The few days of rain and coll had the tendency of making indoor amusements more enjoyable, bu the return of clear weather will the sunshine of our low prices have enlivened activities in the busines walks of Asheville life. Rattle of yard sticks, clicking of scissors and general hustling around at our place make stirring scenes with us. Our dissolution sale is at its zenith now and draws customers from all quarters. This is a heavy lick on new and Seasonable Goods the gainers. For this week's beginning read carefully the following.

NEWEST THINGS

assortment Corsets-ask for our newest ones-they are comfort producers.

Fans from 1c. to \$3.50, belts, all kinds, Kid Gloves warranted for \$1. One lot 6oc Ribbon's reduced to 25c, Grenadine effect. Best assortment Ladies' purses in town, and for less money. Black, tan and fancy hose. Big drive in Ladies' muslin underwear. Latest styles in collars and cuffs, all kinds.

Handkerchiefs. Ladies Silk Walsts, Silk Skirts, Silk Capes, HOUSE WRAPPERS.

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in price, but cheaper in the end, are good goods. Try our

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'Tis free from adulteration, absolutely white and the price is right for this grade of flour.

75 cts for 24 pounds \$1.50 " 48 " DE5.75 " a barrel

G. A. GREER.

Fine Groceries,

SPAIN LAYING TORPEDOES

Preparations for Coast D(-|gratitude of the nation. The hearts of iense-Press Censorship

Madrid, July 16 .- Newspapers today are conspicious on account of the blank spaces in their columns, denoting suppressions by the government censors. Three regiments have been Algeciras.

Active preparations for coast defence are being made and long lines of torpe does have been laid in Barcelona channel and other harbors.

NELCOME TO INJURED

New York, July 16 .- The transport, Olivette, arrived with two hundred and fifty wounded soldiers tonight. One hundred o fthe worst injured were con veyed to the Marine hospital.

Big crowds along the shore tendered a great welcome to the soldiers of Santiago fame.

Smoke Remember the Maine cigar. Best 5c. cigar on earth.

Wanted to Retain the Arms of His Soldiers but Finally Agreed to Give Them Up.

but our friends and customers are All Spanish Troops in Santiago Province Except Luque's Command of 10,000 Surrendered Guns and Defenses of City to be Yielded in Good Order.

Ladies summer under wear, large Spaniards Will Help Take up the Mines in the Harbor ... Sampson Won't Let any Ship but Red Cross Enter -- Refugees Turned Back.

Siboney, July 15.-After several conferences the agreement for Santiago's surrender was signed at four o'clock this afternoon, Toral withdrawing the demand for the retention of arms. first he insisted he could not do this without authority from Madrid but finally consented to sign, conditionally on the approval of his action later. the harbor mines. These are the terms agreed upon:

nto Santiago city. American infantry to patrol the roads unding the city. Our hospital corps to attend the sick

and wounded Spanish soldiers. All Spanish troops in Santiago province ,except 10,000 under General Luque at Holquin, to come to Santiago

The guns and defences of the city to be turned over in good condition. Americans to have full control of the Juragua railroad.

their arms. All Spaniards to be conveyed to Spain and to take portable church property.

The Spanish troops to surrender

Spaniards to co-operate in destroying A courier conveyed the treaty to Gen-Twenty thousand refugees to go back eral Miles, who approved it. Captain

General Blanco telegraphed approval. When the fleet learned the news every ship volunteered to be the first to enter the harbor. Sampson refused per mission, thinking it was now unnecessary for any ship to go nearer the city. The Red Cross ship Texas, bearing Clara Barton and supplies, will probat the large number of wounded at San bly be the first to enter.

TO SHAFTER

Thanks and Praise to the Conqueror.

Washinton, July 16.-Shafter this morning cabled: "The Spanish have surrendered. Particulars later."

He later transmitted a puzzling des patch from Toral, wherein the latter apparently asked that the Spaniards be allowed to retain their arms, but the English was so bad that it is hardly decipherable.

The president cabled the American people's profound thanks to Shafter for his achievements at Santiago.

