

Porto Rico to be Taken Next.

Thought That Resistance Will Not Amount To Very Much.

Gen. Miles Will Command the Army of 25,000.

Washington, July 14—The first chapter in the land campaign of the United States against Spain closed today when the Spanish colors gave place over Santiago to the American flag.

The siege of Santiago had lasted two weeks and was remarkable in many respects and in none more than the heavy percentage of loss through death, wounds or sickness of the soldiers and sailors engaged on both sides.

"Next is Porto Rico," said Secretary Alger, after receiving the news of Santiago's formal surrender.

The secretary was in excellent spirits. He has been more anxious than he cared show as to the condition of our sick soldiers and looked with apprehension upon the possibility of a prologation of the struggle in the unhealthy valley of Santiago.

The secretary said that the Porto Rican expedition would go forward immediately. It will comprise new men entirely. The warriors in the trenches before Santiago have distinguished themselves and it is not deemed prudent to bring them in unnecessary contact with new troops in view of the danger of spreading contagion.

The Porto Rican expedition will be commanded by Gen. Miles in person, though Gen. Brooke, now in command at Camp Thomas, is expected to be his main dependence.

The size of the expedition will depend upon Gen. Miles' wishes, although it is believed that 25,000 men will be sufficient for the purpose.

At San Juan the navy will be of greater assistance than it was at Santiago, owing to the possibility of approaching the town more closely without risking contact with mines.

Porto Rico is not expected to offer a very formidable resistance. It is believed that the moral effect of today's surrender at Santiago will be to discourage the defenders of San Juan.

There is, however, always the prospect that peace may ensue before hostilities have progressed against Spain's easternmost West India islands.

Rumors were about this afternoon to the effect that the Spanish government at last had made overtures in that direction, but their basis probably was the current belief that one more reverse to the Spanish arms would be sufficient to compel the Spanish government to sue for peace.

THE PROHIBITION CAN DIDATE

The Advertiser is not prepared at present to espouse the cause of any of the candidates for the governorship.

No strenuous reason exists to cause us to volunteer advice to the voters. We content ourselves at this stage of the campaign with endeavoring to inform the people of the progress of the contest.

Since, however, one of the candidates, Mr. Featherstone, is a Laurens man, and notwithstanding that the Advertiser takes issue with him on the leading plank of his platform, it is not out of place for a newspaper published here at his home to say something of him.

Mr. Featherstone is a lawyer of unquestioned ability and established reputation. He is a clear-headed and successful man in business. He meets all obligations, public and private.

His reputation in his community for integrity is unimpeachable. The only charge that has ever been brought against him, so far as we have heard, is that he seeks the office of governor. Of this we fear that he is guilty.

We believe that his candidacy is made in defiance of a principle that commands his sincere and disinterested devotion. In our judgment, it is absurd to say that Mr. Featherstone is a prohibitionist for the sake of office.

It does not follow necessarily because Mr. Featherstone happens to be a good and capable man that he should be elected governor. There may be others and the successorship to Governor Elberle is for the people to determine.

SUSPENDED PUBLICATION

Yesterday the last issue of the Columbia Register as a morning news paper made its appearance.

The paper has been published in this city since 1875 without interruption. Some time ago it was finally decided to abandon the morning field, but its suspension will come unexpectedly to the public in general.

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Conditions Terrible in Manila.

London, July 14—The special correspondent of The Times at Cavite writes as follows, under date of July 10 via Hong Kong: "I arrived here on July 7."

Admiral Dewey and Gen. Andersen received me cordially and gave me quarters with the officers of the 14th regular infantry.

The American troops are a fine looking body of men, but the discipline is easy and not at all comparable to that of an English volunteer corps.

There are about 160 cases in the hospital, chiefly of complaints caused by eating or drinking unfiltered water.

A steamer arrived on the 9th from Australia with 3,000 frozen carcasses for the American forces.

The condition of Manila is said to be terrible. It is hoped the town will surrender without necessitating a bombardment, but the Spanish officers are obstinate and a capitulation is not likely.

The whole American expedition is expected here by July 30.

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