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The best evidence that peace is near is the conviction, becoming general, that there can be but little further glory for our arms in a war with Spain, she having proved herself a foe unworthy to cope with the United States. Meanness and brutality, fanaticism and cruelty have sapped her strength and her vaunted pride, now that the test has come, is confined to a very limited number of her inhabitants, the vast remainder being apparently callously indifferent to the blows of fate-and of the "American pigs."

It is a gratifying fact that the extra term of the Superior court is producing very satisfactory results. The Hammerslag and Whitlock cases which have for a number of years cumbered the docket and prevented progress of other cases to trial have been disposed of by the insistence of Judge Hoke. These were knotty cases and several of the parties interested were disposed to con-Judge Hoke declared there must be a trial. There was a trial and a result generally satisfactory, as lawsuits go, was reached.

The Chicago News thinks that Santiago is the most fortunately situated city in Cuba today, and the lesson of that fact will begin to make itself felt elsewhere in the island in a short time Of all Cuban cities Santiago alone can report an absence of suffering for the necessaries of life. In no other place of importance on the island are the poor receiving adequate relief. Good money is extremely scarce elsewhere in Cuba but within a few days, when Uncle Sam begins the disbursment of some\$2,000,000 to the American army, sound coin will be no rarity in Santiago. A large part of this money for the troops will find its way to the merchants of Santiago and it will mark the beginning of a business revival. With 30,000 strangers at her

environs liberally provided with money Santiago will have a sort of fair, while business in all other important cities of the island is starving. "At Santiago, in short," as the News observes, "there will be a beginning of that industrial and commercial revival which the rest of the island is destined to enjoy, after three years of devastating war, when, as at Santiago, the red-white-and-blue supplants the yellow-and-red banner

TOPICS OF TODAY.

All the papers in North Carolina endorse the appointment of H. G. Ewart as United States judge of the western district of North Carolina, except Butler's own paper.-Murphy Bulletin.

As a matter of economy the management of the street railway company of Vincennes, Ind., advertised for women to act as conductors. More than fifty applications were reseived, and five young women were selected out of the lot. The salary will be about \$5 a week, or \$20 a month. The uniform consists of a black suit of much the same pattern as that worn by girls in bicycling. All will weur caps inscribed "Gonduc-

POSTSCRIPTS.

-Colonel William J. Bryan has recently sent a telegram to Lincoln, Neb. positively refusing to allow his name to be used for the fusion nomination for governor.

The battleship Texas will probably be the first of the great ships which took part in the naval battle at Santiago to reach New York. Orders, navy yard to prepare for the docking of the Texas, which needs her bottom scraped and an overhauling. It is expected that the Iowa will follow her.

-The battle of Manila and the naval manoeuvers around Santiago are to be represented in aquatic spectacles at the Madison Square Garden, New York, under the direction of Imre Kiralfy, who has returned to this country to make the necesary arrangements. The show has been presented for some time at Earl Court, in London, in an immense tank holding 16,000,000 gallons of water, upon the surface of which sixty vessels manoeuver

-The British tramp steamship Tasso, from Antwerp July 10, arrived in New York. She brought in a cargo of rapid-fire guns, guncotton and ammunition. The records of the custom house yesterday showed that 83,-270 pounds of guncotton, 14 cases of guns and accessories, 14 pieces and cases of gun carriages and accessories, accessories consigned to William H. Riker had been passed free of duty.

BISMARCK IS DEAD.

(Continued from First Page.)

German Confederation, and, in 1870, brought about a coalition of the German powers against France, in consequence of a declaration of war having been declared by Napoleon III., against Prussia, on account of her interference in the succession to the Spanish crown. The German armies crossed the Rhine in August and after defeating the French in several obstinately fought battles, compelled the capitulation of the French emperor with his army at Sedan, and ultimately beseiged Paris, which city capitulated in the early part of 1871. For his services in the successful carrying out of this war, which resulted in the elevation of his master, William J., to the imperial crown of Germany. Bismarck was created Prince of the Empire in May, 1871. On March 18, 1890, he was deprived of his official positions in the Empire by William II., and was succeeded by General Von Caprivi. Since then he had no held office.

NOTICE.

By virtue of a power of sale contained in a certain deed of trust exetinue them as has been customary, but cuted to the undersigned trustee by Emaline Lawson on the 11th day of February, 1896, and registered in the office of the register of deeds of Madison county in book No. 6 of deeds of trust, at page 361, to secure the payment of a certain bond or note in said deed of trust described, default having been made in payment of principal and interest of said debt the undersigned trustee will, on Monday, the 5th day of September, 1898, at the court house door in the town of Marshall, Madison county, sell to the highesth bidder for cash the property conveyed in the said deed of trust and fully described in records above named in Madison county, N. C.