The despatch was as follows: "To Shafter, commanding:

"The president of the United States sends to you and your brave army the profound thanks of the American people for the brilliant achievements at Santiago, resulting in the surrender of the city and all the Spanish troops and territory under General Total. Your splendid command has endured not only the hardships and sacrifices incident to a campaign and battle, but in the stress of heat and weather, has triumphed over obstacles which have overcome men less brave and determined. One and all displayed most conspicuous gallantry and earned the the people turn with tender sympathy to the sick and wounded. May the Father of mercies comfort and protect

McKINLEY.

Secretary Alger cabled: "To Shafter: I cannot express words my gratitude to you and your diers. heroic men. Your work has been well done. God bless you all.

McKinley and Alger Cable Rush Order Reached Tampa Last Night-Will Leave

Tampa, July 16 .- An order reached General Coppinger at eight o'clock tonight to rush to Santiago all the artillery now at camp here. General Coppinger immediately ordered the second fourth, sixth and seventh artillery regi ments, both heavy and light batteries, to break camp and proceed to Port Tampa.

Monday-

The order came like a thunder clap. There is now in port three available transports. The heavy guns will be taken there early tomorrow and the transports will saft before Monday

PROSTRATED ON THE MARCH

Soldiers at Charleston Suffer From Heat in Large

Numbers_Some May Die.

Charleston, S. C., July 16 .- The three regiments in camp here today were put through an experience that caused five hundred of them to fall over exhausted from the heat.

At 7 a. m. General Ernest ordered a ten mile march through the broiling sun. Before half of it had finished, the in roadways were lined with panting sol-

Fully five hundred dropped out. Many had to be removed to the hospital. Tonight it is claimed that some may die.

ESTABLISHED 1886.

A Special Private Institution for the Treatment of Lung and Throat Diseases.

KARL von RUCK, M. D., Medical Director. RATES, 632.50 PER WEEK and upward, according to the room selected includes everything excepting medicines, which are supplied at cost certain number of rooms are reserved at a lower rate for patient whose financial circumstances require it, and to such the medicines are certain number of rooms are reserved at a lower rate for patients whose financial circumstances require it, and to such the medicines are also included. Patients can enter and leave at any time. Advanced cases not similted.

ry Troops to the Points of Debarkation.

Washington, July 16 .- Today's cabi net war council discussed the early embarkation of the Porto Rico expedition. General Brooke arrived in time to be consulted.

Four raffroads have been asked to an range to convey troops to Newport News and New York. It is probable that all the troops will leave those ports Later in the day General Brooke arcommissary details. The eight Atlantic transport line ships recently secured are to carry the troops, and the cruiser St. Paul, Harvard, Yale St. Louis will be likewise utilized.

It was decided to hurry the arrange ments so that the expedition could start in the week.

Seven regiments of troops from camp bulk of the expedition. It is doubtful that many will go from Tampa.

An extraordinary number of nurses and surgeons are to go as a result of

charge with General Brooke as secon in command.

The report that the monitor, Monadnock, will stop enroute to Manila to capture the Caroline islands was prac tically confirmed today.

Although the Caroline forts are bet ter than the Ladrones, no trouble seizing them is expected.

READY TO SAI

Question of Utilizing Transports for onveying the Spaniards the Only Cause of Delay.

Washington, July 16 .- It is announced that Watson's fleet is mobilized at Santiago awaiting sailing orders for an immediate start.

The order to sail is merely delayed until the problem of utilizing transports for transhipping the Spanish prisoners is determined.

Brush With the Enemy

That may suit our boys in Cuba, but it isn't what we are looking for when the "brush" is to be used on our teeth and the enemy is the loose bristles which are always breaking off in our mouths and making us wish that profanity were not so wicked.

We Fairly Bristle with Pride

when we talk about the bristle in our special assortment of fine American and English made tooth brushes which we have lately received and are selling at 25 and 35 cents. brushes will stand any amoun of wear; there being no loos bristles. We have all sizes and styles and from the softest, vei vety kind to the stiffest sorts.

PARAGON PHARMACY

Cor Pation Ave and Haywood St Jacobbooks occupation

Four Railroads Asked to Car- Departure This Morning for Garrison Duty in Southern Ports.

