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The Laffan news bureau was the first newsgathering association to send in a report of the bombardment of Porto Rico, and the account published in yesterday's Gazette was the most complete of any that reached this city in the morning papers yesterday.

Dr John Gutleras, professor of pathology in the University of Pennsylvania, and eminent as a yellow fever expert, who is to act as medical adviser to the commander of the army in Cuba, says as to the dangers which may beset troops in Cuba, and the precautions which should be adopted: "It is possible to prevent the infection of military garrisons, though whether it can be done in a campaign remains to be seen. Yellow fever is circumscribed within certain areas, and if it is possible to keep the troops away from those areas there will be little danger of infection. Contrary to the prevailing idea, altitude does not govern the disease. There are no extremely high altitudes in Cuba, and yet there are places where there is no yellow fever. In some places on the coast the disease is not to be found. As a general rule the more important the town, the greater its commercial activity, the more infected it is. Yet a congregation of people in the interior could not originate yellow fever. The cities where the disease prevails are infected because they are permanently inhabited by a crowd. Still the disease may be carried to a garrison from an infected town. To guard against this the troops must be placed by themselves, in uninfected places, and they must not communicate with infected places. Then, too, no depot of supplies should be placed in an infected port. This, of course, is a desideratum that it may be difficult to obtain for strategic reasons. Ideal conditions are not always possible in a military campaign. Whether or not yellow fever can be kept from the troops depends entirely upon whether these plans can be carried out."

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POLITICAL CRIME.

A notable book has been given to the world under the above title by Louis Froal, who is said to be a type of an upright judge, a type which, in spite of abuses, may be found in the judiciary of every country. The argument of the book is that enduring fame and greatness come rather from love of humanity than from love of power, and that love of power is the base of all political crime. From it came Machiavellism, with its double morality, its base maxims, its deceit, its "reasons of state." It existed, as Mr. Froal says, long before the time of the great Florentine, who dowered it with his name. Sparta, Athens, Rome were all given up largely to the worship of it, as were Spain, England, Germany, and France in the sixteenth century when the doctrine ran riot over Europe. Mr. Froal's illustrations are naturally taken mostly from French history, and here he shows how, on the one hand, the kings and statesmen of France, Louis XIV, Richelieu, Mazarin and De Retz, were all pupils of the Florentine sophist, while the really good and great men of France, Feneion, Bousquet, Massillon, Mably, all tried to combat this fatal doctrine.

He cites St. Louis, Henry IV, Sully, Turgot, Franklin and Washington to show that it is possible to be a "great king, a great minister, a great citizen, and at the same time an honest man."

He says of France and Italy, what applies equally as well to the United States, that parliamentary scandals "have done more for the progress of revolutionary socialism and anarchism than twenty years of propaganda. Fortunes ill-acquired and ill-employed scandalize and irritate the poor. The politicians who are guilty of venality and the rich who do not deserve respect are largely responsible for the progress of anarchism."

He gives political hatreds and political hypocrisy among the evils which flow from love of power, and illustrates from history the terrible and far-reaching consequences of these vices. Corruption and bribery, too, are traced to the same source.

He contrasts the contemporary careers of Napoleon and Washington, and pays a noble tribute to the great American. On the one hand a man of gigantic intellect permitted his policy to be determined by intellect and ambition solely. He was a scourge to France and mankind, and his Machiavellism filled Europe with misery and ruin. Washington was fundamentally a great hearted gentleman living in Virginia, whose life was rooted in moral purpose, and his noble common sense determined his policy. How will the wonderful Corsican stand in history, as compared with the upright Virginia planter? How will mankind, as long as the world lasts, compare the respective results of their policies? It appears certain that the really great statesman is not usually a man of lofty genius, but of firm character and sound common sense judgement. The success in the working of democratic institutions will largely depend on the ability of the people to see this and prefer character to brilliancy. National interests should never be allowed to override the interests of mankind. In a word, morality must rule all through, it being as expedient as it is right. "Science without conscience," Rabalais has said, "is the ruin of the soul. Politics without morality are the ruin of society."

The book as a whole is a timely protest and warning for republican America as well as for republican France; and that clear-eyed men of intellect and position hold these principles before their fellow-countrymen and before humanity at large gives hope for the progress of true democratic institutions.

TOPICS OF TODAY.

General Roy Stone, of the good roads bureau of the agricultural department, will accompany the army of invasion in Cuba, and will take with him improved road building machinery for use there. General Stone, who was a gallant commander during the civil war and led the famous Buck Tail regiment of Pennsylvania, will direct the construction of roads and the use of machinery which, it is thought, can also be utilized in the construction of fortifications, especially the trenches. He is an expert road-builder and his new duties are largely due to his presentation of the advantages good roads would have been to the union forces during the civil war. General Stone believes that the roads he will construct will not only materially aid the movement of the armies, but that they will remain a permanent improvement to be enjoyed by the people of Cuba after peace is restored.

