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## WHAT WE HOLD IN THE PHILIPPINES.

Luzon, the principal island of the Philippine archipelago, contains 42,000 square miles. Adding up our total possessions on this island, after nearly a year of incessant fighting by the American army, we find that our army occupies only 117 square miles of the area. Not a creditable showing, to be sure. Our greatest strength is at Manila, which is held by our army for a distance of five miles around the city. We also hold the Manila & Dagupan railroad for a distance of eighteen miles out of Manila. With the exception of a few small points on the lake, captured by General Lawton, this is our total strength on the island, where our forces have been centered.

Outside of Luzon the insurrection appears to be growing. The insurgents hold several important ports in Mindanao, which is, next to Luzon, the largest and most important island in the Philippines. This island is said to be very rich in gold and silver mines, and iron, copper and other minerals, besides possessing wonderful forests of hard wood. So far General Otis has sent no troops to the island and no Americans have ventured there.

Upon the whole it appears that the insurgents appear to be well satisfied with the present condition of affairs. Their congress has just returned a communication to the American peace commission, declaring that while they would have accepted autonomy from our government if they had been properly dealt with at first, they will now consider no proposition except independence. With almost 42,000 miles of territory from which to draw supplies and with boats coming in without any opposition from Hong Kong, Japan and from Central and South America and Australia, the insurgents probably are doing well as far as supplies are concerned.

WE HAVE received a copy of The Moore County Tribune, published at Carthage by Mr. H. A. Foote, formerly editor of the High Point Citizen and later of the Thomasville Tribune. The Tribune contains much local and general news and is neatly printed. It has our best wishes.

DOUBTLESS Mark Hanna is a skillful political manager and organizer, but his greatness does not go to the extent of showing to himself what his limitations are. He is not a good speech-maker. He probably never delivered an address that did not harm the cause he advocated.

THE trouble Mark Hanna is experiencing in trying to hold the President's own state loyal to the administration is small in comparison with the job he will have on his hands next year when he attempts to hold the entire union in line.

IT APPEARS that the Asheville Gazette, which claims to be a Democratic paper, has sold itself, body and soul, to the Republican party for a money consideration.

CUBA is not yet ready for self-government, say the imperialists. Translated, this means that the imperialists are not yet ready to relinquish their grasp on Cuba.

## THE SOUTH AFRICAN WAR.

The Boers Have Plenty of Men and Appear to Hold Their Own.

Many of the reports from the war in South Africa are conflicting and it is hard to get at the truth of the exact situation, but it is evident that the English are finding that the subjugation of the Boers will take time and that the task will be more than child's play. Late reports say that a Boer army estimated to number 30,000 men is closing in on the town of Ladysmith, Natal, and has posted artillery within 4,500 yards of the British. General White, the commander of the English forces at this point, has about 20,000 men with whom to meet the expected onslaught.

A British force under General French has been reconnoitering near Ladysmith and has exchanged shots with the burghers. It is supposed that this force went out with a view of striking a blow at a section of the Boer army, but found it too strong.

The Boers have cut off the Ladysmith water supply and a large pump has been erected with a view of supplying the town by means of wells. In their brief campaign the Boers have occupied one-fourth of Natal.

The Boers sent an envoy to Colonel Baden-Powell, commanding at Mafeking, Bechuanaland, asking if he was prepared to surrender. The Colonel replied in the negative. A British force, which made a sortie from Mafeking last Tuesday, was repulsed by the Boers.

The British are reported to be engaging German subaltern officers for service in Africa.

Firing commenced at Ladysmith early Monday morning, the Boers shelling Ladysmith with 40-pounders. After seven shots, the British guns succeeded in silencing the Boer fire.

A train load of English soldiers got within 1,900 yards of the Boers Monday. The Boers had driven in their horses on the approach of the train. Three Maxim belts were discharged into the Boers, who must have had considerable loss.

The Boers are said to have the best guns, though the English claim that their arms are more destructive.

Gen. Sir Redvers Buller, the commander-in-chief of the English forces in South Africa, has arrived at Cape Town with his staff.

