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Taffy, Assorted,
 Molasses Candy,
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ADJUDICATIONS FINISHED
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Judge will Charge Jury Today in Dickerson's Trial.

Murphy and Adams Appeal for Defendant.

Judge Bynum Forceibly Argues in Favor of Conviction.

Murphy Replies to Blackburn's Denunciations—Bynum Reviews the Note and Check Transactions.

At ten o'clock this morning Judge Purnell will charge the jury in the Dickerson case, and probably Mr. Penland's case will be taken up immediately.

Mr. J. D. Murphy resumed his argument when court opened yesterday morning in behalf of Dickerson.

Mr. Murphy said that he entered upon the case with charity for all. "I shall ask you to be merciful and charitable in your judgment of the acts of this defendant. A god man is ready at all times to put a charitable construction on acts of his fellow man. Your duty is a simple one. I shall ask you to put the construction on the acts in this case, that he was guilty of no wrong."

Mr. Murphy explained the nature of the charges against Mr. Dickerson. As to Dickerson's character where he was raised, Tax Collector Cunningham, of Richmond, said it was excellent. Mr. Wray and Mr. Hulse also said it was good in Richmond. "A good character is one of the best ornaments a man can wear. It had been shown that this defendant had it."

"They have indicted this defendant for drawing a check for a tombstone over the grave of R. T. Alvey. Mr. Blackburn yesterday chose to enter in to the sacred domain of the defendant's family affection. He said that Dickerson didn't leave enough money to erect a monument to the broken bank. This statement caused pain in the heart of every husband on this jury."

"My brother Blackburn saw fit to play upon 'secretary and treasurer.' He declared that he spoke it reverently, that if Dickerson ever got to heaven he would be secretary and treasurer of heaven in three days. Such a thought made every Christian man and woman tremble. If he had glanced at the rose on his lapel and thought who painted its colors he would have known that Almighty God did it. If Mr. Blackburn believes in the justice and truth of the Almighty he must quit talking about secretary and treasurer of heaven, or he will never know whether there is a secretary and treasurer in heaven or not."

"There is nothing peculiar or unusual about an overdraft. It is simply a credit extended to the bank's customer. The simple relation of debtor and creditor of the bank was thereby established between the bank and Mr. Dickerson. We say that if these checks were drawn with the consent of the president and cashier of the bank, then Dickerson is not to be held responsible for them. We say that Dickerson had no more authority than any one else to withdraw money from the bank. We say that there was an agreement as to how this money should be applied. I do not think the government ought to insist upon a verdict of guilty upon these counts. Dickerson did not have control and custody of the money and we earnestly contend that it has not been shown by any evidence that he had the control that would enable him to commit an embezzlement."

"We ask you to consider the fact that this 'thief, robber and perjurer,' as he was characterized by Mr. Blackburn, put into the vaults of that bank \$3,574 in clean cold cash during six months preceding the failure of the bank. On July 29, the day before the bank failed, this 'robber, thief and perjurer' put into the bank \$501 in cold cash, and yet Mr. Holton says on the last day he grabbed \$27."

"Another potent, powerful fact is that during July, 1897, he deposited \$1,994 more in actual cash than he drew out. Doesn't that look like he was doing all he could to save the bank?"

FIND TOWNS DESERTED

Filipinos Fall Back on Malolos, leaving Devastated Country.

Our Troops Within Eight Miles of the Rebel Capital.

List of Our Losses in Yesterday's Fighting.

Much Difficulty Experienced by Troops in Crossing the River at Guiguinto.

Laffan Bureau Despatch.

Manila, Wednesday, March 29.—MacArthur's division at 6 o'clock this morning advanced from Marilao, Hale's brigade being on the right and Otis' on the left of the railroad.

The First Nebraska made a long detour to the right, clearing several small villages of inhabitants. The First South Dakota, the First Montana and the Twentieth Kansas encountered a small body of the enemy near the river but quickly routed them and continued the advance.

At 7:30 the Americans entered the town but found the town deserted. The river here presented some difficulty to the advance of the artillery, but the guns were bumped over the rough bridge and the mules crossed by swimming.

The troops rested at Bocave until 11:45 when the advance continued. No opposition was encountered, though the country admitted of strong defense.

When Bigoa, eight miles from Malolos, was reached the enemy was nowhere in sight.

During the advance four Americans were killed and thirty wounded. The Tenth Pennsylvania lost one killed and six wounded; the Twentieth Kansas, seven wounded, including an officer; the First South Dakota, one wounded; the First Nebraska, one killed and eleven wounded.

SCENE OF DESOLATION.

Associated Press Despatch.

Manila, March 29.—The country between Marilao and Manila presents a picture of desolation. Smoke is curling from hundreds of ash heaps and the remains of trees and fences torn by shrapnel are to be seen everywhere. The general appearance of the country is as if it had been swept by a cyclone. Roads are strewn with furniture and clothing dropped in flight by the Filipinos. The only persons remaining are a few aged persons, too infirm to escape. They camp beside the ruins of former homes, begging the passers-by for any kind of assistance. A majority of them are living on the generosity of our soldiers, who gave them portions of their rations.

The bodies of dead Filipinos are stranded in shallows of the river or are resting in a jungle, where they crawled to die or were left in the wake of the hurriedly retreating army. The bodies give forth a horrible odor, but there is no time at present to bury.

The inhabitants who fled from Marilao and Meycauyan left in such a panic that on the tables our soldiers found spread money and valuables and in the rooms trunks containing valuables. This is the case in most of the houses deserted. They were not molested by our soldiers but the Chinese who

slip in between the armies, are looting when they can and have taken possession of several houses, over which they raised Chinese flags, some of which were torn down.