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The Newport at Cavite--And Other Transports Expected Soon-Refus-

> ed to Recognize Aguinaldo.

Cavite, July 26, via Hong Kong, July 30.-The transport Newport, with General Merritt on board, arrived yesterday having come alone at full speed since leaving her sister transports a

They are expected to arrive within four or fire days.

All hands on board the Newport were well. General Merrett thinks that the monitor, Monterery arrived today at Guam, in the Ladrones. She should arrive here in eight days.

General Merritt lunched with Admiral Dewey aboard the Olymphia yesterday. They discussed the situation fully and the general said afterwards that Admiral Dewey preferred to await the arrival of the Monterey before the beginning of the attack on Manila.

Reports are presistent here that th Spaniards will surrender whenever surrender is demanded. One report says that Captain General Augusti favors capitulation on August 1, if the Spanish have been received at the Brooklyn fleet has not then arrived, but feels in honor bound to make some show of re-

> Admiral Dewey thinks it is possible to take the city without the loss of a single life. He advises delay so as to have an overwhelming force.

> All reports from within the city show that the situation is growing worse Three foreigners were caught with passes from Captain General Augusti Provisions, one of them said, were very scarce in Manila and there was much sickness at first owing to the carlesness in eating fruits and drinking water.

Matters with reference to the insurgent leaders, Aguinaldo, are assuming a more definite and satisfactory shape. He attempted to delay Americans by re-using supplies and transports, 3 cases of cannon shot and 4 cases of but General Anderson issued peremptory orders and Aguinaldo gave in. Anderson has further refused to recognize Aguinaldo as dictator or the establishment of his government.

TO PORTO RICC

Fully Three Thousand Start in a Few Hours From Newport News ... More From Tampa.

Washington, July 30 .- It is expected by the officials of the war department that the second expedition for Newport News for Porto Rico will sail within about twenty-four hours.

Upon the arrival of this detachment General Miles' force will be increased by fully 3,000 troops being General Fred Grant's brigade comprising the First and Third Kentucky One hundred and sixtleth Indiana, Sixteenth Pennsylvania and Fourth Ohio.

Transports are on the way to Tampa from Santiago and after the arrival of General Coppinger's Fourth corps will embark for Porto Rico.

General Coppinger has been given per mission to go with the expedition.

The department expects to hear from General Miles tomorrow directly from the Port of Ponce office, where Lieutenant Colonel Allen is hastening the placing of cable instruments.

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An ominous cloud of smoke uprolled, Telling of how Cervera bold Was making a dash that fateful day, Daring for freedom the deadly fray, And Sampson eleven miles away.

Leading the desperate Spanish van The flagship Maria Teresa ran,

The Admiral's pennant at her peak, And crowding behind her, jowl by cheek,

The Oquendo, Colon, and Viscaya Came steaming out in grim array, And Sampson eleven miles away.

Then came those maritime dogs of war The terrible Pluton and flerce Furor, With dread torpedo and quick-fire

Well calculated to fight and run; But the little Gloucester bars their way And sinks them both in the fearful fray With Sampson seven miles away.

The Brooklyn, Texas and Iowa, And Oregon, too, were blazing away In style to make the Dons feel tired. The Spanish flagship was quickly

And soon beside the Oquendo lay, A burning wreck off Cabanas Bay, And Sampson only five miles away.

Then "Fighting Bob," of the Iowa, Took special charge of the Viscaya And chased her along the Cuban shore The pluckiest victim of the day, And Sampson only three miles away.

A half dozen miles or more, Until she sank in the smoke and spray

Like a frightened stag with hounds in chase

The Cristobal Colon kept her pace, But the Brooklyn balked her at every

With the Oregon banging away astern Until she beached on a Cuban cay And struck her flag to Commodore

With Sampson still one mile away.

But like his namesake of ancient day, Who thousands with his jawbone did

Bold Samoson came on the scene all

In time to claim everything in sight; And from his report it is safe to say He'd have won the victory that day If he had been forty miles away. -Willard Holcomb in Washington

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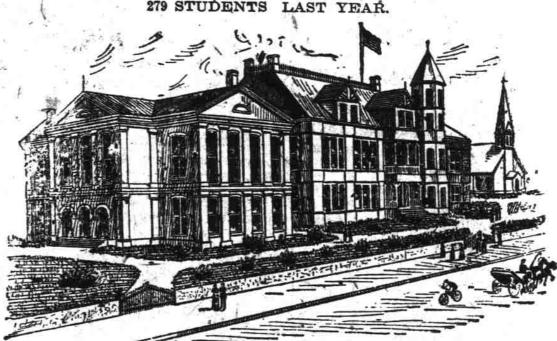
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