Dispatches from London yesterday says that the Boers have won a big victory at Ladysmith. A whole column of British soldiers was captured, among the prisoners being forty-two English officers. The number of killed and wounded has not yet been ascertained.

## ADDITIONAL LOCAL.

Two Lectures by Prof. Holmes.

Greensboro people had the pleasure on last Thursday and Friday nights of hearing addresses by Prof. J. A. Holmes, of Chapel Hill, one of the most useful citizens of our state. The lectures were delivered in the chapel of the State Normal and Industrial College and were attended by many town people, in addition to the faculty and students of the institution. In his work as state geologist Prof. Holmes has accomplished much and made for himself a reputation that is not confined to the borders of North Carolina, and few men are able to impart their knowledge to others in a more pleasing manner.

Thursday night Prof. Holmes lectured on the mountains of the great West and of our own section, illustrating his remarks by stereopticon views. He drew distinct comparisons between the mountain ranges of the two sections, explaining the difference in the height of the peaks, the vegetation, scenery, etc. While there is a painful barrenness noticeable in many sections of the Rockies, our own mountains are beautiful in outline and covered by the most luxuriant foliage. The lecture was interesting and instructive throughout and was listened to with the closest attention.

Friday night he lectured before a large audience on "The Industrial Development of North Carolina." There is perhaps no man in our state more qualified to speak on this subject than Prof. Holmes, and he ably sustained his reputation on this occasion. His work takes him to all sections of North Carolina and his eyes are always open to advancement and improvement along all lines. He spoke of the rapidly growing cotton mill industry, the trucking interests of eastern North Carolina, and the immense water power of the state, displaying an accurate knowledge of the various industries of our state. He laid special stress upon the importance of good roads and good schools, saying that without these twin blessings no community can hope to achieve any great degree of permanent prosperity.

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## THE SCHOOL CENSUS.

Prof. Wharton Explains the Importance of Doing This Work Well.

EDITOR PATRIOT:—From numerous letters of inquiry received in regard to taking the census I infer that a good many of the committee do not thoroughly understand how it is to be done, notwithstanding the fact that I gave some plain rules in the blank forms sent out.

The board of school directors will base the appropriation to each township on the actual number of children going to the different schools in each township. Now this does not necessarily mean the number of school children living in each township. On account of the corner and border schools many children living in one township go to school in the adjoining township.

Every township should get the per capita of those who come from another township. Sometimes the loss and gain very nearly balance. Now the census reports should show, first, the actual number of children living in any district, but confined to the township in which the school house is situated. Second, if any children go out of their township to another this fact should be stated in a separate place. If this is carefully done, when all the reports are in I can easily make the adjustment, so that each township will get the per capita for the actual number of children going to the different schools in that township. Necessarily some townships will gain while others will lose, because more children will come into some townships than go out. But this does no injustice to any township, for if the census is carefully taken every child will get the benefit of the per capita, whether he goes to school in his own township or the adjoining; and in general there will be about as many coming in as going out. In most of the border schools and corner schools a committee has been appointed to represent the children in his own township who go to the adjoining township and the report should show, plainly stated, the names of those children and in what township they live. For example, the school at Alamance church being at the intersection of the township lines, committeemen have been appointed from three townships. These committeemen should see that every child entitled to go to the Alamance school be reported and it should be plainly shown what townships they come from. Many townships last year lost money by an incorrect report sent in. One township lost \$50. Sometimes children living near the boundary lines of school districts are numbered in both districts. Committeemen should see that this is not done and if they find out after they have sent in the report that this has been done a correction will be made if the superintendent is informed of it. It would be well for the committee to meet and examine the report before sending it in. In this way they may correct any errors made.

If in any township the trustees have neglected to fix the maximum monthly salary allowed each school, as the law requires, this should at once be attended to. As they will be required to reapportion the money allowed their township they should know what salary each teacher gets in order to apportion the money so as to equalize as far as practicable the school terms as required by law. This does not mean that the salaries shall be equal. Some schools, by reason of larger numbers, greater advancement of pupils and greater educational interest manifested, should be allowed larger monthly salaries, so as to get better teachers. It is to be feared that in some townships the salaries allowed are so small that only new and inexperienced teachers can be obtained, and older and better teachers refuse to teach at the prices. As we get nearly \$2,000 from the state this year more money will be appropriated this year than ever. This ought to give an average of over four months school and at the same time allow fair salaries to the teachers.