The streets of Manila are so modern as to be quite out of keeping with the general appearance of the town. They are perfectly straight, macadamized and provided with ample granite walks. Of these the Escobito and the Rosario

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are the best. In both there are excellent shops kept by Chinese merchants, most of whom come from Amoy. Tin roofed houses line each side of both thoroughfares.

War is now a science, both mathematical and engineering, and the Spanish are signally wanting in scientific attainments. On the other hand, we are so fortunate as to grasp the meaning and force of modern ideas, to realize that by applied science we can easily accomplish results otherwise unattainable. Thus, for example, the use of that American invention, "the range finder," on our warships, a device by the employment of which the certainty of our fire is tremendously increased, is simply adapting scientific knowledge to practical purposes, just as it would be so adapted in a coal mine, an iron foundry, a cotton mill or a grain elevator. This utilization of machinery and scientific methods is characteristic of us as a people. It accounts in time of peace for the enormous growth of wealth by the development it has permitted of our natural resources, and in time of war it permits us to quickly secure advantages by mechanical means that would be impossible in the case of a nation not thus gifted.—Boston Herald.

Captain Alfred T. Mahan has written a paper for the June number of the Century on the causes of the failure of the Spanish armada. It accompanies an illustrated article giving the story of the famous catastrophe, based on manuscript records and on the narratives of survivors and other Spanish documents.

This number of the Century will contain several other articles of equal timeliness.

"I regard this war," said President Capen, of Tufts College, in his address to the students, "as the most holy war ever undertaken; not for political glory but simply in behalf of humanity. It is a grand case of national self-denial; it is not our politicians or our diplomats, but the people who have placed us where we are in this war to succor the starving and to free the oppressed."

POSTSCRIPTS.

—A plant has been erected in the state of South Carolina costing about \$75,000 and will be operated in making carpets.

—The people of Georgia will celebrate Jefferson Davis' birthday on Friday, June 3, and it is hardly necessary to say that the celebration this year will be one of the liveliest that the state has known.

—The London Daily News publishes a despatch from a point beyond the Italian frontier, confirming the censored telegram from its Milan correspondent as to the fighting at Milan. According to this communication, between 100 and 200 were killed on Saturday, more on Sunday, and still more yesterday (Monday). Hundreds are wounded and dying, the new bullet used by the troops having the effect of explosive balls.

—The cruiser Minneapolis finished coaling this evening and rejoined the flying squadron at Old Point. It is reported that the Minneapolis lost one of her guns while coaling. According to the rumor, the gun was being adjusted on its carriage, when it slipped and fell overboard. The fact that the cruiser remained in the stream several hours after she had finished coaling adds color to the report, which officers of the vessel decline to affirm or deny.

—Bob Arthur, a citizen of Chattanooga, thought to have some fun with two mountaineers the other day by telling them that he was a Spanish spy and wanted to enlist them in a plot to blow up the United States army at Chickamauga. One of the countrymen, who was slightly intoxicated, hauled off and knocked Bob down, beating him fearfully and calling for the police. "By gad, I'm an American citizen and no infernal dago can talk treason to me," said he.

—Advices from Milan give details of the arrest of 200 rioters in a monastery there on Tuesday. It appears that the students from Pavia, who joined in the disturbances, entrenched themselves in the Capuchin monastery and while a detachment of troops were passing fired upon them. The military authorities sent two field guns to the scene, opened fire on the monastery, made a breach in its walls, and entered the building; but the students escaped. All the monks were arrested, and they will be imprisoned previously to being distributed among the other monasteries of the order. For the present the monks will be held at the disposal of the military authorities.

—Washington, May 12.—Interest is being manifested by senators and representatives in the decision of the supreme court by which the vital features of the South Carolina dispensary law


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—The president has made the following appointments, among others: To be assistant adjutant general with the rank of captain, Charles R. Miller, of Ohio; William Astor Chanler, of New York; Erskine Hewitt, of New York; Walter L. Bouve, of Massachusetts; Fred M. Alger, of Michigan; James G. Blaine, Jr., of Maine, and W. B. Allison, of Iowa. To be judge advocate with rank of lieutenant colonel, Capt. Fayette W. Roe, Third Infantry; Capt. Edgar S. Dudley, assistant quartermaster; Andrew C. Gray, of Delaware; John A. Hall, of Iowa; E. J. Hill, of Connecticut; Charles L. Jewett, of Indiana, and Charles H. Ribble, of New York. Lieutenant colonel, former Police Commissioner, A. D. Andrews, of New York.

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