Raleigh, N. C., July 16.—The six comanies of the Second regiment ordered to proceed to Southern points for garrison duty will leave here at 6 o'clock tomorrow morning. The order to that effect was received today. They go to four stations as follows: Company A, of Fayetteville, to Tybee Island, Ga., Company C, from Lenoir, and Company I, of Tarboro, to Fort St. Francis. St. Augustine, Fla., Company D. from Greensboro, to Port Royal; Company F, of Lumber Ridge, and Company M, of Murphy, to McPherson Barracks, Atlanta. Major John W. Cot ton and Adjutant Bradley T. Wooten go to Fort St. Francis, and Major Wilder goes to Tybee. Headquarters, band and six companies of the regiment remain here for the present. Colonel Burgwyn deeply regrets this division of the regiment, which he earnestly desired to go to the front as an entirety.

Alger and Chickamauga will form the Mresident McKinley was for a While Impatient With Shafter for Letting Toral Temporize.

Washington, July 16.-The government tonight received from General Shafter the following:

"The surrender has been definitely settled. Arms will be turned over toand American flag hoisted."

sage to the president: "I thank you in its different phases. and the army thanks you for congratusay that everyone in it performed his geant in charge of the squad is a son duty gallantly. Your message will be of General Langstaff, of Memphis, who read to every regiment at noon tomor-

In one of his despatches today Shafter stated that the Spanish laid down their arms on conditions that the government would be satisfied with the formality and would give them back. The American commissioners recommended that the government give this concession, but the president refused. He contends the surrender was unconditional, the promise to return the enemy to Spain being merely a generous proposition and to share expense of their maintenance here . Shafter was told that the president was tired of the way he has permitted Toral to temporize and that unless the surrender negotiations were speedily closed Shafter would be relieved of command and Miles substituted. Shafter thereupon hurriedly settled the terms.

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Major Summers and Squad of Immunes En Route to Santiago.

He is the Man Who Stamped out the Great Memphis Epidemic of 1878,

Says There is no Cause for Alarm--Cuban Fever Mild -Seven out of Ten Afflicted Will Recover.

Declares That Yellow Jack is not as Bad as Other Camp Illness -Camp the Best Place to Fight It.

New York, July 16.-Major Thomas O. Summers of Memphis, surgeon of the Second Tennessee volunteers arrived today with a sergeant and twenty-five members of his regiment enroute to Santiago. He and his men are yellow fever immunes.

Major Summers has been selected to take full charge of the treatment of the yellow fever patients at Santiago. He General Miles will have personal morrow morning and troops be marched was chief of he medical staff during the out as prisoners of war. Spanish col- great yellow fever epidemic at Memphis ors will be hauled down at nine o'clock in 1878. Later he was chairman of the commission appointed by the govern-Shafter sent also the following mes- ment to study and report on the disease

> Of the men whom he brought, six are latory telegram today. I am proud to trained yellow fever nurses. The serwas chairman of the relief committee during the epidemic there.

When asked about the situation in Santiago Major Summers said:

"A great deal of unnecessary alarm has been occasioned by the published reports that yellow fever has broken out in the army.

"The type of yellow fever which develops in Cuba is exremely mild and not anywhere near so dangerous as camp dysentery, which is prevalent in every camp and of which nothing is

"Had I a son or other relatives in the army before Santiago, I would infinitely prefer that he would be attacked by yellow fever than by dysentery.

"The best possible place to treat yellow fever is in a military camp, and the best military camp in the world is the United States army camp. Very best facilities for treating the disease Why take the chances of drinking are at the disposal of the army surgeons If some one very near to me were suffering from yellow fever in Santiago, I would not have him moved from there if I could.

"Seven out of every ten there, perhaps more, with proper treatment, will

During a number of years of experiments, which demanded large outlays of cash, we have been trying to produce the native North Carolina gems, cut and mounted, at a figure to compete with the ordinary imported semi-pre-I clous stones. We have just succeeded in accomplishing what we consider a very important and difficult task and we can now offer to the public a beautiful line of native North Carolina gems that are better proportioned ans polished than any we have ever had, at prices about one half less than formerly. It is always our study and desire to furnish the public with the class of jewelry and aliver we are known al handling at the very lowest market

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