J. R. WHARTON,  
County Superintendent.

Well Pleased With Guilford.  
Rev. A. C. Forscht, a former citizen of the state of Maine, who moved to Guilford county last winter and settled at Morehead, where Jordan & Macdonald have located a prosperous colony of northern settlers, is well pleased with his surroundings and advises his northern friends to follow his example. He writes as follows in the last issue of the Southern Field, published at Washington city:

"I came to Morehead, N. C., just eight months ago and find the climate all that can be desired for health, especially for persons afflicted with weak lungs. The water is of the best, free from all alkali. The land is not hilly though slightly rolling, lying along the Southern Railway seven and one-half miles north of Greensboro, N. C., a town of 15,000 inhabitants. This land is very productive, if rightly cultivated. It is a red soil slightly mixed with sand with no rocks. The land will produce fifty bushels of corn to the acre, if planted the first week in April, with but little attention. It will bring good wheat. My experience with oats was good, having from thirty to forty-five bushels to the acre. My potatoes were very large without any fertilizer. We like our North Carolina home and are anxious for our Northern friends to settle with us."

Yesterday's storm on the coast of our state was very severe. At Wilmington, Newbern, Southport and several other places considerable damage was done. It is estimated that at and around Wilmington the damage will amount to \$75,000.

Currency reformers regard the great demand for gold certificates of the denomination of \$20 as an argument for a more elastic currency.

Charles L. Kurtz, the anti-Hanna Republican leader in Ohio, is aiding John R. McLean, the Democratic candidate for governor.

Vice-President Hobart is critically ill at his home at Paterson, N. J., and his death is momentarily expected.

A new bank is to be established in Mt. Airy at an early date. It will have a paid up capital of \$50,000.

A fresh revolution has broken out in Venezuela.

## Scrap Iron Wanted.

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## GREENSBORO MARKET REPORT.

CORRECTED WEEKLY BY  
JOHN J. PHOENIX.

Wholesale Receivers and Shippers of  
Country Produce.

### BUYING PRICES.

Beeswax	23 1/2
Chickens—old per lb.	5
Large spring chickens lb.	6
Small spring chickens lb.	6
Eggs	13 1/2
Feathers	12
Hides—dry	12
Green	7 1/2
Oats	15@30
Sheep Skins	3 1/2
Tallow	3 1/2
Wheat	3 1/2
Wool—washed	4
Unwashed	4
Dried Fruits	4
Corn, new	4
Flaxseed	4
Onions	4
Potatoes—Irish, new	4
Sweet	4
Rags—Cotton	4
Bones lb.	1/4

## New Goods!

New Prunes, New Figs, New Currants, New Raisins, New Citron, New Evaporated Peaches, &c.

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and continues through the entire week, while a few crumbs of comfort may be gathered here and there. Still, if you want a whole loaf of satisfaction come to Headquarters, where you'll find EVERYTHING HIGH CLASS BUT THE PRICE. We intend to make this a Conquering Defiance Sale INVINCIBLE BARGAIN LEADERSHIP. In other words a record breaker in our Dress Goods Department, which is the largest in this section. Come and see the goods and hear the prices. Don't miss it, whether you buy or not. Silks, Satins, Velvets, Serges, Crepons, Plaids, all up-to-date Novelties in Dress Goods, Linings, Hosiery, Ladies', Children's and Men's Cotton and Wool Underwear, all at prices where you will be glad to see them. Shoes, Rubbers, Clothing, Hats, Caps and Gents' Furnishings at prices that will put money in your pocket. But see our Linen Department. Don't miss this sale. In all departments you'll find masses of meritorious merchandise that will aid you in climbing the ladder of economy, every round counts, and, too, small economies build bank accounts. Come then and let us put a smile on your countenance this week at

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