yellow fever has made its appearance in Mississippi. The department at Washington is making strenuous efforts to prevent its spreading.

It is said that Santiago de Cuba has been captured and that the United States flag floats from the "battlements of the battery" at this writing.

We have captured another island from Spain. This last is Guahan, one of the Ladrones group, about 1,500 miles from Honolulu, more than half way from that point to the Philippines. It is to be used as a coaling station.

The State campaign opens at Orangeburg on Thursday of this week, the 16th inst. We will not know absolutely who is in the race for Governor until that meeting. We know for certain, however, that Col. Bob is in it.

Gen. Merritt, who has been appointed Governor General of the Philippines, is hurrying preparations for his departure for these far away islands. Provisions and ammunition are being rushed aboard the China, Colon, and Zealand. The transports Senator, City of Pueblo, and Queen will soon be ready for troops.

The Southern Press is not as severe in its criticisms of Gen. Miles as some of the northern newspapers. The Pittsburg Post says: "There are those who believe that the death knell of the war will be sounded just as soon as the prow of Gen. Miles' porcelain bath tub is pointed Cuba-ward."

It is announced that the vaults of the clearing house in New York contain \$140,000,000 in gold belonging to the banks of that city. Now, if the people of the country had about that additional amount of good, crisp legal tenders to do business with, how much better things would work.

Senator Tillman had an important amendment added to the postoffice appropriation bill. It prevents star contractors from subletting their contracts. In order to get their money they must be able to swear that they performed the service themselves. This will insure a better service and allow the contractors a better showing.

It is the general understanding in official circles that Shafter's force of 27,000 men will be divided after taking Santiago, one part to remain there and the others going to Ponce and the east of Porto Rico. The positive date of their departure will be determined by Coppinger's readiness to start to San Juan.

Simultaneous attacks by land and sea on San Juan will be followed by a junction with Shafter's expedition, which will travel the military road, seventy-five miles from Ponce to San Juan, dissecting the island. It is believed the campaign at Porto Rico will dishearten Spain and season the Americans for a decisive victory at Havana.

In many quarters the President is being very severely criticised for appointing to high rank in the army "Nobodies, the Sons of Somebodies." It is charged that "a letter from father," if father is a Senator or a millionaire, is sufficient to procure a rank in the army that would take about fifteen or twenty years to obtain through the regular channel of promotion.—Winnboro Herald.

Roll of Honor

Edgefield Institute for month ending May 27th, 1898: Ella Allen, Earline Allen, Wad Allen, Julia Anderson, Art Brunson, Alfred Covar, Henry Davis, Ellen Duovant, Dozier Lynch, Calhoun Mays, Madge Mays, Arnold Lewis, Jamie Peak, James Sheppard, Maxie Sheppard, Rhett Sheppard, Julia Tompkins, Marie Tompkins, Annabelle Morgan.

THIRTEEN HOURS' FIERCE FIGHTING.

Spanish Guerrillas Attack American Marines

WHO LOST FOUR KILLED AND ONE WOUNDED.

Spaniards Repulsed With Heavy Loss—Another Battle Expected and Reinforcements Landed.

On Board the Associated Press Dispatch Boat Dauntless, off Guantanamo, Sunday, June 12, via Mole S. Nicolas, Hayti, June 12.—Lieutenant Colonel R. W. Huntington's battalion of marines, which landed from the transport Panther on Friday, and encamped on the hill guarding the abandoned cable station, at the entrance to the outer harbor of Guantanamo, has been engaged in beating off a bush attack by Spanish guerrillas and regulars since 3 o'clock Saturday afternoon.

The fighting was almost continuous for 13 hours, until 6 o'clock this morning, when reinforcements were landed from the Marblehead. Four of our men were killed and one wounded. The advance pickets under Lieutenants Neville and Shaw, are unaccounted for.

Among the killed is Assistant Surgeon John Blair Gibbs, son of Major Gibbs, of the regular army, who fell in the Custer massacre. His home was at Richmond, but he had been practicing in New York, and entered the service since the war began. He was a popular officer. The others killed are Sergeant Charles H. Smith, of Smallwood; Private William Cunphy, of Gloucester, Mass., and Private James McColgan, of Stoneham, Mass.