The rebels burned villages as they retreated in bad order toward Malolos. The enemy also tore up sections of the railroad in many places and attempted to burn the bridges at Bigoa, but the fire was extinguished owing to the timely arrival of the Americans.

The rebels had not finished the trenches along the line of today's march, showing that they were not prepared for our advance.

LATE ADVICES FROM OTIS

Washington, March 29.—The following from Otis was received this morning:

Manila, March 29.—Adjutant General, Washington: MacArthur's advance yesterday was only to the outskirts of Marilao. It took until late in the afternoon to repair the road and the railway bridges and send cars through with supplies. The command will march at 6 this morning. It will march rapidly to Bocave and will continue to Bigoa, seven miles from Malolos. The enemy destroyed the railway and telegraph lines. A construction train is following our forces. The enemy's resistance was not so vigorous today. Our loss, thus far is light. The towns in front of our advance are being destroyed by fire. Troops are in excellent spirits. (Signed) Otis.

Washington, March 29.—The following was received late tonight from Otis, dated March 30:

"MacArthur advanced at 6 yesterday morning. He passed rapidly to Bocave. At 11:45 he took up advance for Bigoa and at 3:15 in the afternoon started for Guiguinto, three and a half miles from Malolos, reaching that point at 5:15. The casualties for the day number about seventy. There was fierce fighting in the afternoon. The troops made the crossing of the river at Guiguinto by working the artillery over the railroad bridge by hand and swimming mules against a fierce resistance. The column will pass on the railroad to the extreme front, which is nearly repaired, and will resupply today."

TRANSPORT MAY RETURN TO THE UNITED STATES

and Bring Back the Three Millions if the Cuban Assembly Does Not Yield.

Havana, March 29.—It is probable that if the assembly does not yield soon and remove the obstacles to a disbandment of the army the transport Burnside, on which is the three millions destined for the troops, will be ordered to return to the United States with the money.

General Brooke is conferring with prominent Cubans concerning the advisability of changing the seat of government to Santa Clara.

The transport Ingalls left for Genoa, where it will await Alger, who has gone via Matanzas.

COWBOYS KILLED BY CONSTABLE

Brandon, Tex., March 29.—Bob Lynch and Bob Finch, cowboys, who have been long recognized as terrors in North Texas, rode into town yesterday and started in on a spree, during which they used their revolvers freely. Constable Hawks interfered and killed both.

GENERAL FLAGLER DEAD.

Norfolk, Va., March 29.—General Flagler, chief of ordnance, United States army, died this evening at Old Point Comfort. He had been quite sick for some time but showed improvement within the past few days.

A GOOD THING on Buckwheat cakes is our best N. O. Molasses. We sell it at a reasonable price. KROGER, next the market.

WOOD'S SEEDS.

Wood's seeds are peculiarly adapted to the soil and climate of the South. Sold at Grant's pharmacy.

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FOR THE PEOPLE OF ASHEVILLE.

I have made up my mind to go to Porto Rico. I will close out my entire stock at 25 per cent. less than cost. Clothing, hats, fur, trunks, boots and underwear, merchant tailor's cloth and cloth for ladies' tailor made suits, also store pictures. Entire stock must go.

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WARSHIPS OPEN FIRE

At the Instigation of American and British Consuls.

Samoa Being Bombarded and Inhabitants Seeking Refuge.

Proclamation Ordering Mataafa's Adherents Return, and an Ultimatum Sent to Their Leaders—Another British Cruiser Ordered.

Apia, Samoa, March 28.—The chiefs supporting Mataafa having refused to abide by the treaty and continuing to defy it, Admiral Kautz convened a meeting of consuls and senior naval officers on board the Philadelphia, at which it was decided to dismiss the provisional government. Kautz thereupon issued a proclamation ordering Mataafa's adherents to return to their homes. Mataafa thereupon went inland, but when German Consul Rose issued a proclamation upholding the provisional government, he returned with his followers and surrounded the town.

The British cruiser Royalist meanwhile brought a number of Malletoan prisoners from the islands where they had been confined by Mataafaites. The Americans fortified Muluu and 2,000 Malletoans refuted there.

The Mataafans barricaded the roads within the municipality and seized a number of houses belonging to British subjects.

An ultimatum was sent to their leaders warning them that if they did not evacuate by 1 o'clock March 15 the place would be bombarded. To this the Mataafans made no reply but began an attack on the Malletoans.

The American and British consuls consulted and at their instance the Philadelphia and the British warships Royalist and Porpoise opened fire and soon set fire to some shore villages causing much damage. A defective shell from the Philadelphia exploded near the American consulate, wounding a marine.

The rebels attacked the town at night, killing three British sailors. A British marine was accidentally wounded by a British sentry. An American sentry was killed at his post by natives.

The bombardment has been continuing slowly for eight days.

Many of the inhabitants have sought refuge on the Royalist and many are leaving Samoa under the advice of the captain of the Royalist, who feared their presence would impede military operations.

A piece of defective shell went through the German consulate, causing great destruction. The Germans then boarded a German warship. A hot fire into the jungle is maintained. It is impossible to learn the casualties.

The Porpoise has shelled villages east

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The Boston Shoe Store
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Will offer for the next week special prices on all goods, as an advertisement being a new firm with new goods, recently bought direct from factories. These special prices are given as an inducement to you. Why not take advantage of this advertisement and buy your shoes, trunks, etc., of us. A cordial invitation to all whether you intend buying or not.

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