Corporal Glass was accidentally wounded in the head. The Spanish loss is unknown, but it was probably considerable. The splashes of blood found at daylight at the positions the Spaniards occupied indicate fatalities, but their comrades carried off the killed and wounded.

The engagement began with desultory firing at the pickets, 1,000 yards inland from the camp. Captain Spivey's company was doing guard duty, and was driven in, finally rallying on the camp and repulsing the enemy at 5 o'clock.

The bodies of Privates McColgan and Dunphy, were found, both shot in the head. The large cavities made by the bullets, which, inside a range of 500 yards, have a rotary motion indicate that the victims were killed at close range.

Shortly after midnight came the main attack. The Spaniards made a gallant charge up the southwest slope, but were met by repeated volleys from the main body, and broke before they were one-third of the way up the hill, but they came so close that, at points, there was almost a hand struggle. The officers used their revolvers. Three Spaniards got through the open formation to the edge of the camp. Col. Jose Campina, the Cuban guide, discharged his revolver, and they, turning and finding themselves without support, ran helter-skelter down the reverse side of the hill. It was during this assault that Assistant Surgeon Gibbs was killed. He was shot in the head in front of his own tent, the farthest point of attack.

He fell into the arms of Private Sullivan and both dropped. A second bullet threw dust in their faces. Surgeon Gibbs lived 10 minutes, but did not regain consciousness.

The surgeons of the hospital corps then removed their quarters to the trenches about the old Spanish stockade, north of the camp. The attacks were continued at intervals throughout the rest of the night, with firing from small squads in various directions.

Toward morning the fire slackened. Dawn is the favorite time for attack, and as the east paled, the marines, lying on their guns, were aroused. Some were actually asleep, as they had had no rest for 18 hours, and tired nature could no longer stand the strain. But no attack came.

Three new 12-pound field guns, which could not be used during the night for fear of hitting our own men, shelled several squads of Spaniards after daylight. They dove into the bushes like prairie dogs into burrows as the shells broke over them in the gray dawn.

As the correspondent of the Associated Press talked with Major Cockrell, who was in charge of the outposts, word came of the landing of the body of Sergeant Smith. He was reported as having been killed at 5 o'clock on the previous day, but it appears that he had been seen alive at 10 o'clock in the evening. When and how he was killed, no one knows at

THE WAYS OF GENERALS.

A GOOD ARTICLE FROM BILL ARP.

He Revives Some Good Stories About Prominent Men of the Past—He Has Found Out That Admiral Dewey is a Presbyterian.

When General Taylor had fought and won a great battle in Mexico he sent a report of it to the secretary of war and began it by saying: "Sir—On yesterday noon as I was taking a hasty plate of soup." The nation was electrified at the victory, but everybody smiled at the old man's style of reporting it and the importance he attached to soup. Nevertheless the Whigs nominated him for President over Gen. Scott and Daniel Webster. Scott was called "Old Fuss and Feathers," but Taylor was dubbed "Old Rough and Ready," and that nominated him. The Democratic papers made fun of him and called him "old soup plate" but he was elected. His fighting qualities put him through.

And Henry Watterson says we can put Admiral Dewey through for the same reason. Maybe we can. I am willing, of course, for he is a Democrat and a Presbyterian, and being one of the elect, ought to be elected. We don't know that he is partial to soup, but certain it is that he is partial to his stomach, for he actually stopped fighting and sinking ships long enough to eat breakfast. Was such a thing ever done in the midst of a terrific battle before? "Twenty minutes for breakfast!" was the ring of the steward's bell on every vessel and the poor Spaniards had surcease of sorrow for a little while. Zachary Taylor said: "A little more grape, Captain Bragg," but Dewey said: "Byes, let us rest a while and eat up something—the rest of their ships will keep."

Dewey is a Green Mountain boy and I like that, for Vermont Democrats are the best Democrats north of the line. And just to think of his being a Presbyterian. I didn't know they had any in Vermont and would have set him down for a Unitarian or a Roman Catholic or a deep water Baptist. Grover Cleveland, they say, is a Presbyterian, but maybe he is one of Zeb Vance's kind. Zeb said: "The difference between me and my brother Bob is that Bob is a Methodist and believes in falling from grace, but Bob never falls. I am a Presbyterian and don't believe in falling, but am falling all the time." When Zeb was running against Holden for Governor he found out that all the people in a little valley over the mountain were Baptists, and so he went over there just a few days before Holden was to speak there and told the boys that his good old mother was a Baptist and that Holden was a regular old-fashioned shout Methodist and you could hear him a mile at a camp meeting. The result was that not a dozen men came out to hear Holden and Vance got every vote in the settlement.

But that stopping for breakfast at Manila reminds me of the fight between Mr. Hall and Colonel Boyd, of our town, away back before the war. They were leading citizens and were continually at outs. They carried much animosity on their tongues and much corrosion in their abdominal regions, for each weighed about 250 pounds and had short arms and shorter legs and each had vowed to whip the other if he ever crossed his path. One day as Hall was from the postoffice slowly walking and reading his paper

and he and Boyd met at the corner and the fight began. Each was as big a coward as old Falstaff, but they had to fight and everybody around was willing. In a brief time they got to the ground and neither could get up or get on top and they blowed like popoises. After while the people took pity on them and helped them up and then each claimed the victory. "I sent you word I was going to whip you," said Boyd, "and now I reckon you will quit telling lies on me." "Whip who, you old dirty, lying puppy. Why, I whipped you, sir, and never stopped reading my newspaper," and he held up the crumpled sheet that somehow or other he had never let go from his hand. The old doctor always swore that he never stopped reading his paper while fighting Boyd. Just so Taylor never forgot his soup and Dewey his breakfast. There is no record in all history matching Dewey's coolness under fire and over water, and if he should be nominated for our next President, as Watterson predicts, the shibboleth with be twenty minutes for break fast.

Stonewall Jackson didn't seem to care very much about eating during a fight, but did care about praying for souls of his enemies. "The Blue-light elder know them well, Say he, 'That's Banks—he's fond of shell Lord save his soul—now give him—well That's Stonewall Jackson's way. 'Silence! ground arms! kneel all! caps off! Old Blue-light's going to pray. 'Say bare thine arm; stretch forth thy rod; Amen! That's Stonewall's way."

But after all that has been said or sung about our heroes, I don't believe that any good hearted man takes pleasure in killing his fellow men whether in battle or in a quarrel. In the olden time when men fought duels and it was considerable to refuse a challenge, many a man overshot his adversary rather than have his blood on his hands. It takes a hardhearted man to shoot another down in cold blood and it is a shade of comfort to every true soldier to know that possibly every bullet he fired may have missed the mark. I saw two soldiers shot at sunrise one morning at Centerville in 1861. Twelve men fired the fatal shots but no one knew who killed them for six of the guns had no balls in them. Such is the kind consideration that even army rules have for the feelings of those who are chosen for such reluctant work. That voice from heaven that Cain heard when he killed Abel still haunts us. "The

WOMEN are the real heroes of the world. Thousands of them endure the dragging torture of the hills peculiar to womanhood in the silence of the home. They suffer on and on—weeks, months, years. The story of weakness and torture is written in the drawn features, in the sallow skin, in the listless eyes, in the lines of care and worry on the face.

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The Hon. T. H. Rainford, of Edgefield, who for four years made such a wise and prudent legislator in the House of Representatives, has been announced by his friends in Edgefield as a candidate to fill the unexpired term of Senator J. M. Gaines. Among the many bright men of that county no one is better qualified for Senatorial duties, and his election will confer a well-merited trust and honor upon a man who by his learning and wisdom is eminently capable of representing a county traditionally endowed with the ability to produce men of genius, patriotism, superb courage and legal acumen.—Hampton Guardian.

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voice of my brother's blood cries unto me from the ground." I have often wondered how the spirits of dead soldiers of opposing armies meet each other on the other side. Do they shake hands and make friends or how? Or do they say like Nathaniel Hawthorne said when asked if he was in favor of the civil war. "Well, yes I suppose so, in fact, I am constrained to approve it, but still I don't know what we have to fight about." But one thing is certain. We are coming slow speed in feeding starving Cubans and if our fleets don't hurry up there won't be anybody to feed. Lord help them for it looks like we cannot.

THE COST OF WAR.

It is impossible to estimate the cost of war. The expenditures of governments in carrying on wars are enormous and may be ascertained with some degree of accuracy, but these do not constitute the total cost of a war or anything like it.

Mr. Ellis H. Roberts, United States treasurer, has, however, prepared a statement which shows how vast a sum of money our government has expended in wars. Mr. Roberts estimates our expenditures in the war of 1812 at \$102,993,153. War in those days was very far from being as costly as it is now. It was comparatively inexpensive when the conflict with Mexico came on. The cost to us of that war, Mr. Roberts puts it at \$125,447,483.

When we reach the civil war we come to great figures. Mr. Roberts gives the following statement of the expenditures by the United States government for each of the four fiscal years of that struggle:

Table with 2 columns: Year, Amount. 1862 - \$456,379,896.81; 1863 - 694,004,575.56; 1864 - 811,283,679.14; 1865 - 1,217,704,199.28

Total - \$3,179,372,350.79

Enormous as this total is, it really represents but a small part of the entire cost of the civil war. It does not include the expenditures of the Confederate States government, which were very large. More than \$2,500,000,000 has been paid by the government to pensioners of the civil war, and this must go into the account.

When we include the value of property that was destroyed and the loss on account of suspended production we shall have to add several thousand millions more to the estimate of Mr. Roberts. The total cost of the civil war cannot be calculated, and if it could, the figures would be beyond our comprehension.

Ex-Senator John J. Ingalls, of Kansas, whose fame as a brilliant writer, a man of remarkable scholarship and literary attainments, is even greater than that of the distinguished senator, announces a new book on the subject of the American Spanish-Cuban War. It is entitled "America's War for Humanity in Picture and Story." It is published by the N. D. Thompson Pub. Co., of St. Louis, Mo., and is an exhaustive discussion of the cause of the war, and equally exhaustive history of its incidents, and a brilliant analysis of the famous characters conducting it. It promises to be the one great and popular work called forth by this wonderfully interesting national episode. Whatever Senator Ingalls touches he adorns; and this book shines and sparkles in the light of his genius. The present work is worthy of his genius, and will be a monument his fame. The subject now so engrosses the popular mind as to forecast for this book a sale that will be universal. It will be sold by subscription only, and the canvassing samples are now ready for agents. We advertise it in another column.

For House of Representatives. Dr. W. P. Timmerman is announced as a candidate for the House of Representatives, subject to the rules and regulations of the democratic party. Respectfully, W. J. TALBERT.

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For County Treasurer. I am a candidate for re-election to the office of County Treasurer. I will abide the result of the primaries and support all the nominees of the party. T. C. MORGAN.

For County Auditor. I am a candidate for re-election to the office of Auditor. I will abide the result of the primary and support the nominees of the party. J. R. HALTIWANGER.

For County Supervisor. I hereby announce myself as a candidate for nomination to the office of County Supervisor at the ensuing democratic primary election. The cordial support of my fellow citizens is respectfully solicited. JAMES T. MIMS.

I announce myself as a candidate for the office of Supervisor of Edgefield county, subject to the action of the democratic primaries. R. A. COCHRAN.

I am a candidate for the office of County Supervisor, will abide the result of the primary election and support the nominees of the party. J. M. BELL, JR.

For Judge of Probate. I respectfully announce myself as a candidate for re-election to the office of Judge of Probate of Edgefield county, subject to the rules and regulations of the democratic primary election, pledging myself to abide by the results and support the nominees of the party. J. D. ALLEN.

For Superintendent of Education. I hereby announce myself as a candidate for County Superintendent of Education, and pledge myself to abide results of the primary. P. N. LOTT.

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